# Maple Syrup Festival Festivals | Social

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#### WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

The maple syrup festivals in Canada are held during the harvest season from the first weekend in Marchuntil about April 1. Maple syrup festivals showcase the methods used to extract the sap frommapletrees andtransform it into maple syrup andcandies. A lot of festivals serve pancakes with fresh maple syrupfrom the harvest. There are many locations throughout Ontario to enjoy this festival.

#### **TIME**

The maple syrupfestival is a fun day trip. You can spend as much time as you would like, however, 2-3 hours is typically enough time to tourand view the syrup making process.

#### **MATERIALS**

- Required: admission to the festival event(free to \$50.00+ per ticket) Note: some may require a small donation in place of an admissions fee.
- Required: Parkingdepending on location(free to \$40.00+ per day
- Optional: Public transportation (\$3.25+ per fare, depending on city)
- Optional: Pancake meal (\$12.00+)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1.Plan a date and decide where you want to go to tour and observe the maple syrup festival. Typically, the maple syrup festivals are open on weekends and March break week.
- 2.Invite your friends, family, and acquaintances.
- 3.Decide how you will get to the event: car, taxi/uber, public transit and plan your travel to and from the event.
- 4. Mark the date and time of the festivities in your calendar.
- 5. Optional: Save spending money to purchase: a meal, maple syrup or candy.
- 6.Send reminders to your group the day before to remind them of the festivities.
- 7.Dress and pack for the weather.
- 8. Attend and enjoy the festivities on the day of.



### **Maple Syrup Festival**

#### **RESOURCES**

- Maple Festival (brontecreek.org)
- Home -Sugarbush Maple Syrup Festival
- Tap Into Maple | Orillia & Lake Country Tourism (orillialakecountry.ca)
- https://www.muskokamaple.com/
- BruceGreySimcoe -Maple Syrup Festivals
- Home Page -Ferme Proulx et Érablière(proulxfarm.com)
- Maple syrup fun in the Ottawa region | Ottawa Tourism
- Powassan Maple Syrup Festival (powassansyrupfestival.ca)

#### **SUPPORTS NEEDED**

This activity can be done individually or with a group.

#### **OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:**

Weather: Dress for the weather. The events will take place snow, rain,or shine. It is important to have raincoats and umbrellas packed with you if it could rain. If it is coldand snowy: bring winter boots for walkingin the forest, gloves, earmuffs, hats, scarves, hand warmers, and wear multiple layers. If it is hot and sunny bring: a hat, water bottles, sunscreen, and umbrella for shade from the sun. Wear appropriate footwear for puddles, mud, long walks, hiking, and standing.