xperience Willmore Park and its many opportunities for year round outdoor exploration, nature appreciation, family fun and personal enjoyment.

Willmore Park

Highlights

Willmore Park offers an extensive multiple-use trail system, scenic views, day use, group use, overnight and backcountry camping facilities, tobogganing hill and boat launch.

· Camping & Group Use ·

The park offers 41 non-serviced autoaccess campsites and one large backcountry campsite. Campsites and group use areas can be booked by reservation. Potable water, firepits and firewood are supplied.

· Seasonal Fun ·

On hot summer days the sandy beaches of the McLeod River are a very popular spot to head for a swim or soak up the sun. In winter, the park is a popular destination for families and friends as it offers a spectacular tobogganing hill for sledding and all out winter fun. On a good snow year the trails also offer opportunities to snowshoe and cross-country ski.

Experience our Trails

Our 12.75 km loop trail system is excellent for short walks, longer hikes or mountain biking. The trails offer a nice mix of rolling terrain, short uphills and intermediate downhills through old growth mixed-wood forest along the McLeod River.

· Wildlife Watching ·

The park is home to many wildlife including mule and white-tailed deer, squirrels and forest birds. It is important to keep in mind when visiting Willmore Park that you are in bear country. When using the trail system make plenty of noise, especially when walking near streams or coming around corners. Remember to always be aware of your surroundings.



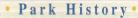
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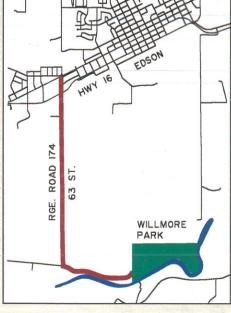
· How to get there ·

Willmore Park is located south of Edson. When travelling west through town turn left onto 63rd Street, cross the eastbound highway and continue south 4 km along the gravel secondary road

(R.R. #174). Turn left on Twp. Rd 525A and travel 2 km to the Willmore Park gate. When travelling east into town along Highway 16, look for the brown Willmore Park sign.



Park construction began in 1983 as a cooperative effort between Alberta Recreation & Parks, Town of Edson, Katimavik and Dome Petroleum Ltd. A biathlon range was built in the summer of 1985, and used to host the 1986 Alberta Winter Games. As you travel through the center of the park you may discover an open clearing, which is the only evidence



of where the range once stood. Willmore Park is ideal for group and student events and has been used over the years by Boy Scouts, Cadets, school picnics and wilderness training.

Overall, Willmore Park is a gem to the Town of Edson and local area, and a wonderful stop over for those travelling through the Yellowhead Region.

· Contact Information ·

For more information or to make a reservation please contact the Willmore Park Caretaker at (780) 723-7141.

In case of injury or emergency call the Edson RCMP Detachment at (780) 723-8800 or 911.

ENJOY A PIECE OF NATURE

See what Edson's best kept secret has to offer.

Escape, Relax, Explore the outdoors

Overnight camp or tent, Hike or mountain bike
Laugh, Share experiences with a group of friends

Tell stories around the campfire, Roast marshmallows
Have a picnic, Take a moonlit walk or go for a swim

Toboggan, Snowshoe or have some winter fun...

Whatever your experience enjoy it in

WILLMORE PARK

Edson's Wilderness Park.



Proudly owned and operated by the Town of Edson. Willmore Park is conveniently located 6 km from town along the beautiful McLeod River.

Things to keep in mind when camping in our wilderness park...PLEASE

- Keep fires to a minimum, and be sure that your fire is out when you leave.
- Keep fires contained within the firepits provided. Random fires are not permitted.
- Ensure that all food, containers and cooking utensils are tightly stowed away in your vehicles when you are not using them. Remember a fed bear is a dead bear.
- Always pack out your garbage with you. When staying at the backcountry site, store food and garbage in a water proof sack or bag. When not in use, hang this bag from a tree (6 metres above the ground) and a distance from your camp (recommend 100 metres).





Enjoy a piece of nature, Edson's best kept secret.





Things to keep in mind when using our trails and facilities...PLEASE

- Be considerate of other park users.
- Keep pets on leash at all times when visiting the park.
- Remember it is unlawful to pick, remove or deface any plant, fossil or rock from the park. Leave these for future visitors to enjoy.
- Remember liquor is permitted only within your registered campsite.
- Be considerate of the safety of others. Remember that snowboards are not permitted on the tobogganing hill.
- Horses are not permitted along the trail system or within Willmore Park.

