OPTION 1: The Windsor Loop (54km)

Departing from the University of Windsor Campus, enjoy a scenic circuit along the Detroit River connecting some of Windsor's best cycling infrastructure including the Riverfront Trail, Ganatchio Trail, Little River Corridor, Herb Gray Parkway, and Malden Park Trail. Cycle through rural and urban parts of the city with views of Belle Isle, The Detroit Skyline, the new Gordie Howe International Bridge and more. Widely regarded as one of the most bike-friendly routes in Windsor and developed in collaboration with Share the Road Essex.

You may have to take minor detours from the dedicated trail to visit suggested business locations.

17.4 km – Little River Corridor Park Parking Lot – 10:30am to 12:00pm [Map 3]:
Washrooms are available across the road at Sandpoint Beach (10300 Riverside Dr E, Windsor, ON, N8N 2L9)

18.8 km – Public Washroom – Little River Corridor Pump Track
The Little River Corridor Pump Track has a public washroom. This is just off the designated route if you take a right at 18.8km.

Suggested Rest Stops:

- **23.5km | Tim Hortons** – *3585 Forest Glade Dr, Windsor, ON N8T 0A3*
- **28.5km | Subway** – *3200 Deziel Dr Suite 218, Windsor, ON N8W 5K8*

31.5 km –Walker Homesite Park – 11:00am to 1:00pm [Map 3]:
1900 Sydney Ave, Windsor, ON N8W 3T8
Public washrooms available by the baseball diamonds. May not be open.

42 km – Suggested Lunch Stops – Windsor Crossing Outlets [Map 3]:
1555 Talbot Rd, LaSalle, ON N9H 2N2.
Located on the other side of the Herb Gray Parkway Trail, requiring a minor detour at 41.3km.

- Church's Chicken
- Dominos Pizza
- Leonidas Cafe

47 km – Detour – Malden Park Visitor Centre [Map 2]:
4200 Malden Rd Windsor, ON N9C 2G2
Malden Park is an expansive park with many features. To see most of it, you may want to begin at the eastern entrance by taking a short detour off the formal route.

To reach the visitor's centre, instead of turning into the park at the 47km mark, continue ~400m north on Malden Road and turn left into the park's main entrance. The Visitor's Centre is just off the parking lot. Public washrooms available. From there you can follow the parks's path system across the park, take in the Observation Area and resume the route on the western side of the park near Matchett Rd.

48.5 km –Malden Park West Parking Lot – 12:30pm to 2:30pm [Map 3]:
4200 Malden Rd, Windsor, ON N9C 3R1
Malden Park is home to the Gordie Howe International Bridge Observation Area, where you get a spectacular view of the bridge and surrounding landscape. This is the highest hill in Essex County. Lovely spot for a selfie and break.

50 km – Suggested Rest Stop – Mic Mac Park [Map 2]:
1125 Prince Rd, Windsor, ON N9C 1Z2
Public washrooms available near the Father Cullen baseball stadium, the concession building, and the splash pad area.

54 km – Finish – University of Windsor Alumni Hall – 1:00 pm to 3:00pm
[Map 1]:
750 Sunset Ave, Windsor, ON N9B 3B7

OPTION 2: Self-Guided Sandwich Town Loop & Bridge Sight-Seeing (15.5 - 18.5km)

For those arrive later Monday or prefer a shorter ride, we recommend you a tour of the Sandwich Town Loop in the trendy southwest of the downtown district. The Sandwich Town BIA offers a vibrant community of heritage, shops, parks, dining, craft beer, events, culture and more.

Note: The Sandwich Town Loop is 15.5km. Including a visit to the Gordie Howe International Bridge's midpoint adds ~3 km.

2.2 km – Suggested Stop – Mary E. Bib Park
[Map 2]:
3261 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A9
Honouring Underground Railroad leader Mary E. Bibb, who co-founded *The Voice of the Fugitive*, Canada's first successful Black newspaper, and established a school for children escaping enslavement.

4.3 km – Suggested Rest Stop – Mic Mac Park
[Map 2]:
1125 Prince Rd, Windsor, ON
Public washrooms available near the Father Cullen baseball stadium, the concession building, and the splash pad area.

6 km – Malden Park – West Parking Lot – 12:30pm to 2:30pm [Map 2]:
4200 Malden Rd, Windsor, ON N9C 3R1
Restrooms and bottle filling station available. Public restrooms are available next to the soccer field.

Malden Park is home to the Gordie Howe International Bridge Observation Area, where you get a spectacular view of the bridge and surrounding landscape. This is the highest hill in Essex County. Lovely spot for a selfie and break.

7.8 km – Suggested Stop – Ojibway Park [Map 2]:
On Broadway, you'll ride past the Ojibway Prairie Complex, a 260-hectare network of six protected natural areas featuring rare pin oak forests, savannah and tallgrass prairie. This remarkable landscape is planned to become part of Canada's next national urban park.

If you'd like to explore, you can reach the trailhead and washrooms by continuing on Matchett Rd another 600m and turning into the park on your right.

10 km – Decision Point – Canadian Port of Entry for the Gordie Howe International Bridge
Bring your passport for the chance to experience this spectacular new binational crossing, linking the Trans Canada Trail and Great Lakes Waterfront Trail with Michigan's Great Lakes Way and Iron Belle Trail.

After clearing Canadian border processing, you may ride 1.25 km up a 5% grade to the bridge midpoint for a memorable selfie before returning to Canada.

Make a Joyful Noise
This striking sculpture commemorates the freedom-seekers who journeyed the Underground Railroad to Canada.

13.2 km – Suggested Stop – Bezhigoyaak Pier in Queen's Dock Park [Map 2]:
Take in sweeping views of the Detroit River from this new waterfront lookout, featuring a suspension pier, landscaped green space, First Nations interpretation, benches and pedestrian pathways. It's also a favourite fishing spot for locals.

14 km – Finish – University of Windsor Alumni Hall [Map 1]:
750 Sunset Ave, Windsor, ON N9B 3B7

Afternoon & Evening Program

Sandwich Town Brewing – 6:00pm to 7:30pm [Map 1]:
3232 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A8
Enjoy a relaxed evening of conversation and celebration.

Sandwich Brewing is just **1.2 km** from Alumni Hall along Sandwich Street. There are no bike racks, but you can bring your bike around back to our seats on the patio.

If driving, you will find street parking along Mill St., Sandwich St and limited parking in a lot located beside the Dollarama.

Dinner Suggestions
Restaurants Near Sandwich Street:
- **Sandwich Brewing Co.** – *3232 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A8*
- **Rock Bottom Bar and Grill** – *3236 Sandwich St, Windsor, ON N9C 1A6*
- **Roti Sabzii** – *3214 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A7*
- **Jake's Olde Towne Tavern** – *3206 Sandwich St, Windsor, ON N9C 1A8*
- **MD's Sports Bar & Smoke House** – *380 Mill St., Windsor, ON N9C 2R4*

Restaurants Near Best Western:
- **The Bistro At The River** – *78 Riverside Dr W, Windsor, ON N9A 7C5*
- **River Room Restaurant** – *277 Riverside Dr, Toronto, ON M6S 4B1*
- **The Keg Steakhouse** – *1 Riverside Dr W Ste 101, Windsor, ON N9A 5K3*

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Windsor Shuttle Service: (519) 977-0000

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Today you may choose one of two cycling experiences:

OPTION 1: Parkway Trail (81km)
Ride the Herb Gray Parkway Trail and Chrysler Greenway to the Town of Essex. The trail runs alongside the Hwy 401 and Hwy 3 extensions, incorporating 11 tunnel tops, and connects to the Chrysler Canada Greenway and LaSalle Trail System for wider exploration across Essex County. It includes a scenic, multi-use 17-kilometre trail set within over 120 hectares of green space, offering pedestrians and cyclists a safe and enjoyable recreational experience.

OPTION 2: Binational Visit to Detroit & Belle Isle (55km)
Note: Riders visiting Detroit must head to the Border Processing Centre in groups of 10 staggered by ~20-minute gaps to facilitate efficient bridge crossing. A valid passport is required for crossing!

Visit some of Detroit's most eclectic neighbourhoods, including Mexican Town, the historic downtown arts and entertainment district, and the stunning Belle Isle. Interpreters will greet you at the Belle Isle Conservancy and Ralph C. Wilson Park to share more of the history of the area.

OPTION 1: Parkway Trail (81km)

Note: The Parkway Trail primarily follows off-road greenways, meaning staff support is limited for much of the ride. Please carry 2 water bottles, snacks, and basic bike repair tools. Volunteers will be available to assist you on the Trail.

32.5 km — Edgar Side Rd – 9:30 am to 11:00am [Map 2]:
Cypher Systems Group Greenway @ Edgar Side Rd. Nearest intersection Edgar Rd & King St.

42 km – Town of Essex Railway Station & Spitfire War Memorial Suggested Lunch Stop 10:30am to 1:00pm [Map 2]:
77 Talbot St N.
Explore one of Essex County's historic landmarks, the restored 1907 Railway Station and nearby Spitfire Memorial.

Stroll Talbot St with its bakeries, restaurants and ice cream shops..

- **Wood Craft Pizza Bar** – *47 Talbot St N, Essex, ON N8M 1A3*
- **Cancunsito La Taqueria** – *51 Talbot St N, Essex, ON N8M 1A3*
- **Acorn & Oak Coffee Company** – *23 Victoria Ave, Essex, ON N8M 1M4*
- **Little House of Cupcakes** – *108 Talbot St N, Essex, ON N8M 2C4*
- **Ice Cool Treats** – *65 Talbot St S, Essex, ON N8M 2S8*

Note: We recommend taking advantage of this stop, as food options are very limited until you reach Sandwich Town (78 km).

56 km – Chrysler Greenway @ South Talbot Road – 12:00pm to 2:30pm [Map 2]:
3162 South Talbot Rd, Oldcastle ON, N0R1L0

64 km – Suggested Stop – Vollmer Culture & Recreation Centre Complex [Map 2]:
2121 Laurier Pkwy, Windsor, ON N9J 0B4
If you need a washroom, you can stop at the to use its facilities including restrooms, bike repair station.

71km –Water Stop – Malden Park West Parking Lot – 1:00pm to 3:30pm [Map 2]:
4200 Malden Rd, Windsor, ON N9C 3R1
Washroom with water bottle filling station.

75km – Suggested Stop – Sandwich Street Restaurants [Map 2]:
Looking for a drink or a bite to eat after your ride? There are lots of excellent options on Sandwich Street:

- **Sandwich Brewing Co.** – *3232 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A8*
- **Rock Bottom Bar and Grill** – *3236 Sandwich St, Windsor, ON N9C 1A6*

77 km – Finish – University of Windsor, Alumni Hall

OPTION 2: Binational Visit to Detroit & Belle Isle (55km)

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- *A valid passport is required!*
- The multi-use path across the bridge closes 60 minutes before sunset so please plan your return time accordingly. **Keep in mind that you must allow time for processing at the border in addition to the time it takes to cross the bridge.**
- **The Detroit loop is unsigned; riders are expected to use Ride with GPS and printed map materials to navigate.**
- The route takes you through an urban centre with plenty of opportunities to find food, water, or restrooms. We recommend you carry 2 water bottles, snacks.

5 km – Cross the Gordie Howe International Bridge to the USA – 9:00am to 10:00am [Map 3]:
4389 Sandwich Street, Windsor, ON
Riders can access the Gordie Howe International Bridge multi-use path in Windsor, Ontario right next to 4389 Sandwich Street. When returning, the multi-use path entrance is located at approximately 6366 West Jefferson Avenue in Detroit.

11km – Suggested Stop – Mexicantown Bakery [Map 3]:
4300 Vernor Hwy, Detroit, MI 48209, United States
Clark Park is a lively neighborhood park in the heart of Southwest Detroit. Pair it with a stop at the nearby bakery for fresh pan dulce and coffee before getting back in the saddle. You'll be passing through Mexicantown again on the way back, so if it's too early to stop, you'll have a second opportunity to take a break near Clark Park.

13km – Suggested Stop – Michigan Central Station & Corktown [Map 3]:
2001 15th St Suite 101, Detroit, MI 48216
The beautifully restored Michigan Central Station anchors Corktown, Detroit's oldest neighborhood, now buzzing with cafés, murals, and bike-friendly streets worth exploring. As with MexicanTown, you will pass through Corktown again on the return trip if you want to save it for later.

18km – Suggested Lunch Stop – Eastern Market [Map 4]:
There are many food options to choose from in Eastern Market, making it a good choice for an early lunch. Food options are more limited on the way back, so you may want to pick something up for later. Public washrooms available.

24km – Belle Isle – 2:00pm to 3:00pm [Map 4]:
To maintain pace, we suggest you aim to arrive no later than 2:00pm. A scenic island park in the Detroit River with scenic paths and water views—ideal for a relaxing, low-stress ride. There are many points of interest available to explore on the Isle:

- **Dossin Great Lakes Museum** – *100 The Strand, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  This small museum highlights Great Lakes maritime history
- **Oudolf Garden** – *Loiter Way &, Picnic Way, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  A beautifully designed naturalistic garden, offering a peaceful, visually striking stop filled with seasonal plantings.
- **Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory** – *4 Inselruhe Ave, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  A historic greenhouse featuring lush tropical and desert plants.
- **Belle Isle Aquarium** – *3 Inselruhe Ave, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  The oldest continually operating aquarium in the U.S.
- **Belle Isle Nature Center** – *176 Lakeside Dr, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  On your way to the nature centre, enjoy the two Belle Isle habitat restorations: Blue Heron Lagoon and Lake Okonoka.

34km – Detroit Riverwalk [Map 4]:
Consistently ranked among the best riverfronts in the country, this paved path offers stunning skyline and water views with easy, car-free riding.

36km – Suggested Lunch Stops Off the Riverwalk – Jos Campau Ave Detour [Map 4]:
There are few food options on route until you reach Mexicantown again. If you haven't yet eaten, we recommend briefly turning right off the route at Jos Campau for a couple of restaurants within 300m of the Riverwalk:

- **Andrews on the Corner** – *201 Joseph Campau Ave, Detroit, MI 48207*
- **Atwater Brewery & Tap House** – *237 Jos Campau, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
- **Chene Square Plaza** – *E Jefferson Ave, Detroit, MI 48207, United States*
  Continue an additional 400m further north to Jefferson Ave and turn left for a small plaza with fast food options including a Domino's Pizza, and a grocery store.

39km – Historic Site – Gateway to Freedom Monument [Map 4]:
Detroit Riverwalk, Detroit, MI 48226, United States
A powerful tribute to Detroit's role in the Underground Railroad, located right along the river where many freedom seekers crossed into Canada.

41km – Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Centennial Park & SW Greenway – 3:30 to 4:00 pm [Map 4]:
Detroit, MI 48226, United States
To maintain pace, we suggest you arrive no later than 4:00pm. Currently under development, Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Centennial Park represents continued development of cycling infrastructure in Detroit. This new riverfront park is being designed with cyclists and families in mind, featuring rest areas, water access, and scenic river views. You'll pick up the Southwest Greenway, a multi-use path connecting neighborhoods and green spaces in Southwest Detroit, just off the site of the park.

During your stop, look for venue interpreters who will share some of the stories of these historical locations.

42km – Suggested Stop – Corktown Again [Map 3]:
You'll exit the SW Greenway onto Corktown's Bagley St. If you skipped exploring earlier, you may want to find a café and enjoy a short rest.

44km – Suggested Stop – Return to Mexicantown [Map 3]:
Once again, you'll be passing through Mexicantown. If you need a bite to eat, there's plenty of places nearby to choose from; ice cream from La Tapatia Neveria is only a 350m detour away!

- **La Tapatia Neveria – Ice Cream**
  4029 Vernor Hwy, Detroit, MI 48209

Dinner
Dinner is your own this evening. Walk, ride, drive, or order in!

Restaurants Near UoW Campus
The nearby Sandwich Street has lots of sit-down restaurants. There are some fast food locations closer to campus as well.

- **Sandwich Brewing Co.** – *3232 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A8*
- **Rock Bottom Bar and Grill** – *3236 Sandwich St, Windsor, ON N9C 1A6*
- **Roti Sabzii** – *3214 Sandwich St., Windsor, ON N9C 1A7*
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Restaurants Near Best Western
The Best Western Plus is in Downtown Windsor, so there's plenty of restaurants within walking distance. If you're staying on Campus and looking to get downtown you can take your car, or if you aren't too tired, ride the pleasant, off-road Riverfront Trail to the city centre.

- **The Bistro At The River** – *78 Riverside Dr W, Windsor, ON N9A 7C5*
- **The Loose Goose RestoPub & Lounge** – *126 Ouellette Ave, Windsor, ON N9A 1A2*
- **Sundried Tomato Bistro** – *122 Chatham St W, Windsor, ON N8X 1V3*
- **River Room Restaurant** – *277 Riverside Dr, Toronto, ON M6S 4B1*
- **The Keg Steakhouse** – *1 Riverside Dr W Ste 101, Windsor, ON N9A 5K3*

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TODAY'S RIDE

Today's route follows the Lake St. Clair shoreline through the charming towns of Tecumseh, Lakeshore & Comber, then along the Lakeshore-Leamington TCT Rail Trail and into downtown Leamington.

Those camping at Point Pelee National Park will cycle an additional 10km south of the Best Western Plus through the beautiful Point Pelee National Park to Camp Henry.

20 km – Tecumseh Lakewood Park South – 8:30am to 10:30am [Map 3]:
13451 Riverside Dr E Windsor, ON N8N 2M8
Stop at Lakewood Park South to run through the 'Misting Forest' water feature. There are food vendors, coffee kiosk and walking trails. Dip your toes into Lake St. Clair at Lakewood Beach. Amenities also include restrooms, bottle filling station and photo ops.

36.5 km – Lakeshore Community Rest Stop – Lakeview Park West Beach – 9:00am to 11:30am [Map 5]:
River Street, Belle River, ON N0R 1A0
Restrooms available. The Municipality of Lakeshore welcomes you to its rest stop located at one of its most popular waterfront parks. Enjoy one of the largest beaches on Lake St. Clair, cool your feet in the water, relax beneath the pavilions, or stroll along the pier.

37 km – Suggested Lunch Stops – Lakeshore [Map 5]:
We recommend riders get lunch in Lakeshore. The next community on route, Comber, has few food options. While there is a planned pop-up water stop, there are no other amenities on route south of Comber until downtown Leamington. Suggested Restaurants in Lakeshore:

- **Outfield Diner (Closes @ 2:00pm) –** *601 Centre St #3 Belle River, ON N8L 1K8*
- **Domino's Pizza –** *510 Notre Dame St, Belle River, ON N0R 1A0, Canada*
- **Casa Mi Ristorante (Open 11:30am to 1:45pm) –** *523 Notre Dame St, Belle River, ON N8L 1K8, Canada*
- **The Bourbon Tap & Grill Belle River** – *405 Notre Dame St, Belle River, ON N8L 1K8*

! CAUTION | At the 57 km mark, you will cross over the Hwy 401 overpass. This short stretch is busy with truck and vehicle traffic and has wide paved shoulders.

57.5 km – Suggested Stop – Comber – Linda McKinlay Square – 12:30pm to 1:30pm [Map 6]:
6311 Main St, Comber, ON N0P 1J0
This is your last stop before a +20km stretch on the rail trail to Leamington without amenities. We recommend using restroom facilities, stocking up on snacks and refilling water before departing Comber.
Suggested Stops:

- **Iron Kettle Commissary –** *6305 Main St, Comber, ON N0P 1J0*
- **Comber Variety –** *6323 Main St, Comber, ON N0P 1J0, Canada*

82km – Quality Inn – 2:00pm to 3:00pm [Map 7]:
279 Erie St S, Leamington, ON N8H 3C4
If you're staying at the Quality Inn tonight, you should look to navigate there from the ~82km mark on the route. After registering, you may want to take a 1 km walk to Leamington's glorious sandy beach and grab a bite from Burgess's.

88km – Best Western Plus 3:00pm to 3:30 pm [Map 7]:*566 Bevel Line Rd Rr 1, Leamington, ON N8H 3V7*
Turn north (left) as you hit Bevel Line Rd to reach the Best Western. If you are staying at Point Pelee National Park, you can pull in for a quick rest, washroom break, and water refill for the final 10 km stretch.

You will pass a couple of restaurants with patios on the way to the National Park.

Good idea to pick up some dinner as the Park does not have any concession stands or food service. Light snacks (potato chips) are available at the visitor centre's vending machine.

97km – Camp Henry at Point Pelee National Park – 3:30pm to 4:30pm [Map 8]:
Point Pelee National Park, Point Pelee Dr, Leamington, ON

Camp Henry is located 6.5km from the front gate and will be on your left as you ride in along Point Pelee Drive.

If you reserved an OTENTik, go to the campground office in Camp Henry (building in the parking lot) to check in.

Dinner Options
Best Western Leamington
Pelee Bistro, located in the hotel.

Freddy's Restaurant [11:30am to 8:30 pm]
655 Point Pelee Dr, Leamington, ON, 1 km from the Hotel. Great patio.

Camp Henry—Point Pelee National Park
Ship Ahoy Restaurant [Noon to 6 pm]
1115 Point Pelee Dr, Leamington, ON
6.7 km from Camp Henry.

Order Domino's Pizza
Phone number: (519) 322-2844

Quality Inn
Salsa-Caliente

275 Erie St. South, Leamington [11 to 8 pm]
Family run restaurant serving authentic Mexican fare, short walk from the hotel.

Eddie's Sports Bar
319 Erie St. South, Leamington [11 to 2 am]

Evening Activities – Seacliff Beach & Waterfront Market Plaza – [Map 7]:
500 Erie St S, Leamington, ON N8H 3E1
Following dinner, enjoy a leisurely walk (from Quality Inn) to Seacliff Beach on the shores of Lake Erie to take in a beautiful sunset and community entertainment, and treat yourself to an ice cream from Burgess's.

Taxis
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TODAY'S RIDE

Today you may choose one of two cycling experiences, or an off-bike activity. *Note: Route distances are based on Point Pelee National Park as the departure location. Actual distances for riders staying at hotel accommodations may be shorter***:**

OPTION 1: Wine Trail/Kingsville Loop (90km)
Visit stunning scenic wineries, historical sites with self-guided tours, and beautiful Lake Erie beaches.

OPTION 2: Pelee Island & Kingsville (79km)
Take the ferry from Kingsville to Pelee Island and experience one of Ontario's most unique cycling destinations. Ride the 27km Great Lakes Waterfront Trail/TCT loop on the island, visiting the Pelee Island Heritage Centre, the southernmost point in Canada, scenic Lake Erie beaches, and wineries!

OPTION 3: Cycle to Point Pelee National Park.
Spend the day discovering one of Canada's most spectacular national parks. Show your GWTA wristband at the park entrance for complimentary admission. Refer to Map 1 and 2 for route from hotels to the Point Pelee National Park. Distance from Quality Inn is ~12.3km; from Best Western ~10 km to Camp Henry. Please bring your bike lock.

- Canoe or Kayak the Marsh – Canoe and Kayak rentals are available from Pelee Wings. 11:30am, 1:30pm, 2:30pm.
- Hiking the Marsh Boardwalk – experience one of Canada's richest birding and wetland habitats.
- Relax at West Beach – swim in Lake Erie or simply enjoy the beach. West Beach is located directly across the road from Camp Henry.

OPTION 1: Wine Trail/Kingsville Loop (90km)

Escape to the Essex Pelee Island Coast for award-winning wineries, sight-seeing opportunities, attractive beaches, friendly bicycle tours, and unique gift shops. Sip and savour the day!

14km –Seacliff Park– 8:30am to 9:00am [Map 2]: *29JV+HW, Leamington, ON N8H 3Z3*
Washrooms.

33km –Chrysler Greenway @ Arner Townline – 9:00am to 9:30am [Map 2]:
1156 Arner Townline, Kingsville, ON N9Y 2E4

41km – Suggested Stop/Early Lunch Stop – Harrow – 10:00am to 10:30am [Map 4]:
Essex, ON N0R 1G0
Suggested Lunch Stops:

- **Godfather Pizza & Subs (Opens @ 11:00am) –** *110 King St W, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **Georgie's Local Eatery (Opens @ 11:30am) –** *307 Queen St, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **The Beerded Dog Brewing Co. (Opens @ 12:00pm) –** *21 King St E, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*

Other Suggested Stops:

- **Colio Estate Winery (Opens @ 10:00am) –** *1 Colio Dr, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*

49km –Colchester Beach – 12:30pm to 1:00pm [Map 4]: *100 Jackson Street, Colchester, ON, N0R 1G0*
Suggested Stops in Colchester:

- **Colchester Schoolhouse Historic Landmark –** *195 Bagot St, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **JOE. Hot + Cold Coffee (Closes @ 3:00pm) –** *96 County Rd 50 W, Colchester, ON N0R 1G0*
- **Colchester Bar & Grill –** *65 County Rd 50 W, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*

56km – Suggested Stop – John R Park Homestead Conservation Area – 1:30pm to 2:00pm [Map 4]:
915 County Rd 50 E, Essex, ON N0R 1G0
A visit to the John R. Park Homestead Conservation Area will take you back in time to the 1850s. For a breath of fresh air, take a scenic walk on the lakeshore boardwalk. Be sure to check out the gift shop and exhibit area.

58km – Suggested Stop – Meleg's Lakeview Orchard & Cider Mill [Map 4]:
166 Arner Townline, Kingsville, ON N9Y 2E6
A 400m detour north onto Arner Townline will bring you to Meleg's Lakeview Orchard & Cider Mill.

67km –Carnegie Arts & Visitors Centre – 1:00pm to 3:30pm [Map 2 inset]:
28 Division St S, Kingsville, ON N9Y 1P3
Check out the gallery exhibits,

67km – Suggested Lunch Stop – Kingsville – 1:00pm to 3:30pm [Map 2 inset]:
Suggested Lunch Stops:

- **Mettawas Station Mediterranean Restaurant –** *169 Lansdowne Ave, Kingsville, ON N9Y 1S4*
- **The Grove Brewing Company –** *86 Wigle Ave Unit 1, Kingsville, ON N9Y 2J8*

82km –Seacliff Park Parking Lot – 3:00pm to 4:30 pm [Map 2]:
29JV+HW, Leamington, ON N8H 3Z3

Next stop is your accommodation.

OPTION 2: Kingsville & Pelee Island Loop (53km)

Whether you choose to visit a winery, explore a historic site, stroll a nature trail, or simply relax by the lake, you'll discover why Canada's southernmost inhabited island is such a memorable destination.

You will have approximately four hours to explore Pelee Island. Be sure to allow enough time to return to the ferry terminal, as all participants must **check in at least 30 minutes before the scheduled departure.**

14km –Seacliff Park– 8:30am to 9:00am [Map 2]:*29JV+HW, Leamington, ON N8H 3Z3*

26km – Ferry to Pelee Island Departs – Kingsville Ferry Terminal – 10:00am [Map 2]:
25 Dock Rd, Kingsville, ON N9Y 1N6

- **Departing 10:00am – MV Pelee Islander II – Arrives @ Pelee Island 11:30am**

Return Trip

Please arrive at the ferry terminal by 3:30 p.m. for the 4:00 p.m. departure, arriving back in Kingsville at 5:30 p.m.

- **Departing Pelee Island 4:00pm – Arrives @ Kingsville 5:30pm**

Shuttle from Kingsville Ferry Terminal to

Pelee Island Loop – 27km

0km –Pelee Island Heritage Centre – 11:30am - 12:00pm [Map 3]:
1073 W Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0
Start your visit to Pelee at the Heritage Centre right next to the ferry terminal.. You'll follow the loop counter-clockwise—begin by heading south (right).

4km – Optional Hike to Canada's Southernmost Point – Fish Point Trail – 12:30pm to 1:30pm [Map 3]:
McCormick Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0
Hike to the point to be the southernmost person in Canada! The hike is an in-and-out that's approx. 1.5km each way. Scan the QR Code on the map to view the Pelee Island Nature trail map with the route to the Point.

9km – Stone Road Alvar Nature Reserve – 12:30pm to 1:00pm [Map 3]:
Stone Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0
As you turn north on your island loop, you'll cycle alongside the Stone Road Alvar Nature Reserve, one of Ontario's rarest natural areas. This globally uncommon limestone habitat supports an exceptional diversity of plants, including four species found nowhere else but Pelee Island. It's a reminder that this small island is not only rich in history but also one of Canada's most significant ecological treasures.

12km –Public Beach at East Park Campground – 12:30pm to 1:00pm [Map 3]:
Shore Dr & E Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 0A1
Water is available for purchase at the East Park Campground Store. Washrooms are located at the Park as well.
Just across the road is one of Pelee Island's most beautiful public beaches.

18km – Walk to the Pelee Island Lighthouse c.1833 – Lighthouse Cove – 1:30pm to 2:00pm [Map 3]:
57 E Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0
Just 1 km off the route on the northeast corner of the Island, you find the trailhead leading the Lighthouse. This historical landmark is a short 0.5km walk from the end of E Shore Rd through forest and wetlands.

21 km – Water and Public washrooms available at Scudders Marina – 325 N. Shore Rd, Pelee Island
Riders can refill water bottles at Scudders Marina by showing their wristband.

Suggested Lunch Stops

- **(0.3km) Stone House 1891 –** *1115 W Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0*
- **(1km) Pelee Island Winery Pavilion –** *20 East West Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0*
- **(20.5km) The Island Shacks –** *331 N Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0*
- **(22km) The Dog & Goat Restaurant –** *11 W Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0*
- **(27km) Pelee Island Coneheads** (Ice Cream) **–** 1043 W Shore Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0

Tours and Other Points of Interest:

- **Art Gallery – Pelee Art Works** [Map 3]:
  82 East West Rd, Pelee Island, ON N0R 1M0

- **Pelee Island Pavillion Tour/Wine Tasting and Sandwich Pack – Pelee Island Pavilion –** [Map 3]:
  20 East West Rd, Pelee Island, ON
  Pavilion Tours are available for groups of 6 or more and must be booked in advance. To Book a Tour, give call 519-733-6551 Ext. 320

Dinner Suggestions

Best Western Leamington
Pelee Bistro, located in the hotel.

Freddy's Restaurant [11:30am to 8:30 pm]
655 Point Pelee Dr, Leamington, ON, 1 km from the Hotel. Great patio.

Camp Henry
Ship Ahoy Restaurant [Noon to 6 pm]
1115 Point Pelee Dr, Leamington, ON
6.7 km from Camp Henry.

Order Domino's Pizza
Phone number: (519) 322-2844

Quality Inn
Salsa-Caliente
275 Erie St. South, Leamington [11 to 8 pm]
Family run restaurant serving authentic Mexican fare, short walk from the hotel.

Eddie's Sports Bar
319 Erie St. South, Leamington [11 to 2 am]

EVENING PROGRAM: A Night in Pelee National Park

Spend the evening exploring Point Pelee National Park at your own pace. Choose one activity or enjoy them all as you discover the park after dark.

- **Night Sights and Sounds, Visitor Centre**
  Join Parks Canada interpreter to discover the fascinating wildlife and natural sounds that come alive after sunset. Approx. 20 min.
- **Tip and Tower Tram (7 pm and 8:40 pm)**
  Travel by Park Tram to the famous Tip of Point Pelee. Parks Canada still will be on hand to share why this remarkable place is one of Canada's premier migration hotspots. Take in the spectacular view of the sunset from the **Tip Tower**. Tram departs from Visitor Centre every 20 minutes.

Taxis
Leamington Turbo Taxi: (519) 324-2686
Amigo Taxi: (519) 326-9012

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TODAY'S RIDE

Today's route follows the Northwestern shore of Lake Erie through Kingsville, Colchester, Amherstburg and LaSalle, before the final 13km through Sandwich Town and back to the University of Windsor.

Breezy lake views, farm fresh produce, quaint communities and historical landmarks dot the route as we return to Windsor on our final day.

RIDE: Leamington to Windsor (98km)

14km –Seacliff Park Parking Lot – 8:30am to 9:30am [Map 2]:
West Park Lane, Leamington, ON N8H 3Z3

26km –Kingsville, Chrysler Canada Greenway at Heritage Road – 9:00am to 10:00am [Map 2]:
Nearest Civic Address: 163 Heritage Rd, Kingsville, ON N9Y 2C7

37km –John R. Park Homestead – 9:30am to 11:00am [Map 3]:
915 County Rd 50 E, Essex, ON N0R 1G0 Step back in time at the **John R. Park Homestead Conservation Area**, where costumed interpreters bring this beautifully restored 1842 homestead to life. Sample treats prepared over the open hearth, meet the heritage sheep that spend their summers on the property, and watch the sawyer at work in the historic sawmill.

Be sure to sample a variety of pure maple syrups in the modern Conservation Centre, which also features washrooms, a water bottle filling station, and a gift shop showcasing locally made products.

Take a stroll along the lakeshore boardwalk and enjoy sweeping views of Lake Erie before continuing your ride.

44.5km –Suggested Early Lunch Stop – Colchester Beach – 10:30am to 11:30am [Map 3]:*100 Jackson Street, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
Public washroom and change facilities located at the waterfront.

Suggested Stops in Colchester:

- **Colchester Schoolhouse Historic Landmark –** *195 Bagot St, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **JOE. Hot + Cold Coffee (Closes @ 3:00pm) –** *96 County Rd 50 W, Colchester, ON N0R 1G0*
- **Colchester Bar & Grill –** *65 County Rd 50 W, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- ***Garfield's -*** *1 County Rd 50 W, Harrow, ON NOR 1G0*
- ***The Wreck at Colchester Harbour –*** *220 Jackson St. Harrow, ON NOR 1G0*
- ***North 42 Degrees Estate Winery –*** *130 Essex County Rd 50, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **Colchester Ridge Estate Winery –** *108 Essex County Rd 50, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*
- **Viewpointe Estate Winery –** *151 County Rd. 50 E, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0*

55km – Suggested Stop – Holiday Beach [Map 3]: *(Note: adds 2 km each way)*
6952 50 Cr, Amherstburg, ON N0R 1G0. There is a modest admission price for pedestrian/cyclists walking in.

Take a break at **Holiday Beach Conservation Area**, one of North America's premier fall raptor migration sites. Climb the three-storey Hawk Tower for sweeping views, cool off with a swim at the groomed Lake Erie beach, or enjoy a treat from the Gatehouse. Change rooms are available.

68km – Suggested Lunch Stop – Amherstburg – 1:00pm to 3:00pm [Map 4]:
268 Dalhousie St., Amherstburg, ON N9V 1W7
Great selection of local shops, cafés, restaurants and other nearby attractions in this charming heritage town.

Suggested Stops in Amherstburg:

- **Fort Malden National Historic Site –** 100 Laird Ave S, Amherstburg, ON N9V 2Z2
- **Belle Vue National Historic Site –** 525 Dalhousie St, Amherstburg, ON N9V 2M2
- **Amherstburg Freedom Museum –** 277 King St, Amherstburg, ON N9V 2C7
- **Downtown Espresso Cafe –** 249 Dalhousie St, Amherstburg, ON N9V 1W8

80km –River Canard Bridge and River Canard Outpost and Canoe Co **– 2:00pm to 4:00pm Washrooms.** [Map 4]:
S Riverview St & North Townline Rd
Turn left to cross the bridge. On your right hand side is River Canard Outpost and Canoe Co where you can pick up ice cream or book a canoe tour of the River Canard.

84km – Vollmer Recreation Centre in LaSalle [Map 4]: *(Note: Adds 2 km to your trip)*
2121 Laurier Parkway, LaSalle, ON N9J 0B4
If you need a washroom or bottle top off, visit Vollmer Recreation Centre. Amenities include restrooms, bottle filling, and a bike repair station.

97km – Finish! Congratulations! – University of Windsor Alumni Hall – 3:00pm to 4:30pm [Map 5]:

750 Sunset Avenue, Windsor, Ontario, N9B 3P4
Congratulations! Pick up your medal and get a selfie shot celebrating over 400km of cycling during the past 5 days!

Taxis
Vets Cab: (519) 256-2621
Windsor Shuttle Service: (519) 977-0000

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