

HIDDEN GEMS OF HURONIA

# Before You Go



## How does a surprise road trip work?



#### Pick a Date

We recommend doing the trip within **6 months** of receiving this road trip. Pay close attention to the 'When To Go' within the 'Navigating the Road' section of this booklet.



#### Get Ready

The only requirement is having a vehicle, GPS and a driver. The trip is completely **self-guided**, so nothing needs to be booked in advance.



#### **Check Updates**

Before leaving, please check **travel updates** on our website. This will provide you with any major changes to the itinerary.



#### Pack Your Bag

Please refer to the 'What to Pack' list in this booklet for items we recommend bringing with you.



#### Hit the Road!

Don't open the first envelope until you're ready to leave. Once you're finished at the first stop, you can open the second envelope. Four stops are included within your road trip.

## Your day ahead! Without giving away too many details.

We often include a variety of recommendations at each stop. You do not have to go to all of them, pick and choose what works best for you and your travel mates. If you can't get through all of the stops during the day - come back and explore them at a later date!





#### Time to Depart!

We recommend departing between 8:00 to 8:30 am. The later you leave, the less time you will have to explore all of the stops.

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#### Coffee & Haunted History

Recommended duration: 1 hour

Drive time to second stop: 12 - 22 minutes

\*Light food options are available at this stop

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#### **Trails or Treats?**

Recommended duration: 30 - 45 minutes Drive time to third stop: 7 - 22 minutes

\*One food option available at this stop

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#### Brews or Boos?

Recommended duration: 1 - 1.5 hours Drive time to fourth stop: 20 - 30 minutes

\*Multiple food options are available at this stop

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#### Choose Your Own Adventure

Recommended duration: 1 - 2 hours

\*Multiple food options are available at this stop

## Navigating the Road



#### When to Go

- This trip is best done **between** May - October. This trip can be done in the winter; however, some seasonal options will be closed.
- ✓) Best done between Thursday -Saturday. You can travel on Wednesday or Sunday; however, a few suggestions will be closed.



#### Stay Overnight

Head to the following link for a list of recommended accommodations close to the last stop.

#### guesswheretrips.com/pages/hotels

\*The link above will only reveal the general area where your trip will end.



#### **Itinerary Changes**

Descriptions, dates and hours may have changed since publishing the itinerary. Find out if changes have been made to your trip by heading to:

#### guesswheretrips.com/updates

Tip: scan below for the most updated trip!



#### Get the Digital Version

Every road trip package includes a QR code that you can scan to get the full digital version of the trip. This is a great option if you are traveling with a group of people in multiple cars!









#### What to Pack:

☐ A vehicle with a full tank of gas □ Reusable shopping bags Snowshoes in winter (optional) ☐ Comfortable walking/hiking footwear (boots for muddy trails) ☐ Some form of GPS device (ie. Google Maps) Cell phone charging cables ☐ Wallet (cash/coins might be required) ☐ Sunscreen (a number of easy outdoor activities)



☐ Your Guess Where Trips package

☐ Don't forget road trip music! Head

to GWT's road trip playlist on



#### About the Trip Creator

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#### Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the land you will be travelling on is the traditional unsurrendered territory of the Anishinabewaki and Mississauga people.

Guess Where Trips believes land acknowledgments are an important way of recognizing and expressing gratitude to the First Nations, Inuit or Métis land that was stolen from them. Please respect this land.

Spotify here:

## Frequently Asked Questions

## How much will the stops cost?

**First Stop:** Our featured stop has an optional self-guided tour that requires a fee per person (\$). Grounds can be explored for free.

Second Stop: No fee

Third Stop: No fee

**Fourth Stop:** Two seasonal trail options require an entrance fee per person (\$). We've provided alternative options that are free to explore but are not open on Sunday.

\*Please note: gas, tolls, and food may be additional costs.

#### When should we leave?

We recommend leaving anytime between **8:00 to 8:30 am.** The later you leave, the less time you may have to complete all of the stops.

#### Can I bring my dog?

This trip is **somewhat dog-friendly!**There is at least one outdoor dog-friendly option per stop. You can bring your furry friend, but it may limit you from going into some of the recommended stops. If you want to get the most out of every stop, we recommend leaving your pup at home.

#### How long will the total trip take?

See the approximate round-trip driving distances/times below. These are driving distances only and do not factor in time spent at stops.

#### From Barrie:

2 hours and 5 minutes / 144 km

#### From **Collingwood**:

3 hours and 5 minutes / 193 km

#### From Huntsville:

3 hours and 20 minutes / 279 km

#### From Mississauga\*:

4 hours / 344 km

#### From **Downtown Toronto\***:

4 hours and 20 minutes / 359 km

#### From Oshawa\*:

4 hours and 25 minutes / 348 km

#### From Peterborough\*:

5 hours and 5 minutes / 349 km

\*We recommend booking an overnight hotel if the driving distance is greater than 4 hours round-trip.

#### How many people can I bring with me?

We recommended bringing up to 5 people on your surprise road trip.

If you're bringing a larger group, we highly recommend having one person in charge of booking reservations at restaurants and attractions in advance. Please see the previous page for a copy of the digital itinerary.

#### Is this wheelchair or stroller accessible?

First Stop: There are multiple accessible options on this stop.

**Second Stop:** One trail option is not accessible. Two other options are somewhat accessible.

Third Stop: There are multiple accessible options on this stop.

Fourth Stop: There are multiple accessible options on this stop.



### Risk

Get out on the road and have fun, but please be careful. Obey all road signs, never drink and drive, and use caution and common sense at all times. The risk of injury can be significant, including the potential for permanent disability and death. While particular precautions and personal discipline will minimize this risk, the risk of personal and emotional injury, illness, physical disability, or death does exist. Guess Where Trips Inc., its owners, officers, publishers, and agents assume NO liability for your actions or activities as a result of recommendations within this guide. You agree and acknowledge that you will do some, or all, of the recommendations suggested in this book with full and complete knowledge of the risk and dangers involved, and you agree to accept and assume any and all risks of any nature whatsoever.

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