

# Camp Morton Provincial Park

## Campground Tips

- Be Wildlife Smart. Do not feed any wildlife, including birds or squirrels. You are in black bear country - secure all attractants such as food, cooking equipment and trash in a locked vehicle. Do not store food or attractants in your tent.
- Practice Leave No Trace. Pack out all gear and trash to keep the campsites clean for others.
- Keep dogs on leash and clean up after your pet.
- Learn to recognize and avoid poisonous plants such as poison ivy.
- Open fires are prohibited. Use portable stoves or fire pits provided.
- Don't Move Firewood - Moving firewood can spread harmful invasive species and destroy our forests.
- Prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species. Always clean, drain, dry watercraft and water related equipment. Visit [manitoba.ca/stopais](http://manitoba.ca/stopais) for full regulations.
- In case of injury or illness contact a Park Attendant or Park Patrol Officer. They can assist you to reach medical help.
- Full camping regulations are available in the Campers Guide, available from park offices and online at [manitobaparks.com](http://manitobaparks.com).

- Developed in 1920 by Monsignor Thomas W. Morton



Located 8 km north of Gimli, Camp Morton is named after Monsignor Thomas W. Morton who developed the area in 1920 as a summer camp for Roman Catholic children. The camp was filled with much laughter, happy times and outdoor adventures until the late 1960s when a decline in interest led to the camp's closure. A few years later, in 1974, people were able to visit Camp Morton and the adjacent lands as a provincial park. The campground was the original site of the Lakeside Fresh Air Camp donated by the Union Bank of Canada in 1922.

The historic buildings set against the natural scenery complement each other and are one of the reasons why the camp is such a source of enjoyment to its visitors. Take a leisurely stroll to view the design of the buildings, monuments and gardens. Forests of white spruce, ash, oak and birch line the area's boundaries. Here, on the shores of Lake Winnipeg, you will find one of the largest concentrations of white pelicans in the world. The area also provides habitat for bald eagles, hawks, songbirds and shorebirds.

Interpretive signs are placed throughout the park and explain interesting aspects of the architecture, religious philosophy and tradition of the former camp. The area offers nature trails, flowerbeds and sunken gardens; several cairns also depict the area's history. Pick up the brochure that outlines the history and features of the park.

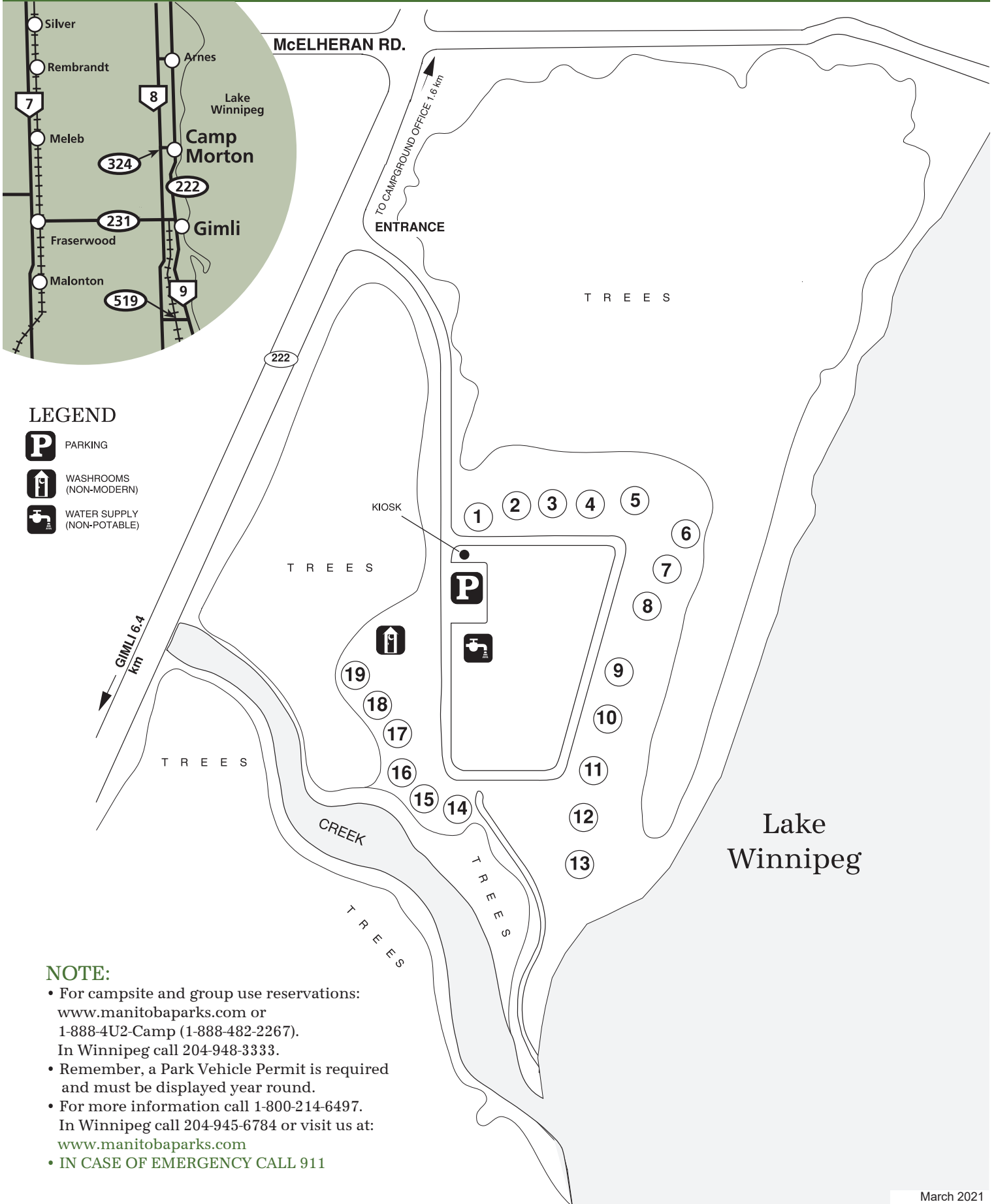
When spending the night at Camp Morton, stay at the campground, family vacation cabins or yurts. The sites provide a beach, group use and picnic areas, playing fields, playground, nature trails, and a recreation hall.

Camp Morton is a great place to stay, especially if you plan on attending *Islendingadagurinn* (Icelandic Festival of Manitoba) on August long weekend in Gimli. Only eight kilometres away, a drive to Gimli offers golfing, boating, canoeing, horseback riding, shopping, dining and entertainment.

More information on Camp Morton Campground and Camp Morton Provincial Park is available on request from the park office.

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## LEGEND

- P** PARKING
- WASHROOMS (NON-MODERN)**
- WATER SUPPLY (NON-POTABLE)**

## NOTE:

- For campsite and group use reservations:  
[www.manitobaparks.com](http://www.manitobaparks.com) or  
1-888-4U2-Camp (1-888-482-2267).  
In Winnipeg call 204-948-3333.
- Remember, a Park Vehicle Permit is required  
and must be displayed year round.
- For more information call 1-800-214-6497.  
In Winnipeg call 204-945-6784 or visit us at:  
[www.manitobaparks.com](http://www.manitobaparks.com)
- **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL 911**