



This is just a piece of the spectacular scenery that surrounds the Millcroft Inn in Alton. Those that dine in the glass-encased room that is suspended over the waterfall get an extra special view of its beauty.

Located in scenic Alton

Millcroft offers charm, scenery

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If you've been searching for that holiday spot with unique country charm and total serenity, look no further.

The Millcroft Inn offers just such a location with activities

that will keep the whole family busy. The inn, located in Alton, has been operating for 14 years now.

Millcroft Inn boasts such features as a 115-seat dining room, 42 rooms, and saunas and outdoor hot tubs for use by in-house guests.

Activities at the inn include canoeing and biking and walking on the wooded trails that wind their way through the 100 acres of land. Trail maps are available at the front desk.

With the warm weather coming up, swimming in the outdoor pool and romantic balloon rides, to begin operation in May, are popular activities.

"We decided to keep it small and keep the unique charm of a small country inn," said Mark Harrison, manager of the Millcroft Inn.

The balloon rides and use of the extensive trails are open to the public at no cost, Mr. Harrison said.

"We'd like to see more Orangeville people coming to use it (the facilities)," he said.

The inn's dining room is open for lunch from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. and for dinner from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Afternoon tea is available from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Much of Millcroft Inn's business comes from conferences because it's a one-hour drive from Toronto and the relaxed environment in which to brainstorm, Mr. Harrison said.

For individuals, couples and families the attraction is the peace and quiet and the pampering they get from the staff, he said.

"The serenity of the place is incredible," Mr. Harrison said. "They can relax, unwind and forget about all their worries."

A room at the Millcroft Inn costs \$150 to \$170 per night. Based on a double occupancy, the cost is \$70 per person



Take the scenic route to the falls and enjoy this breathtaking view of the Millcroft Inn, located in Alton.

Ideal for a relaxing drive

Belfountain blends history with hills

It's the weekend. The sky is a clear blue and the sun is glinting off the clear water that rushes past.

A relaxing drive or walk through a beautiful town that time has seemingly forgotten about may be just the medicine needed to lose the tensions built up during the week.

Take the Forks of the Credit Road, which winds its way through the pretty town of Belfountain, just west of Caledon.

Enjoy the picturesque scenery and listen to the soothing sounds of the Credit River flowing alongside the road.

"The proximity of Belfountain to Toronto makes a nice family outing,"

she said. "The scenery is spectacular."

For antique lovers the Whistle Stop Curiosity Shop and Tuftown Gifts and Antiques are a must-see.

Also in the town is the Belfountain Conservation Area. Situated on the escarpment, it is very popular for sightseeing and is the perfect spot for a nature walk through its incredible surroundings.

Whether you're in Belfountain to take in the breathtaking scenery or to visit the various places of interest, don't forget your camera.

You're sure to want to save some of the view on film.

Once in the core of the town, stop to visit the Belfountain Village Store, a landmark since 1888. Judy Charbonneau, owner of the store for three years said that many tourists stop at her store.

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