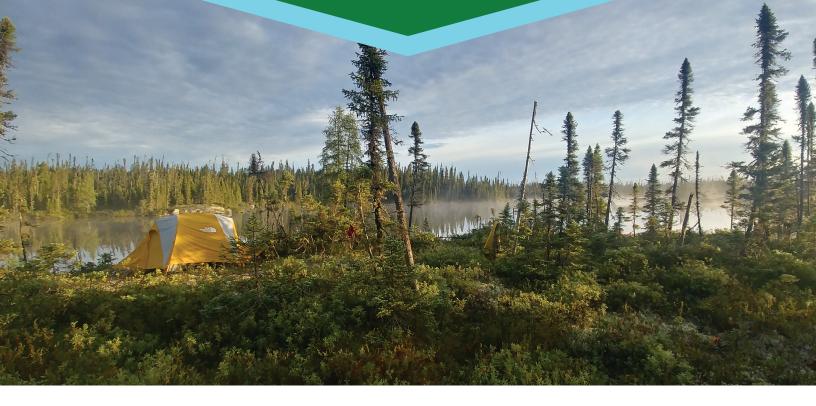
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## **INFORMATION GUIDE** CACHISCA, COMENCHO AND OPATACA LAKES

## RUSTIC CAMPING

(OPENING ON JUNE 15TH)





Water is not drinkable at this location. We recommend that you boil the water available onsite for about 10 minutes.



**Dogs are allowed** on the rustic campsites and offshore. However, dogs are prohibited in all buildings on the wildlife refuge, except for duly identified guide and assistance dogs. **Other domestic animals are prohibited at all times.** 



**Smoking is strictly prohibited** in accommodation areas and rental units as well as in all public buildings.



Due to the geographical remoteness of the AAMW wildlife reserves, **the territory is not covered by the cellular network**. These communication constraints and the distance from hospitals and emergency services can cause significant delays when an emergency response is required.

## **QUIET AND RESPECT**

No employees on site, but the group causing disturbance will receive a warning.

If this warning is not respected, the Nibiischii Corporation reserves the right to no longer accept this groups.

Thanks also for not using the generators between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.



It is strictly forbidden to ride an ATV (all-terrain vehicle) in the wildlife reserves.



The use of a **jet ski is strictly prohibited** on all bodies of water.

## SECTORS

## CACHISCA LAKE

#### Location:

SOUTHERN ACCESS - By taking routes 167 South, 113 South and 32 North: From the Rupert Welcome Center there's a drive of 147 km before you reach the lake – 77 km on paved road and 70 km on gravel;

NORTHERN ACCESS - By taking Route du Nord (10) and Route 32 South: From the Rupert Welcome Center there's a drive of 175 km on gravel roads before reaching the lake.

#### **Facilities:**

- Undeveloped
- limited to 24 people per day
- Cleared rustic campsite

Water access: Natural access to the water – requires a 4 x 4 vehicle

Services: NONE in this area

### **EQUIPMENT TO BRING**

- Geolocation beacon
- Rope
- Emergency blanket or bivouac bag
- Whistle
- First aid kit
- Flashlight and headlamp
- Pocket knife, multi-tool
- Small folding saw
- Matches, lighter, fire starter
- Bear container or material for setting up a bear bag
- □ Food in sufficient quantity
- Water filter
- □ Water bottle for drinking water
- Bowls, utensils, cups, plates
- Stoves and fuel
- Compass

## COMENCHO LAKE

#### Location:

**SOUTHERN ACCESS** - By taking routes 167 South, 113 South and 32 North:

From the Rupert Welcome Center there's a drive of 152 km before reaching the lake – 77 km on paved road, 75 km on gravel;

**NORTHERN ACCESS** - By taking Route du Nord and Route 32 South:

From the Rupert Welcome Center there's a drive of 171 km on gravel roads before reaching the lake. (Recommended access!)

#### **Facilities:**

 Camping without services, but rustic camping permitted along the road right-of-way

 limited to 30 people per day

**Water access:** Steep natural access to the water – requires pushing the craft + a 4 x 4 vehicle

Services: NONE in this area

## OPATACA LAKE

#### Location:

SOUTHERN ACCESS - By taking routes 167 South, 113 South and 32 North: From the Rupert Welcome Center there's a drive of 127 km before reaching the lake – 77 km on paved road and 50 km on gravel.

#### Facilities:

- Camping without services, but rustic camping permitted along the road right-of-way
- Cleared rustic campsite

   limited to 36 people per day

Water access: Steep natural access to the water – requires a 4 x 4 vehicle

Services: NONE in this area

- Topographic map
- GPS, cell phones with offline maps
- Sleeping bag

Tent

- Sleeping mat
- Clothing
- 🔲 Hat, cap
- Raincoat
- Appropriate footwear
- Breathable and warm clothing
- ☐ Hat, gloves
- ☐ Shovel if needed
- Sun protection, sunglasses
- Biodegradable soap
- Bags to bring back the waste

ATTENTION: This list is not exhaustive and must be adapted according to your own needs.



## FISHING

## **BEFORE LEAVING**

### CATCH AND POSSESSION LIMITS



### > 8 Walleye

› 8 Pike

Brook trout and lake trout populations are marginal in this sector.

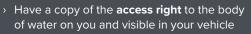
#### On the water:

- Don't forget that **navigating on large unmarked stretches of water requires constant attention**, as there are many rocky outcrops and weather conditions can change rapidly and become dangerous.
- A boat at least 16 feet long and with a 30 HP motor is highly recommended, along with an auxiliary motor of 10 HP.

#### **ATTENTION, ANGLERS!**

Access rights are issued by the day. They are therefore valid as of the time of issue on the day you arrive **until 11:59 p.m.** A daily access right must be obtained for **each day** of fishing.

#### **AVOID FINES**



- > Have your **fishing license** on you at all times
- > Wear a **personal flotation device** (PFD)
- > Have a **boating safety kit** in your craft

As stipulated in the regulation on wildlife reserves, all those who engage in fishing activity must, when leaving the wildlife reserve, make a report of that activity at the place determined for the purpose, indicating daily catches. Failure to comply with that regulation is an offense and is subject to a minimum fine of \$250.

# REMINDER FOR A SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE STAY

"Outdoor activities may entail certain risks. You must therefore always make sure that you have the skills and abilities required by the chosen activity. It is very important to be aware of the risks inherent in that activity, to know and respect your abilities and to have the appropriate equipment with you in all cases."

Refer to the risk management plan section on the website for more information at nibiischii.com

**Cleanliness:** Fees may be billed to clients who do not leave the premises in clean condition.

## TERRITORY

Since it has more than 5,000 lakes, it is very difficult to ensure quality access and up-to-date information for all water bodies.

Several users circulate and occupy the territory, which can accelerate the deterioration of the roads. Thus, it is not possible to guarantee the condition of the paths and the water launches. Access is at the customer's own risk.

Access fees are non-refundable.

No motor or boat rental onsite. (Rental is no longer available in Chibougamau or in Lac-St-Jean.)



### LEAVE-NO-TRACE PRINCIPLE

The goal of the principle of leave-no-trace tourism is to prevent and minimize the impacts of recreational activities by reducing the damage caused by such activities and by promoting principles of courtesy and hospitality towards other users and the environment.



It involves exercising judgment by preparing in advance for the stay, by choosing the right spots for campsites, by getting rid of waste in the proper way and by taking care not to disturb plant and animal life. For more details, consult

https://leavenotrace.ca/the-seven-principles-of-leave-no-trace/

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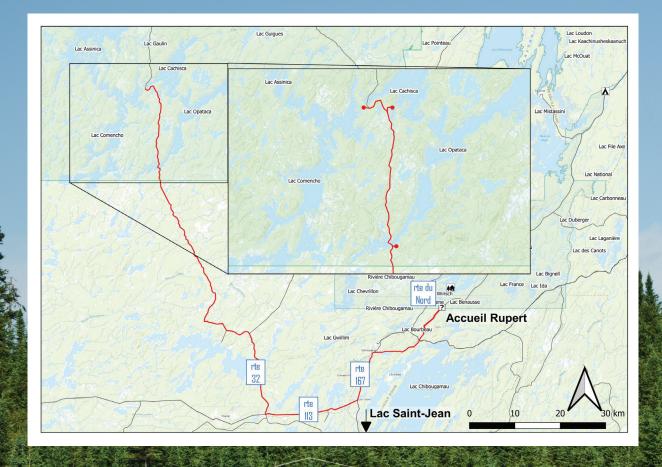
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### SOUTHERN ACCESS – VIA ROUTE 113, THEN THE ROAD TOWARDS OUJÉ-BOUGOUMOU



## NORTHERN ACCESS - VIA ROUTE DU NORD (10), THEN ROUTE 32 TO KM128

