

SUMMARY OF THE AREAS OF NATIONAL PARKS, BY PROVINCES

Province	Area	Province	Area
	sq. miles		sq. miles
Prince Edward Island.....	7.00	Saskatchewan.....	1,496.00
Nova Scotia.....	390.60	Alberta.....	20,739.20
New Brunswick.....	80.12	British Columbia.....	1,671.00
Quebec.....	0.33 ¹	Northwest Territories.....	3,625.00
Ontario.....	11.72		
Manitoba.....	1,149.04		
		Total.....	29,170.01

¹ Not including area of Gatineau Park, 25 sq. miles in extent (see pp. 30-31).

Provincial Parks.—In addition to the National Parks already described, most of the provinces have established Provincial Parks. These parks, as in the case of the National Parks, are areas of great scenic or other interest maintained for the benefit of present and future generations. The Provincial Parks are administered by the Provincial Governments concerned, and in most cases they have not yet reached the degree of development which marks the National Parks. Following are brief descriptions of the principal Provincial Parks, by provinces.

Maritime Provinces.—There are National Parks in Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, and many civic parks, but none in any of the Maritime Provinces which comes within the classification of Provincial Parks.

Quebec.—There are five Provincial Parks in this Province, located in distinctive areas which enables each to offer some special interest. Like those in the other provinces, they have been established in order to preserve natural beauty and to protect the fauna and flora.

Laurentides Park is an area located a short distance north of the city of Quebec, and has an altitude of about 3,000 feet. It is remarkable for its numerous lakes, tumultuous rivers and fine speckled trout. Moose, deer, black bears, wolves, and all the fur-bearing animals of the Province abound here but no hunting is permitted. There are two well-organized hotels and about twenty fishing camps. Mount Orford Park is located on Orford Mountain, with an altitude of 2,860 feet. The slope of the mountain makes it one of the best skiing tests in Canada, and it also has a picturesque nine-hole golf course. Gaspesian Park has a flora representative of an era prior to the Great Continental Glacier. The main object of this park is to preserve the last herds of caribou on the south shore of the St. Lawrence. Speckled trout abound in the lakes and rivers of the Park. The Mont Laurier-Senneterre Road, Fish and Game Reserve, in the western part of the Province, is crossed on its full length by the road leading from Montreal to the Abitibi region. It is remarkable for its numerous lakes and rivers which provide favourable conditions for long canoe excursions. Fish include grey trout, northern pike, pickerel, black bass, and, in a limited number of lakes, speckled trout. There are two establishments for the accommodation of travellers, also a stopping place maintained by the Department of Game and Fisheries where cabins and boats may be rented.

Acresages of these parks in square miles are given below:—

<u>Park</u>	<u>Sq. Miles</u>	<u>Park</u>	<u>Sq. Miles</u>
Laurentides.....	3,670.00	Trembling Mountain.....	1,204.00
Mont Laurier-Senneterre Road, Fish and Game Reserve....	2,800.00	Gaspesian.....	340.00
		Mount Orford.....	21.00
<i>Total.....</i>	<i>8,035.00 square miles</i>		