

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

We hope you enjoy exploring the amazing trails Lake Country has to offer and appreciate the beauty that surrounds you. Please keep the trails and surroundings safe and enjoyable for other users and be mindful of the following trail etiquette.

Respect All Users

• Keep dogs on-leash

- On shared trails, pedestrians have the right of way
- Pedestrians use caution and yield to bikes if entering downhill mountain bike trails

Respect Private Property

• Stay on designated trails

Respect the Natural Environment

- Clean up after yourself and pets; use provided trash receptacles
- Do not disturb plants or wildlife



Check out the amazing walking and biking trails in and around the District of Lake Country



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Interactive on-line trail map www.lakecountry.bc.ca/maps/trails/ District of Lake Country www.lakecountry.bc.ca Regional District of Central Okanagan www.rdco.com Oceola Fish and Game Club <u>www.oceola.ca</u> Okanagan High Rim Trail Association www.highrimtrail.ca Mountain Bikers of the Central Okanagan (MTBCO) www.mtbco.ca

Ambulance (non-emergency)

RCMP (non-emergency)

Report a Wildlife Conflict

Report all Poachers and Polluters

Walk Around Lake Country (WALC)

Poison Control

Dog Control

Report a Wild Fire

250-766-4922

250-766-2288

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1-800-663-5555

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14 Pelmewash Parkway Multi-Use Trail This wide, flat, paved 6.8 km shared-use trail is wheel-chair accessible and follows the western shore of Wood Lake. It extends south from the intersection of Pelmewash Parkway and Oyama Road to where Pelmewash meets Highway 97, past three striking Indigenous art features. Soak in the lakeside beauty by stopping at one of the many picnic or bench areas to enjoy the magnificent views and wildlife. There is also an off-leash, water-accessible dog park near the south end of Wood Lake. Access to Spion Kop hiking trails is at a trailhead midway along Pelmewash. Dogs on-leash. 📷

15 Wood Lake Loop Route Travel a magnificent 20 km loop around Wood Lake using the Okanagan Rail Trail on the north and east sides and the Pelmewash Parkway Multi-Use Trail on the west side. Complete the loop roadside along Woodsdale and Oceola Roads on a combination of sidewalks, bike lanes, and multi-use pathways.



16 Spion Kop Recreation Reserve There are over 17 km of marked trails and connectors in this beautiful 350 hectare wilderness recreation area. They range from easy/moderate to most difficult, winding through cool forests and grassy slopes, along old glacial ridges, bluffs, and spectacular basalt cliffs, offering panoramic views of the Central Okanagan valley. From different spots along this extensive trail network, you can see Wood, Ellison, Kalamalka, and Okanagan Lakes, the Oyama bench lands and isthmus, and Little White, Knox, Bear, Terrace and Silver Star Mountains. All trails can ultimately lead you to the Spion Kop summit showcasing unparalleled 360 degree views. Watch for seasonal displays of flowering plants in their native habitats. Large raptors are prevalent in the area, as are wildlife including mule deer, bears, and coyotes. Still evident today are heritage horse logging trails, where horses dragged logs down to Wood Lake. Portions of trail follow the historic Old Mission Road, used by stage coaches in the 1800s. Marked trails are recommended for hiking although other users may enjoy them. Parking/access is available at the trailheads.

17 High Rim Trail This 12 km section of trail, rated most difficult, from Beaver Lake Road to Oyama Lake Road, is part of the 55 km Okanagan High Rim Trail, a rugged, high elevation backcountry trail stretching from Highway 33 to Cosens Bay. The trail, generally marked with pink and black striped markers and ribbons, passes through Wrinkly Face Provincial Park, an ecologically fragile and diverse area of alpine meadows at the top of a basalt cliff formation. The trail offers beautiful vistas of Shorts Canyon and Eddie's Viewpoint, and leads to the Monolith, a large erratic (glacial rock formation). It crosses exposed rocky slopes and South Clark and North Clark Creeks, wetlands and open grasslands, visits Hayhurst Lake and explores old growth forests. Permitted uses include hiking, mountain biking, snowshoeing, and equestrian riding. Trailhead kiosks with limited parking off Beaver Lake and Oyama Lake Roads.

WARNING: These Provincial Crown Land trails are unmaintained; use at your own risk. Take sufficient water and BE PREPARED for all conditions, weather and wildlife encounters at all times. No or limited cellular service. Pack out what you packed in. Respect other Crown Land users including equestrian riders and off-road vehicles. To report issues or a violation, you may contact the conservation officer 24-hour hotline: 1-877-952-7277 or #7277 on the TELUS Mobility Network.

Community Trails



2 The Lakes Most of the trails in the Lakes' network run through natural linear parks, creating loop opportunities to nearby streets and neighbourhoods. Some trails even link to the Spion Kop Crown Land trail network. These shared use trails range from easy to most difficult.

The more difficult linear park trails include: Apex (440 m), Lakehill (430 m), Eastridge (310 m), and Cliffstone (355 m). Both Parkside (545 m) and Parkside Upper (320 m), are rated most difficult. Some trails offer beautiful views south and east over Wood Lake. Look for seasonal displays of Saskatoon bushes, Arrowleaf Balsamroot and Mariposa Lilies.

Two nature trails are located within Trethewey Park. Pollard Pond Loop Trail is an easy 545 m trail, circling the Pond, with a bridge crossing, viewing platform and seasonal fountains. Look for wetland flora and fauna. Picnic tables and benches available. The pond bridge and portions of the pond trail are accessible.

Pollard Pond Loop links with 170 m of more difficult short branches of Trethewey trail, in the south-eastern forested knoll of the park. Look for seasonal wildflowers. Limited roadside parking. Dogs on-leash. 📷

3 Lakestone Explore a growing network of nature trails around the developing Lakestone neighbourhood situated within natural open grassland and mixed forest of Ponderosa pines and Douglas firs, running a 300-metre grade from near lake shore to Benchlands Park.

Benchlands (1.5 km), Highlands (670 m), and Long (675 m) are natural surface, shared-use trails, rated more difficult, with steep challenging climbs. Wetland Loop (670 m) is also rated more difficult due to its steep access, but its gravel path circles a natural wetland providing welcome shade on a hot day. The Grind Trail, a natural steep 200 m trail rated most difficult, is for pedestrian use only, and not for the faint of heart. The trail network offers loop opportunities.

As reward for climbing these more challenging trails, take in the panoramic Okanagan Lake views. Also look for wildlife and birds, and seasonal wildflowers including a profusion of beautiful Arrowleaf Balsamroot, Mariposa Lilies, and a few Prickly Pear Cacti.

Trail access varies per trail, with main parking at Benchlands Park; otherwise limited street parking on Okanagan Centre Road West, Tyndall Road, Benchland Drive, Lakestone Drive, or Beacon Hill Drive. Dogs on-leash. 📷

HIGH RIM TRAIL[^]

4 Okanagan Centre Beach Trail This easy, jewel of a trail meanders 2.6 km through a strip of forest alongside Okanagan Lake stony beaches, below Okanagan Centre Road West. The entire trail offers magnificent vistas: south to the William R. Bennett Bridge and north to Fintry. The section from 4th Street Beach Park to the Lake Country Museum is wheelchair and stroller friendly on hard-packed gravel, with several benches and a picnic table nearby. Continuing south to Okanagan Centre Safe Harbour Regional Park, the trail is a variety of widths and surfaces. There are multiple road-end accesses with the main parking along 5th Street at Okanagan Centre Park. Limited parking available at 4th Street and at the north and south ends of the trail on Okanagan Centre Road West. Dogs on-leash. 📷

5 Lake Country Bike Park Enjoy stunning lake views at this progressive bike park with dirt jumps, pump tracks, a skills area, drop zone, and multi-use and gravity trails. Features include beginner-friendly options, intermediate gravity trails, advanced jumps, a mulch jump, and an adaptive MTB trail. Dogs allowed on-leash on multi-use trails only. 💏

6 Cottonwood Trail, Kaloya Park This easy 850 m natural flat loop multi-use trail follows the shoreline around the perimeter of RDCO's Kaloya Park, providing stunning views of Kalamalka Lake. Trail access and parking in Kaloya Park. Dogs not allowed most times of the year - check RDCO website for further details.

7 Winfield Creek Wildlife Preserve Oceola Fish and Game Club owns this wildlife preserve and has provided excellent trailhead kiosk information. 860 m of easy trails meander in amongst the wetlands and waterways of this wildlife habitat preserve, vital for kokanee spawning. DOGS STRICTLY PROHIBITED in this sensitive habitat.

8 Clearwater & Copper Hill These neighbourhoods offers two gravel, more difficult shared-use trails. Quail Trail is a 560 m narrow trail, running above the Okanagan Rail Trail, connecting Bonnie Drive, Quail and Lodge Roads. It has some steep drop-offs and panoramic views. Access from Lodge Road or road ends of Bonnie Drive and Quail Road. Clearwater Trail is a 425 m, wide forested trail connecting Sherman Drive at Peter Greer Elementary to KM 28 of the Okanagan Rail Trail, thus providing access to Town Centre via McCarthy and Beaver Lake Roads. An outdoor classroom is perched on one of the knolls below the school Main access and limited street parking on Sherman Drive along fencing on north side of the school. Dogs on-leash. 👬

9 Forest Loop Trail, Cemetery Park This easy 405 m trail loops through the forested park above historic Okanagan Centre Cemetery. There are vineyard, valley and lake views from the back of the park. Limited roadside parking. Dogs on-leash. 👬

10 Pretty-Newene Trail This easy 800 m gentle sloped pathway with a steady incline connects Newene to Pretty Road, providing safe access to schools and Lake Country's Town Centre. The trail wanders through the remnants of an old farm homestead with partial garden walls and a few heritage trees. From this site stop to admire scenic views of the valley, including Wood and Ellison Lakes. Access and limited parking at both trail heads, either at the junction of Pretty and Eva Roads or at Newene's road-end. Dogs on-leash. 💏

11 Oyama East Bench Nestled in agricultural lands and overlooking Wood Lake there are a couple off-road opportunities for walking and biking. East Hill follows an unbuilt road between the two sections of East Hill Drive and is an easy wide trail in a countryside setting. Ribbleworth connects Broadwater Road to Ribbleworth Road with views of farmlands and Wood Lake. Limited parking at all trail heads. Dogs on-leash. 📷

12 Carr's Landing Along Okanagan Lake, Carr's Landing offers a few short but enjoyable trails. Maki-Coral Beach is a wide, more difficult 240 m forested trail providing a safe connection from the end of Maki Road on a gentle slope, ending in a short, steep descent onto Coral Beach Road. A lake access trail continues down the bank. Limited parking at the ends of Maki and Coral Beach Roads. Nuyens Beach is also a very steep trail, but you're rewarded with access to a beautiful, secluded beach. Dogs on-leash. 📷

Nearby Predator Ridge offers an ever-expanding network of hiking and biking trails as well. Visit their website for more details.