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Meewasin Grazing Dinners

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Meewasin is excited to be collaborating with Odla on a one-of-a-kind experience celebrating local food and the Saskatchewan landscape this fall!

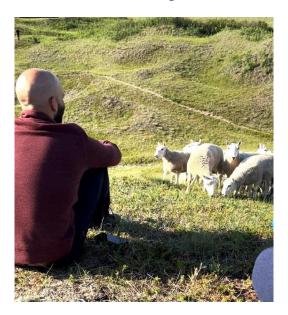
Meewasin Grazing Dinners begin with a private hike through the native prairie at Beaver Creek Conservation Area with Grassland Ecology and Resource Management expert Renny Grilz. You'll be immersed in the sights, smells and sounds of the landscape, and learn about why the Saskatchewan prairie is so important. Along the way, you'll meet Shepherd Jared Epp, his sheep and stock dog team, and hear about how they help us manage prairie ecosystems in the river valley.



After the hike, a beautifully curated and seasonally inspired three-course dinner prepared by Chef Scott Dicks and the team at Odla awaits, served outdoors overlooking beautiful Beaver Creek. Odla is proud to be a farm direct restaurant, which means all ingredients featured in the meal are grown or raised within 2 hours of Saskatoon! The meal will feature Saskatchewan beef, and local beverages from 9 Mile Legacy Brewing and Stumbletown Distillery.



Lastly, during dessert, enjoy a live demonstration with Jared, his sheep and skilled dogs. This is an exclusive chance to get up close and personal with an impactful conservation activity and immerse yourself with the fascinating world of conservation grazing.



Meewasin's Education & Experiences Manager, Magel Sutherland, shared a little about the idea behind this tourism initiative, "Meewasin is constantly trying to come up with different and unique experiences to showcase the beauty of the Meewasin Valley and the important work we undertake in it. Not only are these experiences an opportunity to educate folks about our ecosystems in a fun way, proceeds support the ongoing conservation and education work of Meewasin as well as our amazing local food and beverage partners. This one-of-a-kind

experience is something we are very excited to offer, and we'd like to thank Discover Saskatoon and the Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association for their support in helping us launch this fall."

This limited seasonal offering is being held on the following dates: September 1, 2, 8 & 9

Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite at: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/meewasin-grazingdinners-tickets-333054473897

Join Meewasin in this private and immersive experience, and discover the Saskatchewan prairies in a whole new way!

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About Meewasin Valley Authority

The Meewasin Valley Authority exists to ensure a healthy and vibrant river valley, with a balance between human use and conservation by:

- Providing leadership in the management of its resources;
- Promoting understanding, conservation and beneficial use of the Valley; and
- Undertaking programs and projects in river valley development and conservation, for the benefit of present and future generations.

There are 67 square kilometers of land and more than 105km of established Meewasin Trail, which has seen up to 2.24 million trail visits per year, in the Meewasin Valley. The area also features sites that help people to connect to nature through experiences such as Beaver Creek Conservation Area, the Meewasin Northeast Swale, Saskatoon Natural Grasslands, the River Landing Spray Area, and the Cameco Meewasin Skating Rink @Nutrien Plaza. Meewasin is a non-profit organization that relies on donations and volunteers for sustainability. To get involved or learn more visit www.meewasin.com