

## Saskatchewan

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- → Willow on Wascana (p542)
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# Best Places to Sleep

- James (p553)
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- Sturgeon River Ranch (p557)

### Why Go?

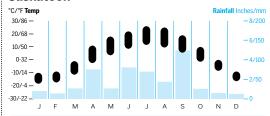
To paraphrase an old line, there are no boring parts of Saskatchewan, just boring visitors. Yes, the terrain lacks drama, there's not a lot of people here, the two major towns define the vaguely complimentary 'nice,' and so on. But that simply means that the savvy visitor can dig deep to discover the province's inherent appeal.

Start with all that flat: those rippling oceans of grain have a mesmerizing poetry to their movement, the songbirds and crickets providing accents to the endlessly rustling wind. If you're ready for the sheer tranquility of solitude, pick any unpaved road and set off across the country – and delight when you find water-dappled coulees and tree-covered hills.

And don't forget the province's people. Not just the plain-spoken residents of today, but also the people who populate Saskatchewan's story, whether eking out a living off the land, fomenting revolution or taming a frontier.

#### When to Go

#### Saskatoon



May Spring wildflowers paint the landscape and birdsong fills the air as life, postwinter, returns. Jun-Aug Long sunny days draw happy locals to lakes, parks and patios. Sep Crisp air, endless skies and dramatic fall colors herald the year's final harvests.



## Saskatchewan Highlights

- 1 Saskatoon (p550) Enjoying the urban pleasures – especially the food and drink – of the Paris of the Prairies.
- 2 Regina Donning a watermelon hat at a Roughriders game (p543) with some of Canadian football's most ardent fans.
- **3 Moose Jaw** (p544) Digging deep to experience the town's underground past from the days of Al Capone.
- 4 Batoche National Historic Site (p556) Remembering the Métis revolutionaries in the place where Louis Riel almost changed the course of Canadian history.
- **Grasslands National Park** (p547) Hearing the rustling of the long grass and the thunder of the bison (if you can find them).
- 6 Ogema (p545) Stepping back in time aboard the Southern Prairie Railway and in the one-of-a-kind Deep South Pioneer Museum.