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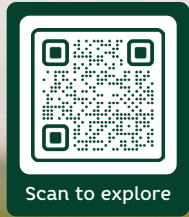
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PERTH COUNTY TOURISM GUIDE



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welcome to PERTH COUNTY

Your adventure starts here.
Perth County is your gateway to a world of unforgettable experiences.

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all roads lead to
PERTH COUNTY

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Discover the magic of Perth County with our
signature experiences

Perth County invites you to escape the ordinary and immerse yourself in unforgettable adventures that celebrate the charm of our countryside.



- Atwood** Delicious eateries and unique local shops.
- Dublin** Your go-to for exceptional furniture, home accessories, and gifts.
- Millbank** The heart of the Mennonite community, famous for their furniture and hardware stores, and bakery.
- Milverton** Charming village with quaint shops and amazing bakeries.
- Mitchell** Rich heritage, scenic landscapes, and small-town charm.
- Monkton** A great stop along the G2G Rail Trail for a hot meal.
- Listowel** Scenic trails, vibrant shops, and diverse dining options.
- Sebringville** An incredible garden centre and a hometown diner.
- Shakespeare** Shop their antique stores, grab an ice cream, and visit the local brewery.

HOW TO GET HERE

Kitchener ¾ h
 London..... 1 h
 Hamilton 1½ h
 Toronto 2 h
 Windsor 3 h

For a detailed driving map, visit perthcounty.ca





Lynn River Farm



TLC Alpaca

discover our signature experiences

Looking for a unique experience?

Our Signature Experiences offer hands-on activities that connect you with the heart of rural Ontario. From farm-fresh tastings to artisan workshops and behind-the-scenes tours, each adventure immerses you in Perth County life. Meet passionate makers, explore the countryside, and create lasting memories.

1 Experience a delicious farm-to-table dinner



GRAZE FARM DINNER

Enjoy six delicious courses from the farm, conversation around the fire, and striking quarry views at this unique farm dining experience.

Lynn River Farm
2529 37 Line, Perth East

Reserve your seat at lynnriverfarm.com

2 Make artisanal chocolates

BONBON WORKSHOP

Discover the magic behind casting, decorating, and filling your very own Swiss-style bonbons, and craft edible masterpieces.

Chok. Fine Chocolates
2146 Line 34, Shakespeare

Book your experience at chokfinechocolates.ca



3 Visit cute farm animals



ALPACA WALKING TOUR

Meet Willie the goat, pet the horses and donkeys, and take the adorable alpacas for a walk through the countryside.

TLC Alpaca
4616 Road 170, Mitchell

Secure your spot by calling 519-348-9112



4 P.Y.O. flowers

PICK-YOUR-OWN FLOWERS

Breathe in the smell of fresh flowers, feel the soft brush of petals as you wander, and enjoy the vibrant colours. Channel your inner creativity as you craft a handpicked bouquet.

Black Creek Flower Farm
4858 Line 34, Stratford

Discover the beauty at blackcreekflowerfarm.com



5 Enjoy tea time

AFTERNOON HIGH TEA

Enjoy a traditional High Tea complete with freshly baked scones, finger sandwiches, and an array of decadent sweets.

Victorian Inn & Spa
405 Main St. West, Listowel

Book your table at victorianinnandspa.com



The Perth Farmhouse



Ambe Winged Tours

discover our signature experiences

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Learn about local birds

GUIDED BIRDING TOUR

Escape into the wild, where a local birding expert will guide you through hidden North Perth landscapes. Spot and learn about local birds, and capture breathtaking photos.

Ambe Winged Tours, Listowel area
To book your tour, email
ambewingedtours@gmail.com



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Wander a sugar bush

MAPLE TOURS

Dive into the tradition of maple syrup, and learn how it was made prior to modern times. Enjoy this hands-on experience - bottling, sampling, and a facility tour!

Hoover's Maple Syrup
5896 Line 78, Atwood
Reserve your maple adventure
at hooversmaplesyrup.com

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Visit an apple orchard

PICK-YOUR-OWN APPLES

Wander rows of apple trees, fill your basket, and discover the journey of an apple from blossom to harvest.

Applebottom Orchards
9652 Road 146, Palmerston
Learn more at [facebook.com/applebottomorchards](https://www.facebook.com/applebottomorchards)



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Visit with adorable goats

GOAT SOCIAL

Visit The Perth Farmhouse and meet their adorable goats, then finish your adventure with a picnic by the pond, featuring locally sourced treats.

The Perth Farmhouse
4596 Wilmot Easthope Rd, Perth East

Reserve your Goat Social or Sip & Graze at theperthfarmhouse.ca



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Sip & graze at a local vineyard

SIP & GRAZE

Visit this trendy farm to experience genuine farm hospitality and enjoy a self-guided tasting of wine and cider at Perth County's first ever winery!

The Perth Farmhouse
4596 Wilmot Easthope Rd, Perth East

OUT AND ABOUT



PERTH COUNTY DAY TRIPS YOU'LL LOVE

Explore the rich agricultural offerings of Perth County, where fresh flavours and country charm await. Whether you're a **foodie, a shopper, a nature enthusiast, or an adventure seeker**, Perth County has something to inspire every kind of traveller.

From charming small towns filled with boutique shops and artisanal goods to scenic countryside trails perfect for hiking or cycling, the perfect day trip itinerary exists for everyone!



FRESH FROM THE FIELD

farm-to-table adventure



DISCOVER MORE FLAVOUR

Discover locally produced food, farm products and farm experiences right here in Perth County. Follow the **Farm Gate Map** and discover farm gate stores, self-serve stands, seasonal pick-your-own experiences, and specialty food shops showcasing the best local ingredients.

Start your morning with a delicious breakfast at a **local café or market** before browsing **farm stands** stocked with locally grown produce, artisanal cheeses, homemade pastries, and handcrafted treats. In the afternoon, visit a **Pick-Your-Own farm** for a hands-on seasonal experience.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Here's an idea of what you can expect at different types of farm gates. It is often a good idea to check online or call ahead of your visit to ensure the farm gate you wish to visit is open.

FARM GATE STAND

These informal farm gate stands operate on a self-serve, honour system. Pull up to the stand, pick up your items, and deposit money in the container provided. You may or may not see someone operating the stand.

FARM GATE STORE

A more formal store located on a farm with posted operating hours. Note that hours may change seasonally.

LOCAL FOOD SHOP

Not located on a farm, but a location that sources and sells primarily local food sources from Perth County Farms.

HOME-BASED SALES

Sales take place from a personal home on a farm. You may see a sign, but no stand directly at the farm gate.

FOR THE FOODIES

a journey of local flavours



SIPS, BITES, & RURAL DELIGHTS

Whether you're savouring a **farm-to-table meal** or picking your own produce at one of our many **local farms**, there's something to satisfy everyone. The region's rich agricultural heritage shines through in its diverse offerings. Be sure to stop by a **brewery or winery** to bring home some local beer, wine, or cider!



THE PERTH FARMHOUSE

Sip carefully crafted wines and ciders in a scenic vineyard.

BLACK DONNELLY'S BREWING CO.

A craft brewery honouring one of Canada's infamous frontier stories.

SHAKESPEARE BREWING COMPANY

Small-batch beers crafted with locally grown ingredients.

STROLLS, SHOPS, & COUNTRY STOPS

Take a leisurely stroll through charming towns, where **boutique shops and bakeries** showcase the best of local ingredients — think freshly baked breads, homemade pastries, and artisanal cheeses.

Don't know where to start? Check out our **Bakery Trail (page 24)** for inspiration! Stop along the way to visit **farm stands and roadside markets** stocked with seasonal produce, jams, and handcrafted treats. The combination of small-town charm and fresh, local flavours is a foodie's dream come true.



OUTDOOR ADVENTURERS

explore, wander, and discover



TREKS, TRAILS, & SUNSET SAILS

Begin your adventure with a morning hike or cycle along the **G2G Rail Trail** near Monkton, where scenic views of farmland, rivers, and forests set the tone for the day. In the afternoon, check out one of our many **Animal Encounters** or outdoor **Signature Experiences!** As evening falls, rent a kayak, canoe, or paddleboard at **Wildwood Conservation Area**, and cap off the day with a sunset picnic by the water.



DID YOU KNOW? You can cycle from **The Perth Farmhouse** to **Moo's Ice Cream Shop** in under 40 minutes!

WILDERNESS & WETLAND WONDERS

Discover the wilder side of Perth County, offering outdoor adventures year-round. Paddle the **Thames River** or **Trout Creek**, or explore the calm waters of **Wildwood Conservation Area**, perfect for canoeing, kayaking, and hiking. Wander scenic trails like the **West Perth Thames Nature Trail & Wetlands**, a peaceful haven for birdwatching and nature walks, or step into the **Ellice Swamp**, where towering trees and winding paths create a perfect setting for wildlife spotting.

In the winter, strap on snowshoes and trek through scenic trails at **Wildwood Conservation Area** or **The Stratford Perth Museum**. Whether you're paddling, hiking, or snowshoeing, Perth County's wild spaces are full of adventure in every season.



FAIRWAYS & FLAVOURS

Golf lovers will enjoy Perth County's **six scenic courses**, each offering unique challenges and stunning views. Whether you're a serious or casual golfer, you'll find fairways set against rolling hills and picturesque countryside. After your game, unwind with a relaxing dining experience at each course, savouring a delicious meal with scenic views. With top-tier greens and great dining, Perth County is a must-visit for golf enthusiasts.



Wildwood Conservation Area is a 3,500 acre outdoor playground with a gorgeous lake, parks, camp sites, trails, and more. Activities include hiking, fishing, boating, swimming, paddle boarding, sailing and more! **Canoe, kayak, bike, and paddle board rentals available.**

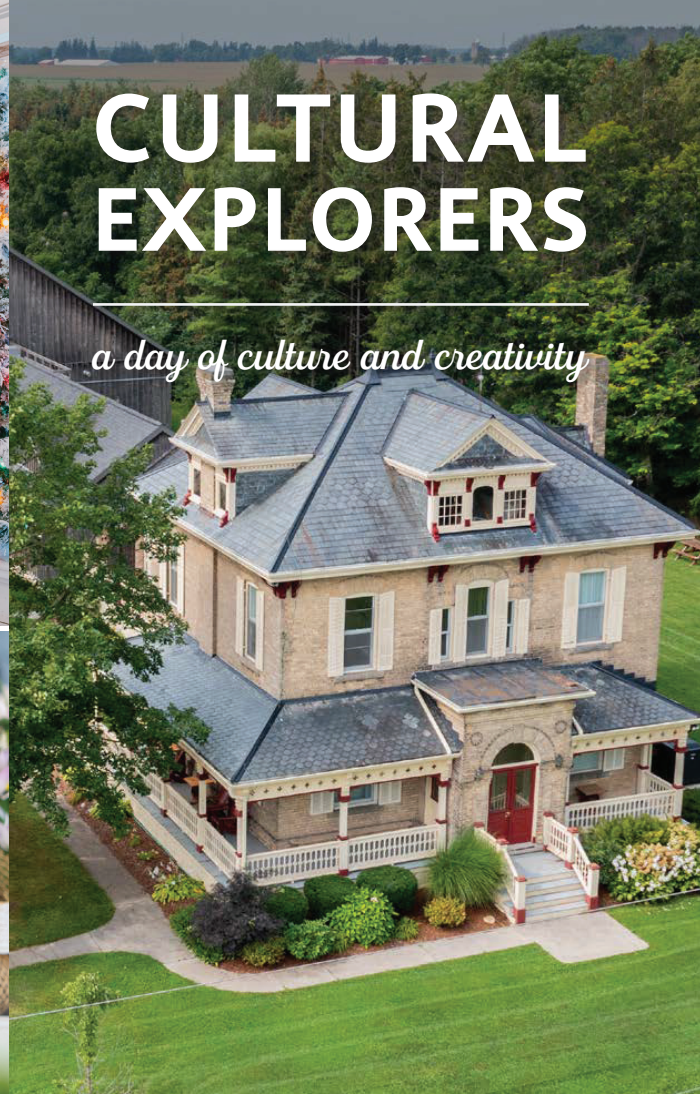
RETAIL EXPLORERS

hidden gems and local finds



CULTURAL EXPLORERS

a day of culture and creativity



ANTIQUES, SWEETS, & COUNTRY TREATS

For those who love to shop, Perth County is a treasure trove of **unique finds and local charm**. Stroll through the quaint streets of the county's small towns, where a blend of **boutique shops, artisanal stores, and antique markets** offer a delightful mix of goods. Whether you're hunting for one-of-a-kind clothing, handmade home decor, or vintage treasures, each shop is a reflection of the county's creativity and craftsmanship. From unique boutiques to charming independent stores, you will find plenty of hidden gems to discover in every corner of Perth County.

TRAILS IN TIME

Be sure to visit the **Stratford Perth Museum**, where local history and culture come to life.

Discover exhibits including **Justin Bieber: Steps to Stardom, Railway Century, the Stratford Festival**, and more. Enjoy the naturally beautiful property that boasts a 1.5 km trail system and year-round outdoor activities.



a trail FOR EVERY SEASON

ENDLESS ADVENTURES AWAIT YOU IN PERTH COUNTY

No matter the time of year, Perth County offers endless chances for adventure and family-friendly fun.



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SWEET SPRING

Celebrate spring with hikes through country trails. Visit a maple syrup farm to enjoy fresh syrup and tour the sugar bush. Smell the spring flowers, visit with baby animals, and spot migrating birds.



SUMMER VIBES

Soak up the summer with paddling, kayaking, and scenic cycling. Visit a flower farm, pack a picnic, and explore the countryside. P.Y.O. produce at local farms, enjoy farmers' markets, and attend festivals full of food and music.



FALL FOR AUTUMN

Embrace autumn with apple and pumpkin picking, corn mazes, and scenic drives through colourful landscapes. Catapult a pumpkin, take a witches walk, and enjoy fall festivals and fairs.



WINTER WONDERS

Explore snowy trails on snowshoes or skis, go tubing, or ride the snowmobile trails. Enjoy outdoor skating and festive markets filled with holiday lights and cheer.





discover
**FAMILY-FRIENDLY
ADVENTURES**

Perth County is the perfect place for families to explore, play, and create lasting memories. With farms, trails, and parks to discover, there's something for everyone year-round.



 **TIPS AND TRICKS**

PLAN AHEAD:

Check hours, weather, and seasonal availability. Have rainy-day options.

LOCAL EATS: Pack snacks, but save room for local bakeries and farm stands.

P.Y.O. ADVENTURES

Perth County's ***pick-your-own farms*** offer fun, hands-on experiences for all ages. From juicy berries to vibrant sunflowers, it's a great way to enjoy nature! Use our ***Farm Gate Map*** to plan your visit and explore local gems.

FRIENDLY FARM ANIMALS

Spend the afternoon visiting with friendly farm animals at the ***West Perth Animal Park***. Enjoy a picnic in the park while the kids burn off some energy at the playground.

PLAYFUL GOAT VISITS

Get up close with playful goats at ***Goats on 86***, and explore a fun-filled family farm experience.

DISCOVER HISTORY

Step back in time at the ***Stratford Perth Museum***, where interactive exhibits bring local history, arts, and culture to life. It's an educational and engaging experience for curious minds.

SLIDE INTO WINTER FUN

Race down snowy slopes at ***River Valley*** for an action-packed winter experience that's sure to be a hit with kids and adults alike!



enjoy
**PICTURE-PERFECT
DATE NIGHTS**

Take the scenic route and enjoy exploring Perth County's hidden treasures, from quaint farm stands and artisan shops to winding country roads—perfect for a romantic date night waiting to be discovered.

DINNER AND A SHOW

Enjoy a romantic meal at a local restaurant, followed by a live theatre performance for an unforgettable evening.

WINERY/BREWERY TASTING

Spend an afternoon sampling local wines or craft beers, paired with charcuterie and great conversation.



STARGAZING NIGHT

Bring blankets and snacks for a cozy evening under the stars at a quiet, scenic spot.

**FARM-TO-TABLE
DINING EXPERIENCE**

Book a table at a restaurant that sources local ingredients and savour a fresh, seasonal menu.

**BIKE THROUGH
THE COUNTRYSIDE**

Cycle through charming rural routes, stopping for photos, treats, and scenic views along the way.

SCENIC HIKE AND PICNIC

Explore a beautiful trail together and finish with a picnic by the water, surrounded by nature.

SUNSET PADDLE

Rent a canoe or kayak and paddle at sunset for a peaceful, scenic experience on the water.



✓ TIPS AND TRICKS

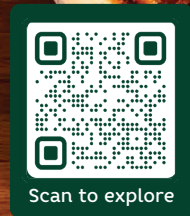
PLAN AHEAD: Book reservations or tickets early for popular restaurants and shows.

DRESS FOR THE OCCASION: Whether it's a hike or a fancy dinner, wear something comfortable and appropriate.

TRY SOMETHING NEW: Step out of your routine with a new activity like a bonbon making class or sunset paddle.

find your sweet spot on the

BAKERY TRAIL



Spend the day exploring the Bakery Trail, a tasty tour of Perth County's best sweet spots, each celebrating local baking traditions. You might even find soups, sandwiches, and other savoury treats along the way!

START: FRESH START BAKERY

Enjoy delicious treats baked daily on site.

Must try: Apple Eclairs
6012 Line 88, Gowanstown

5 min

IMPRESSIONS BAKERY

Serving desserts that look as good as they taste!

Must try: Fry Pies
151 Main Street W, Listowel

20 min

END: MCCULLY'S HILL FARM

Smell the fresh baked goods as you walk in the door!

Must try: Rhubarb Pie
4074 Perth Line 9, St. Marys

15 min

GUENTHER'S BAKERY

Visit Perth County's oldest bakery (opened in 1894) and try their classic recipes.

Must try: Health Cookies
39 Main St N, Milverton

1 min

COUNTRY ROOTS FRESH MARKET

Sweet offerings including a wide variety of squares and specialty cupcakes.

Must try: Carrot Cake Cheesebar
1971 Perth Road 163, Perth South

20 min

GOURMANDISE

Offering delicious pastries made fresh by a French pastry chef.

Must try: Tartlets & Quiche
3 Main Street N, Milverton

10 min

DUBLIN MERCANTILE

Discover countless flavours of delicious homemade fudge.

Must try: Chocolate Peanut Butter Fudge
3955 Perth Road 180, Dublin

10 min

ANNA MAE'S BAKERY

Dive into Mennonite culture and try their signature baking.

Must try: Apple Fritters
4060 Perth County Line 72, Millbank

20 min

THE SUGAR MAPLE RESTAURANT

Meet the friendly staff and enjoy delicious baked goods!

Must try: Sourdough Bread
89A Ontario Road, Mitchell

25 min

HARRY TEN SHILLING

Try colourful macarons or cupcakes with a tea.

Must try: Macarons
2203 Line 34, Shakespeare

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WILD HOG COUNTRY MARKET

Visit this trendy market for a hot cup of coffee accompanied by fresh baked desserts.

Must try: Sticky Buns
2785 Line 34, Perth East

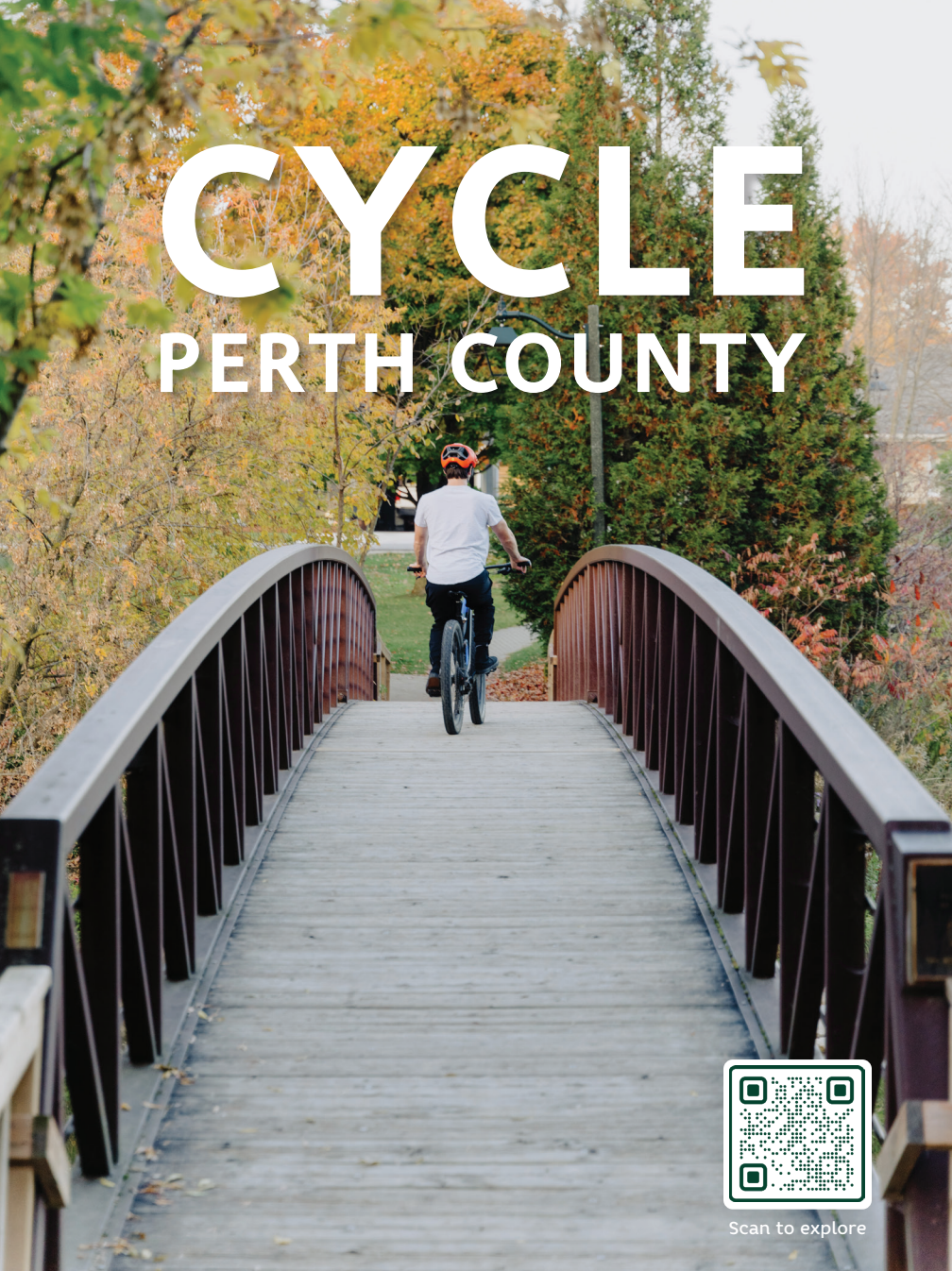
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SHAKESPEARE PIES

Try their fresh baked pies and butter tarts that are baked daily using local ingredients.

Must try: Butter Tarts
2264 Line 34, Shakespeare

CYCLE PERTH COUNTY



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Find scenic cycle routes passing by farmlands, natural areas, and charming small towns while exploring Perth County by bike. **Scan the QR code above to explore the routes.** You can pick up a printed copy of the map at any Municipal Office in Perth County.

EASY LOOPS (Mostly Paved)

Perfect for casual riders.

— Stratford - Brocksden Airport Loop 28 KM, 100% paved

A smooth loop past rural fields and Stratford's regional airport.

— West Perth Road Loop 60 KM, 100% paved

Quiet country roads and small-town charm in West Perth.

— Stratford - St. Marys Link 22 KM, 73% paved, 27% gravel

A short, scenic ride through rolling farmland.

— Stratford - Mitchell - Dublin Loop 81 KM, 98% paved, 2% gravel

A longer paved ride linking historic small towns.

MIXED SURFACE ADVENTURES

A bit of gravel and variety.

— North Perth & Perth East Road Ride 64 KM, 93% paved, 7% gravel

A pleasant mix of town and countryside routes.

— Perth County South West Ride 75 KM, 54% paved, 46% gravel

Explore backroads in Perth South and West Perth.

— Stratford - Wellesley Explorer 63 KM, 63% paved, 37% gravel

Rolling hills, quiet roads, and pastoral views.

LONG DISTANCE + GRAVEL

Best for multi-day tours.

— Perth County Gravel Circuit 230 KM, 44% paved, 56% gravel

A multi-day epic with changing terrain.

G2G TRAIL CONNECTIONS

Goderich to Guelph Rail Trail.

— Stratford - G2G Milverton Link 29 KM, 48% paved, 52% gravel

A rural ride linking Stratford to the G2G Rail Trail.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Clothing that will not catch in the wheels, chain, or other moving parts of the bicycle.

Wear comfortable, layered clothing that breathes, yet is wind resistant. Wear an approved helmet.

TIPS & TRICKS:

PICK YOUR ROUTE WISELY:

Choose a ride that matches your skill level.

SHARE THE ROAD:

Be mindful of farm equipment and vehicles on mixed-use roads.

CHECK FOR FARM STOPS:

Some routes pass by seasonal farmgate stands and pick-your-own spots!

DOWNLOAD OR GRAB A

MAP: Use the Farm Gate or Cycle Map. Pick one up at a municipal office or access from your phone.

BIKE REPAIR BASICS:

A spare tube, patch kit, and a pump go a long way on country roads.



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