

## Aulavik National Park (Polar Bear Cabin, Banks Island)

Cabin with fuel oil heater. Sleeping space for 4 persons. Lake water available. Some emergency food supplies are also available. Good camping area. Good landing area for a Twin Otter aircraft. Basic cooking equipment, tables, benches and a few basic tools available.



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### **Owner**

[Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Environment and Natural Resources](#)

### **Membership**

Regular Member

### **Website**

[www.enr.gov.nt.ca](http://www.enr.gov.nt.ca)

### **Latitude**

74.133333

### **Longitude**

-119.983333

### **Location**

North End of Banks Island

### **Nearest Community**

Sachs Harbour

### **Territory/ Province**

Northwest Territories

### **Aboriginal Government/ Homeland**

Inuvialuit Settlement Region [www.irc.inuvialuit.com](http://www.irc.inuvialuit.com)

### **Facility Type**

Seasonally-Operated Field Camp

**Research Hinterland**

Continuous Permafrost, Polar Desert, Sea Ice, Tundra

**Main Research Disciplines**

Archaeology, Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics, Climatology, Environmental Sciences, Oceanography, Paleocology, Terrestrial Biology/Ecology

**Research History**

Built for Polar Bear Research, it's also been used as a base for Caribou, Muskox and Bird monitoring.

**Current Projects**

N/A

**Power**

N/A

**Communications**

N/A

**Local Transportation**

N/A

**Equipment Storage**

Limited space in cabin

**Dormitory/Sleeping Facilities**

2 bunk beds, sleeps 4 people

**Dining/Kitchen Facilities**

Table, bench, counter

**Laboratory Facilities**

N/A

**Fuel Availability**

Fuel must be cached check for permitting requirements

**Research Requirements**

Research requires permit. This cabin is in Aulavik National Park, so any use requires a Permits from Parks Canada. Check Aurora Research Institute for the permit information: [nwtresearch.com/licensing-research](http://nwtresearch.com/licensing-research)

**Special Rules and Regulations**

Permission required from ENR in Inuvik to use Cabin.

**Local External Resources**

N/A

**Nearest Medical Service**

Nursing station at Sachs (300 km) and Hospital at Inuvik (750 km)

**Safety Considerations**

Extremely remote field location. Must be self-sufficient with appropriate survival and communication equipment.

**Cost**

None but check ahead with ENR

**Other Information**

N/A

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