



FOUR CORNERS ALGONQUIN . CA

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THRILL SEEKER

Only the strong will dare...

Barron Canyon and the High Falls Cheater

This is an all day, two-part experience that includes a drive to the north side of the park, a hike to Barron Canyon, and a second hike to the High Falls on the Barron river. Be sure to stop at the gate and ask for directions to the High Falls Cheater Trail as it's not on most maps.

Rewarded with unbelievable views, rock waterslide and grotto-like swimming area. Great day trip and well worth the effort.

Summary

Cost (\$)	Fuel, park pass, food
Permit	Yes
Time	All day event
Distance to access point	
Driving time	2 hours each way
Hiking Distance	Barron Canyon 1.5 km High Falls 4km
Fitness level	Moderate to High
Children	If accompanied by an adult (experienced hiker). Be prepared to go slowly and take longer if they walk also or if adults are less experienced.
Infants & Toddlers	If carried by an adult. Not suitable for strollers
Pets	Permitted
Dangers	100m view from bluffs of Barron Canyon to river below, no fences. A fall from this height would be fatal. Climb of 300m over 4km. Extremely uneven terrain and steep inclines.
Bathrooms	Available at the Gate entrance, & Barron Canyon parking lot.
Cell Service	None

What to bring

Clothing	Good hiking boots or running shoes. Swimsuit and towel PFD for inexperienced swimmers
Nutrition	Lots of water Prepacked lunch, snacks. Plan to stop for dinner out.
Other	Typical hiking supplies: first aid kit, pet waste bags, sunscreen etc. GPS tracker.

More Information

Search terms: Barron Canyon, High Falls, High Falls Cheater Trail, Sand Lake access point

Barron Canyon

<http://www.algonquinpark.on.ca/visit/camping/sand-lake-gate.php>

http://www.algonquinpark.on.ca/visit/recreational_activites/barron-canyon-trail.php

High Falls

<https://www.ontariotrails.on.ca/index.php?url=trails/view/high-falls-hiking-trail>

Preplanning

Prepared lunches can be ordered in advance from The Madmusher.

<https://www.madmusher.com/> 613-637-2820 or toll free 1-866-551-5534.

Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) can be rented from Opeongo Outfitters.

<https://www.opeongooutfitters.com/> 613-637-5470 or toll free 1-800-790-1864.

Park Passes can be borrowed at Four Corners Algonquin (no charge for our guests), possibly from [the Whitney Public Library](#) (no charge), or purchased at attended park access points.

Plan to arrive at the High Falls early afternoon to maximize sunshine and warmth of day for your swimming pleasure.

Barron Canyon and High Falls Cheater Trail Itinerary

Time	Activity
7:00am	Depart Whitney for the Algonquin Park Sand Lake Gate access point , 5396 Barron Canyon Road, Petawawa, Ontario, K8H 2W8
9:00am	Arrive at Sand Lake access point. Purchase permit. Bio-break.
9:30am	Depart for Barron Canyon parking lot, at km 29.0 of the Barron Canyon Road, 11 km north of the Sand Lake Gate.
9:45am	Arrive at Barron Canyon parking lot and enter trail.
11:00am	Arrive back at Barron Canyon parking lot. Picnic lunch. Bio-break.
12:00pm	Depart for High Falls parking lot.
12:40pm	Park at High Falls lot and enter trail.
5:00pm	Depart access point for dinner out in Pembroke or Petawawa.
7:00pm	Depart restaurant for return trip to Four Corners Algonquin.
9 :00pm	Arrive at Four Corners Algonquin

