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Everyone has a favourite memory of spending summers at the cottage and if you don't you must have heard a story or two. The cottage experience is as Canadian as peameal bacon or real maple syrup and should be experienced by everyone at least once in their life. Sitting by a campfire roasting hot dogs and marshmallows, learning about "smores" and "spider dogs" is a rite of passage for any young camper.

So here I go looking into the options I have to share the cottage experiences I had with my children. What are the options and how can I afford them?

As I looked into cottages I found it was quite simple to find something to rent but what about ownership? The thought of being able to escape after a long week at work would be great. Along with my kids having a safe and memorable place to spend their summers would be perfect.

What I found is that cottages can be very expensive. My grandfather had told me the story of how each of his three brothers chipped in five thousand and they got a little place with an out house on Chandos Lake up near Apsley, Ontario, but as a kid I loved that cottage. All I could find for twenty grand

nowadays was a pop-up tent trailer that we would need to tow around to campgrounds. Camping wasn't going to be an option anyway as my wife's idea of roughing it was a hotel without room service. Although RV parks seemed like a good option, activities for the kids, secure in the off season, I just couldn't get the picture of trailer park boys out of my head.

The cottages I liked seemed to cost as much as my home if not more, some over four thousand. The more I thought about cottage ownership the more I realized it would mean two houses to maintain and the whole idea was to get away from cutting grass and fixing things so I could spend more time with my children and simply relaxing. I could afford a "Fractional Ownership" type cottage with maintenance fees. I could justify the fees as they do all the work, but one hundred thousand for something I could only use for 4 or 5 weeks wasn't the answer either, besides we can only play so many games of crazy eights before the kids would get bored.

Then I found an alternative, it's not a four hundred thousand dollar cottage on the lake but it's not a little trailer in a campground either. They call them

"Resort Cottages" or "Park Model Homes". Just imagine a small cottage beautifully decorated for only \$59,900 to \$129,900. Sounds too good to be true I thought, a full ownership cottage that is maintenance free and activities for the kids...what's the catch.

It turns out that RV's (recreational vehicles) come in all shapes and sizes and some look just like a little house. One two and three bedroom models that sleep up to eight comfortably and come full furnished. You can own one in a resort that has converted itself from a trailer park to a Park Model Resort. They are up scale properties that usually have plenty of activities for everyone from heated pools and kids clubs to recreation halls where they host events like wine and cheese parties or themed dances.

Woodland Estate on Lake Seymour and the world famous Trent Severn was the perfect spot for me and my family. Only 90 minutes from Toronto with great fishing and loads of activities. Woodland Estate is one of the best lake front properties I have come across and some of the best sunsets we have ever seen. They made owning a "Cottage" easy and cost effective...without a catch.

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