

Tatla Lake



Tatla Lake Community is the hub for the huge surrounding area that includes Westbranch and the Tatlayoko Valley. The turnoff to those two valleys is at the junction just before you enter Tatla from the east. Tatla's beginnings were in ranching and that's very evident as you travel through lush fields and pastures past Chilcotin fences of various types, cattle and horses, and huge flocks of Canada geese that love the fields in spring and fall.

The community members of Tatla Lake and surrounding region are very proactive and host and participate in a lot of events year round including a cross country ski race on their extensive trails, gymkhana, and pottery and craft fair just to name a few.

Fishing

Tatla Lake itself is east of the community of Tatla and there is a forestry recreation

sign on the north side of the highway indicating the road down to the lake. Tatla Lake is popular for its Kokanee that range from 14 to 16 inches while Martin Lake, located just north of the community of Tatla, is popular for swimming, and fishing for Rainbow Trout and cross country skiing in winter.



Photo courtesy Alex Lepore

Activities

Using Tatla Lake as a jumping off point, there are an endless number of recreational activities that you can enjoy in the area. Locally you can go fishing, swimming, hiking, horseback riding, or take a drive down either Westbranch



Road to that Valley, or down Tatla Lake Road to Tatlayoko Valley. You'll meet with fabulous fishing and stunning views all the way. Operators offer anything from a ranch vacation, trailriding, horse assisted hiking, wildlife viewing and just relaxing, to mountain biking, heli-hiking, heli-kayaking, mountaineering, canoeing, fishing, rafting, skiing and snowshoeing.



Caution. Watch for cattle on the road in the Tatla Lake area

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