

Osprey Lake, B.C - Directions from Vancouver

- total from South Vancouver/Delta/Richmond 4 hr - 300km

Road and weather conditions can be checked out on www.drivebc.ca or 1-800-550-4997

Hwy 17 (SFPR) to Hwy 1, then to Hope - 1 ½ to 2 hr depending on where around Vancouver you live

It's approx. ¼ hr. from Abbotsford to Chilliwack. Chilliwack is approx. ½ hr west of Hope.

Cell phones do not work past Hope or anywhere along the Hope-Princeton highway!

Hwy 3 to Princeton - 1 ½ hr from Hope (or longer in winter depending on snow conditions or summer long weekends due to traffic) Manning Park Lodge is approx. ½ way - a good place to stop for a break or meal.

Within 5 minutes either side of Princeton is the only place a cell phone will work!

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 Cooper's 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.

OR turn left into Princeton on Bridge St. (at the Petrocan Gas Station), turn right at first corner 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; right on first road - Old Hedley Rd; then immediately turn left (0.2 km) on to Princeton-Summerland Rd (also known as Osprey Lake Rd or Highway #40 - there is a big sign to Princeton Castle Resort).

You will see the Similkameen Hotel (actually 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 will be on your left approx. 38 km from Princeton.

They have basic supplies and a breakfast/lunch café, internet access, pay laundry facilities and showers, and an outdoor pay phone.

The government camp ground is lake side approx. 2.5km past the store. For day use there is a boat launch, approx. 1.5km past the store turn south onto Link Lake Rd, then left at the bottom of the hill toward the lake or for 'beach' access go 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.

There are numerous hiking and ATV/Snowmobile trails on the north and south sides of the lake.

Lake GPS coordinates are: 49°42'44"N, 120°12'44"W

There is no cell coverage at Osprey Lake, but there is an outdoor public pay phone and internet access at TeePee Lakes Store.