**HUMBER BAY PARK**

Humber Bay Park is a waterfront park located in Etobicoke part of Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The park consists of two landspits situated at the mouth of Mimico creek. The park is south of Lake Shore Boulevard West, near Park Lawn Road. Humber Bay Park East is 19 hectares (47 acres), while Humber Bay Park West is 120 hectares (300 acres).

Humber Bay Park West is a narrow park jutting out into the water of Lake Ontario in the City's west end. It's a lovely place to have a picnic, take a walk or let your dog play in the dog off-leash area. It's also an excellent spot for bird watchers hoping to find interesting water fowl and shorebirds. Along the shores of Humber Bay West you'll also spot a wide variety of ducks overwintering in Lake Ontario. Combine your walk through Humber Bay Park West with a loop around Humber Bay Park East for a great day of hiking. A number of parking lots and paved pathways make this an accessible park.

**History**

The park maintains a recreational focus for residents and visitors established during the mid-19th century when a number of motels were built in the Humber Bay  area. Watersports were enjoyed here during the summer and town council meetings were often held in the Humber Bay motels. Boat building was the earliest trade practiced in what would become the community of Humber Bay.

Humber Bay Park was developed by the former Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority with 5.1 million cubic metres of lakefill, at a cost of $6.56 million. Lieutenant-Governor John Black Aired opened the park on June 11, 1984. Several habitat restoration projects have been initiated at Humber Bay Park, including the planting of Carolinian trees and shrubs, the establishment of wildflower meadows and the creation of a warm-water fish habitat and wetland on the east peninsula. The park is also a popular destination to view migrating birds.

**Amenities**

The park has a number of amenities such as picnic tables, trails, and a beach front. There are fly casting and model boating ponds and a fully accessible fishing pier. The *Humber Bay Park Boating Federation* and historic old Eastern Gap Lighthouse (c. 1895) are located at Humber Bay West, along with public boat launch ramps and moorings. Humber Bay Park East is home to Toronto's memorial to the victims of the bombing of Air India Flight 182.