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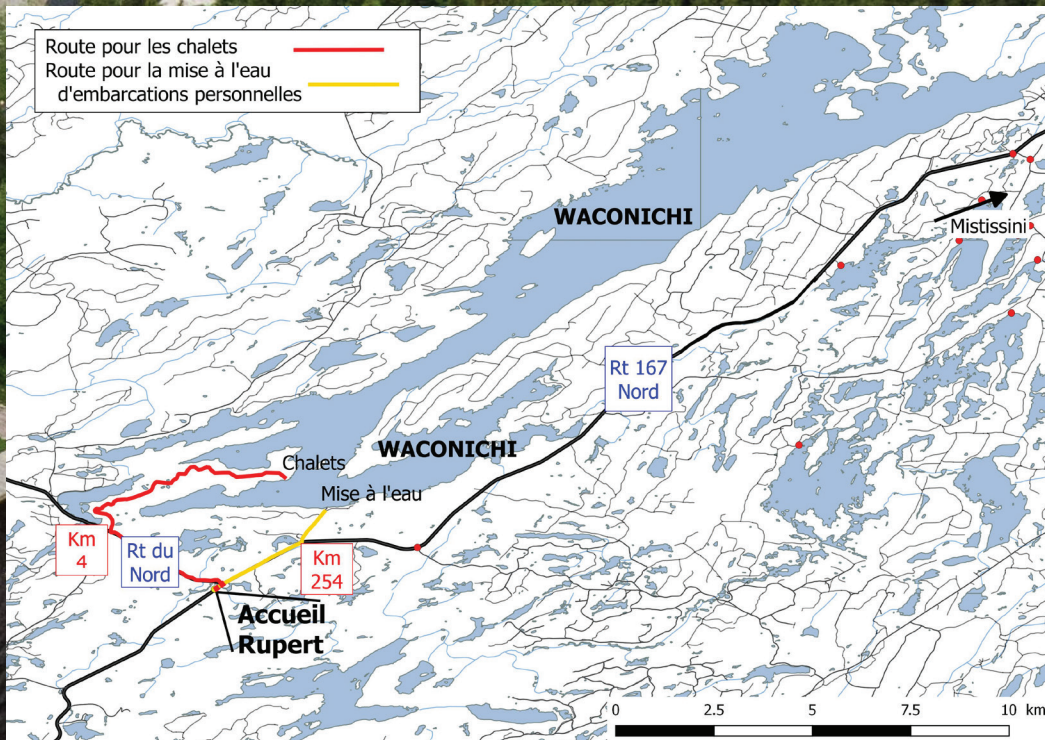
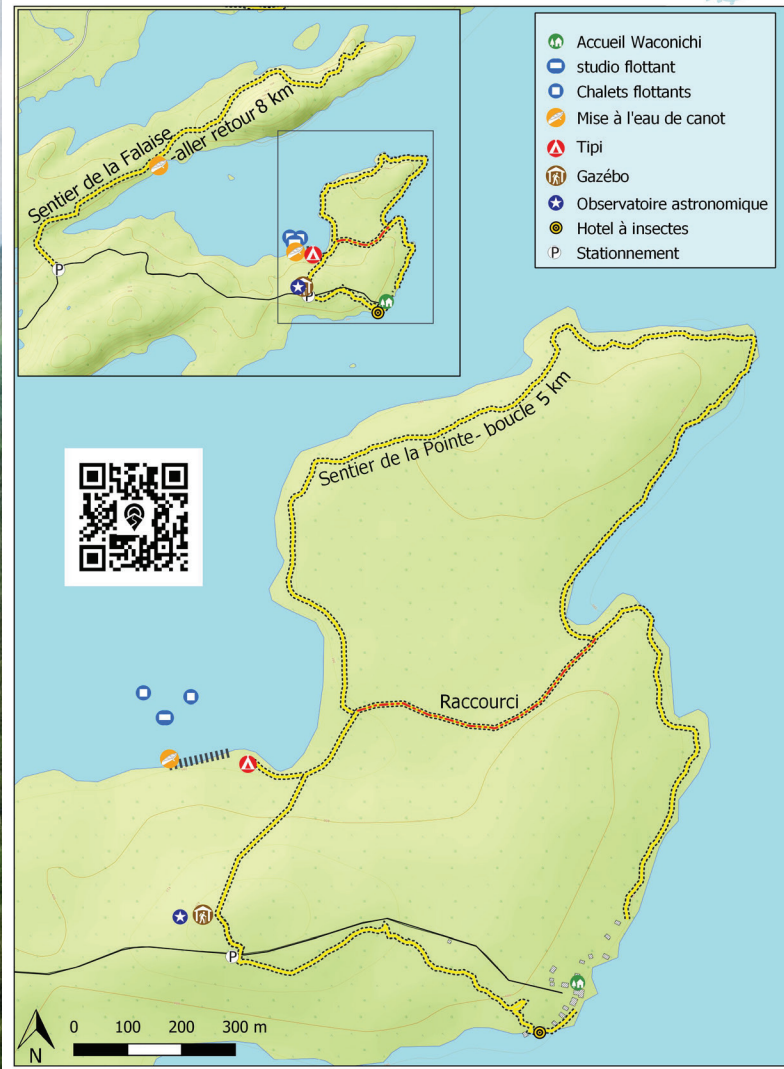
INFORMATION GUIDE

WACONICHI LAKE





SENTIERS PÉDESTRES **WACONICHI** NIBIISCHII



ACCESS MAP

LODGINGS



ATIHK^W CABIN ᐱᑎᑏᑦ

Eleven Atihk^W cabins (20x24') insulated for 4 people, including: Fully equipped kitchen with pans, pots, dishes, utensils, dishwashing equipment, counter and storage, table with 4 chairs, propane stove, washroom, 2 bedrooms with 2 single beds each (39"), electric heat and wood stove (wood included).

All cottages include electricity and running water inside.

Outside the cottages: Gallery, picnic table, refrigerator and freezer, BBQ.

Services included: 2 boats provided (motor not included) and space in cold storage.



MWAK^W FLOATING CABINS ᑎᑏᑦ

2 large Mwak^W floating cabins (12 x 24') for 4 people, including: 2 single wooden bunk beds, a futon (can accommodate a child), fitted sheets and pillows with pillowcases, full bathroom (propane toilet, sink and shower), a rectangular table with 4 chairs, solar refrigerator and freezer (6 cu. ft.), full kitchen with coffee maker, kettle, toaster, utensils, 2 propane burners, dishes (8 place settings), pans and pots, dish soap.

All cottages have electricity and non-drinkable running water.

Outside the cottages: Gallery, BBQ, bistro table, chairs and storage. Anchoring on the platform for boats.

Services included: Canoes, paddle boards and kayaks available.

RENTAL – COMMUNITY ROOM (98m²)

With a capacity of 50 people, this room can be reserved for meetings, gatherings, and other social activities. The community room is located near the reception area of the Waconichi cabins. It has a fully equipped kitchen with several tables and chairs, a large sectional couch, and rocking chairs, 3 wood stoves and electric heat. The room includes electricity and running water, a dishwasher, a propane cooker, a wi-fi connection, a projector with screen, a washroom and two sinks. There is a glass terrace with a breathtaking view of Lake Waconichi.

RENTAL – MWAK^W FLOATING STUDIO ᑎᑏᑦ (12X30')

With a capacity of 12 people, this floating studio available for rent is perfect for a yoga retreat, craft, family gathering or business event. This room is in Cliff Bay, accessible by boat or canoe. The studio includes electricity, non-drinkable running water, a wi-fi connection and propane heat. There is a washroom and sink, a television and projector, 2 tables and 12 chairs, 2 couches, yoga equipment (mats and cushions), a small counter with coffee maker and kettle.

EQUIPMENT TO BRING



- Food for the duration of the stay
(Selection of 7 vacuum-packed meals for sale on site!)
- Bedding (sheets, blanket or sleeping bag)
- Bath towel, dish towels
- Biodegradable soap and shampoo
- Drinking water
- Flashlight
- Satellite communication device
- Sonar, GPS, marine radio
- Fishing equipment, mooring buoys
- Sunscreen, mosquito repellent, lip balm
- Spare tires for car and trailer
- First aid kit (medicines)
- Warm and waterproof clothing, polarized sunglasses
- Bring a survival kit for the boat
(food, dry clothes, fire starter and camping gear)

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

WHEN YOU GET HERE



ARRIVAL

> **STARTING AT 5 P.M.**

Reception:

Check-in at Waconichi welcome center

Hours from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., 7 days/7



Location:

30 km north-east of Chibougamau via Route 167 and 81 km south of Mistissini. – At km 4 of the Route du Nord, turn right and follow the signs for 8 km.

Approximately 12 km on unpaved road



***It is not possible to get to your lodging by vehicle.**

A network of sidewalks and paths connects all buildings, and wheelbarrows are available for you to transport your luggage.

The access to the *Mwak*[™] floating cabins is possible:

- By trails and canoe
- By a shuttle service from the Waconichi welcome center
- By a provided craft (motor not included)
- By your personal craft from the boat launch (access at km 255 on the 167 Route)



Water is not drinkable at this location. It is recommended that visitors **boil the water** available onsite for about 10 minutes.



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 all buildings, including accommodation areas and rental units.



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.



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.

SERVICES ON THE SITE

- > Boutique
- > Sale of lures and worms
- > Board and outdoor games
- > 4 saunas
- > Displayed weather conditions
- > Hiking trails
- > Sale of vacuum-packed meals with boreal flavours
- > Central comfort station with showers and toilets
- > Gutting shelter with running water
- > Cold room with individual lockers
- > Freezer space rental
- > Marina and mooring area in front of chalet – Off-site boat ramp – accessible at km 255 of route 167
- > Drinking water and ice for sale
- > Regular unleaded gasoline for sale

ACTIVITIES

- > Astronomical observatory
- > Insect hotel
- > Cultural activities and crafts
- > Movie-park on water

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

QUIET AND RESPECT

Thank you for respecting the tranquility and the space of other groups present on the site. Any group causing a disturbance on the site will receive a warning. If this first warning is not heeded, the site manager may evict that group without refund.

Thank you also for respecting the work of employees and the site's opening hours (7 a.m. to 9 p.m.).

FISHING

(See FISHING PLAN document for further details)

CATCH AND POSSESSION LIMITS



- > **2 Lake trouts**
- > **5 kg + 1 or 15 Brook trouts**
- > **8 Pikes**

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 20-30 HP motor is highly recommended, along with an auxiliary motor of 10 HP .
- To avoid breakage, **short foot** motors are strongly recommended.
- Please plan an auxiliary engine in case of damage to the main engine.

Watercraft provided:

- 2 available boats per cabin, motors not included.
- > **On Waconichi Lake:** 16' aluminium, double bottom.
 - > **On walleye lakes:** 14' or 16' fiberglass.

*Personal watercraft are permitted, with no horsepower limits, on Waconichi Lake.

The use of a jet ski is strictly prohibited.

Safety equipment:

Adult-size personal flotation devices (PFDs) are available to you along with manual propelling devices. For young children, bring your own PFDs appropriate to their size.

*A boating safety kit is mandatory according to federal regulations and **is not included in the craft**. It is possible to purchase the kit at the Waconichi welcome center.

WAKONICHI LAKE

Lake trout, brook trout, walleye and pike

- > Lake trout fishing on Waconichi Lake is guaranteed until August 7. After that date, the quota may have been reached. Additionally, it is possible to fish for lake trout at Penicouane Bay (47 km to the north).

WALLEYE LAKES

Walleye and Northern Pike

- > These waters are located between 40 and 150 km from the *Atihk*[™] cabins and their access is awarded daily by way of a random draw. See the fishing plan for access details.
- > There are no fishing possibilities at the walleye lakes on arrival and departure days.

Motor rental:

- 20 HP motors for Waconichi Lake, and motors less than 10 HP for the walleye lakes, are available for rent.
- > It is possible to rent 20 HP motors by the day, by the half-day or for the entire stay*. **It is highly recommended that you reserve 20 HP motors at the same time that you book your stay.**
 - > 10 HP and under motors are rented solely by the day and cannot be reserved (rental only onsite).

AVOID FINES

- > Have a copy of the **access right** to the body of water on you and visible in your vehicle
- > Have your **fishing license** on you at all times
- > Wear a **personal flotation device** (PFD)
- > Have a **boating safety kit** in your craft
- > Declare your daily catch in the gutting shelter or at the campsite reception desk



PROTECTING FISH RESOURCES

We ask you to note that, to meet our fish resource management and conservation objectives, **the total of possession limits per species must NEVER be greater than the capacity of the cabin, which is 4 people**, and this is the case even if we agree to additional people joining your group.

WACONICHI LAKE (LAKE TROUT)

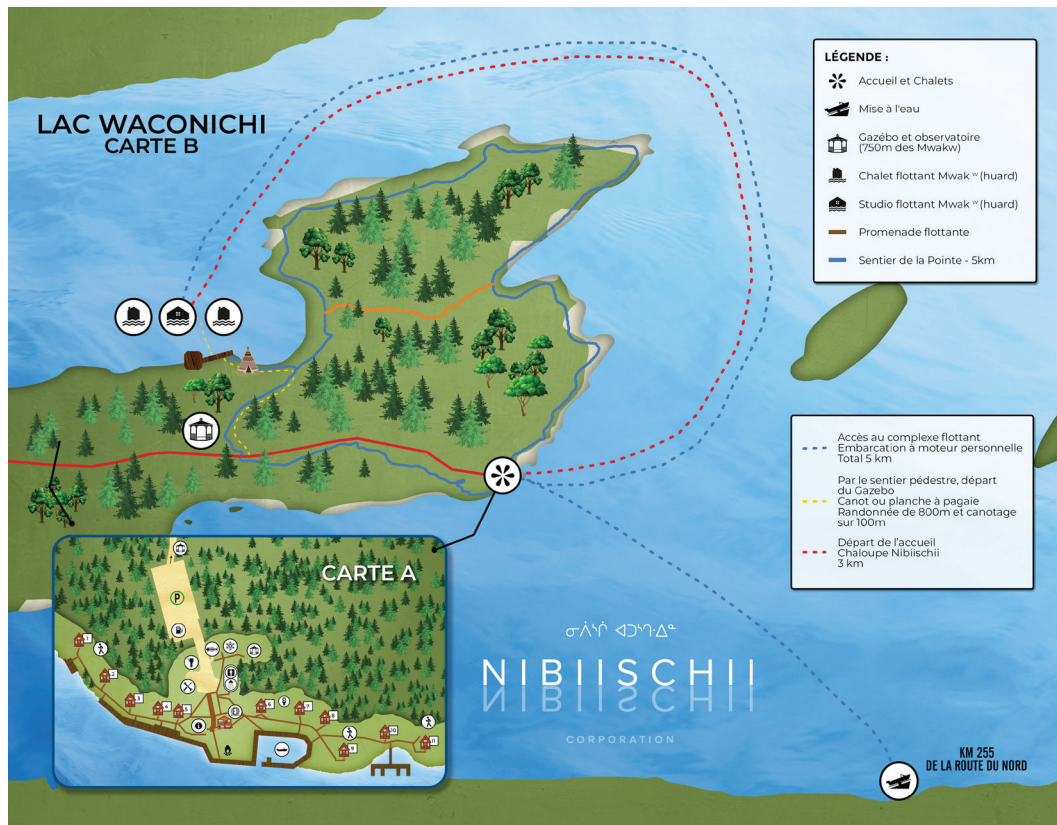
As a precautionary measure for the fish and to push the closing date back for lake trout fishing, the daily catch limit for the species will be 2 per angler.

WALLEYE LAKES

In order to distribute fishing pressure over the entire season, certain bodies of water may be allocated daily catch limits that are lower than the provincial limit.

MWAK^W FLOATING CABINS

HOW TO GET THERE



Access:

- › Access by the trails from the parking at km 7 on the access road. Journey of 750 m to the pedestrian dock. Canoes, kayaks and SUPs onsite.
- › Access by the boat launch at km 255 on Route 167 North if you're bringing your personal craft. About a 5 km journey on water. Parking at the launch in the places provided for that purpose.
- › Access by the Waconichi Lake site when you use a personal canoe or kayak or an available Nibiischii rowboat (motor not included, but rental possible onsite). About a 3 km journey on water.



MWAK^W FLOATING CABINS

Check-in and key pick-up:



Check-in takes place at the Lake Waconichi reception center. You can pick up the key to the floating cabin there and get the information needed for your stay.

Watercraft:



Take care to securely attach boats to the floating dock, and use fenders to prevent damage!

First aid:



A first-aid kit can be found above the refrigerator. If you use or take something from it, please advise a Waconichi employee so that we can replace the missing items.

Bear in mind that there are a number of users of the site and the waters. We are not responsible for objects stolen or damaged during your stay; consider locking the door before leaving to help prevent any incidents.

The *Mwak^W* were created in a spirit of energy autonomy and limited ecological footprint. They require greater participation on the part of their users. A memory aid will help you make this rental more responsible. Thank you for your collaboration!



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Electricity:



The floating cabin is powered exclusively by solar panels that charge a battery bank. Do not leave lights on or any other device requiring electricity except when necessary.

Be careful about water management!



Do not let water run unnecessarily. The water in the tank is not drinkable – it is taken from the lake.

Residual waste management:

The propane-driven toilet incinerates liquid and solid droppings. The ash accumulates in a drawer under the toilet and is emptied once a week.



Grey water is collected in a tank behind the cabin (1,000 liters). Avoid using products containing sulphates as well as solids. Grey waters are emptied 1-2 times a month.



All waste (sanitary, food and other) must be thrown in the trash and or in the bin for recycling, provided for this purpose.



BEFORE LEAVING

DEPARTURE



> **BEFORE 12 (NOON)**

Cleanliness: Please leave the property and the watercrafts as you found it, **clean and in good condition**. Otherwise, a \$100 housekeeping fee will be charged to you. In case of breakage or a problem, do not hesitate to bring it to the attention of the manager of the Waconichi cabins site.



TO DO BEFORE YOU LEAVE

- ✓ **Electricity:** Turn off all lights and appliances.
- ✓ **Garbage:** Please bring your garbage bags to the containers located on the Waconichi Lake site.
- ✓ **Windows:** Be sure to close all windows.
- ✓ **Dishes:** Make sure that the dishes used are clean and put away, as they were when you arrived.
- ✓ **Fishing:** Sign and hand in your catch declaration at reception.
- ✓ **Keys:** Please leave the keys at the Waconichi Lake site welcome center before leaving the site..

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.



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