

INFORMATION BOOKLET



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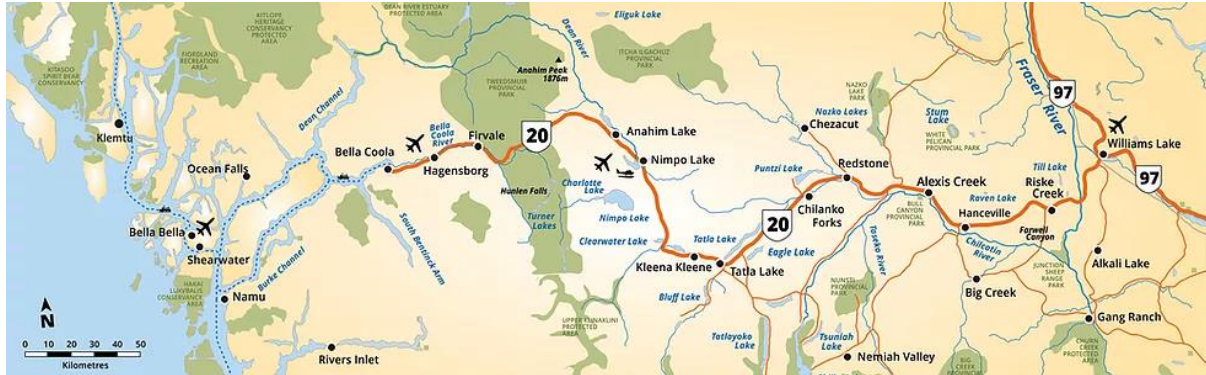
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WELCOME

Welcome to The Red Cariboo Resort, your home away from home. You have travelled to the Chilcotin to spend time with us.

We appreciate that and hope you will have an amazing stay with lots of great experiences 😊!



In this book, you can find more information about your apartment, the area, activities, and our recommendations. Should you require further information on any of the enclosed topics, we are more than happy to help.

In case you require medical assistance

The clinic in Anahim Lake is open from 9 AM - 5 PM Mon - Friday. You can walk in at any time. If you require medical assistance outside these hours, call 250 742 3305. A phone is available in the laundry room, strictly for this purpose only.

How to get to the clinic drive back to Anahim Lake. Turn left on Christensen Road. Turn left again after about 500m at the general store (where you see a big white sign with groceries, gas, and post office on it). Keep following that dirt road. There are a couple of side roads, but the main road is fairly clear. Follow this until you see the nursing station on your right-hand side.



APARTMENTS

You have booked one of our 6 apartments. We are extremely excited you have chosen the Red Cariboo Resort. We want to give you an unforgettable holiday. We also like to offer this to our future guests, so please spend a minute reading the following information about your apartment.

Please, remember:

Check-out time is 11.00 AM. You can leave the key on the table and the door unlocked. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Things to think of

No smoking

In all our apartments smoking is not permitted. It is allowed to smoke outside in front of the apartments but think of your neighbors. We recommended smoking at the gazebo, to minimize disturbing other guests with smoke.

Horses

We have got horses on our main property. These horses are walking around free, so they could be anywhere. Please be aware of this and reduce your speed while driving at the resort. Make sure you always close the gate behind you when you go through.

Cast iron pan

In one of the kitchen drawers, you will find a cast iron pan. This pan can't be put in the dishwasher. Instead, after use, rinse it out with hot water and use a dish brush/sponge to clean it.



Can opener

You will find a can opener in the top drawer in the kitchen. This can opener is placed at the top of the can to open it instead of on the side of the can.



Safety

Your safety is important to us. Here you can find some information to optimize your safety and the safety of other guests.

Fire extinguisher

Depending on which apartment you stay in, the fire extinguisher is either hanging next to the front door or beside the kitchen counter. Please check where the extinguisher is located in your apartment.

How to use the fire extinguisher

To use the fire extinguisher, you must pull the extinguisher towards you and lift it up a little. That way you take it off the wall. To extinguish the fire, pull the pin out of the handle and push the handle down. Make sure the extinguisher is faced away from you while taking the pinout.

Smoke detector

A smoke detector is placed above the front door. This is also an emergency exit light. If the detector goes off, make your way outside as soon as possible and check if the resort manager is on-site. If he/she is, let him/her know straight away. If not, drive over to the main property straight away and let someone know over there.

If the smoke detector goes off in case of a false alarm, for example, while cooking, simply press the lower button on the detector.



Appliances

There are a couple of appliances in your apartment that might need some explanation. Underneath you can find a short description of how to use them.

Dishwasher

Before using the dishwasher, put a dishwashing tablet in the tablet holder. Close the door and press 'cycle' a couple of times until the light for normal is on. 'Heat dry' will turn on automatically and then you are good to go. Press 'start'. The machine will run for about an hour and a half.

Oven

The oven has a couple of buttons. The one you would like to use to most is 'bake'. You use this for regular oven dishes, cakes, etc. The oven is set in Fahrenheit. Right here you can find an overview of the temperatures compared to Celsius.

Fahrenheit	Celsius
250°F	120°C
275°F	135°C
300°F	149°C
325°F	162°C
350°F	176°C
375°F	190°C
400°F	204°C
425°F	218°C
450°F	232°C
475°F	246°C
500°F	260°C

Capsule coffee machine

To use the coffee machine, take the water reservoir out from the back of the machine first and fill it up. Turn on the coffee machine by pressing one of the two buttons at the top of the machine. They both start flashing, which means water is warming up. This takes about half a minute. When it's done the light stays on and you can make your coffee. Place a capsule, unopened, under the silver lever. Put a mug on the mug holder and press either the right or left button, depending on what kind of coffee you'd prefer.

The capsules in the basket are complimentary. If you need more, you can buy them at the resort for \$ 1.00 each.

Filter coffee machine

Enjoy your coffee 😊. We appreciate the use of a filter, but it is not strongly necessary. Please, bring your coffee.



ACTIVITIES

We offer several activities at the Red Cariboo Resort, so each of you can find her / his pastime where they have the most fun. We also offer a wide range of activities for our younger guests. Our activity program goes from canoe rentals in the summertime, or you can go (ice)fishing on the Dean River. In Winter you can even go snowshoeing or cross-country skiing on the frozen lake. These are just a small sample of our wide range of leisure activities.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us. You can send us an email: info@redcariboo.com or see us in the office. It is our pleasure to help you with any belongings.

Now take a look at all the activities listed below to see what we have to offer.

Summer activities

Fishing

The paradise for sport fishermen.

The Dean River, which flows through Anahim Lake on its way to the Pacific Ocean near the Red Cariboo Resort, is a perfect spot for ambitious sport fishermen. Magnificent rainbow trout, brown trout, and whitefish, among others, thrive in the cool waters. The shallow water zones at the outlet of Anahim Lake are very suitable for fly fishing. The necessary fishing license can be purchased via the Internet. We will gladly provide you with the hardware (tablet and printer), help you, and refer you to the correct website. We will gladly rent you the appropriate equipment in case you do not want to bring your own.

Important to know: You need a valid British Columbia freshwater fishing license. The required fishing license can be purchased via the internet. We will gladly provide you with the hardware (tablet and printer), help you, and refer you to the correct website. You can rent the equipment by the day or by the week.



Canoeing

Canoeing on Anahim Lake.

If you want to move gently and quietly on the water, as the aborigines of British Columbia once did, and enjoy the silence at the same time, take a canoe trip on Anahim Lake. A canoe trip on the Dean River is possible because of the low water level in summer and the extremely low current. Anahim Lake, with its vast expanse of water and natural shorelines, offers unforgettable canoeing experiences. You can rent our high-quality canoes (2-person canoes) by the day.

In addition, we offer easily maneuverable aluminum boats with motors for fishing or cruising on Anahim Lake on a rental basis.

Quad tours

Offroad by Quad.

Have you ever dared a breathtaking off-road tour off the beaten track? Here at the Dean River, you can fully enjoy the freedom of quad biking. You'll pass flowering meadows, a stretch through shallow water at the outlet of Anahim Lake, or over rolling hills with a magnificent view of the landscape. You can enjoy the four-wheel quad experience extensively in guided groups. If you are interested, we are happy to assist you to book a Quad tour by one of well as you wish we will gladly organize a transfer (for an extra charge) to the starting point (approx. 70 km from the resort).

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Mountain biking

Mountain biking in the vastness of British Columbia.

The resort is located just a few meters from the Dean River and is an excellent starting point for boundless biking fun! Instead of boring forest roads, it's always over the natural ground, whether fine gravel, green meadow, or rocky passages, here everyone finds the right track according to personal demand and ability. You can rent our high-quality and robust mountain bikes by the day.

Available probably from summer 2022



Wildlife observation

Wildlife watching in the Chilcotin.

In addition to the famous grizzlies and black bears, mountain goats, wolves, coyotes, moose, caribou, and cougars live freely in the wilderness and not infrequently browse for edibles along the roadside. For ornithologists, the province of British Columbia is a paradise, with more than a million birds migrating along the Pacific flyway, stopping, or staying throughout the year. Eagles, gulls, pelicans, swans, and herons also flock to numerous lakes and rivers. The salmon provide a fascinating natural phenomenon during the spawning season with their migration from the coast. For wildlife viewing, spring and summer are best, when greenery struggles through the melting snow, many animals give birth to their young, and they slowly emerge from their winter hiding places. In late summer, a trip to Bella Coola is an absolute must, as you can watch grizzlies fishing for salmon.

Stargazing

Fascination Stargazing

A nightly look into our dark starry sky, not clouded by light pollution, inspires not only romantics and astronomers. When was the last time you saw the Milky Way with your naked eyes and lost yourself in infinity? It spans us amid natural darkness like a brightly shining roof. On clear nights, there are numerous constellations to admire and more stars visible than you can count. Make yourself comfortable in your open space or cabin/apartment and enjoy the vastness of the cosmos amidst the remote wilderness. Tipp: Please remember your camera and equipment and make appropriate camera adjustments so you can take a perfect photo as a souvenir back home.

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Flightviewing

Do you already know the impressive Canadian landscape from the bird's eye view? No?!

Then you should get to know this indescribably great experience.

Explore the spectacular landscape by seaplane. Take off at Nimpo Lake and enjoy the endless expanse of British Columbia's wilderness. Depending on the route and flight duration, you can fly over Anahim Peak and have views of forests that seem endless. Furthermore, you can be amazed by



the Rainbow Mountains, which shine in their different colors, and in the further course of the sightseeing flight, you can marvel at glaciers. Another highlight that completes the flight is Hunlen Falls, Canada's highest free-falling waterfall. Depending on the route, the flight duration is approximately between 45 min - 70 min.

We are happy to offer you a transfer on request and for an extra charge.

Winter activities

Icefishing

Even in winter on the water.

Fishing is one of your hobbies that you do not want to miss in the winter. No problem. As soon as winter has arrived and a thick layer of ice has formed on the lakes and rivers, nothing stands in the way of a special experience. Ice fishing. There are several waters in the surrounding area that are perfect for this. Armed with appropriate equipment such as ice drills, ice rods, special ice fishing rods, and hot drinks, you can get on a fantastic day on the lake. Please pay special attention to warm and windproof clothes and well-insulated shoes. Felt insoles are highly recommended for this purpose. You must keep your body temperature. It is much more fun in a small group anyway...please do not go alone for safety reasons, as there are always risks involved (risk of burglary).

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Snowmobiling

Bring your own snowmobile and have lots of fun!

In winter, the landscape transforms into a spectacular Winter Wonderland, making it an ideal spot for snowmobiles. Plowing through the predominantly crystal glistening powder snow with a high horsepower vehicle, experiencing the ups and downs of the rolling hills, or using the frozen Anahim Lake as a runway - all this is pure driving fun.



Snowshoeing

Snowshoe hiking is easier than you think.

Centuries ago, the Indians already knew how to cover long distances in winter without sinking into the soft snow. Today, snowshoe hiking has become a popular trend sport. Snowshoes distribute the hiker's weight over a larger area, so feet don't sink as deeply into the snow. The landscape around Red Cariboo Resort is perfect for snowshoe hiking. A snowshoe rental shop is available at the resort. Rentals are made by the day. Already after a short instruction, the gate to a new winter experience is open even for beginners.

Cross country skiing

Cross-country Skiing on the Dean River.

What cross-country ski trail is for Europeans, the frozen river is for winter sports enthusiasts in Canada. The safe ice cover with a layer of powder snow offers ideal conditions for exciting cross-country skiing tours. Here you can fill up with fresh air and activate your muscles in a particularly gentle way. We have suitable equipment here, which you can rent on a daily or weekly basis. However, since personal requirements for cross-country skiing equipment are very individual, we, unfortunately, cannot offer equipment for all requirements, so you can also bring your equipment. We will be happy to give you information about the most beautiful and suitable routes.

HOW TO BOOK AN ACTIVITY OR RENT A GEAR

If you would like to book one of our activities or rent one of the equipment gears, come and see us at the resort to make an appointment. Please let us know at least one day in advance if you would like to go on a tour. This way we can assure you that you can go on the tour.



PRICE LIST (2022)



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Price list activities

Canoeing	Full day (24hrs)	\$40
Boat rentals	Daily	\$100
	Weekly	\$500
Quad tours	Subcontracted	Subcontracted
Fishing gear rental*	Full day	\$20
	Weekly	\$100
Mountain bike rental*	Full day	\$80
Cross country rental*	Full day	\$40
	Weekly	\$200
Snowshoe rental*	Full day	\$30
Ice hockey gear rental*	Full day	\$30

All prices mentioned above do not include tax

*Prices are per Person

** Lunch is included

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HIKING

There are lots of beautiful hikes to do around the area. Have look at the following pages to see which you can do in what area.

We have GPS devices at your disposal, which you can borrow from us at the reception for a daily fee, in addition to the selection of hiking trails listed below.

We have compiled over time a variety of great and impressive hiking options for you, ranging from easy to difficult. There is something for every level 😊.

Hiking in the Anahim Lake area

There are four beautiful hikes you can do in and around Anahim Lake.

1) Anahim Peak

Hike: a moderate to strenuous day hike, but absolutely worth the climb. It gives you an amazing view at the top overlooking some flat areas and the mountains in the background.

How to get there: Go west from Anahim Lake, turn right at the beef trail*, after about 5-10-minute drive from the resort. Drive for about 26 km (until you see the 52 km sign). This is where the trailhead starts on the left side. You start making your way through the bushes until you hit the bottom of the peak. From there the trail is not marked anymore

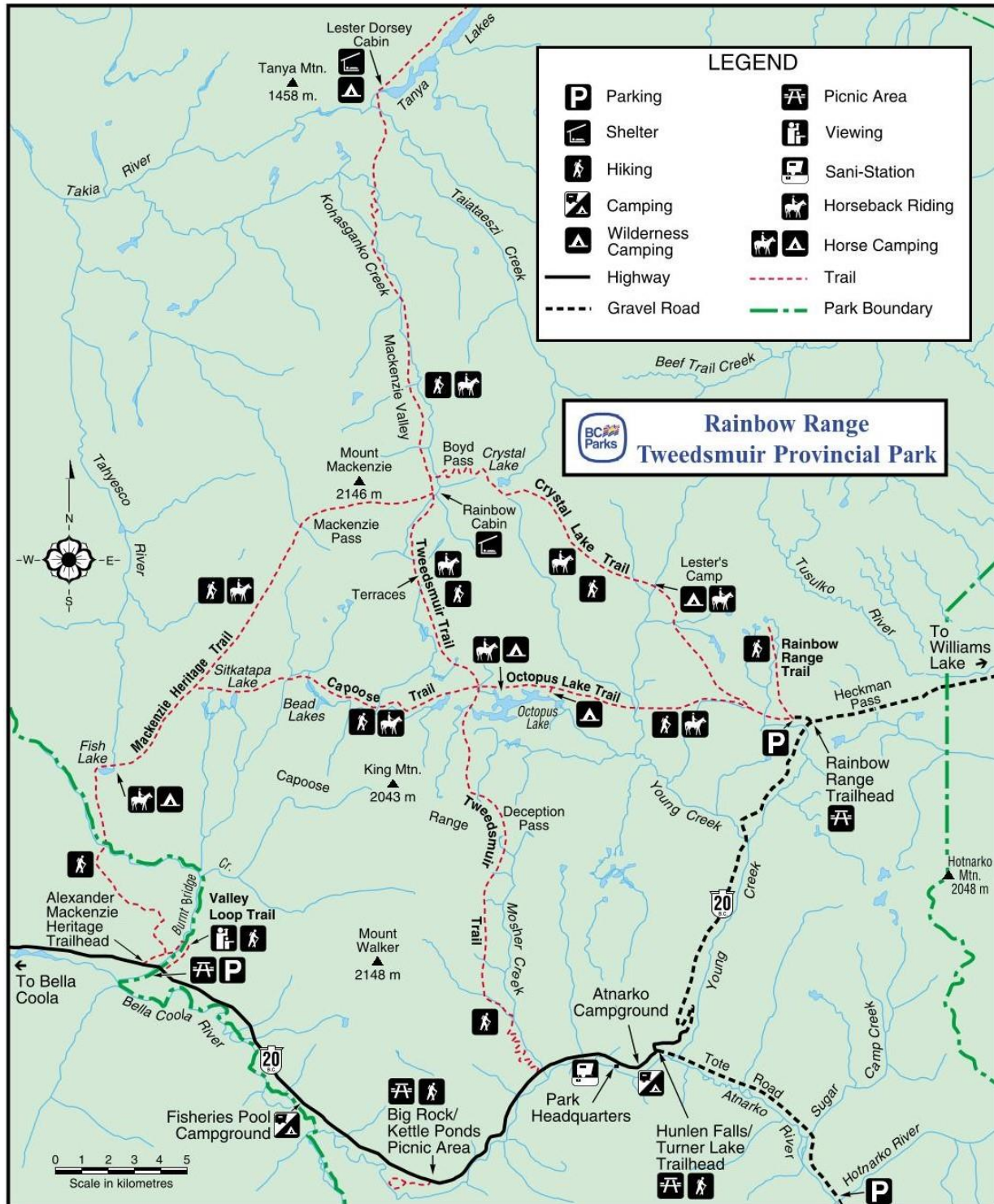
2) Rainbow Range

Hike: a three-hour moderate hike. Especially the first part goes up pretty steep but once you are past the first part, it turns into an easy to moderate hike. The first 45 minutes you walk through a burnt forest. After another 15 minutes, you have a stunning view over the Coast Mountains. After an hour and a half, you have the amazing view of seeing the Coast Mountains on one side and the Rainbow Mountains on the other side. This is the end of the trail. You can keep on hiking and make your way through the mountains but be aware: trails are not marked so make sure you find your way back.

How to get there: Go west from Anahim Lake for about 40 minutes. Right after you get into the Tweedsmuir Provincial Park you have a sign that shows a parking area for skiing, hiking, and snowmobiling which is called Rainbow Range. This is where you have to turn right. Drive all the way to the end of the parking lot where you go to the left. Around that



corner is another parking lot with a washroom and an information board. This is where you find the trailhead.



Trails

Note: Elevation changes, distances and recommended times are approximate, and describe one-way hiking.

Rainbow Range Trail (7 kilometres, 300 metres elevation change; 2-3 hours). The trail starts in a lodgepole pine forest and climbs gradually through stands of whitebark pine and alpine fir to a small alpine lake. From here, experienced hikers can explore almost unlimited terrain. The trail offers excellent views of the Rainbow Range.

Octopus Lake Trail (14 kilometres; 5-6 hours). This almost-level trail starts at the Rainbow Range Trailhead. It immediately crosses East Branch Creek and turns west, traversing through stands of pine and open meadows before crossing the middle two forks of Young Creek. Caution: these creeks are wide and can be fast-flowing. Undo your pack belt and use a hiking pole for support. As you reach Octopus Lake, a short access trail leads to a campsite located on the north shore. Approximately three kilometres further, the Octopus Lake Trail intersects the Tweedsmuir Trail. A horse camp is located near the intersection.

Crystal Lake Trail (20 kilometres; 1,000 metres elevation change; 7-8 hours). This trail diverges from the Octopus Lake Trail about three kilometres west of the Rainbow Range Trailhead. It climbs easily to a small alpine plateau and then drops toward the middle fork of Young Creek and Lester's Camp. From here the trail is cairned, and climbs slowly to a wide-open ridge leading to Crystal Lake. Woodland caribou are often seen in this area. From Crystal Lake the trail enters Boyd Pass and descends 300 metres on switchbacks to the Mackenzie Valley, and after a creek crossing, joins the Mackenzie Heritage/Grease Trail. The Rainbow Cabin is located one kilometre to the south. It is small and has no sleeping platforms, so bring a tent.

Capoose Trail (12 kilometres; 5-6 hours). Heading west from Octopus Lake, the trail winds easily through a beautiful subalpine valley, flanked by the Rainbow Range to the north and the Capoose Range to the south. It meets the Mackenzie Heritage/Grease Trail after passing Sibatapa Lake.

Tweedsmuir Trail/Route

This was originally laid out in 1937 to commemorate Lord Tweedsmuir's historic visit to the area. The northern section of the trail is much more popular than the southern, unmaintained route.

► **Trail from Rainbow Cabin to Octopus Lake:** (9 kilometres; 300 metres elevation change; 3-4 hours). The trail starts just south of the Rainbow Cabin, and climbs southward through a mixed forest. Cross two small creeks then follow cairns marking the trail as it climbs into the pass; this is wide open alpine country and visitors often spot caribou or marmots. Climb onto the terraces and wide open ridges for spectacular views. From the pass the trail drops down and reaches the Octopus Lake junction after 10 kilometres.

Route from Octopus Lake to Mosher Creek

► **Trailhead:** (21 kilometres; 300 metres elevation gain if heading south; 1,700 metres elevation gain if starting from the highway; 1-2 days, not maintained). From Octopus Lake the route travels south across the Capoose Valley, skirting several small lakes and ponds and then climbs steeply up to Deception Pass (this makes a good day hike from Octopus Lake or access to ridge-walking on the Capoose Range). Below the pass the route is unmaintained and therefore rougher and difficult to follow. It traverses the slope south of Bear Camp Creek then descends on steep switchbacks to the Bella Coola Valley at Mosher Creek.

Mackenzie Heritage/Grease Trail

In addition to being a historic Nuxalk and Carrier First Nations trading route used to transport oilcham grease from the Coast into the Interior, this was the route used by Alexander Mackenzie on his 1793 expedition to the Pacific. The 300-kilometre trail starts near Quesnel; only its most scenic and popular section is described here.

► **Tanya Lakes to Rainbow Cabin** (24 kilometres; 300 metres elevation gain; 1 day). Float plane charters into Tanya Lakes are available from Nimpo Lake. One kilometre from the southwest end of Tanya Lake is a traditional fish camp, which is still used today by aboriginal people. The trail ascends southward through pine forests and large grassy meadows, eventually crossing Kobasgamko Creek. After this the trail crosses the creek several more times, ascending very gradually for approximately 12 kilometres to the cabin. The lush subalpine meadows are flanked by rainbow coloured mountains

► **Rainbow Cabin to Highway 20** (33 kilometres; 400 metres elevation gain from cabin to Mackenzie Pass; 1,700 metres elevation gain if starting from highway; 2 days). This section of the Mackenzie Heritage Trail starts at the Rainbow Cabin and travels southwest to the Bella Coola Valley. There are two creek crossings before the long climb through heavy forest; the trail reaches open alpine near Mackenzie Pass. (Note: on NTS map sheet 93 D/9 the pass is incorrectly located; it is 1.5 kilometres south of Mount Mackenzie). This peak, with its black volcanic cliffs and brilliant rainbow colours dominates the landscape. Cairns mark the trail as it descends from Mackenzie Pass through open alpine, passing a series of lakes and meadows before reaching the Fish Lake Campsite. This section of the trail features superb views of the Capoose Range, Thunder Mountain and the Coast Range. From Fish Lake the trail continues its descent to Burnt Bridge Creek. At this point the trail ascends to Hump Lake then descends steeply to Hwy 20 in the Bella Coola Valley. This section of trail is not recommended for horses.

Backcountry Recreation

In the Rainbow Range, hikers and horseback riders can enjoy long, rambling alpine and subalpine trails with lots of options for loop tours. The park is a true wilderness, so visitors must be completely self-sufficient and experienced in backcountry navigation. This is grizzly country; keep a scrupulously clean camp, and look out for bear sign as you travel. Trail markings are frequently difficult to see, and the ground is often wet and boggy; use good boots and gaiters. There are many unbridged creeks to cross. The depth of water can be dangerously high in the spring, so it is best to hike the Rainbow Range during late summer. Trails and campsites suitable for horses are marked on the map.

Visitor Information

- Grizzly and black bears are common throughout the park. Keep a clean campsite and use food caches where available or hang food 4 metres up and 1 metre out from tree trunks. Make noise as you travel in busy areas.
- Camp in designated campsites only. Use a portable stove for cooking. Avoid the use of fire. If you must have a fire, keep it small and use existing fire rings. All plants, animals and rocks are part of the park's heritage. Do not damage or remove them.
- Boil or purify drinking water.
- Horseback riders: keep trailheads free of hay and manure. Pack in weed-free grain or pellets.
- Firearms are prohibited except during hunting season. However, much of the Rainbow Range is closed to hunting; please consult the regulations.
- Do not forget insect repellent!

Maps

Topographic maps of the park are a must. Refer to map numbers: 1:50,000 - 93C/12, C/5 and 93D/8, D/9 1:250,000 - 93C and 93D

For More Information

BC Parks

<http://wlapw.gov.bc.ca/bcparks>



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Rainbow Range Trails



Welcome. This ancient volcanic range of mountains is called "Tsitsut" in the Carrier dialect, meaning painted mountains. Its alpine areas are decorated with a spectrum of red, orange, yellow and lavender lava rock. The mountains and wide, glacial valleys provide ideal habitat for caribou, wolf, mountain goat and grizzly bear.

Most people start at the Rainbow Range Trailhead, which is 35 kilometres west of Anahim Lake on Hwy 20 (350 kilometres west of Williams Lake). The road is paved except the section from Anahim Lake down to Atmarco Campground.

Cariboo/Chilcotin/Coast

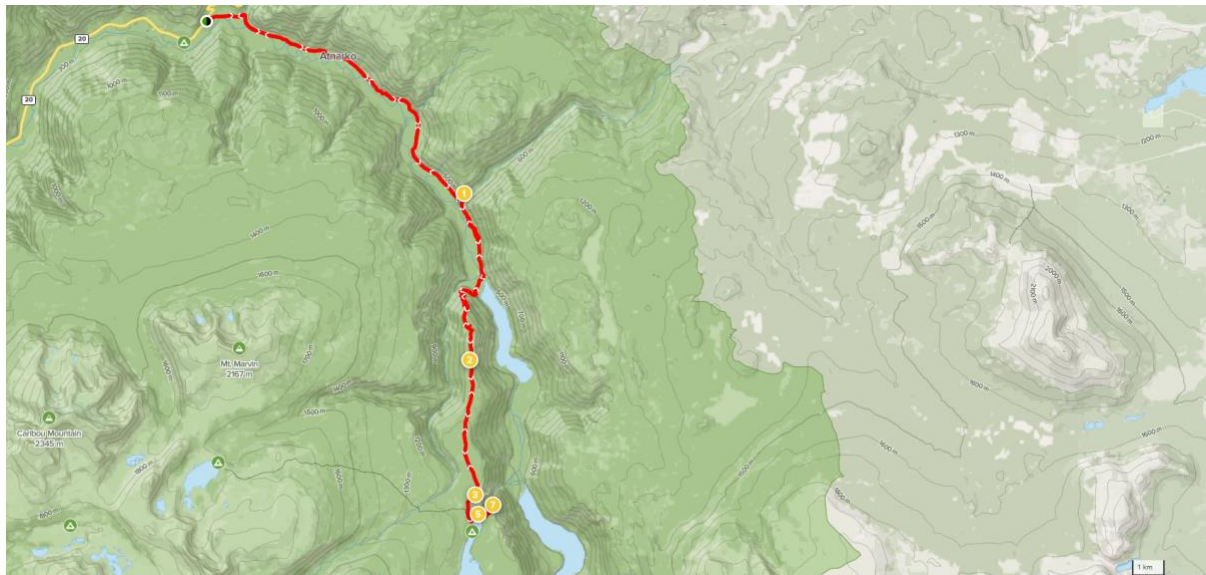
3) Precipice Canyon & Falls

Hike: An easy one-and-a-half-hour hike around the canyon. Moderate to strenuous hike if you want to go down to the Hotnarko Lake in the canyon. This comfortable hike runs along the canyon's edge. Right at the beginning, you will find the Hotnarko falls, which are at their biggest in spring. After following the track alongside the canyon, you will have a great viewpoint where hoodoos arose.

You can hike into the canyon. As soon as you hit the trailhead and see the canyon, turn left towards the waterfall. Cross the river and after a 2-minute hike is a spot where you can hike down into the canyon. It is not marked but you can see a trail going down. It is super rocky so there are parts you must climb on your hands and feet. Make sure you only go down the canyon when it hasn't rained or when it's dry at that moment. Rocks will get slippery real fast.

How to get there: Go west from Anahim Lake for about 5-10 minutes. Turn left at the beef trail*. Keep going straight until you are at a big gravel pit on the left side. Right after this gravel pit is the road to the canyon on the right side (marked with ribbons). Drive for another 5 - 10 minutes until you see a small parking lot and the sign on the left side (you have gone too far when you go through a gate).

Be aware, a small part of this road is pretty rocky. 4x4 is not necessary but take your time and drive carefully.



4) Kappan Mountain

Hike: 3-to-4-hour moderate hike. The trail is really well marked by square brown hiking signs and blue ribbons all the way to the top. The first hour you are only ascending which makes the hike moderate.



After this hour the hike becomes a little easier with flat parts and less steep parts but will still be considered moderate. The first part of the hike is in the forest, which blocks the nice view. But once you are above the tree line the view is absolutely rewarding. Once all the way to the top you have an incredible 270-degree view of the Coast Mountains.

Be aware as soon as you get to the top it can get really windy. Be prepared to bring a scarf and gloves for the last part of your hike.

How to get there: Driving from the resort to Anahim Lake: turn right on Kappan mountain road, the first road as soon as you are in Anahim Lake (right after the court).

Follow this road for almost 21 km. At some point, you cross a bridge, and you get to a Y. Keep following the left road to get to the trailhead. After 20.8 km you find the trailhead sign on the left side of the road. Parking space is available just before the trailhead on the right side of the road.

Hiking in the Bella Coola area

Bella Coola has numerous possible hikes. Below are just a couple listed, the ones we think are the most rewarding. If this is not something you are looking for, please come and ask us for more available hikes. We are happy to show them all to you.



5) Hunlen Falls

Hike: This is a strenuous hike. It ascends nonstop which makes it a pretty tough hike. The trailhead is not easy to reach (read more info about this at 'how to get there') and the trail itself is 16,4 km long. Count for a full day to get up to the falls.

The trail is well maintained and easy to follow. The first part of the trail is tough because of mud/rockslides and rock avalanches but as soon as you crossed the bridge the path gets more accessible. Most of the time you hike in the forest, but there is an open spot that gives you a beautiful view from time to time.

You are at the end when you reach the campground. Spend at least one night here to enjoy the highest freefall waterfall in Canada. The campground is well maintained, and the camping is right at Turner Lake. There is a bear-safe food rack up in the trees where you have to store your food. Bears are commonly seen in this area so do use this rack. During the summer months, a canoe is available for free and laying at the dock.

From the campground there are three viewpoints where you can hike, to see the falls. One is a side trail off the main trail when making your way up and marked with ribbons. The other two are on the other side of the falls. One trail that takes you to the furthest lookout point isn't marked and not maintained. You have to climb over trees and try to find your own way, but the view is breathtaking from there. Just stay close to the canyon's edge and keep an eye on the falls.

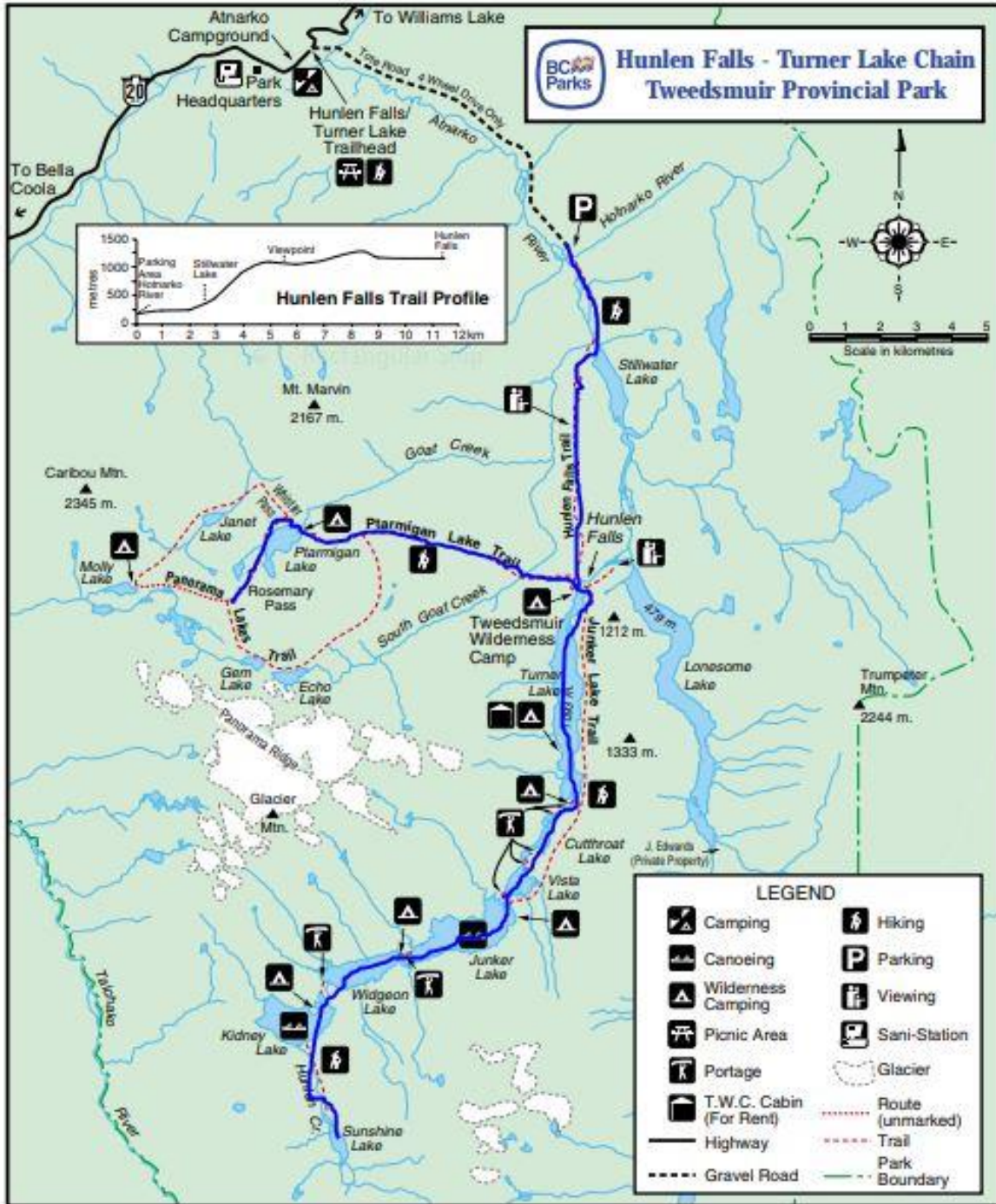
After spending one or two nights at the campsite you make your way back the same way as you came up.

Instead of hiking, you could also take a floatplane that brings you up to the falls within 20 minutes. You often only have time to walk to the first lookout which isn't the most beautiful one, but this is a great alternative if you don't want to hike up and you, of course, have the spectacular view of the falls from the air.

How to get there: The road to the Hunlen falls starts at the bottom of the Heckman pass. As soon as you come down the hill (coming from Anahim Lake driving towards Bella Coola) you have to turn left on Tote road. Signs will tell you exactly when to turn left. The road becomes a gravel road which is about 12km long. Thus, the road isn't long, it does take you almost an hour to get to the trailhead. The road isn't that well maintained. At the end of the road is the trailhead, starting at a little grass field (trailhead on the right side).



Make sure you check the road conditions before heading down. During springtime, the road gets flooded so you might not be able to drive all the way through. Always let someone know when you go up and what your plan is.



Access

Air: Several companies have permits to land float-planes on Turner Lake. They operate out of Nimpo Lake on Hwy 20, east of the park.

Hiking: to get to the trailhead, leave Hwy 20 at the base of "the Hill" and drive 11 kilometres to the end of the old Tote Road. This drive requires a high-clearance, 4x4 vehicle. At the Janet Creek junction with the Atmarko River, spring run-off can make the road impassable for about a month, usually in June. Fishing is not permitted in the Atmarko River upstream of Atmarko Campground since this is a very important spawning area for steelhead and salmon. Camping is prohibited along the Tote Road and at the trailhead. This area has a high density of grizzly bears. Plan to hike the first section of the trail between Hwy 20 and the Stillwater Bridge in the late morning or early afternoon, when the bears are less active.

Hiking Trails

Hunlen Falls Trail – 16.4 kilometres; 6–9 hours one way; 800 metres elevation change. Difficult. Trail is open to hiking only.

The trailhead is at the end of the Tote Road (as described in the Access section). Stillwater Lake, 3 kilometres along the valley bottom from the trailhead, is the last source of water before Turner Lake. The trail climbs steeply up 78 switchbacks to a viewpoint 600 metres above the Atmarko River. It then rises more gently, following the route of Hana-Lin, a Native trader, for whom Hunlen Falls is named. Finally, the trail emerges at Turner North Campground. Camping fees apply at all camping areas along the Turner Lake Chain.

The Hunlen Falls Loop Trail heads north to a foot bridge at the outlet of the lake, then to a viewpoint opposite Hunlen Falls (breathtaking, with a vertical drop of 260 metres). Use extreme caution at the lookout as there are unprotected sheer drops. The trail loops past another viewpoint high over Lonesome Lake then rejoins the main trail.

Junker Lake Trail – 12 kilometres; 2–4 hours. Easy/Moderate. This trail branches south from the Hunlen Falls Loop Trail after crossing the bridge. It is very wet and overgrown in some areas, but your reward is the spectacular mountain view from Junker Lake. There is a campsite near the beach at the end of the trail.

Sunshine Lake Trail – 4 kilometres. Access is by canoe only. The trail leaves the south shore of Kidney Lake and climbs through mature fir and pine forests to reach a primitive campsite on this picturesque mountain lake. There is good trout fishing at the lake outlet.

Ptarmigan Lake Trail – 12 kilometres; 5 hours; 600 metres elevation change. Moderate.

This trail begins near Turner North Campground and climbs steadily through a mature pine forest into the alpine. Large cairns, named Stone Women by the girls' youth crew that built them, mark the route to Ptarmigan Lake. The campsite is reached by following smaller cairns across Goat Creek where it flows out of the north end of the lake. Due to its high elevation, Ptarmigan Lake may remain frozen later than Turner Lake.

Panorama Lakes Loop Trails

This trail system consists of two loop trails that can be hiked in either direction. The trails connect Ptarmigan Lake with Janet Lake, Molly Lake, Echo Lake and Rosemary Pass. Since these trails are in the high sub-alpine and alpine, they are marked by cairns (difficult to see in bad weather). You should bring a topographic map and compass, and know how to use them. Stay on the trail wherever possible, to avoid damaging the delicate alpine vegetation.

Ptarmigan Lake/Echo Lake/Rosemary Pass – 14 kilometres. Moderate. This loop starts at the Echo Lake/Ptarmigan Lake trail junction, and climbs to the top of the ridge between South Goat Creek and Ptarmigan Lake. As the trail descends toward Echo Lake, the hanging glaciers of Glacier Mountain dominated the view. The route is very steep in sections. Watch for cairns, especially the two large ones located on either side of a narrow valley just before Echo Lake. The trail follows the north shores of Echo and Gem lakes, leading to a long uphill traverse. Enjoy the views of Panorama Ridge with its hanging valleys, horned peaks, glaciers, and waterfalls. From Rosemary Pass the trail descends to the east side of Rosemary Lake, crosses the creek and follows the west shore of Ptarmigan Lake.

Ptarmigan Lake/Molly Lake/Rosemary Pass – 14 kilometres. Moderate. This loop starts at the Ptarmigan Lake campsite and follows the cairns north towards Whistler Pass before turning west to Janet Lake. It travels southwest along the north side of Janet Lake, and then climbs to the boulder-strewn skyline of Janet Pass. Several small lakes are visible from here: Molly Lake is downhill and on the right. On the east shore of Molly Lake is a primitive campsite with spectacular views of the Talchako Mountains. To continue to Rosemary Pass, follow the cairns leading eastward. This is a steep climb. Return to Ptarmigan Lake as described above.

Safety and Conservation

- ▶ You are in bear country. Keep your campsite clean and store food and garbage out of reach of bears. Clean fish and dispose of entrails in deep water well away from your campsite.
- ▶ Practice no trace camping: pack out all your garbage. Camp in designated sites only. Use a portable stove for cooking. If you must have a campfire, keep it small and use a designated fire ring. Wash and dispose of gray water at least 100 metres from water sources. Plants, animals and rocks are part of the park's heritage. Do not damage or remove them.
- ▶ Pets must be kept under control at all times.
- ▶ Drinking water should be boiled or treated.
- ▶ Fishing: a valid license is required. Consult the *Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis* for details.
- ▶ Firearms are prohibited.
- ▶ Do not forget insect repellent!

Maps

1:50,000 topographic maps: 93 C/4 Junker Lake; 93C/5 Atmarko

Available at surveyors' offices and map retailers.

For More Information

BC Parks

<http://wlapwww.gov.bc.ca/bcparks>



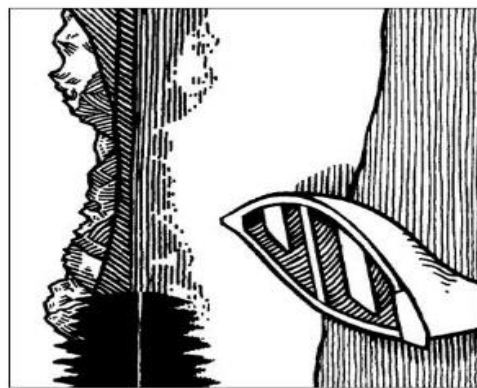
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PROVINCIAL PARK
Hunlen Falls/Turner Lake Chain



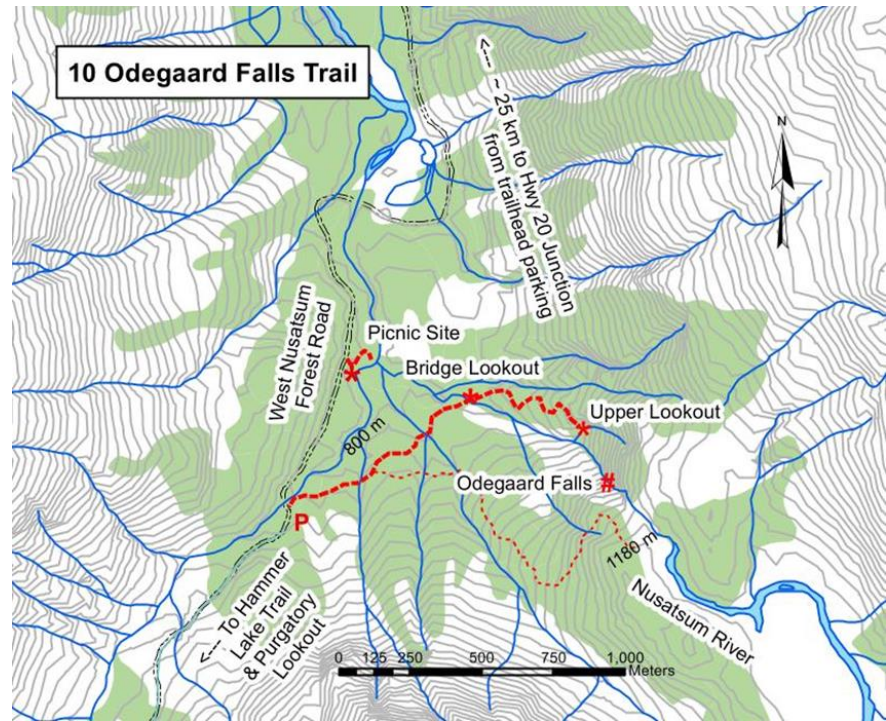
Welcome. This area of spectacular natural beauty provides opportunities for extended hiking and canoeing trips. It lies south of Hwy 20, on the eastern slope of the Coast Mountains.

The Turner Lake Canoe Chain spans six lakes and a distance of 24 kilometres. With crystal clear water, white sand beaches, mountain views and excellent trout fishing, this three-to-five-day trip rivals the best in British Columbia. The chain's four portages range between 300 metres and one kilometre in length with very little elevation change. The numerous campsites are indicated with red markers, while portages have white markers. Food caches are located at the campsites, and must be used in order to reduce the risk of a bear encounter. An overnight camping fee is in effect. Canoes are available for rent at Turner North Campground.

Cariboo/Chilcotin/Coast

6) Odegaard falls

Hike: The trail to the Odegaard falls starts as an easy trail and becomes easy to moderate after you passed the bridge lookout. The walk itself takes only about 30-40 minutes to get to the final lookout point (15 minutes to the bridge lookout) in comparison, the drive up to the trailhead takes about an hour/hour and a half. The trail is well marked and easy to find.



Though the drive is long, compared to the hike, the waterfalls are really impressive and one of the only ones around the area that has a big amount of water coming down year-round.

How to get there: To get to the Odegaard falls you make your way down to Bella Coola coming from Anahim Lake. You turn left at the Nusatsum Forest Service Road, which is right after the Nusatsum river bridge. Be aware, two roads are called Nusatsum Forest Service Road, though the first one you will pass is the Nusatsum Forest Service Road east. You turn left right after the bridge. The highway itself makes an almost 90 degrees turn to the right. That's where you have to turn left. As soon as you have turned left you cross a cattle guard straight at the beginning. Signs are located on the side of the road that says Odegaard falls. Follow this road for about 24 km. There are a couple of turn-offs to the left and right but always stay on the same road and go straight. After about 20km is a small picnic table with a view of the falls and washroom. Right at the trailhead is a washroom too. Parking is available right at the trailhead. Make sure you check the road conditions first before you head up the Nusatsum Forest Service Road. The road is often flooded.



7) M Gurr Lake & Blue Jay/Grey Jay Lake

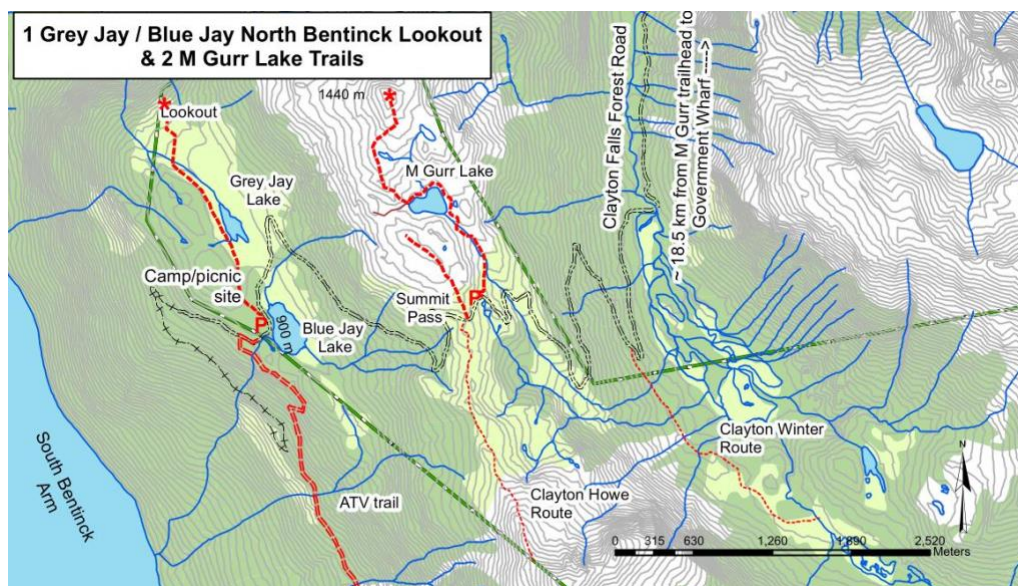
Hike: The hike to the lakes is easy and easy to moderate. First, you come across M Gurr Lake. The hike to the lake from the parking lot is easy and takes about 20-30 minutes. You can keep on going to the lookout point, which will be another 45 minutes to get up there. The view from the M Gurr Lake viewing point is the nicest one since you are at the highest point.

The trailhead can be a bit tricky to find. The trailhead is about 17km from the start of the Clayton Falls Forest Road. Drive all the way until you notice you go down again. This is in a slight turn to the right. You see a hill on the left and right side of the road, and both have a track. Go up the right one and follow the path until you are at the lake. The path is not marked but easy to follow.

To go to the trailhead of the Blue Jay and Grey Jay Lake keep on driving for another 3,6 km downhill until you are at a parking lot at a campsite. This is right next to Blue Jay Lake. Then the trailhead to Grey Jay lake starts between the first to campsites.

Blue Jay Lake is an excellent lake to swim in since it is pretty warm. Don't forget your fishing rod since Blue Jay Lake contains trout. It is about 2 km to get to the lookout point from the parking lot.

How to get there: Drive all the way down to Bella Coola. Go past the harbor where the road turns into a gravel road. After a couple of minutes on the gravel, you turn left on the Clayton falls forest road (if you must cross a bridge you have gone too far). The first 200m is steep but after that, it ascends at a steady pace. Follow this road for about 17 km to get to the trailhead of M Gurr Lake. Drive another almost 4km to get to the trailhead at Blue Jay and Grey Jay Lake.



8) Clayton Falls

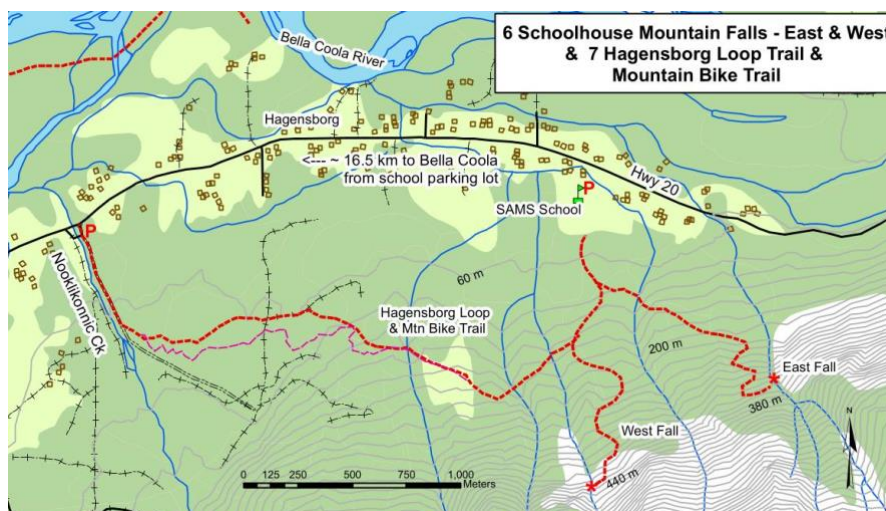
Hike: To get to Clayton Falls you don't really have to hike. It is a 2-minute walk from the parking lot. The trail goes along the BC Hydro building and is marked by a sign at the beginning.

How to get there: Drive all the way down to Bella Coola. Go past the harbor where the road turns into a gravel road. After a couple of minutes on the gravel, you find a parking lot, which is right after the turn to the left on Clayton falls forest road (if you have crossed a bridge, you have gone too far). Park your car on the left side and walk from there. Opposite the parking lot is a campsite which is also a nice viewing point.

9) Schoolhouse Falls

Hike: There are two falls you could walk to, the east falls and the west falls. The trail is marked and both trails start at the same trailhead but after about 5-10 minutes the trail splits. The left path takes you to the east falls and the right one to the west falls. To reach the west falls, the trail will split again. This time, stay on the left trail (there is a sign which tells you where to go). At both falls you have a nice view over the lower Bella Coola valley. The east trail is somewhat steeper, but the falls are more impressive. The west trail has steep climbs but also easy sections. The falls at the end of the west trail are a series of small cascades. It takes you about 30-45 minutes to get up one of the falls.

How to get there: There are two trails right behind the school in Hagensborg. Park at the Sir Alexander Mackenzie School parking lot (on the left side of the highway coming from Anahim Lake). Walk between the school buildings, to the south side of the sports field. The trail starts at the edge of the forest near the center of the field at the boardwalk.



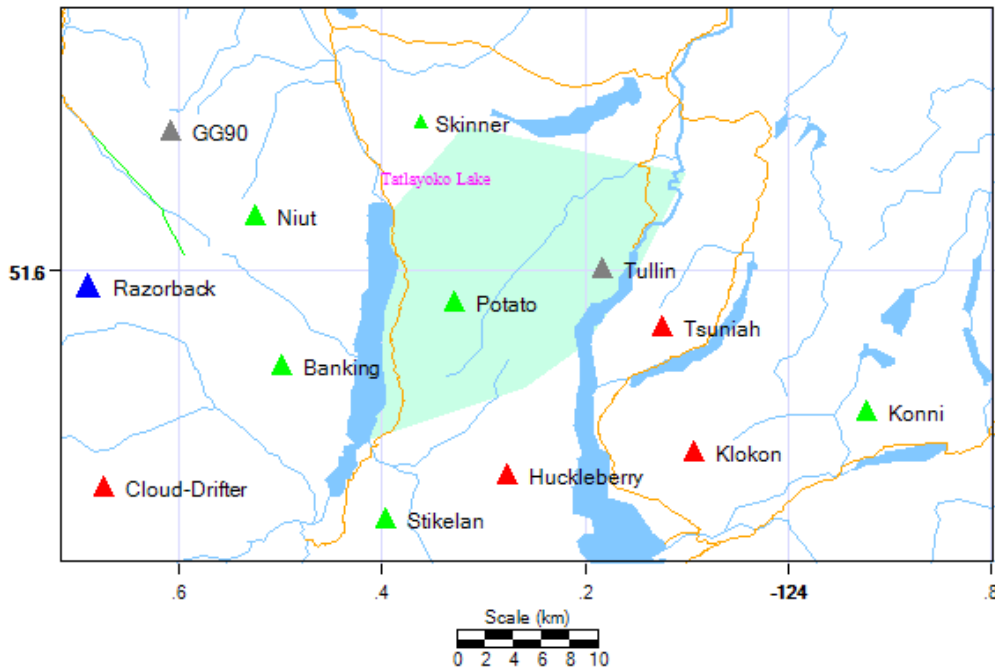
Hiking in the Tatla Lake area and East

Around Tatla Lake and Tatlayoko Lake are numerous hiking trails available. Tatla Lake is where the plateau meets the mountains of the West Chilcotin. You have the opportunity to hike right in the mountains; over 17 km of trails are accessible from the townsite, through many different environments. The views are absolutely stunning. Everything from alpine flowers to rugged terrain and stunning views awaits hikers in the mountains surrounding Tatla Lake. The drive towards Tatlayoko is already very pleasant thanks to the great views.

10) Potato Mountain

Hiking up Potato Mountain - it is a moderately strenuous full-day hike - gives you a spectacular and wonderful view of the Tatlayoko Valley as well as the Chilko Lake and interesting alpine ecosystems from above. To get to the trailheads, drive from Anahim Lake to the east, towards Williams Lake. You will pass Tatla Lake. As soon as you passed this little town you cross a cattle guard, and the road makes a sharp turn to the left. Right in that turn is a road that turns right as well. This is the road to Tatlayoko. Follow this road for about 35 km until you are at a campground. This is where some trails start.

Make sure you have got enough fuel. The last stop to fill up before heading towards Tatla Lake is Nimpo Lake (which is more than an hour away from Tatla Lake). This will also be your first stop to fill up again when coming back. Taking a jerry can with you is recommended.



OTHER ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA

Heli-Skiing and Heli-Hiking

In Bella Coola, you have the option to go heli-skiing and heli hiking. There is a company in Bella Coola, voted to world's best heli operation in 2017, that offers unforgettable hikes and skiing tours. If you would like to do that, just let us know and we will make a phone call for you to see what the possibilities are.

Charlotte Lake

It is nice to spend some time at Charlotte Lake, the clearest lake in the area. It's around an hour drive from the resort. The view from the lake is amazing with the mountains in the background. Together with Kappan Lake, Charlotte Lake is the only lake that has a sandy beach where you can easily spend a full day enjoying nature. Right at the beach is a campsite where you can camp for free. Washrooms are on site.

To get to Charlotte Lake you drive towards Nimpo Lake, east of Anahim Lake. After about a 10-minute drive past Nimpo Lake, you drive over a cattle guard. Right after the cattle guard is a turn to the right which is a gravel road. Follow this road until the T and turn right. You cross another cattle guard. Then the road splits again where you can go straight or left, go to the left. Keep following this road until you are at the third road that turns right (the one after the turn to Atnarko Lodge which has a sign on the road). Keep following this road until you are at the campground/beach.

Kappan Lake

Like Charlotte Lake, Kappan Lake is the other lake where you can enjoy a nice day of relaxing.

To get to Kappan Lake go towards Anahim Lake from the resort. As soon as you are in Anahim Lake take the first turn to the right, which is after the court. This road is called Kappan Mountain road. Keep following this road until you see a sign on the right side saying Kappan Lake. You'll see a sign after about a 5-minute drive but keep on driving. To get to the lake you have to turn right on the second sign*.



EVENTS

There are a couple of events held during the year in this area. The biggest ones are mentioned in the overview below.

Event	Date
Nimpo Lake/Anahim Lake canoe race	The second weekend in May
Bella Coola Rodeo	The first weekend in July
Anahim Lake Rodeo	The second weekend in July
Bella Coola music festival	The third weekend in July
Anahim Lake Halloween haunted house	October
Nimpo Lake Halloween party	October

STORES AND GAS STATIONS

Since we are very remote, there are not that many grocery stores, shops, and restaurants around. There are a couple of small shops that provide all the basic things, from groceries to clothes:

Anahim Lake

- [Mclean trading store - small grocery store](#)

Address: 6638 Christensen Rd, Anahim Lake, BC V0L 1C0

Phone: (250) 742-3266

Directions: Drive from the resort towards Anahim Lake. Turn left on Christensen Road. After 1km Mclean trading store is on the right side, opposite Donna's.

- [Anahim Lake trading store - small grocery store, post office, gas station](#)

Address: 6621 Christensen Rd, Anahim Lake, BC V0L 1C0

Phone: (250) 742-3342

Directions: Drive from the resort towards Anahim Lake.

Turn left on Christensen Road. Turn left after 500m, where you see a big white sign with groceries, gas, and post office on it.



- Donna's - restaurant

Address: Christensen Rd, Anahim Lake, BC V0L 1C0

Phone: (250) 742-3533

Directions: Drive from the resort towards Anahim Lake. Turn left on Christensen Road. After 1km Donna's is on the left side.

Nimpo Lake

- Nimpo Lake General Store - little grocery store, gas station

Address: Chilcotin-Bella Coola Hwy, Nimpo Lake, BC V0L 1R0

Phone: (250) 742-3333

Directions: Drive back towards Williams Lake. Nimpo Lake is the first little town after Anahim Lake. The store is on the left side right after Stewarts Lodge (which is on the right side). The store has a gas station in front.

- Dutchman Restaurant

Address: 20 - 2418 Chilcotin Hwy Nimpo Lake, BC

Phone: (250) 742-3268

Directions: Drive back towards Williams Lake. Nimpo Lake is the first little town after Anahim Lake. The restaurant is right after the Nimpo Lake Store, also on the left side.

Hagensborg

- Shop Easy Hagensborg - supermarket

Address: 1801 BC-20, Hagensborg, BC V0T 1H0

Phone: (250) 982-2637

Directions: This regular size supermarket is located in Hagensborg. Hagensborg is located 15 minutes before Bella Coola, which makes it an hour and a half to get there from the resort. It is located on the left side of the highway.



MAP APARTMENT

