



Peterborough
&
THE KAWARTHAS

This is Living

#FallForPtbo Driving Tours



Fall for the
collection!





97 km



2-4 hours

Fallin' for Burleigh

A fall favourite for culture & history enthusiasts

Head north from Peterborough to discover a true first at Whetung Ojibwa Centre in Curve Lake First Nation, where you can explore a collection of indigenous crafts, paintings, and historical exhibits. Meander from Buckhorn to Burleigh Falls viewing the vibrant fall colours, it's not hard to #FallforPtbo. If you're really 'Fallin' for Burleigh', book a night or two at the historic Burleigh Falls Inn.

On your way south, stop to shop at Lockside Trading Company in Young's Point. This waterfront cottage shop is steps from Lock 27 — Young's Point, one of the most travelled locks on the historic Trent-Severn Waterway.

A short but beautiful drive away and you are in the Village of Lakefield. While you're in town, grab a bite at The Nutty Bean Café and a sweet treat from Stuff'd bakery, or for a more romantic setting, make reservations at Cassis Bistro. Why not have some great colours to accompany your family fun time or spur of the moment adventures?





92 km



1.5-3 hours

Go Big or Gourd Home

A family adventure sure to leaf a smile on your faces!

Gather the family, it is time to explore the fall foliage and have fun along the way. Peep the fall colours and make furry and feathered friends at Riverview Park & Zoo.

Sweeten the drive with a stop at Kawartha Sweets & Eats in Douro on your way to Warsaw Caves Conservation Area. Go spelunking (cave exploring) or simply take in the fall colours along the Lookout Trail overlooking the Indian River.

With photo ops and a souvenir shop, Lockside Trading Company is a great spot to stretch your legs before getting into the harvest spirit at McLean's Berry Farm where you can stock up at the farm shop and pick your own pumpkins down the road. Just around the corner, stop for a locally sourced meal at Frederick's at Beachwood Resort.

After a full day of fall colours and family fun, satisfy your sweet tooth at Central Smith Creamery.



70 km



1.5-3 hours

Leaf it to Lang

Foodies like this fall drive a latte!

The rolling hills of southern Peterborough County provide the perfect backdrop to view the fall colours. This route will bring you to the historic town of Millbrook, a quaint village lined with locally owned shops selling artisan work, food products, art, and more. Prep for the perfect fall picnic by picking up charcuterie from Millbrook Mercantile, baked goods from Pastry Peddler, and Doo Doo's famous butter tarts for dessert.

Just up the road, Rolling Grape Vineyard is a great spot to stop for a drink (something for all ages!), wood-fired pizza and swing into a photo-op patio side.

Another 'fall'-tastic option is Lang Pioneer Village's Grist Mill and if the timing is right, you can step back in time at one of Lang Pioneer Village's special events.

Harley Farms is your final stop on this harvest hunt. Time to stretch your legs on a walking tour and forage some friendships with the farm residents. Before you leaf, be sure to stop in at the farm store for assorted meats, seasonal veggies and other locally made goodies.

Soak up the fall colours a little longer and stay the night at Elmhirst's Resort located on the shores of scenic Rice Lake.





119 km



3-5 hours

Bautumns up!

Discover unbeLEAFable beauty with the apple of your eye

The winding roads heading north toward Ston(e)y Lake are lined with dancing red, orange, and yellow leaves this time of year. This route is known for its unbeLEAFable photo ops along the way. First up, Petroglyphs Provincial Park, home to the largest known concentration of Indigenous rock carvings (petroglyphs) in Canada. This sacred site is known as "The Teaching Rocks". It is also home to the bright blue/green McGinnis Lake — one of only a handful of meromictic lakes in Canada.

Nothing like a hilly hike to work up a thirst, Kawartha Country Wines' tasting bar is located in an authentic pioneer log cabin and board & batten house which makes a magical backdrop for Instagram-worthy photos. If wine or cider isn't your thing, not to worry there are lots of other items to browse in the store.

It wouldn't be a #FallforPtbo tour without a stop along the Historic Trent–Severn Waterway. If you're feeling a bit peckish, eat up the fall colours on Mainstreet Bar & Grill's waterfront patio, located beside Lock 31 – Buckhorn.





103 km



2-3 hours

Turn Over a New Leaf this Fall

An outdoor adventure so breathtaking, even the leaves fall for it.

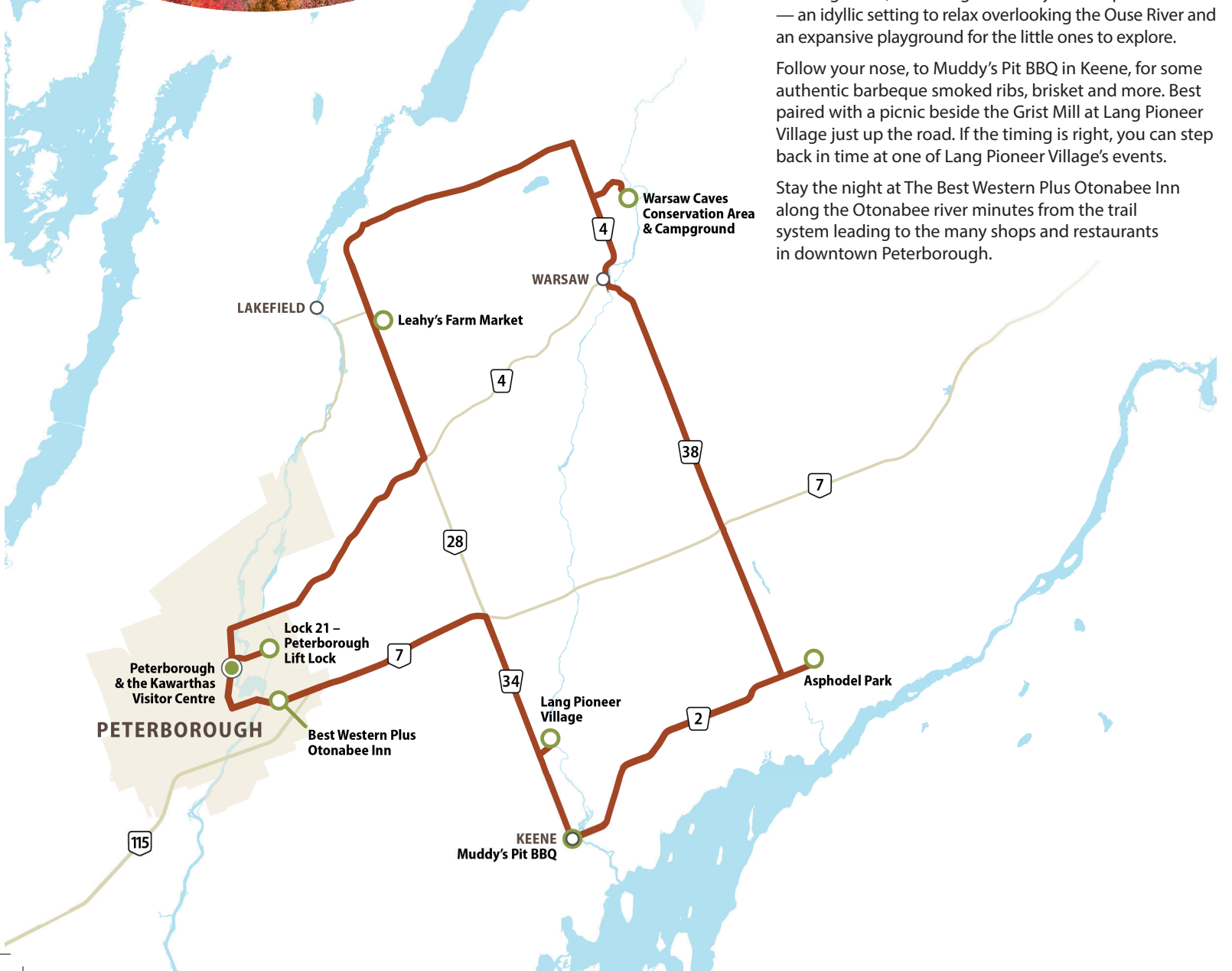
Start your day with a stop at the highest hydraulic lift lock in the world – Lock 21 Peterborough. This National Historic Site is a Peterborough & the Kawarthas bucket list experience. An unbeLEAFable view awaits on the Liftlock and Riverboat Cruise.

Just outside of the city, a quick stop at the Kawartha Sweets & Eats for a sweet treat and Leahy's Farm Market to pick your perfect Peter Patch Pumpkin will get you in the harvest spirit. Stretch your legs at Warsaw Caves Conservation Area — home of the disappearing river. There are several trails to choose from, or if you're feeling adventurous, you can rent a canoe and view the fall colours from the river.

Heading south, the rolling hills lead you to Asphodel Park — an idyllic setting to relax overlooking the Ouse River and an expansive playground for the little ones to explore.

Follow your nose, to Muddy's Pit BBQ in Keene, for some authentic barbeque smoked ribs, brisket and more. Best paired with a picnic beside the Grist Mill at Lang Pioneer Village just up the road. If the timing is right, you can step back in time at one of Lang Pioneer Village's events.

Stay the night at The Best Western Plus Otonabee Inn along the Otonabee river minutes from the trail system leading to the many shops and restaurants in downtown Peterborough.



Make your Fall Drives eventful by keeping up to date with what's happening in Peterborough & the Kawarthas all season long.

thekawarthas.ca/events



Looking for an alternative to road tripping on four wheels?

Motorcycling – Get your motor running. Head out on the highway. Look for adventure. Motorcycling routes in Peterborough & the Kawarthas are some of the best-loved and well-known in Ontario, only an hour or two east of Toronto.

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Paddling – Dip your paddle into our rich canoe culture. As Canada's Canoe Capital, paddling in Peterborough & the Kawarthas is a fixture here for many aspects of life, including the harvesting of traditional Indigenous wild rice, a proud heritage of canoe manufacturing, and of course for a variety of visitors to test our sparkling waters and explore.

thekawarthas.ca/paddling

Cycling – Feel the wind on your face and the landscapes in your soul. There's no better way to feel part of your surroundings than to take in the sights on two wheels. You can ride from city to country in no time when you're cycling in Peterborough & the Kawarthas.

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Have you taken the O'de Piitaanemaan Pledge?

In Peterborough & the Kawarthas, we believe the water connects us all. It gives us everything we need to live authentically, make new discoveries, gather nourishment, strength, and inner peace.

Drawing on the teachings of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the O'de Piitaanemaan Pledge represents a universal and evergreen value – respect – and serves to unify everyone for whom the region lives within their hearts.



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