

Places to stay in the area:

Check the Accommodation Guide for Sharbot Lake
www.sharbotlake.com/accom.html

Two Happy Girls Camping
905-424-4221

litsa.ducros@gmail.com

Limited camp sites next door to the Blue Skies site.
This is a private site not connected with Blue Skies.
You must purchase Saturday and Sunday day tickets ahead of time and show both tickets in order to camp here.

Paul's Creek Campground
613-278-2770

<http://paulscreek.ca>

paulscreekcamp@storm.ca

McDonald's Corners, northeast of Clarendon
(about 25 km from site)

Sylvania Lodge and Dalhousie Lake Restaurant
sylvanialodge@sympatico.ca

www.sylvanialodge.com

McDonalds Corners on Dalhousie Lake
(about 30 km from site)

Sharbot Lake Provincial Park or
Silver Lake Provincial Park
<https://www.ontarioparks.com>

Google is your friend and you will likely find places that we haven't mentioned.



Getting to Blue Skies starts with getting yourself to the intersection of (Ontario) Highways #7 and #509.

Driving times are approximate (and always upwardly variable); the #7/#509 intersection is 4 hours from Montreal, 3 hours from Toronto and 90 minutes from Ottawa. Take your time and arrive safely.

From Highway #7, take 509 north 9.5 km to Clarendon Road (opposite Ardoch Road). Follow Clarendon Road approximately 5 km to the gate. Join the line where you find it, take a deep breath and say hi to the folks around you. You've arrived!

Cars continue to be our, and your, number one hassle. Car-pooling is strongly encouraged. Bicycling is applauded. Please only park where indicated.

Vehicles gain access to the inner parking lot in groups of 10 if you need to unload gear or kids. Cars are then moved from inner to outer parking and parked for the day.

Again this year - Parking in P2 is for those with Day Passes – First Come First Parked

Blue Skies takes no responsibility for any damage to, or loss from, camping gear or vehicles, in the parking lots, on the site or on the roadways.



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July 30 – 31

2016

Day Pass Information letter

Gate opens at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday

Useful things to know (as you think about how you could do your Blue Skies with less car, less water, less stuff and no garbage):

- ✓ No dogs on site. Please do not bring them. Plan now. (Service dogs excepted.)
- ✓ Youth 17 and under must be accompanied by, and enter with, an adult who is responsible for them or they will not be admitted.
ID is required if questioned at the gate
- ✓ The terrain is rugged Canadian-shield; please consider this if you have mobility issues. We want Blue Skies to be accessible to all, regardless of ability, however, accessible parking and camping is extremely limited. Please consider this if you have mobility issues. Contact accessibility@blueskiesmusicfestival.ca before the festival if you have any questions or concerns about getting around on the festival site.
- ✓ There are no credit, debit or ATM services on site, except for the music store, which accepts credit cards for purchases only. You may want to bring cash for T-Shirts, mugs, ice, or meals at the cook-shack.

- ✓ Some potable water is available on site while supplies last. Please supplement this supply by bringing water from home in refillable containers.
- ✓ There are shady areas along the edge of the large field and among the trees (except behind the Kids' Area where the land is regenerating) to plunk your blanket down.
- ✓ We ask that you not set up for the day in fire lanes, on pathways, or in workshop areas, (including the TIPI).
- ✓ Fire pits are communal and located throughout the festival site. Firewood is provided. To reduce the risk of accidental introduction of damaging forest pests, **do not bring firewood onto the site.**
- ✓ Day Pass folks are encouraged to join campers at **any** campfire.
- ✓ If there is a fire ban, there will be no open flames (no candles, lanterns or fire pits). Please prepare alternatives in this event.
- ✓ Alcohol is not sold on site and is restricted to what you bring. **Glass bottles are not allowed on the hill.** We have a zero tolerance policy for illegal substances. If you are found possessing or selling illegal drugs, you will be escorted from the site and you will not be welcome back.
- ✓ There is no smoking in the Audience area or the Kid's play area.

- ✓ If you smoke, please be mindful of where your smoke is wafting. If you must smoke during a concert, workshop, etc., move to the down-wind periphery.
- ✓ Low backed chairs or blankets are best for concert viewing. Folks using high backed chairs are asked to locate at the top and extreme sides of the main stage area to avoid interfering with others' view.
- ✓ The Kid's Area is kid nirvana but it's not a babysitting service. If you have young children at the festival please supervise them closely. Join in the music and games.
- ✓ Volunteering is the heart of Blue Skies; sign up at the Info Booth. Opportunities exist in Gate, Kitchen, Kid's Area, Sanitation, Recycle/Garbage, Store, Music Store, Parking, Performer Hospitality and/or Snack Shack. Check the Info Booth for up to date information & places to lend a hand.

Blue Skies is a **Garbage Free** festival!

We have ONE Central Compost and Recycling depot at inner parking.

Compost cannot contain bones.

Please bring receptacles to **take your Garbage home with you.**

Cook-Shack News:

The Blue Skies **Cook-Shack** strives to offer great food for decent prices. This year small price increases will reflect included HST. A variety of items that suit special dietary needs will be on the menu but we can't guarantee absolute freedom from allergens (including gluten) in any of our food.

Cook-Shack Hours:

7 am(ish) – Coffee
 11 am – 2 pm – Lunch
 5 pm – 7 pm – Dinner
 8 pm - sellout – Late night pizza

Please bring all your own dishes and cutlery. Disposables are not sold on site.

“We can't serve curry on a Frisbee!”

Blue Skies is a 100% volunteer owned and operated music festival that is also a non-profit, charitable organization.

Blue Skies in the Community is our outreach organization and donations are gratefully accepted at the Info Booth. Charitable Tax receipts can be provided. The donations are used to host performers in schools, for song-writing workshops, to subsidize local music events and for student bursaries.

**Enjoy the Music
 Welcome your Neighbours
 Take care of
 Each Other and the Land**

