

Eagle Lake & Surrounding Area

Eagle Lake can be accessed via the Eagle Lake Road turnout which is 132 miles or 212km west of Williams Lake on highway 20. It is about 3 miles or 5km up the road. Or take the Tatlayoko Lake Rd., turn left at the fork and follow it 7.5 miles to the Eagle Lake turnout.



Photo courtesy Silvia Geissler

The lake has the stunning aquamarine color often seen in high alpine lakes that are fed by glaciers and lined with glacial silt. Eagle Lake is a calm, beautiful lake with a spectacular view of the mountains and known for its excellent fishing. It averages Rainbow Trout at around 2lbs but they can go up to 8lbs. It is impossible not to hook a fish in one of the many lakes in the surrounding area, Sapeye, Bluff, Horn, Tatla, Martin, Tatlayoko, and Chilco Lake, just to name a few.

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Wildlife Viewing

Nearby meadows, wetlands and the Ducks Unlimited Pollywog Marsh attract moose, bear and many other animals. And it is truly a bird watchers paradise; sand hill cranes, swans, geese and many migrating birds avail themselves in this protected habitat.

A short drive away, Chilco River boasts the second largest sockeye run in British Columbia, a sight worth seeing and yes, you can hear them too as they rise out of the water.

Take a guided Jet Boat Tour to view the grizzly bears feeding along the river banks; or if you are really lucky, seeing them catch fish. Sightings of up to 18 grizzlies in a single outing have been reported.

Vast areas of the Tatlayoko Valley belong to the Nature Conservancy of Canada where deer, cougar, wolves, lynx, bobcat, fishers, black bear, grizzly and coyotes are free to roam. The Conservancy runs a Bird Banding program in August and September with volunteers welcome to participate.



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Activities

Numerous local outfitters have guided horseback riding packages available. Most trails are all within the scenic mountains of the Tatlayoko Valley. The summer wildflowers are a must see. There are some beautifully groomed ski trails available for the cross country enthusiasts. The trails wind through a tranquil setting around the Martin lake area. Well marked and easy to find, winter and spring skiing is a delight for the whole family.

One of the major events in the area is The Artisan Fair, held on the last Saturday in May. This annual event features a vast array of local arts, book reading, music, First Nation handicrafts and food concessions. Sponsored by the Chilcotin Chapeau and held a half mile or 1km up Eagle Lake Road, it's a time for people to enjoy their neighbours and take home a few treasures.

