

Thompson's Resort

GUEST PACKAGE 2021

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Adventure Destinations International (ADI) connects visitors from around the world with outstanding experiences in Canada's north. We specialize in year-round excursion options including fishing (fly in and drive in), retreat packages, outfitting, sightseeing, glamping, guided canoe and hiking adventures and providing opportunities for people to unplug and unwind at our properties nestled in the Saskatchewan's boreal forest.

ADI hosts guests at several properties located in Northern Saskatchewan in or near Missinipe, SK which is 80km (50 miles) north of La Ronge on a mostly paved road.

Thompson's Resort is located right in Missinipe and hosts 35 units of various sizes, from bachelor cabins housing a single person or couple up to our group cabins which can host up to 24. Thompson's Resort is located on the south shore of Otter Lake and this is the jumping off point to reach our fly in fishing destinations.

Twin Falls Lodge is a short fly-in (12 mins) from Thompson's Resort and is a jewel of the north. Packages are based on 3 day/3 night stay. The scenery is unbeatable, the fishing is excellent, and three portage lakes are available for guests to explore. We also have a hiking trails around the property and offer sightseeing tours to view Indigenous rock paintings along the Churchill River and to the local community of Stanley Mission.

ADI also operates four fly-in Outpost Camps, and has access to fly-in lakes:

Bill's Lake – our further outpost camp with the best fishing we have to offer with walleye, grayling, pike and trout. The Grand Slam of Fishing!

Upper Foster Lake – with two cabins and four boats, this is our most spacious outpost. This lake has a strong trout population and exceptional pike fishing.

Hickson Lake – one cabin with access to pike and trout. This lake is our most scenic and has access to nearby Indigenous rock paintings to view from your boat.

Dead Lake – two cabins, four boats and a beautiful beach! Dead Lake has excellent pike and walleye fishing.



Thompson’s Resort Guest Package

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Introduction

Greetings to our Thompson’s Resort guests! Your trip is fast approaching, please read through this package carefully to ensure you have completed all the necessary requirements prior to your trip. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us at 1-800-667-5554 or email us at reservations@adventuredestinations.ca and a representative will be happy to help.

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Trip Checklist

Fishing Licences

- ✓ Saskatchewan Fishing Licences can be purchased at the main lodge or can be purchased online before you arrive at the lodge. Your licences can be purchased online at: <https://saskatchewanlicences.active.com/licensing.page>

Packing

Packing Checklist

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| ✓ Rain gear with hood (jacket and pants) | ✓ Cameras and battery chargers |
| ✓ Layered clothing that can be added or removed throughout the day | ✓ Passport (for International guests) |
| ✓ Light to medium warmth jacket | ✓ Fishing rods, reel and tackle |
| ✓ Hat, gloves, outdoor footwear | ✓ Food (but we have a store onsite, the Churchill River Trading Post) |
| ✓ Sunglasses, sunscreen, lip balm, insect repellent | ✓ Alcohol (no off-sale in Missinipe but cabin delivery is available) |
| ✓ Personal toiletries and prescription medicine | ✓ Specialty cooking equipment (cabins are equipped with basic utensils and cooking equipment) |

Suggested Tackle List

All suggested tackle is available for sale at our store, the Churchill River Trading Post in Missinipe.

Northern Pike are a predator fish and will take large flashy lures similar to Lake Trout. We recommend the following tackle:

- 15 to 20 lb. fishing line with any reel that will hold heavy line on 6 to 7 ft. medium action rods
- Basic spoons (Five of Diamonds, Daredevil)
- Large, soft plastic suspending baits (Storm Wild-eye Suspending Swim Shad)
- Shallow running crankbaits (Minus-1, Rattlin' Rapala, X-Rap)
- Top water poppers, and prop baits
- Weed-less spoons (Johnson Silver Minnow) and soft plastics (Bass Assassins)
- Spinning lures (size 4 or 5) in silver, gold, yellow or red
- Make sure to pack plenty of 12" steel leaders

Walleye are moderately large and full-bodied fish with two distinct dorsal fins and their eyes possess a silvery reflective quality making them appear blind or 'wall-eyed'. We suggest anglers use:

- 6 to 6 ½ ft. medium action rods, with 8 lb. fishing line. For a different experience, ultra-light rods and reels are a lot of fun for walleye fishing.
- For tackle we suggest using 3/8 oz. lead heads with minnows or 3" to 4" plastic tails in yellow, chartreuse or white.

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Lake Trout are predator fish and are highly aggressive on large flashy lures. We recommend the following:

- Large soft plastic baits
- Large crankbaits (broken-bodied, Rapala X-Rap, Rapala Tail Dancer)
- Large spoons – 3” to 6” – Daredevil, Five of Diamonds, Half Wave
- Jigs (3/4 oz. to 2oz)



Travel

Driving to Thompson’s Resort in Missinipe, SK

For guests driving Thompson’s Resort, we are located 80 km (50 miles) north of La Ronge, Saskatchewan on the Can-Am #2 highway. The resort is in a settlement called Missinipe. The highway extends 30 km (20 miles) past La Ronge before changing to gravel for the remaining 50 km (30 miles) of the drive. There is only one road – you can’t get lost! Fuel is available in Missinipe at the Churchill River Trading Post.

City	Driving Distance	Approx. Time
Saskatoon	460km	5 hours
Regina	680km	7.5 hours
Edmonton	880km	12.5 hours
Calgary	1080km	12.5 hours
Winnipeg	1200km	14 hours

Flying to La Ronge

For guests wanting to fly to Thompson’s Resort (located in Missinipe), Rise Air offers flights to La Ronge from Saskatoon. Reservations can be made by contacting Rise Air by phone at 1 (800) 667-9356) and requesting the “fisherman’s rate”. Please let Thompson’s Resort front desk know if you intend to drive to Missinipe or fly in La Ronge 30 days prior to your reservation date.

We can also arrange to have transportation from La Ronge to Missinipe via float plane or taxi.

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The Experience

Arrival at Lodge

Check in at Thompson's Resort is 3:00 PM. When you arrive, we will quickly review your reservation, give you an orientation of the resort and "set-you-loose" for your trip!

Cabins

All cabins are equipped with kitchens, bathrooms, bedding and linens, towels, and outdoor barbeques. Additional descriptions of the cabins and their specific amenities can be found on our website.

Boat Rentals, Guides, Add-Ons

Boat rental: if you rent a boat a boat rental slip will be waiting for you to pick up at the front desk at Thompson's Resort main lodge to be taken with you to the dock. You will be required to sign a waiver before departing.

Guides are available for hire upon request. Please indicate if you would like a guide when making your reservation and we will be happy to arrange one for you. Although we do our best to meet all guest requests, it can be difficult to secure guides on short notice, so please let us know early. It is not mandatory, but we do recommend taking a guide on at least your first day to become oriented with the Otter Lake.

Day fly out trips begin with your flight departing around 8:00 AM. Please check in at the Front Desk when you arrive at Thompson's Resort and let us know you are booked for a flight. Depending on the size of your group, you will either be flying with our pilot at Thompson's Resort or with Osprey Wings.

The Restaurant

Rider game on? Just don't feel like cooking after a long day of fishing? Our restaurant has an amazing view and is open for dine in and pick up. Enjoy a brand-new menu for 2021.

Departing Day

Check out is 11:00 AM (or earlier, if you need to hit the road) Guests will pay the remaining balance of their stay if needed and have the opportunity to rebook the same dates for the following year.

Gratuities

We are often asked for suggestions on appropriate gratuities for the staff at our lodge. We recognize that tipping is a personal preference and we would hope that it reflects your satisfaction with the performance of the people receiving the gratuities.

A general guideline for gratuities:

Guides: \$100-\$150 per guide per day. This should be given directly to your guide at the end of your trip.

Lodge staff (Chef, server, housekeeping, maintenance): \$125-\$150 per guest per stay. This should be left with our Lodge Manager to ensure gratuities are distributed fairly between the lodge staff.

Other Activities

Day Fly-Out Fishing Excursions

Serious anglers should consider an exhilarating one-day fly-out trip to a remote backcountry lake! Each lake was chosen for its excellent fishery and is accessible by air only, ensuring that the lake is subject to minimal fishing pressure throughout the year. If you are looking for the best lake trout, northern pike and walleye fishing in the province (and maybe the country), our fly-out excursions are the way to go!

Scenic Tours

Interpretive Lake Tour: Escape for a few hours on a pontoon boat with a local guide and explore Otter Lake! \$100 per person for a three hour tour, minimum charge of 4 people.

Scenic Floatplane Tour: Take off from Otter Lake and fly over Twin Falls Lodge on your way to the majestic Nistowiak Falls and the historic church in Stanley Mission. \$250 per person for 45 minute tour, minimum 4 person charge.

Evening Lake Tour: Enjoy a relaxing cruise on a pontoon boat around Otter Lake with an incredible sunset view. \$20 per person for one hour cruise, minimum 4 person charge.

Otter Rapids

Otter Rapids are located a few kilometers north of Missinipe and are possibly the best known rapids on the Churchill River section of the old Voyageur highway. These class 3 rapids extend without a break for over 600m with waves over 2m high! They are best viewed from the bridge that crosses the rapids on Highway 102 or from the portage trail that runs the length of the rapids along the river's left hand shore.

Canoeing, Kayaking, Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Otter Lake and the Churchill River are home to world-class canoeing, kayaking, and stand-up paddle boarding. From short daytrips to multi-month expeditions, this area has it all! ADI is happy to arrange canoe and kayak rentals, and paddling advice. New to Thompson's Resort this year, guided full and half day paddle adventures.

Devil Lake Hiking Trail

The Devil Lake Hiking Trail follows a scenic 3.5 km route that connects the Otter Rapids Campground to the Devil Lake Campground. The hiking trail is well-marked and well-maintained and will take the average hiker approximately 45 minutes to an hour to hike one-way. The trailhead is located at the Otter Rapids Campground.

Fly-Fishing and Walk-In, stocked Trout Lakes

There are numerous hike-in stocked trout lakes in the Missinipe region that are perfect for fly-fishing. Check out Lussier Lake (brookies and brown trout), Mullock Lake (tiger trout and splake) and Berna and Feldspar Lake (rainbows) for some great still-water fishing!

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