

Forest Walls & Historic Halls

Whether you are a Forest Bather (<https://www.ontarioparks.com/parksblog/guide-forest-bathing/>) or a Historic Hiker you will enjoy all that Emerson has to offer in this full day excursion. Download and print off the Emerson Loop Map and decide which loop you want to explore first. If you wish to do both loops, we recommend you stay in the area at one of the campgrounds or accommodations. The West Loop takes you over a swinging bridge and runs through the forested riverbank of the west side of the Red River. This trail is a great place to beat the heat and fish. Finish off at Fort Dufferin National Historic site, known for three significant reasons – we won't spoil them, discover them for yourself! Be sure to take in the self guided interpretive trail by picking up a brochure in the Interpretive Centre. This will give you a much better understanding of the Site. Once you loop back, cool off with a swim in the Emerson Pool!

For the East Loop – Follow the Loop Map. Be sure to give some extra time at the Historic Town Hall and ask to visit the upstairs and the basement. The whole building is a historic masterpiece. Take in lunch at the new Emerson Golf Course Restaurant – The Depot. Their Dill Pickle Soup is delicious. When visiting the abandoned cemetery look for the crosses and the smaller crosses, families are at rest together.

Trail Section: Emerson Loop Map - <http://crowwingtrail.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Emerson-Loop-Map-Final.pdf>

Access Points: Emerson Centennial Park or on Street by Town Office - 104 Church St, Emerson

Distance: West Loop is 13 kms and East Loop is 10 kms.

Mode: Walk or Bike

Rating: Mid Country

Terrain: Mud and bush trail, gravel,

Amenities/Points of Interest:

- Emerson Hotel - <https://www.facebook.com/rachelbridget998/>
- Emerson Centennial Park and Outdoor Pool (heated, open summer months)
<http://cms.emersonfranklin.com/Editor/images/Misc%20Ads/emerson%20pool%20season.pdf>
- Emerson Historic Town Hall (1918)- <http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/sites/emersontownhall.shtml>
- Fort Dufferin National Historic Site - <http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/sites/fortdufferin.shtml>
- Cable Suspension Bridge
- Pivoting iron CNR train bridge (1904)
- Abandoned Cemetery (1976)
- Several historic homes on Park St built in 1872
- Prairie Oak Campground- <https://www.prairieoakcampground.com/>
- Emerson Park –
<http://cms.emersonfranklin.com/Editor/images/Emerson%20Park%20and%20Pool.pdf>
- Maple Leaf Motel in Emerson - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Emerson-Maple-Leaf-Motel/272083709493072>
- Kyle Memorial Golf Course <http://kmgc.weebly.com/>
- Pho Gia Thanh - 102 Church Street, Emerson, Manitoba: 204-373-2499

- Emerson Bigway Grocery Store- 15 Winnipeg Street, Emerson, MB
- Kai Hua Chinese Restaurant- 365 Dallas Ave, Emerson, MB:

Links:

Emerson Franklin Municipality Visitors Website:

<http://www.emersonfranklin.com/main.aspx?CategoryCode=BE0B3259-5572-4DEA-9D08-6072C1F49D90>