

LOOPS & LATTES HIKING GUIDES

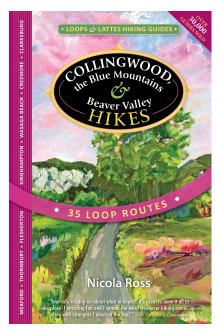
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Collingwood, the Blue Mountains & Beaver Valley Hikes: Loops & Lattes Near Urban Hiking Made Easy Ontario's Best Après Hiking

** Now Available**

35 detailed hiking routes | 100+ après hiking suggestions | dozens of photos



Yes, Collingwood, Blue Mountains and the Beaver Valley offer Southern Ontario's finest downhill skiing. And, yes, Georgian Bay is a world-class kayaking destination, in an area well known as a recreational playground. But the region is a hiker's paradise, too.

This explains why Collingwood, the Blue Mountains & Beaver Valley are featured in the 6th instalment in the Loops & Lattes series of Southern Ontario hiking guides. This new volume features long hikes and short ones, hilly hikes and flat ones. Some have waterfalls, others have sand dunes. There are forested hikes and meadowed strolls. Some offer broad vistas, while others take you back to pioneer days. This book will guide hikers to Metcalfe Rock, Pinnacle Rock, Freedom Rock and Old Baldy. It will introduce them to crevices, caves, canyons, karst topography and a keyhole, as well as hidden crannies where snow lasts until July. There's an airplane crash site, an avalanche site, a pair of labyrinths and the highest point on the entire Bruce Trail. And, not to be missed, are the Beaver, Bighead, Mad, Noisy, Nottawasaga and Pretty rivers.

Should your thoughts turn to pleasures of a gustatory nature, Collingwood, the Blue Mountains and Beaver Valley have you covered, too. The guide outlines après hiking suggestions ranging from creamy rich lattes served in a plethora of fine cafés, restaurants of every description, food trucks, bakeries, cideries, brew pubs, wine bars and trailside apples.

For hikers living in or around Collingwood, the Blue Mountains and Beaver Valley, this guide will uncover new hiking adventures, albeit in already familiar places. For visitors, it will unveil a mountain of new hiking opportunities from short and sweet to long and challenging. So, I ask you: What's not to hike?

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*Collingwood, the Blue Mountains & Beaver Valley Hikes*³ 35 routes range in length from under 2k to 15k. Each hike is accompanied by a detailed map, precise directions, loads of colour photos, a smattering of local lore and suggestions about what to do après hiking.

Collingwood, the Blue Mountains & Beaver Valley Hikes: Loops & Lattes is the 6th and newest in the Loops & Lattes series of Hiking Guides. Other titles (and their publication date) are: *Caledon Hikes* (2015), *Halton Hikes* (2016), *Dufferin Hikes* (2017), *Hamilton & Area Hikes* (2018) and Waterloo, Wellington & Guelph Hikes (2019).

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An avid hiker and the award-winning author of 10 books, including the Loops & Lattes series of hiking guides, Nicola combines her knowledge of the landscape with her hiking skills to bring you routes that crisscross southern Ontario's dramatic cliffs and sprawling farm fields. <u>www.nicolaross.ca</u>

About the Cover – "What Comes First: The Loop or the Latte?" by Kara McIntosh

Inspired by the rhythms and patterns of the natural landscape, Kara explores the feelings of a place – her paintings tell a story. Working from her studio in <u>The Tremont</u> located in <u>The</u> <u>Creative Simcoe Street</u> district of Collingwood, Kara is creating quite a stir on the local arts scene with her daring colours and bold brushstrokes. Her works are found in many private collections in Canada, the US, Europe and Australia. (<u>www.karamcintosh.com</u>)

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