



The Pre-Cambrian Shield, where some of the world's oldest rock can be found, surfaces to mix with countless lakes, majestic pines and clean northern air. Add in a good helping of fresh snow, some bright sun and about 400 km's of great snowmobile trails and you've discovered an adventure called RAN Tour!

The RAN Tour is located within the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) District 11, about 3 hours north of Toronto; the 10 volunteer snowmobile clubs in this region form the Near North Trail Association (NNTA). One of Ontario's oldest loop rides, the Ride Around Nipissing (RAN) Tour is intended to be a self guided tour showcasing the beautiful scenery, wilderness, and unique communities around Lake Nipissing, one of Ontario's largest lakes. The trails are a varied mix of rural, forest, river, and lake venues which provide a well rounded and interesting snowmobile experience. If you feel so inclined, you can extend your stay and explore world class snowmobiling on over 2000 km's of trail within District 11, branching out in all directions from the heart of the tour, Lake Nipissing. It's possible to ride the RAN without ever seeing Lake Nipissing. If doing so is on your bucket list, then the best option is to ride SSR 703, taking you along the stake line at the east end of the lake on the North Bay waterfront. Keep in mind surrounding communities are small and may close early, so plan ahead for food and accommodation and be sure your fuel is topped up often.

Some of the tour highlights include the impressive spans of the Pickerel and French River bridges, built and maintained specifically for snowmobile use. Riding along the waterfront of the City of North Bay, with easy access to good food and accommodations or slowing the ride for a gander at the wildlife through the Port Loring deer yards. But, most of all, it will be the epic trails you remember!

If you like smooth white ribbon and a ride that will take you into some new country you may not have explored then the RAN tour is for you! Looking for a longer tour? You could take in the RAN & RAP tours all at once out of District 11. Bring your snowmobile, trail guide, and camera, and follow the RAN logo signs for an adventure you won't soon forget!

*Closer than you think!*



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