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### Toronto Pearson Int'l. Ont.



Few clouds  
 Temperature: 19 °C  
 Wind: West, 14.8 km/h  
 Pressure: 1013 hPa  
 Rel. Humidity: 60%  
 Visibility: 24.1 kilometers  
 Reported on:  
 Sun, 2007-07-15 23:00

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## Centre Island Sensation

Fri, 2007-07-13 01:11 — [Jessica\\_McLaughlin](#)



Sure, it's great to get away for a weekend, but sometimes heading out of town is more of a hassle than it's worth. My boyfriend and I prefer to escape right here in the city when we feel like getting away without... getting away. So this past weekend, we decided to hop on our bikes and head out to Centre Island for a relaxing afternoon.

The ferry ride over to Centre Island is a short ride. It'll cost you \$6 and it's kind of a fun novelty. It can get pretty crowded on the weekend, which might be a bit of a detractor, but you'll find most of the parents with strollers are headed to Centreville. I like to steer clear of Centreville - small midway rides and expensive concessions aren't my idea of fun.

We skipped the rides and the overpriced Pizza Pizza and opted for a small picnic and a blanket on the beach. Besides, I wanted to spend my money on something else. Sure, we'd traveled there on our bicycles, but I've always wanted to rent one of those quadricycles so we could sit side by side while we were biking. It was a bit pricey at \$16/hour (plus a \$30 deposit you get back when you return your bike) and it ended up being kind of difficult. Those bikes just aren't comfortable, but it was fun for a laugh.

After the bike ride and a quick snack we laid out our blanket on the beach at the south part of the islands and had a bit of a snooze under the tree. It was a completely laid-back end to a great day.