

Fort Battleford – Fort Pitt

August 9-18, 2023

(Schedule – April, 2023)

Aug. 8 – Pre-walk tours: Fort Battleford on own; evening tour of old Battleford site (Land Titles building, Gov't House / Indian Res. Industrial School, cemetery); camp at Kramer Campground (adjacent to Fort B.) or North Battleford Motel; (Battlefords NW Historical Society hosts/guides)

Aug. 9 – Walk; return to Battleford for night (campground/motel); evening tour options: 1885 hangings site (F.N. guide?), Fred Light Museum, SK Baseball Hall of Fame; (Hist. Society hosts)

Aug. 10 - Walk; overnight at Delmas (camp outside hall; washrooms) or Battleford Motel; evening tour Bresaylor Museum (English Metis history); potluck supper in hall with Museum committee.

Aug. 11 – Walk; overnight at Paynton (camp outside Seniors Centre; washrooms) or Maidstone Motel; socialize in evening

Aug. 12 – Walk; overnight at Paynton/Maidstone; evening visit to Poundmaker Interpretive Centre and Cut Knife Hill battle site (Floyd Favel guide)

Aug. 13 – Walk; overnight at Silver Lake Reg. Park; evening, nature viewing or guided tour of Pine Island fur trade posts site

Aug. 14 – Walk; overnight Silver Lake; evening guided tour to Shiloh Baptist Church (Afri.-Can. history)

Aug. 15 – Begin at Kenderdine homestead site; Walk; rough camp or drive to Frenchman Butte (campground) or Paradise Hill for night (campground/hotel)

Aug. 16 – Optional rest/culture day or drive back to rough camp; Walk; camp at Paradise Hill or Frenchman Butte; evening tour Imhoff church paintings (P. Hill) or Frenchman Butte Museum

Aug. 17 – Walk; camp at Paradise Hill or Frenchman Butte; evening guided tour of Frenchman Butte Nat. Hist. site (1885 battle)

Aug 18 – Walk to Fort Pitt; tour Nat. Hist. site/Prov. Park; return home or overnight locally

Accommodation Notes:

Battleford - Kramer campground plan on Town web-site; book on own via secondary booking site

Delmas - no booking required; will be noisy due to Hwy 16 traffic; other options?

Paynton - no booking required; will be noisy due to Hwy 16 traffic; also, Maidstone Motel

Silver Lake Regional Park - daily pass + camping fee; view plan on web-site; group area reserved (contact Hugh if interested) or book individual site on own

Paradise Hill - campground with washrooms, shower; no advance booking

Frenchman Butte – camping in R.V. park; washrooms nearby; phone 780 872-3610 to reserve

GOOGLE EARTH is a good tool to view communities and camping sites!