

# Osprey Lake, B.C.

## Directions from Vancouver

- total driving time from South Vancouver/Delta/Richmond  $3\frac{3}{4}$  to 4 hr - approx. 320km

Road and weather conditions can be checked out on [www.drivebc.ca](http://www.drivebc.ca) or 1-800-550-4997

Hwy 1 to Hope -  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 hr depending on where around Vancouver you live

The fastest way to Hwy 1 from the southern part of the lower mainland (Richmond, Delta, Surrey) is to take Hwy 17 (SFPR)

It's approx.  $\frac{1}{4}$  hr. from Abbotsford to Chilliwack. Chilliwack is approx.  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr west of Hope.

Cell phones do not work well past Hope or anywhere along the Hope-Princeton highway except near Sunshine Village, Manning Park Lodge, Eastgate, and within about 5-10 minutes of Princeton!

Hwy 3 to Princeton -  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hr from Hope (or longer in winter depending on snow conditions) Manning Park Lodge is approx.  $\frac{1}{2}$  way - a good place to stop for a break or meal.

When in Princeton, turn left on Bridge St. (at the Petrocan Gas Station), turn right at first corner (Kettle Creek Grill) onto Highway #5A to Merritt - road then bends to the left, goes over "silver" bridge, proceed 0.2 km past bridge, a little up the hill, turn right on first road - Old Hedley Rd; then immediately turn left (0.2 km) onto Princeton-Summerland Rd (also known as Osprey Lake Rd or Highway #40 - there is a big sign to Princeton Castle Resort).

OR - if you need to stop in Princeton - Hwy 5A north toward Merritt; turn left into Princeton on Bridge Street (at the Petrocan Gas Station, just before the new bridge) - this is the last gas station for 90 km! This is also the place for any stores - lots of choices straight ahead in the next two blocks. The Liquor Store is beside Save-on-Foods (major food store) on your left (west). If you stop in town, continue north on Bridge St., over the old wooden bridge, turn right, go straight thru at the stop sign (Hwy 5A) then immediately (0.2km) left onto Princeton-Summerland Rd.

You will see the race track on your left - keep going - do not turn right to the Princeton Castle Resort. In about 10 minutes, you'll see Nico Wynd Ranch on your right; keep going on the main road. It's about 35 minutes or 40km to Osprey Lake from Princeton (may take longer in the snow).

At approx. 35 km you will see Chain Lake on your right - you are not there yet, keep going

TeePee Lakes Community Store & Resort (closed October 2014) will be on your left approx. 38 km from Princeton 1.7 km past store, veer right on Lakesyde Rd (past Agar and Link Lake Roads). Public beach is labeled Access #3 beside the fire hut. For the boat launch, turn south off Princeton-Summerland Rd onto Link Lake Rd, then left at the bottom of the hill toward the lake.

## Alternate from Kelowna #1 via Summerland (approx. 2 hrs)

- south past 97C connector and Peachland

- turn right at first light in Summerland (Esso station) - Rosedale Rd, which becomes Prairie Valley Rd - this road winds and snakes thru town and up the mountain - follow signs to Princeton and KVR.

- do not turn right on Fish Lake Rd

- approx. 12km along you go over a cattle guard, then you've got 35km of gravel road

- the road finally becomes paved again at the east end of Osprey Lake

**Alternate from Kelowna #2** - via Peachland - for summer only, 'rough' gravel road and in winter is subject to heavy snow and generally not plowed (approx  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs)

- do not take the 97c connector to Merritt, but continue south toward Peachland

- at the first light on the highway thru Peachland turn right (on Princeton St.)
- follow up the windy road, it becomes gravel, only at the major "Y" splits, keep to your left, following signs to Headwaters. Turn left (south) on Trout Creek Main.
- if you get to Headwater Resort turnoff, you have gone approx. 1 km too far - take the previous turn off "south".
- the yellow markers on the trees are KM - go until around 40 - there is a stop sign - this is the Summerland/Princeton cross road and you'll see a sign for Osprey
- turn right, go approx. 2 km, and the lake will be on your left

**Alternate from Kelowna #2** - paved nearly all the way (approx. 2 ½ hr)

- take Hwy 97 south from Kelowna, then take the turn off to Hwy 97C (connector) west
- when the road changes to 2 lanes (approx. 45 minutes or 80km from the turnoff) take the left lane turn off to Princeton/Aspen Grove - Highway 5A
- approx. 40 minutes (52.5km from 97C) turn left on Belfert Rd (second road in this area), a few minutes north of Princeton, just before a small concrete bridge.
- if you miss this turn off no problem, just continue on toward Princeton. As you go down the hill toward the big Silver Bridge into town take the left turnoff (right turn is to Tulameen). After ½ block turn left on Princeton-Summerland Rd and continue - skip next step, then continue below.
- follow along the gravel road (approx. 2.5km - 5 minutes) until you reach a "Y" into the paved road, then turn left
- this is the Princeton-Summerland Rd - TeePee Lakes Community Store & Resort is approx 30 minutes ahead
- 1.7 km past store, veer right on Lakesyde Rd (past Agar and Link Lake Roads). Public beach is labeled Access #3 beside the fire hut. For the boat launch, turn off Princeton-Summerland Rd only Link Lake Rd, then left at the bottom of the hill.

**Alternate from Kamloops** - paved nearly all the way (approx. 3 hr)

- take Hwy 5 south (Coquihalla Highway) to Merritt
- take Hwy 97C west exit (to Kelowna) at the south end of Merritt
- as the road widens to 4 lanes, take the 5A Princeton/Aspen Grove south turn off
- approx. 40 minutes (52.5km from 97C) turn left on Belfert Rd (second road in this area), a few minutes north of Princeton, just before a small concrete bridge. Follow gravel road (approx. 2.5km - 5 minutes) until you reach a "Y" then keep left on the paved road.
- this is the Princeton-Summerland Rd - TeePee Lakes Community Store & Resort is approx 30 minutes along - see above directions from Vancouver.
- if you miss this turn off no problem, just continue on toward Princeton. As you go down the hill toward the big Silver Bridge into town take the left turnoff (right turn is to Tulameen). After ½ block turn left on Princeton-Summerland Rd and continue -see above.

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