

Located 48 km northeast of Brooks, Alberta, Dinosaur Provincial Park is world renowned for its abundant fossils, riverside cottonwood groves and stunning badlands. The park is open and has camping available year-round.

Fossils

Dinosaur Provincial Park has the best representation of late Cretaceous fossils in the world. Help us protect this important resource. **Never remove or disturb fossils** (it's illegal!). Take a photo and report your fossil find at the Visitor Centre.

Pets in the Park

Pets must always be leashed (maximum length 2 meters or 6 feet), under control and at a safe distance from wildlife. Always pick up pet waste and dispose of it in garbage cans provided. Pets are not allowed in any public building or comfort camping.

Trails

- 1 UNESCO Overlook/Prairie Loop One way: 0.5 km
- 2 Little Sandhill Creek Loop: 2.5 km
- 3 3 Coulee View Loop: 1.3 km
- 4 Mule Deer Trail One way: 1.7 km
- 5 5 Nighthawk Walk One way: 0.7 km
- 6 Valley View One way: 0.2 km
- 7 Sunrise View One way: 0.3 km

Bicycles on the Trails

Bicycles are restricted to the park's roads. Bikes are not allowed on the trails or in the badlands. Please secure your bike in the racks located near trailheads.

Visitor Centre Map



Why a Natural Preserve?

A large portion of the park has been designated Natural Preserve to protect wildlife, the landscape, fossils, and visitors. To access the Natural Preserve, please join a guided program or apply for a permit.

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Hiking Safely

Stay on designated trails and choose trails that match your hiking ability.

- Green circle trails are **suitable for most users** in most conditions. These trails generally have a gravelled surface, no/few stairs and do not have steep slopes.
- Blue square trails are **moderately difficult**. These trails may contain some steep sections or long sets of stairs. The trail surface is natural. To help maintain trails, prevent erosion,

and keep you clean, these trails are not recommended when wet.

- Red triangle trails are **moderately difficult and closed when wet**. These trails have long stairs and contain steep sections that can be dangerous when wet. For your safety and to help maintain the trails, these trails are **closed when wet**.
- Black diamond trails are **adventurous/difficult**. These trails contain steep sections and must be accessed by ladder. For your safety

and to help maintain the trails, these trails are **closed when wet**.

- Be prepared for changing weather and extreme heat. Bring plenty of water, a hat and sunscreen.
- The badlands are extremely slippery when wet and remain slippery for several days after rain. Avoid hiking after the rain and obey trail closures.
- Be careful where you step and sit! The badlands are full of prickly plants like cactus.
- Natural caves and sinkholes can be unstable and collapse. Stay on designated trails to avoid standing or walking over them or climb inside of them.
- Prairie rattlesnakes, scorpions, and black widow spiders are venomous, but their bite is rarely fatal. Avoid rock piles, ledges, and long grass. Never put your hands or feet in cracks, holes, and crevasses.
- Close supervision of children is required.



Trails

- 1 Badlands Trail** Loop: 1.55 km
- 2 UNESCO Path** One way: 1.7 km
- 3 Fossil Display Loop** Loop: 0.7 km
- 4 Trail of the Fossil Hunters** One way: 0.5 km
- 5 Hadrosaur Hop** One way: 0.2 km
- 6 Upper Cretaceous Trail** One way: 0.9 km
- 7 Extinction Expedition** One way: 0.3 km
- 8 Gorgosaurus Gully** One way: 0.4 km
- 9 Ornithimimid Overlook** One way: 0.2 km
- 10 Pincushion Path** One way: 0.2 km
- 11 River View** One way: 0.5 km
- 12 Prickly Pear Path** One way: 0.6 km
- 13 Hoodoo Trail** One way: 0.3 km
- 14 Grasslands Way** One way: 0.4 km
- 15 Sandstone Slump** One way: 0.3 km
- 16 Sagebrush Connector** One way: 0.7 km
- 17 Cottonwood Flats** One way: 1.5 km

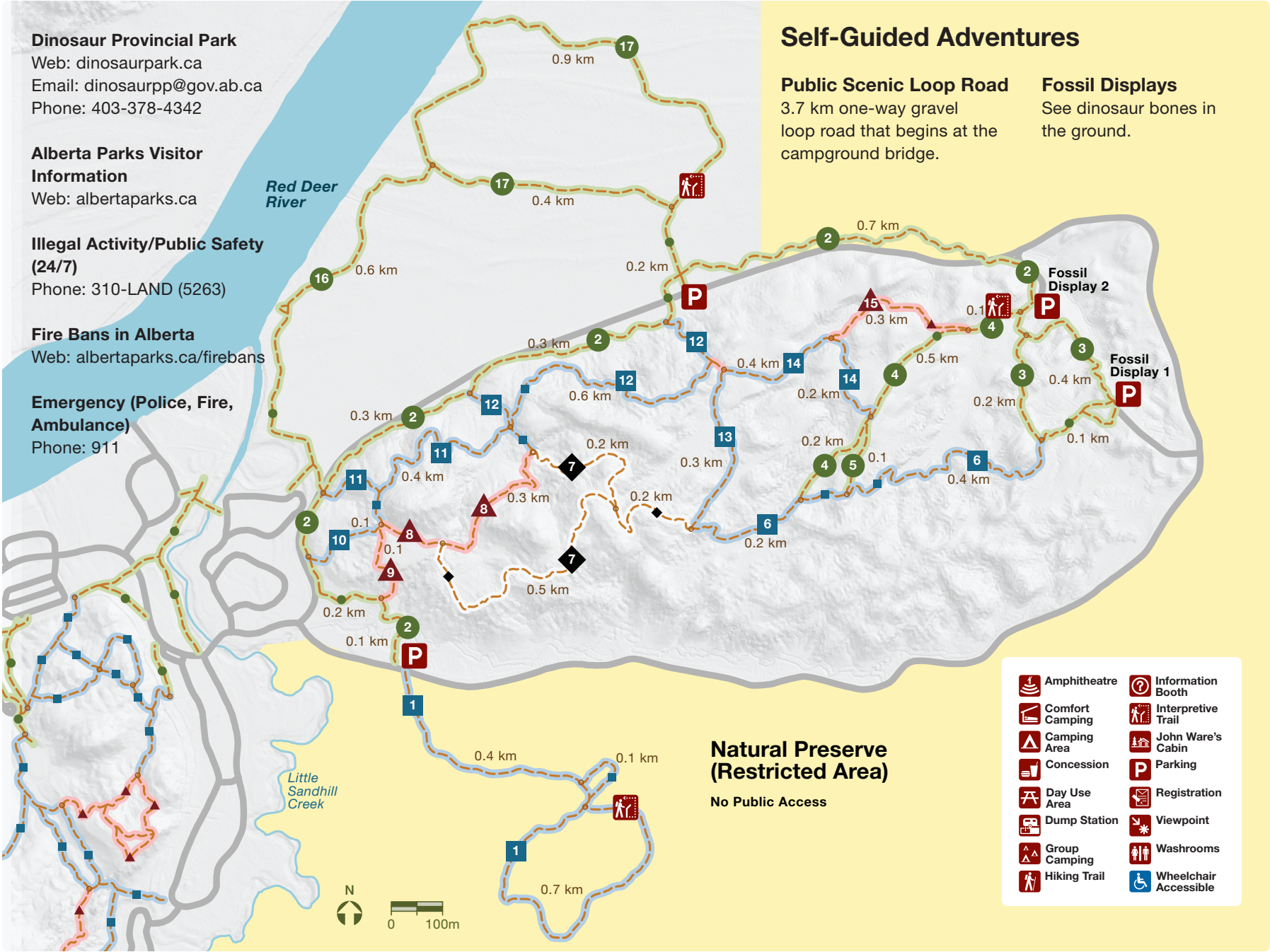
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Alberta Parks Visitor Information
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Illegal Activity/Public Safety (24/7)
Phone: 310-LAND (5263)

Fire Bans in Alberta
Web: albertaparks.ca/firebans

Emergency (Police, Fire, Ambulance)
Phone: 911



Public Loop Area Map