

## FACILITIES

Haynes Point has 41 beautiful campsites, most right on the beach, a day use area with picnic tables, a boat ramp, flush toilets, a changehouse and horseshoe pits. The marsh area features a wildlife viewing tower and a self-guiding nature trail. The marsh area is very sensitive; please stay on the trail and don't pick any of the flowers or plants.

## CAMPING ETHICS

**Park regulations** can be enforced through fines of up to \$100 for each infraction and/or immediate eviction from the park.

**Pets** must be kept on a leash while in the park and are not permitted on beaches unless otherwise posted.

**Swimming** areas are located within marker buoys. Watercraft and waterskiers must stay outside markers. Visitors are requested to keep a close watch over children. Lifeguards are not in attendance.

**Vehicle use** must be kept to a minimum, and is permitted only on park roads and in parking lots. All motorized vehicles must be licensed and operated by licensed drivers.

**Parking** is permitted only in designated lots and on gravel portion of campsites. Parking is not permitted on roadsides.

**Excessive noise** is not permitted. Please remember that sound travels further in open air. Quiet time is from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. Please do not operate noisy park equipment or generators during this time.

**Visitors** are welcome during the day but must leave the park before 11 p.m. Only registered campers are permitted to remain in the campground between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.

**Alcohol** is permitted only within the boundaries of campsites with registered occupants.

**Campfires** must not exceed 0.5 metres in size. Leaving a campfire unattended is a serious offense. Fires must be extinguished before retiring or leaving your campsite.

**Tents and equipment** must be confined to the gravel portion of the campsite. Hibachis and campstoves must be used on the ground unless barbecue attachments are provided on park picnic tables.

**Sewage and grey water** may not be discharged into any freshwater, water course or on land. Contents of portapotties and similar units should be emptied at the sani-station, not in the washrooms. Dispose of wastewater in the grey water sinks if provided, or use the drains at the base of the water taps.

**Small trees and shrubs** should not be used for wiener sticks or supporting clothes-lines. These are your shade trees for the future.

## HELP PROTECT THE PARKLAND

Enjoy Haynes Point Provincial Park, but please leave it as you found it so that future visitors may also enjoy the park.

## SPECIAL CAMPGROUND INFO

Length of stay is limited to a total of 7 days per year.

Reservations are accepted. Call Discover Camping a 1-800-689-9025.

Camping fees are collected per night, per party. A camping party is defined as follows:

- one to four persons 16 years of age or older.
- A maximum of eight persons including children (15 years of age and younger)
- **Vehicles per camping party:** One vehicle and trailer. Either one (but not both) may be an RV. A second vehicle (non-RV) may be allowed on site for an additional nightly charge of one-half the campsite fee.
- **Campsite maximum:** One camping party per site, unless otherwise authorized.

## SAFETY

**Swimmer's itch** — Symptoms are an irritating rash and persistent itch. Calamine lotion is an effective treatment.

**Poison ivy** — A low plant with three glossy, bright green leaves and white berries. Wear shoes when hiking, especially in underbrush. Calamine lotion is an effective treatment.

**Wood ticks** — Wood ticks are most prevalent between March and June. Ticks reside in tall grass and low shrubbery, and although potential carriers of disease, are a natural part of the environment. Legs, in particular, should be protected by wearing trousers tucked into socks.

**Water safety** — Safe swimming and boating procedures should be practiced at all times. Lifeguards are not on duty.

**Sandbar** — Extreme caution is required when walking in shallow water — steep drops occur on both sides of the sandbar.

**Sunburn** — The hot, dry climate can result in overexposure to the sun. Please use sunscreen and wear a hat during long periods in the sun.

**Rattlesnakes** — While seldom seen, northern Pacific rattlesnakes live in many areas of the Okanagan Valley. They rarely strike and usually only when stepped on or handled. Bites are painful, but rarely fatal.

## For More Information

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# Haynes Point PROVINCIAL PARK

**W**elcome. Haynes Point Provincial Park includes 15 hectares of unique parkland at the southern limit of B.C.'s Okanagan Basin landscape. Situated in the rainshadow of the Cascade Mountains to the west and protected by the Columbia Mountains to the east, this is Canada's only true desert area. The park is primarily a narrow sandspit formed by wave action in Osoyoos Lake. The park also contains a marsh rich in wildlife.

The South Okanagan is one of the four most endangered ecosystems in Canada. The area receives less than 35 cm of rainfall annually. Antelope brush, prickly pear cactus, ponderosa pine and rabbit brush dominate the entire region. Exotic wildlife unique to the area includes the spadefoot toad and desert night snake.

You will likely see a variety of birdlife such as marsh wrens, white-throated swifts, and red-winged blackbirds; on occasion turkey vultures are spotted high above the valley.

The park was created in 1962 and was named after Judge John Carmichael Haynes, who relocated to Osoyoos in 1866 and became a prominent judge and landowner.

Visitors are assured of plenty of sunshine and warm weather activities. Interpretive programs are provided from mid-June to Labour Day.

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