Day One Distance: 165 km Your first day is a chance to shake off the stress of your day to day life, and slow your breath. Today you'll travel from Madoc to Bancroft and finally to beautiful Kennisis Lake in Haliburton Highlands. Those timeless moments are just around the corner today (promise).	
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Start Here: Madoc and Tweed Madoc is one of those small communities that is worth a wander, especially if you aren't on a tight timeline. Take your time here to explore the slower pace of small-town life and wander downtown to get a feel for the community, then head to nearby Tweed and do it all over again.	
 Connect with nature and history at the same time at O'Hara Mill Homestead Hidden Goldmine Bakery is a must stop for sweet treats and a cup of coffee that will keep you going for the reset of the day. You won't regret snagging one of their famous butter tarts! Pick up a six-pack of beer from 7/62 Craft Brewers to enjoy when you reach your accommodation. Not far from both Madoc and Tweed is the beautiful winery, Potter Settlement Winery. Tour their stunning grounds and sample their award-winning wines. Don't leave Tweed without visiting North America's Smallest Jail House! 	
Madoc Hastings County ○ From Toronto: 210km • 2 hr 30 min From Ottawa: 195km • 2 hr 20 min A trip to Madoc isn't complete without a stop to the Hidden Goldmine Bakery for a delicious cinnamon roll or butter tart. Get a flavour for Madoc's gold rush history at this quaint bakery nestled on the historic main street.	
Time Spent Here: You have a full day ahead of you but if you start early enough in the day you can count on a few hours in this area before moving on.	
A1 KM • 30 MINS (FROM MADOC) Next Stop: McGeachie Conservation Area Midway between Madoc and Bancroft sits a fantastic and little known 500-acre wilderness spot, McGeachie Conservation Area. This would make the perfect stop for a nature immersion or to stretch your legs en route.	
 Hike the five-and-a-half kilometre loop and pause along the way to do some birding or watch for wildlife. Book a two-hour forest therapy session with Finding Your Way Adventure Company. This session will invite you to connect deeper with your senses to heighten the forest experience. It's also a great way to capture those timeless moments spent in nature. This is a good spot for a picnic – if you love Italian food, make the 15-minute drive north to The Barn Chefs in Coe Hill and pick up a wood-fired Italian pizza (Saturdays or long weekends only) or authentic charcuterie board. Some homemade pasta would make a great supper when you reach your accommodation. 	
Coe Hill Hastings County From Toronto: 230km • 2 hr 45 min From Ottawa: 245km • 2 hr 55 min A visit to The Barn Chefs is well worth the visit to Coe Hill for their handcrafted Italian cured and cooked meats, sausages, fresh pasts, and ready-to-go meals, all locally sourced and sustainable.	
Time Spent Here: Plan on at least two hours to hike the loop and not feel rushed, to let those perfect moments come as they may. Allow two or three hours for the forest therapy session. 33 KM • 24 MINS	
Next Stop: Bancroft Known as the Mineral Capital of Canada, Bancroft is a treasure trove for rockhounders and for epic views that will catch your breath. Make Eagle's Nest Park the centrepiece for your visit in Bancroft, a towering batholith that offers spectacular views of the town of Bancroft and the York River.	
 • Feel time come to a standstill at Eagle's Nest Park in Bancroft. Hike one of the six trails to fully experience the flora and fauna of the region, then end your experience drinking in the awe-inspiring view at the Hawkwatch viewing platform. • Visit the Bancroft Brewing Co. to sample a flight of their craft brews or pick up a six-pack at add to your stash to enjoy during your weekend. • Stop for lunch or dinner at the popular local eatery, The Granite. Their Granite Burger is a must try! • If you love fresh fish, add For the Halibut to your list of stops. Their specialty is hand battered, golden fried haddock and chips. Dine on their patio overlooking the York River for the perfect mid-day pick-me-up. 	
Bancroft Hastings County ○ From Toronto: 245km • 2 hr 50 min From Ottawa: 220km • 2 hr 35 min ○ Bancroft, the Mineral Capital of Canada, is a rockhounders' dream. Must stop locations for all rock-lovers includes the Bancroft Mineral Museum and the Princess Sodalite Mine. Or take a trip down The Miner's Loop and walk in the shoes of miners long ago.	
Time Spent Here: Take your time at Eagle's Nest Park, but plan your stop here to leave enough time for the drive to your accommodation at H2H Cottage Co., on Kennisis Lake, a roughly one hour drive from Bancroft.	
This is your last stop for the day, and will be worth the wait. H2H Cottage Co. offers two luxury cottages in Haliburton Highlands, one on Kennisis Lake (your destination today) and one on Bitter Lake. Both invite you to slow down, take a breath, and experience a cottage getaway of yesteryear, where nature is the centrepiece.	
 • Settle in to the 2,500 square foot treehouse overlooking Little Kennisis Lake and the wilds of Haliburton Highlands. • Cook a meal to remember using the fare picked up from The Barn Chefs – this is where the homemade pasta will come in handy. • Take out a paddleboard or kayak onto the lake to drink in the majesty of a sunset on the water while surrounded by nature's magic. • Watch the stars flare into brilliance one at a time while roasting marshmallows over a roaring bonfire. Time Spent Here: Enjoy your first night on Kennisis	
Lake! Feel time slow as you unwind from your journey and immerse yourself in the moment. END OF DAY ONE Day Two	
If you feel a little sluggish today, it's because you are doing something right. Know that the option to just chill at the cottage is there, but if you feel like moving and seeing more amazing sights, we have a full day planned for you. Distance: 130 km If you feel a little sluggish today, it's because you are doing something right. Know that the option to just chill at the cottage is there, but if you feel like moving and seeing more amazing sights, we have a full day planned for you.	
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