

Skeena Featured Fisheries

Unsure of where to find good fishing? Looking for someplace new?

We can help! Each year a different sample of regional waters will be profiled here.

In addition, be sure to visit www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/recreation/fishing for more great fishing in Provincial Parks.

Other great Family Fishing opportunities may be found at www.bcfamilyfishing.com.

See also www.gofishbc.com/fishstocking.htm for a complete list of stocked lakes.

1 Babine Lake – Babine Lake is an angler's paradise! The two small provincial park sites (Pendleton Bay and Smithers Landing) provide anchorage, scenic lakeshore views, beaches and access to internationally-significant angling opportunities along 200 km of waterways. Large cutthroat, rainbow and lake trout are found in the lake; fly fishing and trolling yield superb results. Burbot, kokanee, Dolly Varden, and whitefish are also available.

2 Call Lake – Call Lake, just east of Smithers, is a great family destination for any season! Head to Call Lake Provincial Park for fishing, hiking and mountain biking in the summer, and ice fishing, cross-country skiing and snowmobiling in the winter. The lake is stocked with brook trout and ready for anglers of all ages!

3 Co-op Lake – 10,000 brook trout are pumped into this lake each year making this a great destination for fly fishermen! There is a Forest Service recreation site with a boat launch and all amenities may be found in nearby Burns Lake. In the winter there is excellent ice fishing. Co-op Lake is recommended for year-round enjoyment! To access, take Hwy 16 and turn on Augier Forest Service Road.

4 Dunalter (Irrigation) Lake – Dunalter is a popular family destination with a day-use camp ground, picnic area and dock. The dock is ideal for angling the stocked cutthroat trout. From Houston travel 15 km west on Hwy 16.

5 Lakelse Lake – Some excellent fishing opportunities await during summer and winter. Trout and Dolly Varden are common catches in the lake while the area's rivers boast world-class salmon and steelhead

Photo: Mark Beere.



Trophy lake trout are a great incentive for angling in the Skeena region!

runs—all five Pacific salmon species spawn in these waters! Lakelse Lake Provincial Park is the primary family recreation spot around Terrace and Kitimat and also offers camping, sandy beaches, waterskiing, windsurfing, a play-ground, a boat launch and mooring floats. Summer interpretative programs provide educational opportunities for people of all ages and there are hot springs within 2.5 km!

6 Nisga'a Memorial Lave Bed Park (Anhluut'ukwsim Laxmihl Angwinga'asanskwhl Nisga'a) – North of Terrace, excellent salmon and steelhead fishing are found along Ksi Sii Aks (Tseax River), and K'alii Aksim Lisims (Nass River). Try fly fishing for trout and coho in the Ksi Ts'oohl Ts'ap Creek Slough, located along the park border 6 km southwest of Gitwinksihlkw. The outstanding combination of guided walks to view the park's scenery and recent volcanic activity, and interpretation programs that focus on the legends and culture

of the Nisga'a people earn this park a reputation as a fascinating destination for the avid fisher and his or her family.

7 Tyhee Lake - Anglers of all ages may try their hand at native cutthroat or stocked rainbow trout fishing in this friendly, picturesque lake near Smithers (off Hwy 16). Minnows such as the peamouth chub, red shiner, and pygmy whitefish will challenge the younger fishing enthusiast. This provincial park offers a boat launch, loading dock, camping, swimming, waterskiing and a playground for the kids.

3 See preceding page for map locations

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