



NIAGARA ESCARPMENT'S VIEWS & VISTAS

Webster's Falls,
Hamilton

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NIAGARA ESCARPMENT'S VIEWS & VISTAS

Unique To The Heart Of Ontario

- Experience majestic panoramic views from the scenic section of a 750-kilometre ridge of fossil-filled rock. The Niagara's Escarpment, a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve, is nearly 450 million years in the making, and offers endless inspiration of exploring.
- Visit scenic waterfalls and cascades, including Borer's Falls, Sugar Shack Falls, Darnley Cascade, East Greenville Falls, Webster's Falls, and Tew's Falls. Be captivated by the beauty of Canada's natural landscapes.
- Flora and fauna abound, makes for a tranquil nature-filled journey along scenic vistas and Carolinian forests.
- Discover history of an industrial story that dates back to the 1800s, where the settlement ruins of heritage villages remain.
- Escape to The Spencer's Gorge Adventure Wilderness Area, and embark on a waterfall trek, to two must-see waterfalls and the breath-taking views at Dundas Peak.
- Visit Christie Lake Conservation Area and hike along the shores of the man-made reservoir, then pass over the 20th century Christie Dam.
- Make connections with small town Dundas, with its charming downtown appeal, and the urban sites of Hamilton. Discover the route's proximity to great food and make a plan to dine with us!
- Stop by for a local brew at Shawn & Ed Brewing Co., housed with character in a historic building, in downtown Dundas.
- Make a plan to stay, there's plenty to see and do!

WATERFALL CHARACTERISTICS LEGEND

RIBBON: Greater height than its crest width, streams of flow form a thin ribbon.

CASCADE: The vertical drop is broken into a series of steps causing water to "cascade" down the incline.

CLASSICAL: The height and crest width are nearly equal.

CURTAIN: Opposite of the 'Ribbon' waterfall, the height is smaller than its crest width.



WATERFALL ITINERARY

TIPS & HEADS UP

Welcome to Waterfall Hiking in The Heart of Ontario! This 2-Day experience features the iconic waterfall sites in Flamborough and Dundas, Ontario.

Enjoy safely, while preserving our beautiful trails and the Niagara Escarpment's landscapes and natural areas. The routes are designed to offer you insight to the history and footprints of the past.

The **DAY ONE** itinerary offers a round-trip journey with two optional experiences, the first one takes you down the Niagara Escarpment, the other to a viewing lookout and a local market.

DAY TWO will lead you on a one-way hiking excursion through conservation areas down the gradual slopes to Dundas. You have the option of taking our advice for a buddy system approach, allowing more time to grab a delicious bite at a local eatery and visit a craft brewery. It is a full day in nature's bounty and a full day of waterfall viewing.

Note: Trails are subject to change as alternate routes may be required. This could be due to maintenance, and other unforeseen circumstances. Bruce Trail Conservancy updates trails on a regular basis. Please check www.brucetrail.org.

WATERFALL AND TRAIL ETIQUETTE

We want you to enjoy your adventure!

VIEW THE FALLS

- Check out the falls from a viewing platform, this is the best place to see the falls and enjoy the view!
- Stay away from the bottom of gorges, waterfalls or escarpment areas – there is a chance of falling rocks and you could slip and fall on wet or algae-covered rocks.
- Stay away from slopes and edges of the escarpment – ground can become unstable in these areas and pose a fall hazard.
- Whenever visiting water, always be mindful that some areas are prone to flash flooding – pay attention to weather conditions.
- Stay at least one body-length back from the edge of gorges, waterfalls and escarpment areas. This is especially important for children and pets.
- Some Waterfalls in Hamilton have polluted water, do not swim or wade in them.
- Stay away from dangerous areas to take a photo your life is more important than a selfie or landscape shot.

TRAIL SAFETY

- Stick to the marked trails to access the waterfalls, creating your own trail is dangerous and is considered trespassing.
- Respect posted signage, stay on trails and do not climb or bypass fencing.
- Ensure you wear appropriate footwear and only visit the falls during the daylight hours.
- Do not consume alcohol or take medication that may affect your balance while walking near the falls.
- Enjoy the plants and wildlife near the waterfalls, do not litter or trample the delicate plants. Parents/Guardians keep a very close watch on children and take the time to discuss safety concerns before and during your visit.

BE PREPARED

- Leave no trace – leave what you find and take out what you bring. If you are packing food to enjoy on your hike, please be sure to pack it up and take the garbage with you.
- Weather, terrain, and various trail conditions can be challenging. Be prepared by packing drinking water, bug spray, sunscreen, light jacket, and even a first-aid kit. Minimize any risk by simply planning ahead.
- Bring change for parking meters, where applicable.

DAY ONE

NIAGARA ESCARPMENT VIEWS FROM ROCK CHAPEL SANCTUARY AND BORER'S FALLS

DISTANCE:
5.1 km (roundtrip)
TIME REQUIRED:
1.5 - 2 hours (roundtrip)
DIFFICULTY:
Easy
SEASONS:
Spring, Summer, Fall

ROCK CHAPEL SANCTUARY TO BORER'S FALLS



Rock Chapel Sanctuary Coordinates: 43.290821, -79.937110
Borer's Falls Coordinates: 43.2938, -79.9358
Distance/Timing: 450 m / 7 min.
Terrain: Packed Earth

Park at the Rock Chapel Park, as it is a short hike to Borer's Falls, and is the main escarpment access point for this particular section of the Bruce Trail. Dotting the trail are numerous lookouts and the incredible scenic views of Cootes Paradise, Rattlesnake Point in Halton, Hamilton Harbour, and Lake Ontario and on a clear day, even Toronto's spectacular skyline! Nature lover's will enjoy a collection of old field tablelands and forested, south-facing escarpment cliffs and talus slope.

The trail to Borer's Falls is a simple trail and is accessed from the parking lot. Walk the trail as it takes you along Rock Chapel Road. Stay on the side of the escarpment, and as you get closer, you can hear the rushing water. At the side of the road, you will pass over the crest of the falls, but keep going until the path reappears. Make a left back on the trail, as you enter the Royal Botanical Gardens lands once again. Hike the trail just a few meters to the lookout which is on the left.

Historical Notable:

Escarpment sanctuaries recognize the footprint of early residents including settlers of the United Empire Loyalists. The first family to arrive were the Mordens, that were granted land in the area. Along with a number of historical homes, the Morden House, which is located next to Borer's Falls, was built in the 1790s next to the creek that also powered their sawmill. The community of Rock Chapel settled along the roads near the mill.

Situated in the Community of Flamborough, Borer's Falls is a 17.5 metre high curtain waterfall. The year-round flow is from Borer's Creek and one that drains from Waterdown, winding its way to Cootes Paradise Marsh. This rather impressive gorge has been carved by thousands of years of erosion. While viewing the falls, look for White Cedar that grows along the cliff's edge and a small area of old-growth, which are particularly unique to Hamilton and rare to Ontario.

In spring, stands of fragrant lilacs; summer brings an array of wildflowers, lush greenery and tree canopy; fall reflects the gorgeous autumn hues. This area is known for its important species, including the largest single population in Canada of the endangered Red Mulberry.

Historical Notable:

Some of the history of this site dates back to early 1900s. Named after the Borer family, and running a sawmill was the lifeblood of the village of Rock Chapel. Later however, land clearing altered the water flow of the creek's flow hindering the operation of the mill.

TRAIL DOWN THE NIAGARA ESCARPMENT (OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE)



Bruce Trail at Borer's Falls Coordinates: 43.294048, -79.936737

Distance/Timing: 4.2 km / 58 min. - 1hr. 15 min. (roundtrip)

Terrain: Packed Earth

Difficulty: Moderate

For the adventurous or avid hiker, for the Borer's Falls Lookout, continue along the Bruce Trail/Escarpment Trail as it descends down the escarpment. This is a lovely forested hike into the gorge, offering an alternative view of the significant bedrock exposure. It is rather picturesque and a great opportunity for photographs.

Comprised of almost 1,900 hectares of natural lands and open-space, this trail connects the Niagara Escarpment to Hamilton Harbour at the western end of Lake Ontario. This south facing protected microclimate provides habitat for a wide diversity of species and creates the specialized habitats for southern Carolinian forest zone plant species.

Hike the Bruce Trail which shares Borer's Falls Trail through Borer's Falls Conservation Area, 850 m / 11 - 15 min. This trail intersects with Ray Lowe Side Trail and leads to the base of Borer's Falls Gorge and the Borer's Creek Tributary. To hike to the end of this trail, anticipate a 1.1 km / 14 - 20 min. journey. It's a one-way trail, so plan to retrace, including a vigorous climb to the top of the escarpment at Borer's Falls Gorge. As a point of reference, this trail will eventually lead to RBC's Arboretum, at 16 Old Guelph Road.

BORER'S FALLS TO SUGAR SHACK FALLS



Sugar Shack Falls Coordinates: 43.284456, -79.937460

Distance/Timing: 1.5 km / 22 - 33 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth, Groomed Trail

From Borer's Falls upper escarpment, head back towards the parking lot. Follow the Escarpment Trail/Bruce Trail, and hike the groomed pathway. Stop by the lookout just ahead of the parking lot and to the left of the trail at Lookout Trail. Several interpretive signs will offer perspectives of the area as you peek over the escarpment for spectacular views far and wide.

Continue on the Escarpment Trail/Bruce Trail, as this path grazes the rim of the escarpment. It's a relaxing hike surrounded by the towering tree canopy. The path is generous with packed soil. From Borer's Falls to the location of Sugar Shack Falls, it's 1.1 km / 15 - 20 min. Located at a stone bridge that was purposely built over the creek, Sugar Shack Falls is a ribbon 9 metre waterfall.

SUGAR SHACK FALLS TO ARMSTRONG TRAIL LOOP



Armstrong Trail Coordinates: 43.283571, -79.938271

Distance/Timing: 650 m / 10 - 15 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth

Hike, continuing west along Escarpment Trail/Bruce Trail, following the trail as it leads you on a loop. Armstrong Trail loop is signed on the trail. This is a unique trail especially when you discover at the end of Armstrong Trail, a small brook emerging. The loop will lead you back to the Escarpment Trail.

Below the escarpment's edge of this upper plateau is Royal Botanical Garden's Cootes Paradise, and its Ecopark System. The lookout here allows you to imagine the habitat of the numerous species of plants, migratory birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and the 68 species of Lake Ontario fish, that are all part of RBG's biodiversity hot spot.

ARMSTRONG TRAIL TO ESCARPMENT TRAIL/BRUCE TRAIL AT ROMAR DRIVE TRAILHEAD, DUNDAS



Romar Drive Trailhead Coordinates: 43.279587, -79.945459

Distance/Timing: 900 m / 12 - 16 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth, Groomed Trail

The Escarpment Trail continues west through the forest of the Rock Chapel Sanctuary. This route leads to Romar Drive. Similar terrain, it's a straightforward, mostly flat and easy trail. Notice the plant species, wildflowers and the numerous bird species, indigenous to the area.

ROMAR DRIVE TRAILHEAD TO ROCK CHAPEL PARK (PARKING LOT)



Distance/Timing: 1.6 km / 25 min.

Terrain: Groomed Trail, Packed Earth

To retrace this hike, continue east on the Escarpment Trail until it intersects with Rock Chapel Trail and reaches the Rock Chapel Park and parking lot. This time, stop and take in a photograph or two, as you hike similar sights while discovering new scenic perspectives.

SYDENHAM LOOKOUT AND DYMENTS MARKET & BAKERY

(OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE)



Sydenham Lookout Coordinates: 43.277617, -79.949684

Distance/Timing: 2.1 km / 40 min.

Terrain: Groomed Trail, Packed Earth

Continue from the Escarpment Trailhead, at the tip of Romar Drive. Hike Romar Drive to the end, where a packed path connects to Sydenham Road. Turn left onto Sydenham Road, and take care to walk on the opposite side of the road. Hike down the Sydenham Road, 160 metres until you reach the Sydenham Lookout, crossing back to the other side of the road. Please use caution when crossing the road, as this is the creast of the hill. The lookout is a lovely viewing spot for those seeking a site of the city below. The plaque in the centre is a nod to Clara Hughes, Canadian acclaimed athlete and Olympian. The site commemorates Clara's Climb and her dedication to training and challenging terrain of the Niagara Escarpment, as she pedalled up and down the Sydenham Hill in all weather. It's a great photo op!

For a well-earned treat, retrace up the hill (north), again hiking on the opposite site of the lookout, staying on Sydenham Road to Fallsview Road East. At the corner of Sydenham Road and Fallsview Road East, you will discover Dymen's Market and Bakery. Stop in and enjoy this lovely store filled with fresh produce and goodies. Take a break and enjoy some freshly made specialties. Once back on Sydenham Road, retrace the route to the Escarpment Trail.

GETTING HERE



VEHICLE

HWY 403 Westbound: Take Hwy 6 N (Guelph) exit merging right and travel to Hwy 5 E/ Dundas St. E (approx. 3 km). Turn left on Hwy 5 E, then left onto Rock Chapel Road. Follow Rock Chapel Road until you reach Rock Chapel Sanctuary on the left hand side.)

Note: Parking lot is open between 9 am and Sundown

HWY 403 Eastbound: Take Hwy 6 N (Guelph) exit merging left and travel to Hwy 5 E/Dundas St. E (approx. 3 km). Turn left on Hwy 5 E, then left onto Rock Chapel Road. Follow Rock Chapel Road until you reach Rock Chapel Sanctuary on the left hand side.)



PUBLIC TRANSIT

There is no public transit available to Rock Chapel Sanctuary / Borer's Falls



PARKING

Rock Chapel Sanctuary Park,
318 Rock Chapel Road, Dundas, ON
(Pay and Display)

Note: Parking lot is open between 9 am and Sundown



DAY TWO

CHRISTIE LAKE CA, HISTORIC CROOKS' HOLLOW, THE SPENCER GORGE, AND DUNDAS PEAK

ONE WAY: CHRISTIE LAKE CA TO DOWNTOWN DUNDAS

DISTANCE:
7.6 km (one-way)
TIME REQUIRED:
2 - 2.5 hours (one-way)
DIFFICULTY:
Moderate
SEASONS:
Spring, Summer, Fall

BUDDY SYSTEM

The itinerary is a one-way route, taking you on a hiking journey from Christie Lake Conservation Area to picturesque Downtown Dundas, Ontario. If you are travelling with a buddy, we suggest leaving a car in Downtown Dundas so that, for those wishing to spend time in this charming town, can just relax and enjoy. Together, you can return to Christie Lake CA to retrieve your other vehicle. Remember that Christie Lake CA opens at sunrise and closes at sunset.

CHRISTIE LAKE CONSERVATION AREA TO CROOKS' HOLLOW HISTORIC AREA



Christie Lake Trailhead: 43.283231, -80.018269
Darnley Cascade Coordinates: 43.2772, -80.0068
Distance/Timing: 1.7 km / 20 - 25 min.
Terrain: Groomed Trail, Packed Earth, Road Pavement

WATERFALL SHUTTLE OPTION:

The Waterfall shuttle is a collaborative effort started by the Hamilton Conservation Authority and community group, Think Greenville. Shuttle operations begin at Christie Lake Conservation Area. The shuttle operates weekends and holidays, Mid-May to Late October (weather permitting). Visit www.hamiltonconservation.ca for current updates and information.

Start the day by arriving at Christie Lake Conservation Area and take advantage of all the conservation area has to offer visitors. One of the most beautiful lakeside conservation areas on the Niagara Escarpment, Christie Lake is a locally significant watershed protected by the Hamilton Conservation Authority. As it is a refuge for wildlife within the Niagara Escarpment World Biosphere Reserve, it is also part of Ontario's Greenbelt.

For those interested in waterfall shuttle option, currently the cost for the shuttle is included in the regular parking fee and entrance fee to Christie Lake Conservation Area. This shuttle will take you directly to Webster's Falls and Tew's Falls.

FOR HIKERS

From Christie Lake CA parking lot, look for the road at the southwest corner of the lot. This road will link to The Round the Lake Trail. Note that there is an additional parking lot down this road.

Follow the trail as it takes you on a journey along Christie Lake. The trail will arrive at a 20th century dam. Walk over the dam to the trail on the left. This trail leads you to Darnley Cascade and eventually Darnley Grist Mill, in Crooks' Hollow Historic Area.

Darnley Cascade is a stunning 4 metre high washboard cascade, and at a width of 22 metres, it can be seen year-round. Lying 225 metres above sea level, it is considered the highest elevation of any of the 145 waterfalls and cascades in Hamilton. Named after the Darnley Mill, the area itself offers explorers a historical trail passing by the ruins and the remaining heritage buildings. It is a unique opportunity to slip into the past and discover what was once a vibrant industrial site.

DARNLEY CASCADE TO DARNLEY MILL RUINS TO GREENSVILLE OPTIMIST TRAIL



Optimist Trailhead Coordinates: 43.279185, -79.996850

Distance/Timing: 1 km / 12 - 15 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth, Semi-Groomed Trail, Road Pavement

Hike the side road, facing oncoming vehicles as there are no sidewalks, on Crooks' Hollow Road, east to Greenville. Crooks' Hollow Road is a quiet road but has a curve to it. Watch for cars as it is a tourist area, some may not be familiar with the landscape of the area.

Staying on Crooks' Hollow Road, just past Cramer Road, the historical site of Morden's Dam is on the right hand side.

Crooks' Hollow Road will lead to the Greenville Optimist Trail. This 1.5 km trail passes early homes and the ruins of barns, sawmills and water-control devices found at Crooks' Hollow Conservation Area.

The Greenville Optimist Trail trailhead is down the road on Crooks' Hollow Road, exiting left from the ruin's site.

Historical Notable:

Construction of the Darnley Grist Mill began in 1811 by James Crooks who named it after an ancestral hero, Lord Darnley of Scotland. The mill contained four runs or sets of grindstones to produce various grades of flour or meal. After Crooks' death in 1860, the mill was sold to James Stutt and Robert Sanderson who converted it into a paper mill. After Stutt bought out Sanderson in 1880, he added a steam boiler building for heating the water for papermaking and for auxiliary power.

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After an explosion in 1885, the mill was rebuilt and operated until 1902 when William Stutt succeeded his father as owner. William Stutt leased out the mill to the Adams Cellboard Company and later the Greenville Paper Company in the 1920's and 30's. In 1931, concrete was used to replace the wooden floors, and in 1934, the mill was gutted by fire and left in ruins. Hamilton Conservation Authority purchased the mill in 1969.

George Morden arrived in Upper Canada in 1797 from Pennsylvania, and was granted land near Greenville. George's son Jonathon, a sawyer by trade, purchased 200 acres of land on the Spencer Creek and constructed the first sawmill on the Upper Spencer in 1801. He was able to force the water over a stone dam and through an opening called a "millrace." Several of the planks and stones used to hold back water at the millrace can still be seen. In the late 1850's, his son, James Morden, added a grist mill to the site. Both mills were destroyed by fire in 1905 and left in ruins.

GREENSVILLE OPTIMIST TRAIL TO EAST GREENSVILLE FALLS



East Greenville Falls: 43.279, -79.9915

Distance/Timing: 500 m / 6 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth, Groomed Trail, Semi-Groomed Trail

Continue on the Greenville Optimist Trail in Crooks Hollow Conservation Area. Along this route is the former site of Cockburn Dam and Mill. Stop at East Greenville Falls, which is a 5.5 metre ribbon, terraced cascade that flows from the Spencer Creek Tributary.

Historical Notable:

This dam was the fifth to be built on Spencer Creek, used first in 1815 to operate the Kerby sawmill, then used in the 1860's for the Wentworth Hub, Spoke, and Steam Bending Works which burned in 1879. The foundations were used to construct John Cockburn's saw and planing mill, and later a cider mill operated by Cockburn's son.

EAST GREENSVILLE FALLS TO THE SPENCER GORGE WILDERNESS AREA



The Spencer Gorge Entrance Coordinates: 43.277224, -79.980773

Distance/Timing: 1.1 km / 14 min.

Terrain: Packed Earth, Groomed Trail

From East Greenville Falls, follow the Gorge to Webster's Falls. Stay beside Spencer Creek and follow the trail southeast through Greenville Optimist Park and the ruins of the Clark's Blanket Factory, at the Greenville Trail and Short Road. Short Road meets Fallsview Road and is a short hike to The Spencer Gorge and Webster's Falls Side Trail.

Located at the corner of Short Road and Fallsview Road is the former site of the Clark's Blanket Factory, which was a saw and grist mill that was originally built by William Bullock at Bullock's Corners in 1841. Bullock also constructed the British Hotel at the corner. Upon his death in 1866, the mill was leased to Matthew Langley and the three Clark brothers: William, James and Andrew. They converted the mills to manufacture woolen goods and cloths. This mill burned shortly afterwards but was rebuilt as a stone building, turning out woolen blankets until a heavy flood washed out the dam along with the building in 1938. The remains of the storehouse are still on this site.

THE SPENCER GORGE AND WEBSTER'S FALLS



Webster's Falls Coordinates: 43.2762, -79.9809

Distance/Timing: 270 m / 4 min.

Terrain: Groomed Trail

From Fallsview Road trailhead (coordinates: 43.2766, -79.9841) on the righthand side, follow the trail to Webster's Falls. This classical waterfall is the largest in the region with a crest of 30 metres. The park was meant as an English country garden with low stone walls which align with the creek. Look for an arched cobblestone bridge and a viewing platform, perfect to capture that sought-after photograph.

The Spencer Gorge is significant in Ontario for its gorge, and rare, diverse variety of plants and animals, all part of the Niagara Escarpment World Biosphere. This distinctive gorge is a Y-shaped bedrock gorge with two very scenic waterfalls: Webster's Falls created by the main trunk of the Spencer Creek; and Tew's Falls formed by Logie's Creek.

The Falls flow over bowl-shaped rock formations; the most recent and smallest of a series of bowl-shaped basins in the Spencer Gorge. Over the past 12,000 years, erosion from ancient waterfalls has caused these formations. The widening of the gorge downstream suggests that The Falls at one time were as large as the Horseshoe Falls of Niagara.

Note: Hamilton Conservation may close walking trail access between Webster's and Tew's Falls in Spencer Gorge Conservation Area. This is due to over capacity during high seasons (May to October), as well as protection and preservation of its natural environment. Visit conservationhamilton.ca for up-to-date information.

TO TEW'S FALLS AND DUNDAS PEAK



Tew's Falls Trailhead/Entrance Coordinates: 43.28179, -79.979740

Dundas Peak Coordinates: 43.274201, -79.968899

Distance/Timing: 1.6 km / 25 - 35 min.

Terrain: Groomed Trail, Packed Earth

From the entrance of The Spencer Gorge Wilderness Area, where you entered originally, hike along Fallsview Road, backtracking to Short Road. Due to the closure of Webster's Falls Side Trail, hikers must access Tew's Falls from the designated Tew's Falls entrance. Turn right onto Short Road to Harvest Road. Walk this side of this road until you arrive to 607 Harvest Road, and this is the entrance to Tew's Falls.

Hike the Tew's Falls Lookout Trail, staying on the designated trail for roughly 64 metres and arrive at Tew's Falls. Tew's Falls is a towering 41 metre ribbon waterfall, and something worth noting is that Tew's Falls is only a few metres shorter than Niagara Falls!

Staying on the Tew's Falls Lookout Trail, hike 1.3 km to Dundas Peak. An alternative trail: Tew's Falls Lookout Trail to Glen Ferguson Side Trail, linking back to the right onto Tew's Falls Lookout Trail. Dundas Peak is accessed by a natural trail, Dundas Peak Side Trail (120 m), from Tew's Falls Lookout Trail.

DUNDAS PEAK TO CHARMING DOWNTOWN DUNDAS



Distance/Timing: 1.7 m / 22 - 30 min.

Terrain: Groomed Trail, Packed Earth

Take a well-deserved break in Downtown Dundas. It's a refreshing hike to a charming destination.

To access the downtown, take Dundas Peak Side Trail to Tew's Falls Lookout Trail. It's a zigzag trail, as it leads you down the valley. Pass by Lower Sydenham Falls from the Sydenham Creek Tributary, at the railroad tracks.

On Sydenham Street, Dundas, walk south to King Street West, which is Downtown Dundas and one of the hubs for great dining and shopping.

Caution: This route does require that you cross active railroad tracks and crossing these tracks requires caution.

GETTING HERE



VEHICLE

HWY 403 Westbound: Take Highway 6 exit to Waterdown. From Highway 6 turn left on Highway 5 and travel by car 9.2 km / 8 min.

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PUBLIC TRANSIT

There is no public transit service at Christie Lake Conservation Area, Greenville, or Spencer Gorge Wilderness Area. The closest public transit service is in Downtown Dundas. Please check Hamilton.ca for more information and updates.



PARKING

Christie Lake Conservation Area
1000 Highway 5 West, Dundas, ON
905-628-3060
Open 7 days a week, from sunrise to sunset



STAY & PLAY

APRÈS WATERFALLING: RESTAURANTS, CAFÉS AND MUST-SEES

Bangkok Spoon

57 King Street E., Dundas, ON
905-628-8808
www.bangkokspoon.com
Coordinates: 43.266449, -79.955980



DeTour Café

41 King Street W., Dundas, ON
289-238-8184
www.detourcoffee.com
Coordinates: 43.266352, -79.955467

Dyment's Market & Bakery

416 Fallsview Road East, Dundas, ON
www.dyments.com
Coordinates: 43.282420, -79.949812

Royal Botanical Gardens (Visitor Centre)

680 Plains Road West, Burlington, ON
905-527-1158/1-800-694-4769
www.rbg.ca
Coordinates: 43.290686, -79.874573



Shawn & Ed Brewing Co.

65 Hatt Street, Dundas, ON
289-238-9979
www.lagershed.com
Coordinates: 43.265559, -79.957695

The Thirsty Cactus

2 King Street E., Dundas, ON
905-627-8488
www.thirstycactus.com
Coordinates: 43.266042, -79.953614

ACCOMMODATIONS

The Barrack's Inn

425 Wilson Street East, Ancaster, ON
289-445-1234
www.thebarracksinn.com
Coordinates: 43.2295301, -79.975163

The Homestead 1867

36 Melville Street, Dundas, ON
289-238-8720
www.thehomestead1867.ca
Coordinates: 43.268414, -79.966442

Osler House

30 South Street West, Dundas, ON
289-238-9278
www.oslerhouse.com
Coordinates: 43.260329, -79.948678

CAMPING

Valens Conservation Area & Campground

1691 Regional Rd 97, Hamilton, ON
www.conservationhamilton.ca
Coordinates: (Entrance) 43.379199, -80.141744

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