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**D**riving the International Selkirk Loop is truly a spectacular experience, as the 280mile (450 km) international scenic byway winds around the Selkirk Mountains through Idaho and Washington, USA, and British Columbia, Canada. Often following lakes and rivers along the way, the Selkirk Loop circles an area brimming with outdoor recreation opportunities. Explore a wide variety of awe-inspiring sights and historic treasures in a two-state, two-country vacation.

In fact, the Selkirk Loop has garnered heaps of recognition. Rand McNally selected it as one of five "Best of the Roads" for its 2009 atlas. The U.S. Department of Transportation designated the Selkirk Loop an "All American Road" in 2005.

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The book is organized into two sections. The first half of the Selkirk Loop Travel Guide contains U.S. communities, and the second half contains Canadian communities with an overview map in the middle. The communities appear in traveling order when driving counterclockwise. Driving the loop may begin from 12





Tips on Using this TRAVEL GUIDE



different highway approaches. Wherever you enter, look up the first community you come to in contents (at right) and begin reading from that point, if traveling in a counterclockwise direction. Six Super Side Trips are inserted where you would encounter them.

Allow a minimum of two to three days to visit the International Selkirk Loop. "Sample Itineraries" can be found at www.SelkirkLoop.org.

Check the handy directory of businesses at the back of the travel guide organized by U.S. and Canadian communities, type and activity. They made the Selkirk Loop Travel Guide possible and all offer wonderful experiences. Be sure to tell them you are **"Doin' the Loop."** 

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> A family enjoys the sunset at Idaho Peak in British Columbia (Jason Wells)



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## BORDER CROSSING INFORMATION

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certificate, Canadian Citizenship Card, or a naturalization certificate. Birth certificates can be an original, photocopy or certified copy.

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#### International Border Stations on the Loop:

Washington: Metaline Falls, Highway 31 (509-446-4421) - open 8 a.m. to midnight; Frontier, Highway 25 North (509-732-6215) - open 24 hours Idaho: Porthill, Highway 1 North (208-267-5309) open 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Eastport, Highway 95 North (208-267-3966) - open 24 hours Canada: Nelway, Highway 6 (250-357-9940) - open 8 a.m. to midnight; Rykerts, Highway 21 (250-428-2575) - open 8 a.m. to midnight; Kingsgate, Highway 3/95 (250-424-5391) – open 24 hours; Paterson, Highway 22 (250-362-7341) - open 24 hours

#### **U.S. HOLIDAYS & IMPORTANT DATES IN 2016**

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 18
President's Day	February 15
Daylight Saving Time Begins	March 13
Good Friday	March 25
Easter Sunday	March 27
Memorial Day	May 30
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	September 5
Columbus Day	October 10
Daylight Saving Time Ends	November 6
Veterans Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	November 24
Christmas Day	December 25

#### **CANADIAN HOLIDAYS & IMPORTANT DATES IN 2016**

New Year's Day	January 1
Daylight Savings Time Begins	March 13
Good Friday	March 25
Easter Sunday	March 27
Easter Monday	March 28
Victoria Day	May 23
Canada Day	July 1
Civic Holiday August	August 1
Labour Day	September 5
Thanksgiving	October 10
Daylight Saving Time Ends	November 6
Remembrance Day	November 11
Christmas Day	December 25
Boxing Day	December 26

PASSPORT



## Metaline · Metaline Falls

A surprising treasure awaits visitors of the rural areas of northeastern Washington. From the international border to the junction of Highways 31 and 20, this segment of the Selkirk Loop drive is also Washington's North Pend Oreille Scenic Byway, one of this state's prettiest scenic byways. Once accessible only by horseback or river expedition, **Metaline Falls** was one of the first pioneer settlements in Pend Oreille County. Pend Oreille is French for "ear pendant," probably named by French fur traders after a native who wore such an earring.

Metaline Falls is now home to a charming collection of well-preserved historical architecture including **The Cutter Theatre** and the **Washington Hotel**. The town was the location for Kevin Costner's film "The Postman."

With regular cultural productions at **The Cutter Theatre** and the town-wide **Affair on Main Street** over Labor Day weekend, it's no surprise that Metaline Falls was named one of the **100 Best Small Art Towns in America**.

This region, often called the "Forgotten Corner," contains one of the most diverse populations of big game animals in the Lower 48. The **Mill Pond** historic site (April-November) provides an interpretive walk with a trail connecting it to the **Mill Pond Campgrounds**. Nearby pristine **Sullivan Lake** features recently Above: Boundary Dam near Metaline Falls Below: The Cutter Theatre was built in 1912 and is on the State and National Register of Historic Places (Cutter Theatre)







Above: Gardner Cave in Crawford State Park. Tours are available in the summer months. See below for details. Left: Kayaking on the Pend Oreille River (Pavia/Cady)

upgraded campground and picnic facilities. Contact the **Sullivan Lake Ranger Station** at 509-446-2681 for camping in the area, a list of local day hiking and sightseeing trips as well as an interesting historical display.

Take a guided tour of **Gardner Cave** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend), Washington state's third-longest limestone cave, located 11 miles north of Metaline Falls in **Crawford State Park**. Tours are conducted in the summer months. The cave is closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

# **BOUNDARY DAM**

Located 110 miles north of Spokane, explore the beauty, recreation, and nature of Boundary Dam. Guided tours are available Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Visit www.seattle.gov/light/tours/boundary for more details.

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LINE – METALINE FA		
July 4th BBQ in Metaline Park		
Tri-Town Float Down		
That Dam Paddle		
The Affair on Main Street Art, Craft		
Culture Festival		
Deck the Falls Celebration		

North Pend Oreille Chamber - (509) 446-1721 www.npochamber.org Sullivan Lake near Metaline/Metaline Falls (Jeff Tetrick)

CAMPING ON PUBLIC LANDS - WASHINGTON					
SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
East Sullivan Lake-USFS*	Metaline Falls	38	х	n/a	Limited
West Sullivan Lake-USFS*	lone	7	х	n/a	Limited
Noisy Creek-USFS*	lone	19	х	n/a	Limited
Crescent Lake-USFS	Metaline Falls	6	х	n/a	Limited
Edgewater-USFS*	lone	20	х	n/a	Limited
Mill Pond-USFS	Metaline Falls	10	х	n/a	Limited
Panhandle-USFS	lone	13	х	n/a	Limited
Pioneer Park-USFS	Newport	18	х	n/a	Limited
South Skookum Lake-USFS	Usk	18	х	n/a	Limited
Browns Lake-USFS	Usk	18	х	n/a	Limited
Lake Leo-USFS	Colville	8	х	n/a	Limited
Lake Thomas-USFS	Colville	16	х	n/a	n/a
Gillette-USFS	Colville	30	х	n/a	Limited
Lake Gillette-USFS	Colville	14	х	n/a	Limited
Little Twin Lakes-USFS	Colville	20	х	n/a	Limited

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## Ione · Tiger

The story of lone is one steeped in legends of the timber industry, the railway and the lore of the Pend Oreille River. Follow the story of the mills, mines and railroads of yesteryear by stopping at designated points of interest along Highway 31 marked as **North Pend Oreille Scenic Byway**. Construction was completed on several interpretive sites along this stretch in 2014. In 1901, the community built its first sawmill. Eight years later, the Panhandle Lumber Company employed more than 700 men. The arrival of the railroad in 1909 was almost as vital to the region's survival. But none of it would be here if it weren't for the Pend Oreille River.

Today, the community's residents celebrate the Pend Oreille's bounty every July, when **Downriver Days** arrive. The events are marked by family-friendly, river-based activities including "water skipping" of snowmobiles across the Pend Oreille River. Ione has a lovely day-use park along the water's edge. The **Lions Club Excursion Train Ride July 30-31**, **September 3-4**, and **every weekend in October through October 22** showcases some of the most stunning fall scenery in the Pacific Northwest as it runs along the Pend Oreille River between Ione and Metaline Falls. Purchase tickets in advance at www.lionstrainrides.com.

Sweet Creek Rest Area also offers a picnic site, interpretive panels and a hiking trail to Sweet

#### The Lions Club Excursion Train travels between Metaline Falls and Ione. See schedule and how to purchase tickets below

Creek Falls. It is worth the short hike to see it.

Just north of lone is **Box Canyon Dam**. The site provides tours, camping, a swimming pond and is a great place to have a picnic.

Stop by the **Meadow Lake Wildlife Observatory** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend) located west of lone, where a dismantled fire lookout was reconstructed on this site as a wildlife-viewing tower.

At the junction of Highways 31 and 20, the **Tiger General Store** is all that remains of this once-thriving pioneer town. Peer into the past at the store's museum with early history of the region, including a mining display and an on-site

#### Day Hikes

Get off the road and into the hills to appreciate the beauty that surrounds the loop. Look for 3 trail maps [Wash., Idaho, and BC] produced by the Selkirk Loop



FREE at area Chamber and Visitor Centers



blacksmith shop containing a lot of original items. A state designated **rest area** is open Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. At the junction of Highways 31 and 20, turn west to go on the Selkirk Loop's **Flowery Trail – Little Pend Oreille Super Side Trip** (page 10).

## FESTINALS AND EVENTS

	IONE	
July	Downriver Days	
	Tri-Town Float Down	
	Lions Club Train Rides running during	
	Downriver Days	
September	Lions Club Train Rides running Labor Day weekend	
October	Lions Club Train Ride (first four weekends	
	in October)	
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Above left: Step back in time at the Tiger General Store and Museum (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Above right: Box Canyon Dam (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Below: Great blue heron and other birds can be found all around the Selkirk Loop



## Flowery Trail-Little Pend Oreille Super Side Trip WASHINGTON

Colville · Chewelah 80 MILES / 129 KM

This scenic mountain route leads drivers up and over one of the ridges of the Selkirk Mountain range twice, offering stellar views. More than a dozen unique and varied barns are

More than a dozen unique and varied barns are visible along this route.

FRIE

This Super Side Trip begins at the junction of Highways 20 and 31 at **Tiger**. Turn west onto Highway 20 toward Colville. Take a break along the glittering chain created by the **Little Pend Oreille Lakes** system at the Frater Lake Rest Area. Several Forest Service campgrounds exist near these lakes. Stop and take a short walk to view **Crystal Falls**. Contact the **Colville National Forest** at 509-684-7000 for information on other camping available in the area.

Seven miles east of Colville on Highway 20 is the **Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge** (open year-round). It's the only mountainous, mixed-conifer forest refuge in the National Wildlife Refuge system. Take the auto tour route through the refuge for a great overview. You'll see older forests consisting of pines and other conifers. More than 200 nesting and foraging migratory bird species, 58 mammal species, and 14 reptile and amphibian species use the refuge's 40,198 acres of forests, streams and wetlands seasonally.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

	COLVILLE		
March	Home, Garden and Travel Expo		
	Woodland Theater Annual Musical		
April	Wild Turkey Daze		
May	Stevens County Historical Museum Opens		
	Farmers Markets, May - September		
	Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament		
June	Hidden Valley Garden Tour		
	Colville Pro-West Rodeo		
July	Sidewalk Sale/Street Fair		
	Tiger Tri Race - 1/4 Triathlon		
August	Colville Rendezvous Days Music Festival		
	Northeast Washington Fair		
September	Blazing Saddles & Spoons Bike Ride and		
	Chili Cook-Off		
December	Home for the Holidays		
Colville Chamber			
(5	(509) 684-5973 • www.colville.com		

At the junction of Highway 20 and Highway 395 is one of Washington's oldest cities, Colville, known as a leader in historical preservation with a large museum and the "Keller House," (May 1-Sept. 30) a well-appointed reminder of the turn of the century. Stevens County was recently awarded a "Preserve America Presidential Award," one of only two counties in Washington to receive this award. Take a walking tour through the historic downtown business district. Visual and performing arts abound with a pavilion in the 18-acre Yep Kanum City Park - host to several major events during the spring and summer months. Colville has its own 18-hole public golf course, Dominion Meadows. Nearby Lake Roosevelt, accessed by a short drive farther west at Kettle Falls, is the area's largest water sports playground. Heading south on Highway 395 toward Chewelah, visitors travel through a lovely wide valley of mixed cultivated fields and coniferous forests.

**Chewelah** has approximately 2,400 residents, and displays a pleasant blend of the past and future. As far back as the early 1870s, Chewelah established itself as an agricultural and later a commercial center with the opening of manganese mines during World War I. With its moderate climate, dry land and irrigated farming, ranching and dairies were mainstays.

**Chataqua, a four-day arts festival**, is one of Chewelah's major events, always the second weekend in July. Held on 8-plus acres at Chewelah City Park, Chataqua features craft exhibits, free entertainment, food and a traveling carnival. There is also a fine **historical museum**, **antique car museum** and **casino** to explore. Chewelah is home to the only 27-hole golf course in eastern Washington, **Chewelah Golf & Country Club**.



## Flowery Trail-Little Pend Oreille Super Side Trip



Schoolhouse and cabin at the Stevens County Museum

Turn east onto the Flowery Trail Road from Chewelah and travel 10 miles to the top of the pass at 4,046 feet where 49 Degrees North and Chewelah Peak Learning Center offer a stay-and-play, family-oriented ski hill with miles of groomed trails. Snowmobiling and cross-country skiing adventures provide plenty of additional cold weather action. In the warm weather months, take advantage of the area's scenic back roads and trails for bike tours, mountain biking and hiking.

This route rejoins to the main Selkirk Loop route at Usk. Turn south onto Highway 20 south toward Newport.

### **Stevens County Historical Society** est. 1903



**Open Daily** May 1st - September 30th

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# CHEWELAH

January	Chewelah Arts Guild Annual Arts Festival
March	BIG Home and Garden Show
May	PACA Fun Run
	Nostalgia Days Classic Cars & Quilt Show
May - October	Farmers Market
June	Chewelah Arts Guild "Art in the Garden" Tour
	Mistiqua Motorcycle Show
July	Chataqua Arts & Crafts Festival/Fun Run
August	James Dean Days Car Show, Chewelah Park
	Melody Riders Horse Show
October	Lions Club Bike Tour 25K & 50K
December	Festival of Lights - Santa Social Winter Craftfest
	Winter Clarifiest

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## Usk · Cusick

The beginnings for these small communities started with two friends. **Cusick** was founded by Joe Cusick in the mid-1880s. **Usk** was established by Cusick's good friend George H. Jones. The two competed for everything – from post offices and steamboat service to baseball bragging rights. Today a lovely riverwalk lies between the two communities, with a park and boat launch in Cusick.

Along Highway 20, river timbers are seen standing as silent reminders of the heyday of logging when the Diamond Match Company, then located in Cusick, created a heavy demand for white pine. The Pend Oreille River provided the transportation for millions of feet of timber, using these pilings to guide, sort and hold logs.

Today, the biggest competition is amongst the region's incredible birdlife population. The pilings and surrounding timber along the river is now home to hundreds of **osprey and eagles**. Huge flocks of **tundra swans** migrate through Cusick and Usk in February and March.

The region's most fascinating points of interest await on the 4,600-acre **Kalispel Tribe's Reservation**, across the Pend Oreille River from Usk. The tribe manages a **large herd of buffalo**, providing an excellent viewpoint for visitors along LeClerc Road. The tribe also operates a **bass fish hatchery** that may be visited by advance reservation. Farther north on LeClerc Road, the **Manressa Grotto system of caves** (April-November) is a glacially formed, aboveground cave system used for religious ceremonies by early American Indians and missionaries. There is a winding dirt trail to the cave which afAbove: Camas meadow near Cusick (Kalispel Tribe) Inset: A buffalo herd is managed by the Kalispel Tribe (Autumn Oscarson)



fords spectacular views of the Pend Oreille River and surrounding mountains. Just beyond Cusick visit the new **Kalispel Kafe and Rest Area** with a display of historic and contemporary images and cultural items of the Kalispel Tribe of Indians.

Just north of Cusick on the west side of the road, watch for a small sign to the **Batey-Bould ORV Area**. There is trailhead parking with facilities. Excellent motorcycle and ORV riding in this large area of the Colville National Forest connects to more off-road riding on the Little Pend Oreille ORV trail system to the northwest.

FESTINALS AND EVENTS		
	USK - CUSICK	
March	Tundra Swan Festival	
July	4th of July breakfast, parade, festivities, Usk	
	Pend Oreille River Poker Paddle	
August	Salish Fair and Pow Wow/Kalispel Tribe	
	Reservation	
Pend Oreille Fair and Rodeo		
Greater Newport Area Chamber www.newportareachamber.com • (877) 818-1008		



The Kalispel Tribe of Indians invites you to join us for our annual Pow Wow. This cultural event features traditional Native American singing and dancing, while highlighting a collection of skilled Native American artisans. All are welcome to attend this free celebration of our heritage.

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Kalispel Indian Reservation Pow Wow Grounds, Usk, WA



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Above: Beautiful barns dot the landscape (Jerry Pavia/ Tim Cady) Below: A wide variety of wildlife can be found throughout the area (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)





## Newport · Oldtown

**Newport**, located at the junction of U.S. Highway 2 and Washington State Highway 20, features historic Washington Avenue as its "main street," where some shops display a plaque showing the name of the original business and its date. Many buildings are constructed of locally made bricks. Plan to visit the Newport / Oldtown Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center and the adjacent Pend Oreille County Historical Society Museum to pick up the booklet "**Historic Tour of Newport**." Both the visitor center and museum are located in **Centennial Plaza**, which was built to celebrate the Washington State Centennial in 1989.

The museum's exhibits in several outbuildings showcase the area's history. Look for the "Big Wheel," a 16-foot, steam-driven sawmill generator, and the gazebo with picnic area, summer flower displays and winter holiday lights.

Newport is the county seat of Pend Oreille (pon-duh-ray) County, Washington's 39th and youngest county. Formed in 1911, it was originally part of Stevens County. The town began as Newport, Idaho, in 1889 when Mike Kelly erected a log building on the banks of the Pend Oreille River. In 1892, a post office was added to Kelly's store, and mail was brought in from Rathdrum, Idaho, via Blanchard. Original transportation



Top: Schoolhouse at the Pend Oreille County Museum Inset: Coyote (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

depended on the riverboats until the Idaho and Washington Northern Railroad was extended from Newport to Metaline Falls in 1910. The arrival of the Great Northern Railroad in 1892 started Newport's move from the Idaho side to the Washington side of the state line. Today, the businesses and residential areas are divided by the state line. Oldtown, Idaho, is also the start of the Idaho Scenic Byway **Panhandle Historic Rivers Passage** on Highway 2.

In summer, the air is filled with the scent of lavender in this region. In early July wander down to the Newport City Park to take in the Bull riding at the Newport Rodeo (Newport Miner)



#### FESTIVALS AND EVENTS NEWPORT/OLDTOWN

Newport · Oldtown

May-October	Farmers Market	
May	Regional Yard Sale, Newport/Oldtown/	
	Priest River	
	Who Let the Girls Out shopping event	
June	PWRA Rodeo and Carnival	
	Rhubarb Festival at CREATE	
July	Hydroplane Boat Races	
	Pend Oreille Valley Lavender Festival	
	Pend Oreille River Poker Paddle	
	Bull-a-Rama	
	Timber Days Lawn Mower Street Drags,	
	Oldtown	
August	County Fair and Rodeo	
-	OKB Fest at City Park	
September	Autumn Bloom Fun Run 5K & 10K	
	Heritage Days	
	Pend Oreille Valley Bluegrass Music	
	Festival	
November	Hometown Christmas downtown	
December	Festival of Trees	
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	ortareaction (077) 010-1000	

**Pend Oreille Valley Lavender Festival**, host to more than 60 artisan vendors. After taking in Newport's charming downtown district, take the time to explore the natural splendor of the surrounding Colville National Forest. Check with the **Colville Ranger Station** at 509-447-3129, on Highway 20 just north of Newport, to discover a host of year-round recreational opportunities including the Upper and Lower Wolf Trail hikes. Camping, boat launch and hiking are available at **Pioneer Park** east of Newport along the Pend Oreille River.

# the city of newport t's a wild side

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Rodeos, Concerts in the Park, Lavender Festival and hot rod car shows are some of the wild things that happen here in Newport, the rest of the year we are just a quiet city with antique stores, camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and a friendly welcome to all.

Watch for these Special Events:

PWRA Rodeo Rodeo Parade Carnival Bull-A-Rama Lavender Festival Iris Gardens Poker Paddle Relay for Life

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Newport Music Festival Car Shows Earth Market Christmas Celebration Newport Autumn Bloom 10k/5k, (a Bloomsday 2nd Seeding Qualifying Race)

#### **City of Newport**

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urn north on Highway 57 in the town of Priest River for a scenic drive into the heart of the Selkirk Mountains. Priest Lake earns its "Idaho's Crown Jewel" status because of the clarity and purity of its water. The pristine, 19-mile-long lake coupled with the surrounding mountains offer a myriad of year-round recreational opportunities. In the summer season, the location and sheer size of Priest Lake afford ample space for all water sports. Explore the 72-mile shoreline with its numerous white, sandy beaches by powerboat, sailboat, canoe, kayak or personal watercraft, and include visits to the lake's seven islands. Is **fishing** your forte? Priest Lake is renowned for trophy-sized lake trout, aka mackinaw.

Upper Priest Lake lies north of Priest Lake and offers visitors a unique experience. This 1,300-acre lake and surrounding mountains are a **federally designated Scenic Area**. As such, the area is restricted from development and remains as it has been from time immemorial. Upper Priest Lake is accessible only via hiking and biking trails or a 2.5-mile, no-wake waterway named The Thoroughfare. The Thoroughfare and Upper Priest Lake are ideal **playgrounds for the kayaker and canoeist.** 

The **main campgrounds** on the east shore are Lion Head and Indian Creek state parks; phone 208-443-2200 or 208-443-6710 for information and reservations. In the early 1920s, Nell Shipman (1892-1970) built a movie camp called Lion Head Lodge. This actress produced her own films and maintained a menagerie of wild animals, using Priest Lake's wilderness setting



Priest Lake

Top: Photographing Priest Lake (Tom Holman) Above: Campfire on the beach

FES	TIVALS AND EVENTS	
	PRIEST LAKE	
January	Nordic Ski Races, Priest Lake Golf Course	
Jan - Feb	Snowshoe Softball Tournament	
February	U.S. Pacific Coast Championship Sled Dog races, USFS Airstrip	
April	Loggers Day at Nordman	
May	Spring Festival, Memorial Day Weekend	
July	Fireworks Display, area resorts	
	Annual Ice Cream Social, Coolin	
	Huckleberry Festival	
September	Annual Dry Rot Wooden Boat Breakfast & Parade, Reeder Bay	
	Priest Lake Yacht Club Gin Fizz, Luby Bay	
	Annual Boat Poker Run, Cavanaugh Bay	
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Above: Sunset at Upper Priest Lake (Nate Kay) Left: Delicious huckleberries (Autumn Oscarson)

as a natural filming location. Other designated camping areas accessible only by boat are also available. For Forest Service campgrounds in the area, contact the **Priest Lake Ranger District** at 208-443-2512 or Reserve USA at 877-444-6777 for reservations.

In addition to water sports activities, there are miles of **hiking and biking trails surround-ing the lake**. Walk among **giant cedars** on the

Hanna Flats interpretive trail located at approximately milepost 32 on Highway 57. Only 14 miles north of Nordman is the unique Roosevelt Grove of Ancient Cedars and Granite Falls (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend). The trees range from 4 to 12 feet in diameter and reach heights of 150 feet, some as old as 2,000 years. While out for a hike, look for **Priest Lake's** world-famous huckleberry, found in August to mid-September. Or foray into the woods to look for fall mushrooms; 450-plus species are present in the area. Duffers may want to try a round of **18 holes at** Priest Lake Golf Club, a challenging and beautiful course that turns into a Nordic center in winter with an ever-expanding cross-country ski trail system with more than 70 kilometers.

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SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
Indian Creek (Priest Lake St Park)*	Priest Lake	93	х	х	Full/Limited
Dickensheet (Priest Lake St Park)*	Priest Lake	11	х	n/a	n/a
Lionhead (Priest Lake St Park)*	Priest Lake	47	х	n/a	Limited
Outlet Campground-USFS*	Priest Lake	28	х	n/a	n/a
Osprey Campground-USFS*	Priest Lake	18	х	n/a	n/a
Upper & Lower Luby Bay-USFS*	Priest Lake	54	х	n/a	Limited
Reeder Bay-USFS*	Priest Lake	24	х	n/a	n/a
Beaver Creek-USFS*	Priest Lake	41	х	n/a	n/a
Stagger Inn-USFS	Priest Lake	2	х	n/a	n/a
Upper Priest Lake CG's-boat-hike in	Upper Priest Lake	15	х	n/a	n/a
Priest Lake Islands-3 CG's-boat in	Priest Lake	65	х	n/a	n/a

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Priest Lake



Cycling along Priest Lake's east shore



Granite Falls (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

Visit the **Priest Lake Museum** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend) on Luby Bay near Nordman, situated in a log building built by the CCCs in 1935. Catch a glimpse of the region's early days through revolving interpretive displays.

Destination resorts, RV parks, B&Bs, and numerous campgrounds, including island campsites, provide an abundance of accommodations. Full-service marinas provide boat moorage, rentals and repairs. Grocery stores, gift shops, galler-



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ies, several restaurants and other guest services are conveniently located around the lake.

Priest Lake is also becoming an ever-increasing popular winter season recreation area. The area boasts **400-plus miles of groomed snowmobile trails** amidst more than **500,000 acres of public land for off-trail riding**. Meadows and ridges are suited for family fun, while machine aficionados are challenged by hill climbs.



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## Priest River

**L**ocated at the confluence of the Priest and Pend Oreille rivers, the town of Priest River is conveniently centered an hour away from Spokane, Wash., and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Highway 2 from Oldtown through Priest River and into Sandpoint is the Idaho Scenic Byway Panhandle Historic Rivers Passage.

The town's first sawmill was built in 1897. Logs were driven down the Priest River to sawmills from 1901 to 1949. View one of the last of the riverboats, called "bateaux," from the Diamond Match Company at the **Priest River Museum and Timber Education Center** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend).

Take a walking tour of **historic downtown** and see some of the beautifully renovated buildings, such as the Beardmore Block, a 1922 structure restored to its former glory.

Priest River is a recreational paradise with top-notch boating, hunting, fishing, skiing, golfing, snowmobiling, camping, cross-country skiing and hiking all nearby. Stop in at the **Albeni Falls Dam Visitor Center** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend), just west of Priest River on Highway 2, to take a tour. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains three campgrounds in the area: Albeni Cove, Priest River Mudhole and the newly redone Riley Creek. For the **rock climbing enthusiast**, Riverside Rocks, six miles east of Priest River has



#### Top: Enjoying the view at Albeni Cove (Linda Lamb) Inset: Teeing off at Priest River Golf Course

six technical climbs on the river side of the road. More information can be found in the "Climber's Guide to North Idaho" by Thaddeus Laird.

A 9-hole golf course and driving range at **The Ranch Club** west of Priest River also includes the Restaurant and Pizza House. The gorgeous Priest River offers 42 miles of floatable water ranging from slow-moving sightseeing to fast-moving Class III rapids. Pend Oreille River holds largemouth bass as well as brook, brown, rainbow and cutthroat trout; walleye; whitefish; and various panfish.



#### FESTINALS AND EVENTS Priest PRIEST PRIEST RIVER Priest River Pickers Community Yard & May River Sidewalk Sale April Chili Cook Off RIVER July Fireworks over the Pend Oreille River **Timber Days Celebration** Your Small Town Lawn Mower Races October Oktoberfest **Recreational Paradise** Chili Cook Off November Christmas on Main Street December **Priest River Chamber** www.priestriverchamber.com • (208) 448-2721

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SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
Riley Creek-USACE*	Laclede	67	х	х	Limited
Priest River-USACE*	Priest River	20	х	х	Limited
Albeni Cove-USACE*	Priest River	14	x	х	Limited

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The South Lakes route takes visitors within close proximity to the area's pristine large and small lakes. Starting this side trip from **Newport / Oldtown**, follow Highway 41 south. Just west of the small community of **Blanchard**, **Stoneridge Resort** is located within **Stone-Ridge Recreational Community**, which boasts a par 71, 19-hole golf course, restaurant, swimming pools and many activities for families.

The community of Spirit Lake and the serene 4.5-mile long Spirit Lake offers easy access at three public boat ramps. This community also offers several scenic trails for hiking and mountain biking. Pick up an Empire Trails map which includes directions and skill level. A few miles south of Spirit Lake, turn east on Highway 54, traveling 11 miles (18 km) to the junction of Highways 54 and 95. The small village of Athol is a good place to pick up quick supplies before heading east to Farragut State Park situated on the southern shores of Lake Pend Oreille. Camping cabins, full hookups and tenting sites, boat launch, hiking and biking trails are available here. It's Idaho's second largest state park at 4,000 acres, and also includes a museum to learn about this park's fascinating military history.

A few minutes south of the Athol junction is **Silverwood, the Northwest's largest** 



Top: Silverwood Theme Park (Idaho Tourism) Above: Farragut State Park (Idaho Tourism)

theme park (May 1 to September 30, weekends in October), with more than 65 rides, shows and attractions, including four roller coasters, a steam locomotive and a water park. RV/tent camping is available on-site.

Visit nearby **Bayview** with its towering mountains and steep, rocky cliffs that have become a haven for **mountain goats**, eagles and other alpine wildlife. Bayview is a favorite location for all types of boat moorage. The bay is also home to several float-house communities, which lends a feeling of an ocean-side resort to the area. The southern end of Lake Pend Oreille is more than 1,000 feet deep and provides an excellent, quiet, ocean like location for the U.S. Navy to perform experiments and research to aid in submarine and sonar designs.





Returning to Highway 95, head north 14 miles to **Cocolalla Lake**, on the west of the highway, with easy year-round access to fishing and camping. A few miles farther is **Round Lake State Park** with camping, fishing, hiking as well as canoe and paddleboat rentals.

Continue north to **Sagle**, and turn right at Sagle Road for 11.8 miles (18.9 km) to visit the **Bird Aviation Museum and Invention Center** (May 1 – Sept 30) at Glengary Bay. View an impressive collection of aviation and World War II memorabilia collected by world-famous Dr. Forrest Bird, inventor of the respirator and pediatric ventilator.

Return to Highway 95 and head north to Lakeshore Drive. Turn west to explore the **WaterLife Discovery Center** (May 1-Sept. 30) with 3.5 acres of developed interpretive exhibits and 6.5 acres of forested wetlands. The self guided educational center combines a fish hatchery, nature trails, overlook bridges, wildlife watching areas, interpretive signs, and underwater viewing opportunities along a stream and a pond.



Left: Cycling near Spirit Lake (Amanda Jayne) Above: Bird Aviation Museum and Invention Center (Idaho Tourism)

#### FESTIVALS AND EVENTS BAYVIEW

May July September Memorial Day Huckleberry Pancake Fest Old Fashioned July 4th Celebration Labor Day All You Can Eat Pancake Feast

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## FESTINALS AND EVENTS

January	Winterfest
June	Free Concert in the Park
	The Big Back In Lawn Mower Drags
July	Independence Day Parade, vendors, live
	music and fireworks
August	Swap Meet & Bluegrass
September	Labor Day on the Grass Festival - music,
	car and motorcycle show, mountain bike
	ride, live music, vendors and a parade
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SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
Farragut State Park*	Bayview	300+	х	х	Limited
Round Lake State Park*	Sagle	53	х	х	Limited
Springy Point-USACE*	Sagle	38	Х	х	Limited
Whiskey Rock Bay-USFS-boat in	Lake Pend Oreille	9	х	n/a	n/a
Green Bay-USFS	Lake Pend Oreille	1	х	n/a	Limited

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Cedar Street Bridge over Sand Creek (Idaho Tourism)

## Sandpoint

Sandpoint's experienced a lot of buzz in recent years. Rand McNally and USA Today declared it the "Most Beautiful Small Town." Sunset magazine voted Sandpoint the "West's Best Small Town." Outside magazine named it one of the nation's "Top 10 Great Outdoor Towns." The New York Times called Sandpoint "a sporting paradise." USA Today described Sandpoint as a "Norman Rockwell-meets-Ansel Adams classic, brought to life every summer." Just an hour north of Coeur d'Alene,

Sandpoint is about 90 minutes away from the closest international airport, found at Spokane, Wash. Driving from the south into Sandpoint on Highway 95 sets the stage for a dramatic entrance. Travelers cross the two-mile Long Bridge to reach Sandpoint, sitting on the northwestern shore of Lake Pend Oreille, (pronounced *pon-duh-ray*) the **second-largest freshwater lake** west of the Mississippi. For decades, Lake Pend Oreille held the world record for a rainbow trout



## FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

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January	Banff Mountain Film Festival			
	Stomp Games, Schweitzer			
February	Winter Carnival			
	Laser Light Show and Fireworks, Schweitzer			
March	The Follies			
April	Tropical Daze, Schweitzer			
	K&K Fishing Derby			
May	Lost in the '50s Weekend			
June	CHAFE 150 Benefit Bike Ride			
June-Sept	ArtWalk in Downtown			
July	Inland Empire Antique & Classic Boat Show			
	Northwest Winefest, Schweitzer			
	4th of July Celebration and Parade			
August	Festival at Sandpoint			
5	Long Bridge Swim			
	Arts & Crafts Fair, City Beach			
	Artists' Studio Tour			
September	Schweitzer Fall Fest			
	Scenic Half Marathon			
	Draft Horse and Mule International			
October	OKTOBERFEST			
	Harvest Fest			
November	Holidays in Sandpoint kickoff			
December	Festival of Trees			
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caught in 1947. Many fishing charters operate on the lake. The average size trout is around 12 pounds, but local derby winners boast catches topping 20 pounds. The lake is 43 miles long, up to 6 miles wide and has depths of more than 1,000 feet, offering a myriad of fun activities.

Windsurf, kayak or simply swim in the beautiful clear water. **City Beach Park** at the end of Bridge Street, in the heart of downtown, has beautiful sandy beaches and a lovely park with barbecue pits, tennis and volleyball courts, and a public boat launch. Get out on the water and learn about the area's history and geology on a daily tour with **Lake Pend Oreille Cruises**, (early May to mid-October) departing from City Beach.

High atop the Selkirk Mountains above Sandpoint is year-round mountain adventure with world-class accommodations. **Schweitzer Mountain Resort** is the Inland Northwest's largest ski resort with 2,900 acres of terrain. Nordic and snowshoe trails, snowmobile and backcoun-



try tours offer endless adventure. Ride the lift in the summer to get to the top for spectacular views all the way to Canada and Montana, then hike or mountain bike on the many trails back down to the village.

With the population at about 8,000, Sandpoint impresses visitors not only with the scenery but also the friendliness of the townsfolk and the casual pace of life here. Sandpoint is the Selkirk Loop's largest U.S. town and is Nelson, B.C.'s sister city. There are designated **bicycling paths** both south and west of town offering more than 12 paved miles of peaceful pedaling for the whole family. The **Bonner** County Historical Museum (open yearround) is a wonderful place to learn about the area's first settlers and native peoples. Next to the museum is the Native Plant Arboretum at Lakeview Park that includes a wild medicinal herb collection. Three national forests are easily accessible from Sandpoint: Idaho Panhandle, Colville and Kootenai national forests. Stop in at





the **Sandpoint Ranger Station** west of town on Highway 2 or call 208-263-5111 for maps to hundreds of miles of outstanding hiking, backcountry camping and mountain bike trails.

Truly an arts town, Sandpoint has close to two dozen galleries located in town and the surrounding area. Each summer the **Festival at Sandpoint** features the Spokane Symphony Orchestra along with other international talents. The town's shopping and fine dining are major attractions any time of year. Experience theater from a bygone era at the restored Spanish-mission-style **Panida Theater**, built in 1927. Do a wine tasting while downtown at the **Pend d'Oreille Winery**, Idaho's Winery of the Year in 2003. World-class shopping wouldn't be complete without visiting the unique shops in downtown. A beautiful log structure on Sand Creek downtown houses the **Cedar Street Bridge Public Market** filled with all sorts of unexpected treasures.





It wasn't until the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railroads arrived, that the town grew and became home to the Humbird Lumber Company, in 1900. At that time, Sandpoint became the Northwest's leading supplier of cedar telephone poles. Today, Sandpoint is one of the **West's greatest railroading towns**, known as the spot where the Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Montana Rail Link and Spokane International rail systems all converge to create "The Funnel," an amazingly active rail crossroads with more than



Above left: Campfire and moonlight on Lake Pend Oreille (Twin Cedars Camping) Above right: Paddleboarding on Sand Creek

40 trains a day traveling through. Rail buffs come from around the world to see them.

Follow Highway 200 northeast of Sandpoint to the **Pend Oreille National Scenic Byway** and the start of the loop's **Lake Pend Oreille-Kootenai River Super Side Trip** (see page 31 for more details).





## Lake Pend Oreille

Lake Pend Oreille is a remnant from the last lice Age when outburst floods associated with periods of glaciation crept south across the northern border of the United States. The glacial ice blocked river drainages, including the Clark Fork near the Idaho-Montana border. These blockages created huge, ice-dammed lakes. The largest of these was Glacial Lake Missoula.

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Lake Pend Oreille (Idaho Tourism)

several dozen years the impoundment disintegrated and the entire ice dam suddenly let loose, releasing an earth-shaking glacial-outburst flood. The largest floods consisted of up to 530 cubic miles of bashing, roaring water that raced through Idaho, across eastern Washington and down the Columbia River valley all the way to the Pacific Ocean.

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Most of the floodwaters burst out of the intermontane valley that today holds Lake Pend Oreille. The valley was filled with up to thousands of feet of glacial ice that at times extended all the way to Bayview and beyond. At other times the ice dam may have only advanced as far as Green Monarch Ridge.

The generally rounded, lush, green, forested mountainsides and clear blue waters make it difficult to fathom that this idyllic setting for the ice dam and breakout area has anything in common with the barren, scarred landscape wrought by the same Ice Age floods downstream in the Channeled Scabland of Washington.

In 2009, the U.S. Congress recognized the importance of the Ice Age floods to the Pacific Northwest and the nation by authorizing a first-of-its-kind, Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail (NGT). The NGT will be a network of marked touring routes extending across parts of Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, with several special interpretive centers.

 Excerpted from On the Trail of the Ice Age Floods: The Northern Reaches Available at area retailers or SelkirkLoop.org

Scotchman Peaks proposed" Wilderness

From Sandpoint along the Lake Pend Oreille-Kootenai River Super Side Trip, serious seekers of solitude can easily access the 88,000-acre **Scotchman Peaks** roadless area that spans the Idaho-Montana border. Since the 1970s, when the U.S. Forest Service carried out extensive evaluations of lands suitable for wilderness, this rugged, scenic and biologically diverse portion of the **Cabinet Mountains** has been managed for its wilderness potential. Scotchman Peak, at 7,009 feet, is the highest peak in Bonner County and one of the best-loved hikes in the Cabinet Mountains, a range that runs for 150 miles and spreads across two states, Idaho and Montana.

The views from Scotchman Peak are magnificent: the expanse of Lake Pend Oreille to the southwest, the rugged proposed wilderness to the north, and the Cabinet Mountain Wilderness Area to the east. Some say that the views are





better than Washington's Abercrombie Mountain, Hall Mountain and Copper Butte, or Idaho's Mount Roothaan (near Chimney Rock). The views are truly hard to beat, plus there's a strong likelihood of seeing mountain goats, making for a special wildlife-viewing treat.

Scotchman Peak also serves as a great jumping off point for excursions into some fabulous backcountry. To learn more about the proposed wilderness and see a schedule of guided hikes, look up Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness at www.ScotchmanPeaks. org. The group is working to preserve the Scotchmans and recently published a detailed, informative map. For a complete guidebook to hikes in the Cabinet Mountains, pick up a copy of "Trails of the Wild Cabinets" sold at the Sandpoint Visitor Center.





Mountain goats are frequently seen when hiking on Scotchman Peaks (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

This roadless area is part of the Cabinet-Yaak ecosystem, a home for a few grizzly bears as well as wolves, which reestablished themselves naturally from Canada (they were not reintroduced). Present also are rare birds and animals such as the fisher, pine marten, wolverine and boreal owl

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Springy Point-USACE*	Sagle	38	Х	х	Limited

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#### Lake Pend Oreille-Kootenai River Super Side Trip



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ust north of Sandpoint, Idaho, take Highway 200 east to Hope. This is also the start of the Pend Oreille National Scenic Byway.

This photographic stretch allows for stunning vistas along the north shore of Lake Pend Oreille. Watch for wayside geologic and historic sites with wide pullouts. Look for the historical marker at the Hope Peninsula turnoff and take a moment to view the site of Idaho's first structure made by white men, Kullyspell House, a trading post established by David Thompson in 1809. Sam Owen Campground is one mile past Hope on the Hope Peninsula and Game Preserve. This popular campground has a day use area (fee required), swimming beach and boat launch. Contact Reserve USA at 1-877-444-6777 for reservations

Just east of **Clark Fork**, across the Montana State Line, stop at scenic overlooks at Cabinet Gorge Dam and Noxon Rapids Dam. Complete with local interpretive information, beaches and lawn, these are pleasant stops from which to view the Clark Fork River.

Turn north onto Highway 56, aka Bull Lake Road. One point of great interest is the ancient grove of the Ross Creek Cedars (mid-May-Sept. 30) with an interpretive trail through numerous stands of 500-year-old trees. There is a nice Forest Service campground on Bull Lake nearby. Contact the Kootenai National Forest at 406-293-6211 for reservations.

At the junction of Highways 56 and 2, take an optional turn east, and go 3 miles to the Kootenai Falls Overlook (mid-April-mid-October) and suspension bridge, a nice place for a picnic and short hike to the falls. Driving 15 miles farther brings you to Libby, a hub for outdoor adventure. Take a free tour of Libby Dam and camp at Lake Koocanusa.

Turning west at the Highway 56/Highway 2 junction takes you through the community of Troy. Stop at the Troy Ranger Station for information on recreational opportunities in the area. A lovely Forest Service Campground exists at the Yaak River junction. Watch for another scenic overlook at the Moyie River Canyon (pronounced moy-YAY), eight miles east of Bonners Ferry just before crossing the Moyie River Bridge.





Top: Ancient cedar grove at Ross Creek Cedars (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Above: Shooting star wildflower (Jerry Pavia/ Tim Cady)



- \* Located 17 miles N. of Libby, MT \* Great side trip off Selkirk Loop
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## Bonners Ferry

ocated just 30 miles south of the U.S.-Canada border, Bonners Ferry is the county seat of Boundary County – a sparsely populated county of less than 10,000 residents – where unlimited outdoor recreation is coupled with a down-home, friendly atmosphere. Mirror Lake Golf Course, a municipal 9-hole par 3 course on the south end of town, offers views all the way to Canada at every hole.

When heading north on Highway 95 from Sandpoint toward Bonners Ferry, travelers follow the Idaho Scenic Byway named "**Wild Horse Trail**" that connects to the international border on Idaho State Highway 1 at Porthill.

The route takes you past **McArthur Lake**, where the Selkirk and Cabinet mountains are at their closest point, establishing a natural migratory wildlife corridor between the ranges. **McArthur Lake Wildlife Management Area** 



Shops in downtown (Idaho Tourism)

was established in 1942 to protect and enhance Idaho's waterfowl habitat. Operated by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the habitat encompasses more than 1,200 acres and includes a dock, sportsman's access, boat launch and restroom.

The modern-day history of Bonners Ferry began in 1864, when merchant Edwin L. Bonner, from Walla Walla, Washington, established a ferry to serve thousands of prospectors and miners crossing the Kootenai River en route to the newly discovered goldfields on Wild Horse Creek in the East Kootenays of British Columbia, Canada.

In the 1880s the community thrived as a major supplier for the mines to the north in the Ainsworth – Kaslo area of British Columbia. Beginning in 1883, steamboats on the Kootenai River created a romantic history, carrying passengers and freight between Bonners Ferry





and British Columbia for 25 years. One of these steamers, the *SS Moyie*, was fully restored and is open to the public in Kaslo, British Columbia. (See page 52, "North Kootenay Lake – Silvery Slocan" Super Side Trip to learn more.)

The charming, **historic downtown** is filled with two-story brick buildings that were built to withstand annual spring flooding, replacing earlier wooden structures – many built on stilts. The **Boundary County Museum** holds hundreds of historic photos showing flooded streets, many showing buildings that are still recognizable. The adjacent **International Gateway Visitor Center** offers more area information and hiking maps for over 50 maintained trails on over 500,000 acres of public lands. You are sure to find a trail to suit your needs. The visitor center also houses restrooms that are open 24 hours a day.



Overlooking downtown Bonners Ferry (Idaho Tourism)

Early settlers discovered that the repeated flooding of the **Kootenai River** produced rich soil in the valley. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers created dikes to allow commercial farming of grain and hay in the early part of the 20th century. Remnants of commercial orchards, decimated by a series of severe winters in the 1920s, may still be spotted throughout the area.

Overlooking Bonners Ferry is Black Mountain at 6,100 feet and Clifty Mountain at 6,700 feet. A wonderful panoramic view of the area can be seen by driving to the Black Mountain

FEST	TIVALS AND EVENTS					
BONNERS FERRY						
May	Memorial Day Veterans Parade &					
	Ceremony					
May-October	Saturday Farmers Market					
June	Borders 3 Jamboree Car Show					
	Kootenai River Run					
	Lions Club Fishing Derby					
July	4th of July Celebrations					
	3 on 3 Swish Tournament					
	Kootenai River Days					
August	Boundary County Fair					
September	Lions Club Demolition Derby					
	Rotary Bike Ride					
November	Turkey Trot Fun Run					
	Holiday Craft Fair					
December	Festival of Trees Gala Dinner & Auction					
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Lookout from Twenty-Mile Road. High-clearance, four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended.

For an alpine lake experience, visit **Roman Nose Lake** west of Bonners Ferry, the only lake in the Selkirks that is wheelchair accessible. The **Bonners Ferry Ranger District** (208-267-5561) on Highway 95 just south of town provides maps to this lake, plus guides to local hiking trails and camping in the Selkirk Mountains.

Bonners Ferry is home to the **Kootenai Tribe of Idaho**, one of six bands of the Kootenai Nation. Historically a semi-nomadic people roaming the entire Selkirk Loop region, the Kootenai Tribe has retained its native language and other cultural elements more strongly than most other American Indian groups in the United States. In the 1990s, the tribe successfully established the only casino on the Selkirk Loop route at the Best Western Kootenai River Inn. The tribe operates an **impressive state-of-** Bull moose at the Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge (Tom Koerner)

**the-art hatchery that rears white sturgeon and burbot**, both endangered species in the Kootenai River.

The Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge, (open year-round) located 5 miles west of town, was established in 1965 to reclaim some of the Idaho Panhandle wetlands. The 2,774-acre refuge was purchased with funds generated from the Federal Duck Stamp Program. Its primary purpose is to provide resting and feeding habitat for migrating waterfowl using the Pacific Flyway. Open year-round, a 4.5-mile loop tour road for automobiles and bicycles guides visitors to wildlife observation points. Foot trails provide access to wildlife habitats. In the valley to the north, the Nature Conservancy's Ball Creek Ranch Preserve and the Boundary/Smith Wildlife Management Corridor provide 4,000 additional critical habitat acres for migrating waterfowl and large mammal species.

CAMPING ON PUBLIC LANDS - IDAHO (BONNERS FERRY)					
SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
Smith Lake-USFS	Smith Lake	7	х	n/a	Limited
Robinson Lake-USFS	Robinson Lake	10	х	n/a	Limited
Meadow Creek-USFS	Meadow Creek Road	22	х	n/a	Limited
Copper Creek-USFS	Eastport	16	х	n/a	Limited

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Above: Kootenai Valley near Bonners Ferry (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Left: A golden eagle flies above the Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge (Tom Koerner)



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# Smile, it's snowing in the North Country

You'll find that there are a wide variety of winter activities to satisfy every member of the family. Well-maintained roadways in the winter means that access to the Selkirk Loop's winter playgrounds is possible even with front-wheel drive vehicles equipped with all-season tires. The driving elevation of the highways ranges from 1,800 feet to 2,500 feet.

The Selkirk Mountain Range averages **25** feet of snow at higher elevations, starting in



Tubing fun (Idaho Tourism)

Cat skiing in the Selkirks (Lucas Jmieff/ NKLT)

late October through early April. Outdoor enthusiasts are thrilled to find groomed Nordic trails, snowmobile trails and five exceptional ski resorts.

In Idaho, visit the Priest Lake area to travel more than 400 miles of groomed snowmobile trails, taking you to beautiful vistas and magnificent bowls into a public land area of 500,000-plus acres of off-trail riding. The area also has more than 70 kilometers of groomed Nordic trails on six separate trail systems.

Schweitzer Mountain Resort at Sandpoint is winter recreation central. It's one of the Northwest's largest ski resorts. Skiers and boarders enjoy being whisked on three high-speed chairs and choosing from 92 named runs. Try a **snowshoe hike** complete with a guide. Visit Hermits Hollow for loads of tubing fun. There are 32 kilometers of groomed Nordic trails as well as loads of non-skiing activities for the whole family.





In Washington, only an hour from Spokane, **49 Degrees North** has 75 marked trails for skiers and boarders and 16 kilometers of groomed **Nordic trails** plus a **Terrain Park**. Nordic ski the groomed Geophysical and Wolf trails, north of Newport, which offer numerous set tracks and skating decks for all levels of skill.

East of Usk are the popular **Sno-Park areas** of Bead Lake, Kings Lake and North/South Baldy with **access to 132 miles of groomed** roads for **snowmobilers**. There are **three Sno-Parks** in the **Gillette Recreation Area** west of lone boasting 213 miles of groomed trails.

In British Columbia, Nelson's Whitewater Ski Resort boasts a 1,300-foot drop from more than 6,700 feet and an average 40 feet of dependable powder. They offer alpine and Nordic runs and a backcountry touring program in a safe, controlled environment.

Five snowcat operators exist in the area, plus plenty of indoor and outdoor skating and hundreds of miles of snowmobile trails. South of Nelson on Highway 6 are the Clearwater Creek Cross-Country Ski Trails, an extensive system of groomed trails maintained by the Nelson Nordic Ski Club, and the Apex Busk Cross-country Area. Hate lift lines? Salmo Ski Hill is a local Alpine area that offers a nice, uncrowded change with T-bar and handle-pull lifts.

If you are looking for an **uncommon snow** experience make the area above the east shore of Kootenay Lake a priority for your next trip. Above: Skiers take in the view at Schweitzer Mountain Resort in Sandpoint, Idaho (Schweitzer) Below: A snowboarder comes down the slopes at Whitewater Ski Resort in Nelson, B.C. (Whitewater)



## Orchards Galore Super Side Trip BRITISH COLUMBIA



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eading north from Bonners Ferry, remain

on Highway 95 and head toward the Eastport/ Kingsgate International Border Crossing. Stop at the new **scenic overlook** one mile north of the State Highway 1 junction. At the top of the grade, this area has opportunities for mountain goat viewing and traverses through wetlands where moose are often spotted.

Seven miles south of the international border is a small U.S. Forest Service campground at **Robinson Lake** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend) with 10 sites available. Directly north of Highway 95, this small, 60-acre lake is a good trout and bass fishery with a dock for easy access.

Picnic at an unusual and unexpected interpretive site by turning south onto Meadow Creek Road No. 229 at Good Grief, marked by a store with a cafe. Travel 3 miles to **Moyie Crossing** (open year-round), where a beautiful overlook of the river is decorated with fish-and-rock sculptures. Travel an additional 5 miles south to **Meadow Creek Campground** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend), a U.S. Forest Service facility with 22 campsites.

Another campground is found two miles south of the international border off Highway 95 at **Copper Creek** (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend). Follow Road No. 2517 to this U.S. Forest Service facility with 16 campsites. Be sure to take the short hike to **Copper Creek Falls**, a short, easy forested walk to a serene, lovely waterfall.

Explore dozens of fruit and vegetable stands just east of Creston along Highway 3 and Erickson Road (Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce)





Orchards on this route are found in Erickson, just east of Creston (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

As you cross the **international border**, (open 24 hours) at Eastport/Kingsgate, Highway 95/3 follows along the **Moyie River**. The Moyie River from Moyie Lake in British Columbia to Kingsgate is an open **paddle route** ideal for a quiet river journey through prime wildlife country.

Watch for your turn west to Creston just before the charming town of **Yahk**. If time allows, visit the Yahk area to enjoy its fine accommodations, cozy places for a meal or a stroll along the river at the Yahk Provincial Park.

As you approach the **Erickson** area east of Creston, savor the scenic beauty of the farm and orchard fields as this leisurely route winds its way west. Between Erickson and Creston, this route passes 17 **fruit and vegetable stands** (June-September). Try some freshly picked cherries, peaches, apples, pears and more.

### **Day Hikes**

Get off the road and into the hills to appreciate the beauty that surrounds the loop. Look for 3 trail maps [Wash., Idaho, and BC] produced by the Selkirk Loop



FREE at area Chamber and Visitor Centers



View of the Creston Valley (Creston Chamber)

# Creston

**D**iscover the warm climate that provides the Creston Valley with a wealth of fresh fruits and vegetables. Cherries are the primary fruit grown (exporting more than 3 million pounds annually), with apples being secondary as well as strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, apricots, peaches, pears and plums. There are numerous fruit and vegetable stands along Highway 3 east of Creston.

Creston celebrates its agricultural heritage starting with the **Creston Valley Blossom Festival** on the Victoria Day Long Weekend in May that includes two parades, a classic car show, street vendors, live entertainment and events for all ages. While attending the annual Blossom Festival, take in the **Yaqan Nuki Pow Wow** and the **Demolition Derby** to make this Festival weekend a true family event.

Three km (1.5 miles) north of the border on Highway 21, the route travels through the Ktunaxa (pronounced *k-too-nah-ha*) Nation. This is the native name of the Lower Kootenay Band, which means "to travel by water." Visit the **Yaqan Nuki Heritage Centre for native crafts and history** (April-October).

Be sure to watch for the white "BC Grown" signs to the **Blueberry Patch Country Market** (April-September). This massive greenhouse is one of the first in Canada and all the plants (more than 24,000) are grown hydroponically.

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February	Annual Women's Valentine's Curling
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May	Creston Valley Bird Festival
	Creston Valley Blossom Festival
	Lower Kootenai Band Yaqan Nuki Pow Wow
	Demolition Derby
May-Dec	Creston Valley Farmers Market
June	Creston Valley & East Shore Art Walk
	Tri-It Triathlon
	Kids Day at the Museum
July	Canada Day Celebration Bus Art Tours
July-August	Picnic in the Park Music Festival
Annual	Creston Old Fashioned Tea at Museum
August	Columbia Basin Culture Tour
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September	Creston Valley Fall Fair Tour De Farm
	Creston Blue Heron Half Marathon + 10K run
	Quilt Show at the Museum
	Creston Art Club Show and Sale
October	Oktoberfest
November	IMAGES Group Christmas Art Show & Sale
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Take a canoe ride at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (Creston Chamber of Commerce)



This market serves fresh desserts and coffee with strawberries and blueberries being their specialty. Don't forget to visit the **Creston Valley Community Market** for everything grown, made or baked in the Kootenays. There are many u-pick orchards, an organic cheese making company and three wineries in the Erickson-Lister area just south and east of Creston.

If you are in the area in July or August stop by the Visitor Info Centre to get times and a ticket for the popular Bus Wine Art Tour that visits local artisans and serving local wine along the route.

Nine km (6 miles) north of the border crossing on Highway 21, watch for the turnoff to the **Creston Golf Club**, an 18-hole championship course, for one of the most scenic golfing experiences. The mild climate in the Creston Valley means a golf season starting in mid-March with great weather lasting until the end of October. There are 17 golf courses within two hours of Creston!

Across the valley, west of Creston on Highway 3, are the **Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area and Interpretation Centre** (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend). This internationally designated RAMSAR site is a 17,000acre wetland, home to one of Canada's densest populations of ospreys and more than 265 bird species. The Centre has a gift shop, hands-on discovery gallery, nature lab, theater and covered



Enjoy a glass of wine at one of the local wineries (Creston Chamber of Commerce)



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outdoor picnic area. Take a self-guided tour along wheelchair-accessible boardwalks. Two viewing towers provide excellent panoramas of the area. Bring your canoe and fishing rod for some of the best canoeing and bass fishing in the province.

Watch for the signs to **Downtown** Creston off of Highway 21, turning east. On the way you will see the "Glacier Brewery of the Kootenays," home of Kokanee beer. Columbia Brewery offers tours on weekdays (mid-May to mid-October). The tour ends in the Kokanee Beer Gear Store where you'll sample the product and have a chance to shop.

In Creston's downtown district you will see some buildings in the Edwardian style, but the Art Deco style of the 1930s is most prevalent. While there are no skyscrapers, there are two landmark grain elevators. The elevators are the last in British Columbia and the last in a Canadian downtown center. In the middle of downtown Creston, discover the Mural Wall Tour, initiated by a local artist in the late 1980s to express different facets of life and history in the Creston Valley. Continue exploring this arts



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community visiting galleries and studios to appreciate many of the talented artists in the area.

For more in-depth history of the area, visit the **Creston Museum and Archives**, regarded as one of the finest small museums in British Columbia. Authentic historic buildings and unique artifacts can be found from Creston's past.

The closest regional airport is found in Cranbrook, a 75-minute drive to the east.

For some local flavor, the Orchards Galore Super Side Trip is just east of Creston on Highway 3 (page 40). "Fire truck" at the Blossom Festival Parade (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

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# Wynndel · Boswell · Gray Creek · Crawford Bay · Riondel

North of Creston on Highway 3A is scenic Kootenay Lake, the largest natural lake in the Kootenay Rockies region and the third largest in British Columbia. Steep, forested slopes flank the 90-mile-long lake that many refer to as the "Norwegian Fjords of North America." As late as the 1950s, sternwheelers were the main link for many of the towns and villages that surround this huge body of water. Today, you can cruise across Kootenay Lake on a 90-car ferry, and these communities have become havens for artists, craftspeople, writers and musicians. The whole area is packed with cultural and heritage attractions, golf courses, and exciting wilderness parks. To fully explore and appreciate this arts community, pickup an **Art-Tour brochure** that includes a map

for a self-guided tour (June-September).

**Motorcyclists** are exhilarated by the 270 curves as the road follows the lakeshore. Take a break at Boswell and tour the unique **Glass House** (May 1-Thanksgiving), constructed of more than 500,000 discarded embalming fluid bottles. The square shape of the bottles makes possible a curiously beautiful home.

Kootenay Lake provides **year-round boating and fishing** opportunities since the lake does not freeze in winter. In fact, some of the best fishing happens during the winter months. The lake is renowned for the large Gerrard rainbow trout and the Dolly Varden. Professional



Two of the artisans at Crawford Bay: Kootenay Fodge and BareFoot Handweaving



### Kootenay Lake-East Shore BRITISH COLUMBIA



The Glass House is a popular roadside attraction (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

guiding services can help you land a big one. Several **public boat launches and rest areas** are found along the way, with the first at Kuskonook, 24 km (15 miles) from Creston. Ten kilometers north is **Lockhart Creek Provincial Park** (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend) with a small, broad sandy beach and a small separate camping area. The park covers approximately 3,751 hectares and contains old-growth cedar and hemlock forests.

**Gray Creek** is the western terminus of the 85-km Gray Creek Pass forestry back road to Kimberley, which is 15 km to the pass. This scenic back road (four-wheel drive recommended) from either Anderson Road or Oliver Road, offers opportunities for alpine hiking, wildlife viewing, creek fishing, huckleberry picking, picnicking and nature photography at numerous locations. Normally open mid-July to October, the road's current condition may be checked by stopping at **Gray Creek Store** before making the trip. The store, established in 1913 and still in the same

#### FESTINALS AND EVENTS EAST SHORE COMMUNITIES

June-Sept	Art Tour, along East Shore from Wynndel			
	to Riondel			
July	Kootenay Gut Buster			
	Starbelly Jam Music Festival, Crawford Bay			
	Gray Creek Hall Museum Days, Gray Creek			
July-August	Sunday Market			
August	Riondel Daze, Riondel			
September	Gray Creek Regatta, Gray Creek			
	Kootenay Lake Fall Fair, Crawford Bay			
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America Creek-FRS	Yahk	5	х	n/a	Limited

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North Woven Broom is a popular artisan stop (Jerry Pavia/Tim Ca

family, holds wonderful memories of bygone general stores where you can find about anything. The store has a great collection of books on early British Columbia history.

At Crawford Bay, enjoy a round at **Kokanee Springs Golf Resort**, a world-class 18-hole championship golf course designed by Norman Woods. The **East Shore at Crawford Bay** is also a haven for art galleries and craft shops featuring ancient and timeless traditions such as broom making and pottery. Views of **Kokanee Glacier** seen from here are an inspiration for local artisans. The ferry landing is just 10 minutes from the **artisans' workshops** (April-Oct. 30).

This ferry is the longest free ferry in the world. It is part of the Highway 3A route between Calgary, Alberta (7 hours east), and Vancouver, British Columbia (10 hours west). In the summer there are two ferries running about 50 minutes apart.

Before getting to the ferry, two more areas are worth discovering. To the north is the quaint, historic mining community of **Riondel**. To the south at the ferry landing is the **Pilot Bay Provincial Park**, a real walker's paradise. From here, access the historic **Pilot Peninsula Lighthouse**, one of the better short hikes in the area. The lighthouse was built in 1905, when it was the lake and not the highway that joined the burgeoning Kootenay communities together. To visit this lighthouse, stay on Pilot Bay Road. When coming to a circular turnaround surrounded by private property signs, double back and watch carefully on your left (west). The trail goes up diagonally from the road near the third power pole back from the turnaround. The pole has a bright yellow guide-wire protector.

The park also includes **Sawmill Bay**, the most protected waters on Kootenay Lake, with a few campsites and a nice picnic spot accessed by boat or foot. Another beautiful walking trail through the park follows the shoreline of Pilot Peninsula and gives access to the many other trails on the peninsula. Allow one to two hours for this activity.

Plan to spend at least a couple of days to explore this awesome area and enjoy the many activities available.

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Top: The east shore is a popular destination for motorcyclists (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Left: Pilot Bay Lighthouse located in Pilot Bay Provincial Park (John Smith)

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Five minutes southwest of Balfour on Highway 3A is Kokanee Creek Provincial Park, a popular, family-oriented park with full facilities. A spacious campground with a sand spit and a boat launch, picnic area and an adventure playground. See spawning channels where kokanee spawn in August and view interpretive signage describing this landlocked salmon. Eight walking trails, which take 1.5 total hours to hike, line the park. For a breathtaking day hike or backpacking trip, look for one of the access roads to Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park. designated one of the top 10 scenic destinations in the Northern Rockies. Just west of the campground, this 32,035-hectare park holds 85-plus km of hiking trails.

From Balfour, turn north onto Highway 31 passing the 18-hole championship **Balfour Golf Course** and enter the Selkirk Loop's **North Kootenay Lake – Silvery Slocan Super Side Trip** (page 52) or turn southwest to Nelson (page 57). On the way to Nelson, **don't miss** 

a visit to Harrop and Procter, ac-

All times are Pacific time zone

Balfour Departures	Kootenay Bay Departures				
6:30 am 8:10 am 9:50 am	7:10 am 9:00 am 10:40 am				
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*3:40 pm	*4:30 pm				
4:30 pm	5:20 pm				
*5:20 pm	*6:10 pm				
6:10 pm	7:00 pm				
7:50 pm	8:40 pm				
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*Additional summer sailings in BLUE, Summer schedule in effect from third week in June to Labor day. See current schedule at www.selkirkloop.org Times in black sail all year round. ROUTE: Across Kootenay Lake, 32 km east of Nelson on Highway 3A, between Balfour and Kootenay Bay. CROSSING TIME: 45 minutes. EXPECT DELAYS peak periods, weekends & holidays FOR THE LAYS SCHEDULE: 1-250-229-4215					
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cessed by a five-minute ride on a cable-ferry that crosses the West Arm of Kootenay Lake to a place locals call "The Little Village That Could."

Innovative and proactive, Procter manages its own forest and watershed and grows its own botanicals and herbs. **Heritage Theatre** performs here all summer long, and the town features great food and surprising craft, antique, gardening and shopping opportunities.

Stretch your legs by taking a hike on the



Harrop Creek Trail, a 20-km moderate hike to Harrop Mill Lake, where there's fishing. The trail provides one of several accesses to the wilderness area of West Arm Provincial Park and Mount Lasca, at 2,379 meters (7,805 feet).

Above: Beautiful views from Balfour Golf Course (Balfour Golf Course)







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North Kootenay Lake-Silvery Slocan Super Side Trip

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**Heading north from Balfour on Highway 31**, this route circumnavigates Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park. Take the time to stop at the **unique caves** of **Ainsworth Hot Springs** (open year-round) where you also get a bird'seye view of Kootenay Lake while soaking in the outdoor pool. Driving just 6 km (3.5 miles) farther brings visitors to the unusual **Cody Caves** (visit www.CodyCaves.ca for opening status) where guided, seasonal, one-hour underground tours are appropriate for anyone age 6 and up.

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Kaslo is a charming, restored heritage village that features great restaurants and art galleries. One of the 60 designated heritage buildings is the Langham Cultural Centre, originally constructed as a hotel in 1896. Inside, take a self-guided tour of Langham's Japanese Canadian Museum to learn more about what happened to Canada's Japanese population during World War II. The community is home to the majestic S.S. Moyie (mid-May-mid-October) the world's oldest intact passenger sternwheeler and a National Historic Site of Canada. The ship is also the location of the Kaslo Area Visitor Information Centre. For easy hiking and biking, take the River Walk along Kaslo River. Wardner Trail leads to a viewpoint overlooking the village and Kootenay Lake. In winter, Kaslo is a



**Kaslo Jazz Festival** 

gateway to alpine skiing, cat-skiing, cross-country skiing, skating, snowmobiling and ice fishing.

Traveling west 28 km (18 miles) on Highway 31A from Kaslo, the roadway summits at 1,100 m (3,600 feet) at Fish Lake, site of a picnic area. Watch for the well-marked signs to the **mining ghost town of Sandon**. Visit the **Sandon Museum** (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend) or tour the adjacent, still-functioning powerhouse and explore the buildings that remain.

Idaho Lookout (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend) can be accessed via a steep, gravel road that begins at the far end of town. With a vehicle having sufficient ground clearance, it's possible to drive up to a parking lot at 7,000 feet.



Hiking on Idaho Peak (David Gluns/NKLT)

A short hike takes travelers to the former fire lookout above Slocan Lake and guite possibly the best 360-degree viewpoint on the entire Selkirk Loop route. It is said that on a clear day you can see all the way to Idaho.

For bikers and hikers, two trails are found at the junction of Highway 31A and Sandon. The 13 km (8 mile) Galena Trail is an easy 2 percent grade on an abandoned rail line that takes you to the shores of Slocan Lake at Rosebery Provincial Park, a good place to camp or picnic. A manually operated cable car carries bikes and riders across Carpenter Creek at the start of the ride. The 13 km (8 mile) K & S Railgrade Trail on the east side of the parking lot leads to Sandon.

Turn south onto Highway 6 to find the villages of New Denver and Silverton. These small communities are only 5 km (3 miles) apart on the eastern shore of beautiful Slocan Lake. In downtown New Denver there are colorful shops, cafes and Friday Market as well as the Silvery Slocan Museum. Take a stroll along the Mori Lakeside trail at the end of Main Street or sit and reflect at the Japanese-style Kohan Reflection Garden located next to the hospital. The Nikkei

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Above: Galena Trail crossing near Sandon Ghost Town - accessed from Highway 31A (David Gluns/NKLT) Below: Take a tour of the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre, found at 306 Josephine St. in New Denver (Marcin Chady)

	STIVALS AND EVENTS
NEW	DENVER - SILVERTON -
	SLOCAN
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	Unity Music Festival
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Internment Memorial Centre (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend) offers an hour-long tour dedicated to the memory of Japanese Canadians interned during World War II. In Silverton, British Columbia's smallest municipality, take a stroll downtown and visit the Silverton Gallery with year-round exhibit, including the Silverton **Outdoor Mining Museum & Interpretive** Centre (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend), which holds 58 pieces of old mining equipment and a blacksmith shop. The village has a nice municipal campground and day park at the lake's edge. Across the lake is Valhalla Provincial Park, a place for serious backcountry adventurers. Access is by water taxi, hiking trail at lake level or via



### Silvery Slocan Super Side Trip BRITISFI COLUMBIA "It's a great part of the world, better than Europe."

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rough gravel roads into the interior of the park at the **Village of Slocan**.

South from Silverton, access **Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park** (open year-round) on Enterprise Road, where there is parking at the trailhead. A day hike or overnight backpack is well worth the time to get you into one of British Columbia's high country parks.

Stop at the **Village of Slocan** on the south end of Slocan Lake, where Valhalla Provincial Park may be accessed on foot. For those who enjoy a short walk, view the Springer Creek falls located alongside Springer Creek RV Park & Campground, or look at the longer falls from

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the highway.

Above: Hiker in the Kaslo area

Left: Visit the Sandon ghost town museum

From Slocan, the 80 km (50 miles) Slocan Valley Rail Trail is a gentle, lightly graveled trail that travels through a delicately beautiful area ending at the junction of Highways 6 and 3A.

The village of **Winlaw** lives up to its reputation of being the hip epicenter of the Slocan Valley's diverse, rural lifestyle. Take a walk through the Winlaw Nature Park on boardwalks through marshlands with a riverside beach area, picnic tables and playground.

Highway 6 rejoins Highway 3A 16 km west of Nelson, returning to the main Selkirk Loop route.



- Convenient ride segments - Main route plus side trips

Explore via bike with A Cyclist's Guide to the International

- Elevations and distances
- Water-resistant paper

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Fall Colors in Nelson (Phil Best/NKLT)

# Nelson

**N**elson is called the "Queen City" of the Kootenays and wins accolades from everyone who visits. Learn why Nelson continues to be called **the No. 1 small arts town in Canada** and to be named in the "top five small arts towns in North America." The community of 10,000 is the largest town on the British Columbia side of the Selkirk Loop. The downtown area is packed with fine restaurants, cafes, coffee houses, local shops, small art galleries and impromptu theatre venues. Nelson also has regular farmers markets where local artisans can be found selling a unique and diverse variety of arts, crafts and imports, as well as locally grown and organic produce.

The West Kootenay region of British Columbia, where Nelson is situated, is the traditional territory of the Sinixt or Lakes First Nation. The area also has a significant Kutenai (Ktunaxa) presence.

These waterways form the beginnings of a water course traveling into and becoming part of the **Columbia River**, eventually spilling into the ocean in Astoria, Oregon. This was the elusive waterway that early explorer **David Thompson**, famous Canadian cartographer and fur trader for the Hudson's Bay Company and North West Company, attempted to find in his quest to open a trade route to the Pacific Ocean. Gold and silver were found in the area in

#### FESTIVALS AND EVENTS NELSON

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February	Coldsmoke Festival, Whitewater Ski Resort			
May-October	Cottonwood Community Market (Saturdays)			
June-October	Downtown Local Market (Wednesdays)			
July-Sept.	Art Walk			
July	Canada Day Celebration, Lakeside Park			
	Flight Fest – Celebrating 100 years of flight			
	in Nelson			
July-August	Art and Sculpture Walk (Castlegar)			
August	Cyswog 'n' Fun Triathlon			
	Columbia Basin Culture Tour			
	Shambhala Music Festival, Salmo			
September	Queen City Cruise & Car Show			
	Harrop Harvest Festival			
October	Adventure Hotel Food and Wine Festival			
November	Kootenay Artisan Fair			
December	Christmas on Baker			
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1867. Following the discovery of silver at nearby Toad Mountain in 1886, the town boomed quickly, leading to incorporation in 1897. Two railways were built to pass through Nelson. Due to its location near transportation corridors, Nelson grew to supply the local mining activity and soon became a transportation and distribution centre for the region.

The town soon matured from a false-fronted boomtown to a sophisticated city. **Francis Rattenbury**, a noted architect, designed chateau-style civic buildings made of granite, which are still in use today. A native of England, Rattenbury spent much of his career in British Columbia and had previously designed the



legislature building in Victoria. By the 1900s, Nelson boasted several fine hotels, a Hudson's Bay Company store and an electric streetcar system. The local forestry and mining industries were well-established. Because of the enduring charm of Nelson's historic buildings, the city has become known as the "**Heritage Capital**" of British Columbia.

The town built its own hydroelectric generating system in 1910. English immigrants planted lakeside orchards, and Doukhobors from Russia, sponsored by Tolstoy and the Quakers, tilled the valley benchlands. To relive history, take a tour of a restored Doukhobor village at nearby Castlegar.

Kootenay Lake was a marine performance centre for speedboats in the 1930s and '40s. In

1933, Nelson resident, Lou Gilbert, set the World Speed Record in his class at 68 mph, and his boat, the *Lady Bird*, can be seen today at Touchstones, Nelson's museum and gallery.

**Guided walking tours** to more than 350 heritage buildings or self-driving tours are a great way to revisit the architectural treasures from the city's heyday.

A heritage streetcar, Streetcar 23, (mid-May-mid-October) runs along the lakefront park, through the middle of the Chahko Mika Mall parking lot to the Prestige Lakeside Inn. Maps for downtown and residential walking tours are available at Nelson's Chamber of Commerce Visitor Info Centre.

Due to its scenery and unique streetscapes,



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Above: Take a scenic ride on Streetcar 23 Left: Nelson is known as the "Heritage Capitol" of British Columbia. Take a self-guided walking tour to see the architectural treasures

Nelson has been the setting for many popular movies, including "Roxanne," starring Steve Martin and Daryl Hannah.

Nelson has both the terrain and the scenery that makes for fantastic hiking and biking. At least 10 trails exist close to the city. Two popular hiking trails are the Santa Fe Railway Trail, a gently sloped rail trail that runs across Nelson and allows biking; and the Pulpit Rock Trail that offers a short, but somewhat challenging hike ending in a beautiful view of the city. After Pulpit Rock, the trail continues up the spine of Elephant Mountain (as the locals call it) to more postcard views, and eventually to the radio towers visible from everywhere in the city. Mountain biking is part of the local culture, and Nelson offers a wide variety of fat tire-oriented trails for all levels of experience. Excellent trail maps are available at local bike shops. Rock climbing is also a popular summer activity. Kootenay Crag, Hall Siding, Grohman Narrows and CIC Bluffs are popular city crags.

Just south of Nelson is **Whitewater Ski** and Winter Resort and Apex Nordic area, offering world-class alpine and Nordic skiing, snowboarding and endless terrain nearby for backcountry touring and snowmobiling. The area offers more than 20 cat-skiing, heli-skiing and



Left: Nelson's downtown is full of galleries, sidewalk cafés and even a Patagonia Outlet (Doug Pyper) Right: Visit Lakeside Park along the west arm of Kootenay Lake (Phil Best/NKLT)



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If golf is your game, Nelson's **Granite Point Golf Club**, only minutes from downtown, is an 18-hole course that tests abilities while offering spectacular scenery. The view from the 16th tee box alone is worth the price of admission, so don't forget your camera. **Seven more outstanding courses lie within a one-hour drive of Nelson.** 

For just plain relaxing with the kids, Nelson's **Lakeside Park** has a lifeguard-supervised sandy beach. Kayaking, rafting and canoeing can also be enjoyed from the lakeshores surrounding Nelson.

Nelson has a multi-purpose Aquatic Centre, including a waterslide and expanded fitness area. Be sure to visit Touchstones Nelson Museum of Art & History (open year-round) located in Nelson's historic City Hall building and the beautifully restored live-performance Capitol Theatre.

South of Nelson on Highway 3A, take the **Rivers, Dams and Mines Super Side Trip** (page 61). A fun day of exploring the towns of Castlegar, Trail and Rossland are worth the drive. Castlegar is the site of the closest **regional airport** on the west side of the Kootenays.

# Rivers, Dams and Mines Super Side Trip





Castlegar Fruitvale/Montrose Rossland • Trail 95 MILES / 153 KM

Castlegar is located at the confluence of the Columbia and Kootenay rivers and features many excellent heritage sites to visit. Stop by the **Station Museum** (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend), located in the downtown district, to view one of the best preserved railway station museums in British Columbia. Stroll over the suspension bridge to **Zuckerberg Island Heritage Park** for a self-guided tour (April-October) or Above left: Lots of beautiful art to be seen at Castlegar's Sculpturewalk (Colin Payne ) Above right: Chapel House at Zuckerberg Island Heritage Park (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady)

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March	Fly Fishing Symposium
June	Sunfest Community Celebration
July	Bluegrass Jamboree
	Kootenay Festival
July-August	Artwalk & Sculpture Walk
	Concerts in the Park Series
July-Sept	Farmers Market
August	Columbia Basin Culture Tour
September	Pass Creek Fall Fair & Horse Show
December	Winterfest
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# Rivers, Dams and Mines Super Side Trip BRITISH COLUMBIA

#### Above: Horseback riding above Rossland Below: Rossland has over 200 km of maintained trails for your enjoyment

stop in at the re-created **Doukhobor** (pronounced *duke-ho-bore*) **Discovery Centre** (May 1-Sept. 30), situated on Highway 3A just north of Castlegar, with 10 buildings from the turn-of-the-20th century pacifist sect from Russia. Regional art can be viewed at the **Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science**.

Cycle all or part of the 152-km, or 91.2-mile, **Kettle Valley Railway Bike Route or Pathway Trail** that ultimately leads all the way to Christina Lake and Grand Forks on an easy, unpaved railway grade. Allow four days for the entire route, which passes through seven tunnels and over 10 spectacular trestles. Camp northwest of Castlegar on the eastern shores of the Lower Arrow Lake at **Syringa Provincial Park**. Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, elk and mule deer are common.

**Rossland** is often called Canada's Alpine City and is renowned as the "**Mountain Biking Capital of the World**." It may be one of Canada's highest cities at 4,000 feet. Pick up a trail map at the local visitor centre. The International Mountain Biking Association has recognized the **7 Summits Trail** as one of its epic rides. The 7 Summits Trail follows the alpine ridges of the Rossland Range for 25 km, or 15 miles, of spectacular scenic hiking or mountain biking.

Rossland's wealth began with the legendary LeRoi Mine, which produced phenomenal amounts of gold. Stop by the **Rossland Histori**-

### FESTIVALS AND EVENTS ROSSLAND

January	Blizzard Music Festival
	Rossland Winter Carnival
July	Rossland Rubberhead Enduro
August	Huck'en Berries Bike Jam
September	Rossland Fall Fair
	Golden City Days
November	Rossland Mountain Film Festival
December	Rekindle the Spirit of Christmas
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**cal Museum** to see a video of the **LeRoi Mine** (mid-May-mid-September), **Canada's only historic hard rock** gold mine. Try your hand at gold panning and view the spectacular displays at the **Geology Centre**.

Rossland's **Red Mountain Resort** is a firstrate ski mountain. Many famous alpine athletes came from the region and are highlighted at the **Western Ski Hall of Fame**.

Visit Trail and discover its rich mining





Above: Columbia River (David Warlick) Right: Twin fawns (Jeff Tetrick)

history, still evident today. The original smelter was built in 1896 on the banks of the Columbia River to process this ore. Today, that smelter has grown to become Teck Cominco, the world's largest zinc and lead smelter. Visit the **Teck Cominco Interpretive Centre** (Victoria Day-Labour Day Weekend) and take a **free, twohour guided tour** at 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Follow Highway 3B east of Trail to the villages of **Montrose** and **Fruitvale** to stock up on supplies before heading to **Champion Lakes Provincial Park.** Try camping at the third lake.

Highway 3B rejoins Highway 6 at the Salmo Junction. Turn south and follow the Salmo River 25 km (15 miles) to the international border crossing at Nelway/Metaline Falls, open 8 a.m. to midnight.





1475 Cedar Ave., Trail

FESTINALS AND EVENTS TRAIL

May May-August June June-October June-August December Silver City Days Teck Cominco Tours W. Kootenay Smoke & Steel Car Show Trail Market on the Esplanade Music in Gyro Park, every Thursday Silver Cite Night and Candy Parade

Trail & District Chamber of Commerce (250) 368-3144 trailchamber.bc.ca

# Salmo · Ymir BRITISH COLUMBIA

Fireweed, a tall native wildflower, near Ymir

# Salmo · Ymir

Considered the hub of the Kootenays,

Iocated at the crossroads of Highways 3B and 6, the tale of Salmo is chronicled in a most unique fashion. Seven elaborate stone murals paint a picture of the community's mining and forestry heritage – all created by students from Salmo's Kootenay Stone Masonry Training Centre.

Every year in August, the annual Shambhala Music Festival, an internationally known music festival, is held at the Salmo River Ranch.

Cyclists love the abandoned Burlington Northern Railroad line that has been converted to a "rails to trails" route, the Salmo-Troup Trail. A scenic, fat tire route, the trail extends 48 km, or 28.8 miles, south from Nelson to Salmo. This stretch of trail is part of a much more extensive proposed system of trails known as "The Kootenay Loop", which connects to the Trans Canada Trail network in three locations. The Salmo-Troup Trail is surrounded by mountains, clear, pristine streams and rivers and many small scenic lakes and marshlands. It is a natural haven for a variety of wildlife and passes through the historic settlement of Ymir, a former mining town, to Summit, and then descends past Cottonwood Lake Regional Park, to form the southeastern boundary of the City of Nelson.

**Salmo Ski Hill** provides thrills, as it is famous for night skiing on fully lit runs with small lift lines.

Follow Highway 3 east of Salmo toward Creston for a good opportunity to view bighorn 

 FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

 SALMO / YMIR

 June-Sept.

 August

 Tiny Lights Festival - Ymir

 Farmers Market - Salmo (Thursdays)

 Shamhala Music Festival - Salmo

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sheep near the top of Kootenay Pass. Stop and breathe that pure, alpine air at **Stagleap Provincial Park**, one of the most accessible backcountry parks in British Columbia. It is at the summit (1,774 meters or 5,820 feet) of one of the **highest paved highways in Canada**.

Between Salmo and Nelson on the Salmo River is the tiny community of **Ymir** (pronounced *why-mer*), this little treasure is complete with a small, rustic camping park right in town. For a glimpse of Ymir's rich and colorful mining past, visit the historic **Hotel Ymir & Saloon**. Operating since 1896, it has the distinction of being the







#### Above: Fly fishing the Salmo River (Jerry Pavia/Tim Cady) Left: Mountain goats and other wildlife can be seen in the area

oldest, continuously run establishment in the region. The grand, old lady has gone through many loving restorations. You can also wander down the main street to the **General Store** and see visible mine shafts in the area.

The Salmo River runs through the town as does the **"rails to trails" route**. Enjoy many outdoor activities while staying in this charming area. Ymir promises a "Wild and Woolly" time. Just west of Salmo on Highway 3B is the

Selkirk Loop's **Rivers, Dams and Mines Super** Side Trip (page 61).

CAMPING ON PUBLIC LANDS - WEST KOOTENAY AREA, B.C.					
SITE	LOCATION	SITES	TENT	SHOWERS	RV FULL/LIMITED
Kokanee Creek-PP*	Nelson	132	х	Х	Limited
Kokanee Glacier-PP-hike in	Nelson	20	х	n/a	n/a
Valhalla-PP-boat in or hike in	Slocan	35	х	n/a	n/a
Rosebery-PP	Rosebery	36	х	n/a	Limited
Lost Ledge & Davis Creek-PPs	Kaslo	32	х	n/a	Limited
Syringa-PP*	Castlegar	60	х	n/a	Limited
Champion Lakes-PP*	Salmo	89	х	n/a	Limited
Stagleap-PP	Salmo	5	х	n/a	n/a
Beaver Creek-PP	Trail	19	х	Х	Limited

\* Reserve at www.discovercamping.ca 800-663-6000 / PP-Provincial Park / FRS-Forestry Recreation Sites



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MacDonald's Hudson Bay Resort -Bayview (208) 683-2211

Silverwood Theme Park - Athol (208) 683-3400

StoneRidge Resort - Blanchard (208) 437-2451

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MacDonald's Hudson Bay Resort -Bayview (208) 683-2211

Silverwood Theme Park - Athol (208) 683-3400

StoneRidge Resort - Blanchard (208) 437-2451

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Schwab Tire Center (208) 267-2411

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Greater Bonners Ferry Chamber of Commerce (208) 267-5922

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(509) 447-5569

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#### PLACES TO STAY

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Hill's Resort (208) 443-2551

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Schweitzer Mountain Resort (208) 263-9555 • (800) 831-8810

Western Pleasure Guest Ranch (208) 263-9066

#### SPOKANE

#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Spokane Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau (509) 747-3230 • (888) SPOKANE

#### TROY / LIBBY

**THINGS TO SEE & DO** 

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Libby Dam Tours (406) 293-5577

#### WASHINGTON TOURISM & CAMPING INFO

Washington State Tourism www.ExperienceWA.com • (866) 964-8913 Washington Campsites, Yurts & Cabins www.parks.wa.gov • (888) 226-7688 Washington State Festivals & Events www.wfea.org • (360) 441-7190 US Forest Service Ranger Stations – on the loop (info on trails, camping, recreation): Newport (509) 447-3129; Sullivan Lake (509) 446-7500; Colville (Regional) www.fs.fed.us/cvnf • (509) 684-7000

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Idaho State Tourism www.visitid.org • (800) VISIT-ID Idaho RV & Campground Association www.rvidaho.org • (800)-RV-IDAHO Idaho Dept. of Parks & Recreation www.idahoparks.org • (208) 334-4199 Idaho Panhandle National Forest (Regional) www.fs.fed.us/ipnf • (208) 765-7223 North Idaho Tourism Alliance • www.visitnorthidaho.com

US Forest Service Ranger Stations – on the loop (info on trails, camping, recreation): Bonners Ferry (208) 267-5561; Sandpoint (208) 263-5111; Priest Lake (208) 443-2512

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#### **FOOD & EATERIES**

Ainsworth Hot Springs Resort (250) 229-4212 • (800) 668-1171

Woodbury Resort & Marina / JB's Restaurant & Pub (250) 353-7717 • (877) 353-7717

#### PLACES TO STAY

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Ainsworth Motel (250) 229-4711 • (888) 848-4463

Lakeside Cabins & Campground (250) 229-4506

Woodbury Resort & Marina / JB's Restaurant & Pub (250) 353-7717 • (877) 353-7717

THINGS TO SEE & DO Ainsworth Hot Springs Resort (250) 229-4212 • (800) 668-1171

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Balfour Golf Course (250) 229-5655 • (866) 669-4653

Dock n' Duck Pub, Grill & Take Out (250) 229-4244

OSPREY 2000 Snack Bar (on ferry) (250) 354-8623

#### **PLACES TO STAY**

Dock n' Duck Pub, Grill & Take Out (250) 229-4244

Kootenay Lakeview Spa Resort & Event Centre (250) 229-4141

Queens Bay Hideaway Lakefront Cottage (250) 354-2797 • (250) 825-4568

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Blue Sky Clothing Company (250) 229-4434

#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Balfour & District Business and Historic Association (250) 229-5448 • (877) 229-5448

#### THINGS TO SEE & DO

Balfour Golf Course (250) 229-5655 • (866) 669-4653

Kokanee Mountain Zipline (866) 358-8688

#### CASTLEGAR/FRUIT-LAND

#### **FOOD & EATERIES**

Castlegar Golf Club and RV Park (250) 365-7732 • (800) 666-0324

Sandman Hotel (250) 365-8444 • (800) 726-3626

#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Castlegar & District Chamber of Commerce (250) 365-6313 • (888) 365-6313

#### PLACES TO STAY

Castlegar Golf Club and RV Park (250) 365-7732 • (800) 666-0324

Champion Lakes Provincial Park (250) 551-0100

Sandman Hotel (250) 365-8444 • (800) 726-3626

Syringa Park Provincial Park (250) 551-0100

#### THINGS TO SEE & DO

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Doukhobor Discovery Centre (250) 365-5327

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Gold-N-Treasurers (250) 428-4020 Cresteramics Store (250) 428-5538 Legend Logos (250) 428-2977 Tilia Botanicals (250) 428-8866

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A Break in Time Caffé (250) 428-5619 • (877) 428-5619 Creston Golf Club (250) 428-5515 Creston Hotel / Jimmv's Pub & Grill

(250) 428-2225 Creston Ramada

(250) 254-1111 • (855) 254-1124 Creston Valley Bakery (250) 428-2661 Dairy Queen Brazier (250) 428-9800 Kokanee Pub (250) 428-4241

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

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#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce (250) 428-4342 • (866) 528-4342

Creston Valley Economic Development (250) 428-4342

Kootenay Employment Services

Society (250) 428-5655 Town of Creston (250) 428-2214

#### PLACES TO STAY

Bavarian Orchard Motel (250) 428-9935 • (800) 663-9544

City Centre Motel (250) 428-2257 • (877) 506-2211

Creston Hotel / Jimmy's Pub & Grill (250) 428-2225

Creston's Mountain View Inn (250) 428-4418 • (877) 992-2299

Creston Ramada (250) 254-1111 • (855) 254-1124

Creston Valley Motel (250) 428-9823 • (866) 428-9823

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Mountain Park Resort (250) 428-2954 • (877) 428-2954

Scottie's RV Park & Campground (250) 428-4256 • (800) 982-4256

Valley View Motel (250) 428-2336 • 800) 758-9334

#### THINGS TO SEE & DO

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Creston & District Museum and Archives (250) 428-9262

Creston Golf Club (250) 428-5515

Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (250) 402-6900

Paddle & Portage (250) 402-3293

#### KASLO / MEADOW CREEK

#### **FOOD & EATERIES**

Eric's Meat Market & Deli (250) 353-2436

Kaslo Hotel & Brew Pub (250) 353-7714

Treehouse Restaurant, The (250) 353-2955

**GENERAL BUSINESS** 

Doug Pyper Photographics (250) 353-9611

#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Kaslo & Area Chamber of Commerce (866) 276-3212

Kootenay Lake Historical Society / SS Moyie National Historic Site (250) 353-2525

Village of Kaslo (250) 353-2311

#### PLACES TO STAY

Kaslo Hotel & Brew Pub (250) 353-7714

Kaslo Municipal Campground (250) 353-2311 • (250) 353-2662

Kootenai Hide-A-Way (250) 354-2797 • (250) 825-4568

Kootenay Lake Provincial Park (250) 551-0100

Wing Creek Resort (250) 353-2475

#### THINGS TO SEE & DO

Kaslo Jazz Etc. Summer Music Festival (250) 353-7577 Ticket Hotline (250) 353-7548

Kaslo Shipyard (250) 353-2686

Kootenay Lake Historical Society / SS Moyie National Historic Site (250) 353-2525

Langham Cultural Society & Centre (250) 353-2661

Lardeau River Adventures (250) 366-4338

North Kootenay Lake Arts & Heritage Council – Saturday Market (250) 366-4323

KOOTENAY LAKE-EAST SHORE (Wynndel, Boswell, Destiny Bay, Gray Creek, Crawford Bay, Riondel and Kootenay Bay)

#### ARTS, GIFTS & ANTIQUES

Artisans of Crawford Bay (250) 227-9466

Barefoot Handweaving - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9655

Kootenay Forge Ltd. - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9466

Kootenay Lake Art Connections -Gray Creek (250) 227-9085

North Woven Broom - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9245

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Bayshore Resort - Boswell Seasonal (250) 223-8270/71 Year-round (250) 354-4370

Boccalino - Kootenay Bay (250) 227-6906

Destiny Bay Resort - Boswell (250) 223-8234 (800) 818-6633

Kokanee Springs Golf Resort -Crawford Bay (250) 227-9226 • (800) 979-7999 Lodges of Kokanee Springs, The - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9226 • (800) 979-7999

**GENERAL BUSINESS** 

Gray Creek Store - Gray Creek (250) 227-9315

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Artisans of Crawford Bay (250) 227-9466

Kootenay Lake Art Connections -Gray Creek (250) 227-9085

Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9655

Village of Riondel (250) 225-3262

#### PLACES TO STAY

Bayshore Resort - Boswell Seasonal (250) 223-8270/71 Year-round (250) 354-4370

Boccalino - Kootenay Bay (250) 227-6906

Cedar Grove Campground - Gray Creek (250) 227-9492

Crawford Bay RV Park - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9010

Destiny Bay Resort - Boswell (250) 223-8234 (800) 818-6633

Kokanee Chalets, Cabins, RV Park & Campground - Crawford Bay (250) 227-9292 • (800) 448-9292

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Lodges of Kokanee Springs, The -Crawford Bay (250) 227-9226 • (800) 979-7999

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Shadow Mountain - Riondel (250) 225-3551

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Kootenay Lake Art Connections -Gray Creek (250) 227-9085

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Craft Connection Co-Operative (250) 352-3006

Touchstones Nelson: Museum of Art and History (250) 352-9813

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Adventure Hotel (250) 352-7211 • (888) 722-2258

Best Western Baker Street Inn & Convention Centre (250) 352-3525 • (888) 255-3525

Chahko-Mika Mall (250) 354-4496

Granite Pointe Golf Club (250) 352-5913 • (877) 677-6077

Hume Hotel (250) 352-5331 • (877) 568-0888

Main Street Diner (250) 354-4848

Prestige Lakeside Resort & Convention Centre (250) 352-7222 • (877) 737-8443

Whitewater Ski Resort (250) 354-4944 • (800) 666-9420

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Blue Sky Clothing Company (250) 354-0101

Chahko-Mika Mall (250) 354-4496 Cottonwood Kitchens (250) 352-9777

Snowpack Outdoor Experiences / Patagonia Outlet (250) 352-6411 • (877) 669-7225

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Nelson & District Chamber of Commerce (250) 352-3433 • (877) 663-5706

Nelson Electric Tramway Society (250) 367-9564 • (877) 367-9564

Nelson Kootenay Lake Tourism Society (250) 352-7879 • (877) 663-5706

#### PLACES TO STAY

Adventure Hotel (250) 352-7211 • (888) 722-2258

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Dancing Bear Inn (250) 352-7573 • (877) 352-7573 Hume Hotel

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Mistiso's Place Guest House / Vacation Rental (250) 354-8085 • (877) 647-8476

Mountain Hound Inn (250) 352-6490 • (866) 452-6490

Nelson Municipal Campground (250) 352-7618

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Prestige Lakeside Resort & Convention Centre (250) 352-7222 • (877) 737-8443 Villa Motel

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Kokanee Mountain Zipline (866) 358-8688

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Nelson Electric Tramway Society (250) 367-9564 • (877) 367-9564

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#### PLACES TO STAY

Prestige Mountainside Resort (250) 362-7375 • (877) 737-8443

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ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT Tourism Rossland (250) 362-5666

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(250) 357-9414

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Salmo Pump (250) 357-2227

ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT Village of Salmo (250) 357-9433

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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Valley Voice - New Denver (250) 358-7218

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Slocan District Chamber of Commerce (250) 358-7276

#### PLACES TO STAY

Retallack Guides & Lodge (250) 354-5324

Valhalla Inn - New Denver (250) 358-2228

William Hunter Cabins - Silverton (250) 358-2647

#### THINGS TO SEE & DO

Retallack Guides & Lodge (250) 354-5324

Sandon Museum/Sandon Historical Society - Sandon (250) 358-7920 (summer) (250) 358-2604 (off season)

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#### **ORGANIZATIONS & GOVERNMENT**

Trail Chamber of Commerce (250) 368-3144

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Winery (250) 367-7493 Glenwood Motel (250) 368-5522 • (800) 667-9544

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