



FAQ

Q: What are the cabins like?

Well, they're literally self-sufficient cabins.. They each have a deck off the front door, a BBQ out there too. Inside is a bachelor style layout- kitchen with fridge, freezer, stove, oven, sink (hot & cold water) and all the kitchen utensils and necessities. A table in the middle of the space and single beds, some with top bunks, along the back or outside walls. Each cabin has its own shower, toilet & sink with hot and cold running water. Cabins are warmed with either wood burning or diesel heaters - totally self sufficient. Your cabin for your stay! Three were built in the 50s/60s with local trees, two were built back in the 2000s.

Q: Can I bring my family up there?

Absolutely. We have a youth discount of 50% for enthusiasts 15 and under; we do require equal or more adults in a party than younglings, respectfully.

Q: Do I need to bring towels or blankets?

Light house-keeping is included, meaning we have face clothes, hand towels, shower towels, dishcloths and dish towels.. so many towel varieties. We also provide bed sheet linens including a fitted sheet, pillow & pillow cover cases. You WILL NEED a sleeping bag.

Q: Should I bring rain boots?

Depends on your packing abilities - each guest is allowed 85lbs of gear each. That includes food, sleeping bag and whatever else you pack, all to a total of 85lbs. Prioritizing is critical. We are not saying to not bring them; pack smart not large.

Q: Is there someone onsite all the time? Yes- Usually our whole team is in camp. Ryan & Daniel, Brittaney and often Kelly. Daniel and Ryan see you on and off the water, help you with boat and motor equipment and listen to your fishing strategies and stories, they are the lodge owners. Kelly provides guided options for guests, he's been around the Cree Lake waters for more than twenty years (he's just one person, guided spaces are limited!) and Brittaney tends to guest experiences and cabin details in camp. We also have three camp pups. Miss Tucker, Piper & Smols... The second most referred to topic in our Guest Book is "good doggo," (#1 is fishing of course). It's alright, we don't take it personally.

Q: What if 5 or 7 days doesn't fit our schedule, can we change the dates? No, our trip dates are set with scheduled charter flights; 2-exceptions exist: (1) private pilots who fly themselves in, and (2) if someone combines back-to-back 5 day trips, we can offer 10 day trips. Both circumstances require pre-planning, connect with us to bring your plans to life!



Q: I told my work that I'd be available by email.. did I lie?

No, we do have WiFi available at camp. The reception isn't ideal for a 60 minute video conference but you can tell Greg where the keys are to the file cabinet and remind Ashley to update the details on that deal.. Some folks still claim they don't have service up here and we fully, 100% support that fib.

Q: If an emergency happens - what happens?

Depends-- the ultimate answer is we will do whatever it takes to ensure your safety is first and foremost. We have emergency plans to follow in a variety of situations and offer our satellite phone number for you to share with your loved ones if they would like a Just-In-Case number to reach you on.

Q: Can I go out fishing after the evening return time?

Yes, absolutely- closer to camp. This is part of the emergency thing- the best way to handle an emergency is to prevent them. So we ask folks to be back and check in before dusk. If a boat has not returned, we take the plane up to look for guests; this isn't a game, if recklessness is in question, those responsible may have to cover the airtime of searching-- we know the fishing can be INCREDIBLE but the risks are also grand. Check in, go back out around camp, come back on time, that's cool.

Q: Do you sell stuff there?

Yes! Stuff and things.. an array of items are available in our Lucky Catch General Store. A great spread of local favourite tackle, snack foods, shore lunch & meal items as well as beverages from bottled water to tonic water and organic juice. You'll of course find some classic Crystal Lodge swag in there, too.

Q: Is there other stuff to do than fish? We'll be straight - this is an outfitting camp so fishing is sort of the big deal BUT -- we're not that die hard... In camp we have a horseshoe-pit area & a fire pit and seating; a few short walking trails around the perimeter of camp and the unique runway. Cree Lake has live history from pre-treaty era, we encourage guests to observe these delicate areas with respect and consideration.

Q: Who Cooks? Our adventure options do not include cooked meals; we do have 5 and 7 day suggested meal plans and have crafted a basic grocery guide for ease of planning & shopping for guests. We also offer to do the grocery shopping on your behalf and it will be in camp ready and waiting for your arrival! Check at the time of reservation to confirm details and options.



Q: Can I drink the water? From the taps, no. Though we use a three stage filtration and a chlorine additive, the water is not deemed drinkable by Sask health officials. We do sell bottled water in camp for cooking and drinking needs.