

VISIT WESTSIDE

west kelowna • westbank first nation

official visitor guide 2023/2024

WELCOME

The Westside (as the locals like to call it) has always been appreciated for its quiet beaches, rolling hills of orchards, and fantastic outdoor activities. The small sleepy town that once was, has grown into a thriving city that has a 'rural sophistication' feel to it with vineyards, wineries, summer concerts, trails, and agricultural pursuits, along with shops that offer the familiar comforts of home. This land has been home to syilx/Okanagan people since time immemorial. They have a progressive and thriving Government and take ongoing pride in their culture and heritage.

SPECTACULAR VISTAS

Our landscapes are the most photographed in the Okanagan Valley. Our dormant volcano, Mt. Boucherie, has created a terrain that is dynamic and interesting, while at the same time rich and lush. Its volcanic soil has primed the land for growing premium grapes. These vineyards, coupled with lake views and vistas, make for some spectacular pictures.

DEEP ROOTS

Agriculture has been a way of life here for many years and farm-to-table is not just the latest fad. Many families on the Westside were true pioneers and innovators when it came to agriculture. The betterment and development of the nut growing industry in British Columbia began here at what is

today known as the Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park. The beginning of the wine industry also got its start here with some of the oldest vines in the Okanagan being found on the Westside.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

The syilx people have lived in the Kelowna (*ki?lawna?*) and Westbank (*stqa?tkwəniwt*) area since time immemorial. Their rich history is passed down from each generation through ancient oral stories (*cap tikwə?*). As you travel around the Westside you will notice the Okanagan language (*nsyilxcen*) and Indigenous culture is deeply rooted in the community and featured on signage and public art.

YOUR STORY

#visitwestside



We would love to hear about your Westside experiences. Tag your photos with #VisitWestside so we

can see what you have been up to and share them with others.

As you spend time in our community you will discover the people and the stories that make it unique.

Visit

www.visitwestside.com/blog

for 'locals know' tips.



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top 10 things to do

- 1 Swirl and sip your way along the **Westside Wine Trail** where you will find not only winery tasting rooms, but also restaurants, spectacular views, outdoor music concerts, art showings and wine education events.
- 2 Do the 'Rush' - the **Boucherie Rush Trail**. Discover some volcanic explorations while hiking up Mount Boucherie, our 60 million year old dormant volcano.
- 3 Take a self-guided **public art tour** of our murals and sculptures.
- 4 Savour local flavours along the **Westside Farm Loop**. Farm Fresh product and ice cream are ready for your picking and tasting!
- 5 Build a sandcastle along the sandy shores of **Willow Beach** or zipline into the sparkling waters of Lake Okanagan down at the **Gellatly Bay Waterfront**.
- 6 Check out Westbank Centre for its collection of ethnic restaurants and Saturday's **Westbank Farmers' Market**. Pop over to Westbank Hub Centre for some Indigenous fare, including bannock.
- 7 Rip it up on the trails of **Smith Creek** with your mountain bike.
- 8 Cross-country ski by day or under the moon at **Telemark Nordic Club** or snowshoe on their trails.
- 9 Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the **Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park** – a century old working nut farm and a Class A Heritage site.
- 10 Discover the Indigenous history of the area with a trip to the **Westbank First Nation's sncəwips Heritage Museum** and stop by **Spirit of the Lake Native Boutique** for Indigenous gifts and art.



WINERIES



WESTSIDE WINE TRAIL

photo: Nathaniel Atakora Martin

As the sunlight shines on the awaking vineyards, the birds begin their song. The early morning air is fresh, the gentle rolling vineyards are green and the lake begins to glisten. It is at this moment when the peacefulness of the Westside Wine Trail is most profound.

The day unfolds with visits to tasting rooms dotting the leisurely rural roads which are set along an idyllic backdrop of hills, scenic lake views and lush vineyards. Chance encounters with proprietors, vineyard managers and chefs happen and the true essence of farming and wine country takes place.

The personal connection and interaction with the people encountered along the wine trail creates

a fascinating blend of experiences that turn into lifelong memories.

The Westside Wine Trail is the place where you can taste the entire Okanagan all in one convenient area. Wineries here are terrior specific, but also have long standing partnerships with farmers in the South Okanagan and Similkameen, enabling visitors a diverse tasting experience. Discover local flavours one sip at a time, take in an outdoor concert or an evening out at a winery restaurant.

There is always something new to discover, no matter the season. The wineries of the Westside Wine Trail are easy to find, within reach of major centres and are open year round.



@grizzliwinery



Mission Hill Family Estate



@oktourismgirl



@volcanichillswi



Westside WINE TRAIL

TOURS!

Want to leave the driving to someone else? Book a wine tour with a tour operator on the Westside!



	Tasting Room Hours	Tours	Restaurant (r) Picnic Area (p)	Meeting Facilities	Private Group Tastings
Beaumont Family Estate Winery 2775 Boucherie Rd 250.769.1222 beaumontwinery.com	Apr-Oct		p		y
Black Swift Vineyards 2345 Boucherie Rd 778.755.3275 blackswiftvineyards.com	year round		p		y
Ciao Bella Winery 3252 Glencoe Rd 778.754.3443 ciaobellawinery.com	May - Dec	y	r, p	y	y
Crown & Thieves 3887C Brown Rd 778.754.6968 crownthieves.com	year round		r, p		y
Frind Winery 3725 Boucherie Rd 778.754.1118 frindwinery.com	year round		r, p		y
Grizzli Winery 2550 Boucherie Rd 250.769.6789 grizzliwinery.com	year round	y	p	y	y
Indigenous World Winery 2218 Horizon Dr E. 250.769.2824 indigenousworldwinery.com	year round		r, p		y
Kalala Organic Estate Winery 3361 Glencoe Rd 250.768.9700 kalala.ca	year round	y	p		y
Little Straw Vineyards 2815 Ourland Rd 250.769.0404 littlestraw.bc.ca	year round	y	p	y	y
Mt. Boucherie Estate Winery 829 Douglas Rd 250.769.8803 mtboucheriewinery.com	year round	y	r, p	y	y
Mission Hill Family Estate 1730 Mission Hill Rd 250.768.6400 missionhillwinery.com	year round	y	r	y	y
Niche Wine Co. 1895 Bartley Rd 250.681.1151 nichewinecompany.com	May - Oct (by appt.)	y	p		y
Off the Grid Organic Winery 3623 Glencoe Rd 778.754.7562 offthegridorganicwinery.com	year round	y	food truck		y
Quails' Gate Estate Winery 3303 Boucherie Rd 250.769.4451 quailsgate.com	year round	y	r, p	y	y
Rollingdale Winery 2306 Hayman Rd 250.769.9224 rollingdale.ca	year round		p		y
The Gallery Winery 2233 Witt Rd 250.768.1500 thegallerywinery.com	April - Oct & Dec	y	p	y	y
the hatch 3189 Boucherie Rd 778.755.6013 thehatchwines.com	year round		p		y
Urban Distilleries & Winery #402 1979 Old Okanagan Hwy 778.478.0939 urban-distilleries.com	year round	y	r		y
Volcanic Hills Estate Winery 2845 Boucherie Rd 778.755.5550 volcanichillswinery.com	year round	y	r, p	y	y
 www.thewestsidewinetrail.com					

TASTE



LAKESIDER BREWING CO.

With deep roots in agriculture and award winning chefs, to Indigenous and ethnic cuisine, the people involved in the culinary scene here have the passion and the 'know how' to whisk one away on a foodie adventure.

INTERNATIONAL FLAVOURS

Our city centre is the place to go for international cuisine. On Main Street you can find Mediterranean, Indian, Mexican, Japanese, Italian, Chinese and Canadian restaurants and specialty food stores.

FRESH LOCAL PRODUCE

During the summer months the fruit stands of the **Westside Farm Loop** and the weekly **Westbank Farmers' Market** offer up fresh local produce. Find the market on the corner of Main St & Elliott Rd. July-Sept | Sat 9am-1pm

SIPS AND SUDS

Hatching Post, **Kind Brewing**, **Lakesider Brewing Co.**, and **Truck '59 Ciderhouse** are quickly becoming local favourites. Tune into trivia nights while enjoying a pint of craft beer or enjoy a flight of cider while taking in the views. You will also be able to sip some spirits at **Urban Distilleries & Winery** and **Indigenous World Winery**.

CAFES

Satisfy your caffeine addiction at one of our cafes which also offer up sweet treats and on-the-go lunches. From well known brands like **Starbucks** and **Blenz** to independent cafes like **Bliss Bakery**, **Donna's Fresh Cafe**, **It's A Bakery**, **Annie's Cafe**, **Black Phoenix Tea Room**, or **Kekuli Cafe** you are sure to find a tea or latte to help fuel your day.

FOOD TRUCKS

Love **food truck fare**? You can find food trucks set up at wineries or local events. When in season, daily food trucks can be found at **Off the Grid Organic Winery**. There are also food trucks at various locations throughout town, including **Paynter's Fruit Market**, **the West Kelowna Visitor Centre**, **Grizzli Winery**, and **Urban Distilleries & Winery**.



For a full listing of all of our restaurants, cafes and pubs go to

www.visitwestside.com/eat

great places for eats



1

Looking for that perfect little breakfast place? Look no further than the **Pepper Pot Grill** for their hearty breakfast portions. The cheeky signs around the cafe will bring out the chuckles.

2

Enjoy Indigenous cuisine and bannock at **Kekuli Cafe** or check out some vegan treats at **Fork Plant Based Market**.

3

Embrace the 'eat local' philosophy at **19 Okanagan**. Their menus feature many local ingredients and delicious cocktails.

4

Satisfy that sweet tooth craving with a baked treat from **Specialty Bakery, Rad Jamz, Bliss Bakery, It's a Bakery** or **Okanagan Grocery**.

5

Wine and dine at one of the wineries along the **Westside Wine Trail** and discover just how perfect that glass of Pinot noir can pair with a meal.

6

Have a picnic or a BBQ. **Valoroso Foods** has a fine array of cured meats and cheeses and **T-Bones** has all the fixings for a BBQ.

7

Salmon has been one of the main foods of the syilx people. At **Okanagan Select** you can taste and purchase this delicious wild salmon.

8

Dine at a winery and take in the views from **The Modest Butcher, Annie's Beach Cafe, Angelshare, Old Vines Restaurant, or The Terrace**.

9

Ingram Farms and **Basswood Honey Farms** are creating a lot of 'buzz' about their honey!

10

Authentic Mexican cuisine is served up at **Two Brothers Mexican Restaurant** where you can dine in or do takeout.



TRAILS

Standing tall for hundreds of years, the Ponderosa pine (*Sʔatqʷɪp*) in the surrounding forests sway in the gentle breeze, with a light vanilla fragrance from their bark wafting through the air. The pecking of woodpeckers can be heard far off in the distance while the spectacular vistas of the lake, the mountains, vineyards and orchards lay below.

This is a community with trailheads so close by that your morning cup of coffee is still warm once you get there! Trails for hiking. Trails for biking. Trails for snowshoeing. And trails for breathing in the sweet Okanagan air and connecting to nature.

The abundance of wildlife on the Westside lends itself to many picture taking opportunities. Bald eagles, wild pheasants and pileated woodpeckers can be seen on the trails and landscapes. Glen Canyon Regional Park is an important migratory pathway for wildlife, so don't be surprised to come across deer or bears during treks in this park.



Did you know, *nsyilxcən* (n-see-yeel-x-sen) is the language of the syilx/Okanagan people? Many of the parks and trails on the Westside have trail markers that feature *nsyilxcən* language and stories about the plants and animals that inhabit the area. Stories are an important part of knowledge sharing in the syilx/Okanagan community as *nsyilxcən* is traditionally oral in its entirety.

When hiking on the Westside, make sure you stop at the trail markers to learn more about the local First people.

The trailhead and markers often talk about the flora and fauna of the area, so be sure to have a camera or smartphone on you for some great captures!



popular trails to hike

- Marvel at 100 ft high cliffs and unique hoodoo rock formations while hiking through the linear canyon of **Glen Canyon Regional Park** (*níᑦawtm*). 4262 Gellatly Rd
- Hiking up a dormant volcano that is over 60 million years old is sure to be worth a story or two. Discover unique rock formations and streams of ancient solidified lava rock while exploring Mount Boucherie (*tq'ut kiᑭlawna?*) and the newly constructed **Boucherie Rush Trail**. 2775 East Boundary Rd
- Hikers will be rewarded with panoramic views, the picturesque Goldie's Pond and plenty of sightings of birds and wildlife when exploring the trails of **Rose Valley Regional Park** (*wiwa?st sn'laptan*). There are three marked trail loops through Rose Valley Park with each having its own coloured sign, either yellow, orange, or pink, attached to trees beside the trails. 1820 Westlake Rd
- **Carrot Mountain Bluffs** offers stunning views with many hikers taking a photo of themselves with the Canadian flag that flies here. The trek is very challenging with loose shale and steep inclines. Located off Shannon Heights Pl
- **Kalamoior Regional Park** offers a leisurely hike along the lakeshore or be challenged by one of the hillside trails. In the spring the hillsides explode with a brilliant yellow colour when the Arrowleaf balsamroot flowers bloom. Access at Collens Hill Rd or Casa Loma Rd
- In the early 1900s the Gellatly family grazed their angora goats in the area that is now known as **Goats Peak Regional Park**. This 52-hectare park holds significant value to the syilx people and the goal is to protect the unique ecosystem in the park while providing passive recreation opportunities. The park has two different trails for users to hike. 2990 Seclusion Bay Rd



birdwatching locations

Did you know that over 200 different species of birds have been spotted in West Kelowna and the Greater Westside? From raptors and songbirds to shorebirds and waterfowl, each season brings new feathered friends to see. Check out these popular birdwatching locations:

The mouth of Powers Creek and Rotary Trails | 4111 Gellatly Rd
 Rose Valley Regional Park | Westlake Rd
 Goats Peak Regional Park | 2990 Seclusion Bay Rd
 Kalamoior Regional Park | end of Collens Hill Rd
 Osprey Park at Green Bay | 1430 Green Bay Rd
 Shannon Lake Regional Park | 2375 Swite Rd
 Glen Canyon Regional Park | 4242 Gellatly Rd





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waterfalls

Just blocks from downtown West Kelowna is a secret gem of a waterfall in Glen Canyon Regional Park (South). This fall is viewed from the **Powers Creek Falls** (*skʷlkwalt*) Bridge and can be accessed from park entrance points at Glen Canyon Dr or Hebert Rd.

- **Bear Creek Falls** (*səntulcaʔtn*) is a two tiered waterfall that can be seen from both the Canyon Rim and Mid Canyon Trails at Bear Creek Provincial Park. This provincial park is located along Westside Rd, 7 km north of West Kelowna.
- On a hot summer day, the light mist that drifts off of the **Fintry Falls** (*sʃwɪtkw*) in Fintry Provincial Park (Westside Rd) is refreshing and beautiful. The deep cut canyon is impressive and the views are spectacular.
- For an easy and pleasant 15 minute walk, the trail to **Hardy Falls** (*skʷəʃaʔ*) in Peachland (Hwy 97) is well maintained with a series of bridges. It is mostly shaded and a great place to escape to during the heat of the day.

biking

It has been said that some of the best mountain biking in the Okanagan Valley can be found here in West Kelowna. Local volunteer crews make sure the trails are in top shape while the area bike shops offer group rides during the week. These group rides offer opportunities to explore the trails with local enthusiasts who 'live for the ride'.

Stop by **Smith Creek Cycle** (2440 Main St), **Sovereign Cycle** (3480 Carrington Rd) or **Outbound Cycle** (3011 Louie Dr) for information on the trails, group rides or bike rentals. Some of the top trails in the area include:

- Smith Creek Trails | 27 Trails | Primary Trail Type: Cross-Country
- Rose Valley Regional Park | 61 Trails | Primary Trail Type: Cross-Country
- Visit **trailforks.com** for detailed trail info, routes, and more.



For maps on hiking, biking and snowshoeing trails go to

www.visitwestside.com/maps

great places for...

ARROWLEAF BALSAMROOT FLOWERS In the spring the slopes of **Kalamo Regional Park** (*yaScinikw*) are adorned with this beautiful yellow flower.

WATERFALLS **Fintry Provincial Park** offers easy walking on a variety of routes as well as a climb to waterfalls for the more adventurous. History buffs will enjoy the park's historic buildings and estate farm buildings.

PARKS Burn off energy at the **playgrounds** of Marina Park, Pritchard Park and Gellatly Nut Farm. These playgrounds are lakefront, so a cool-down in the lake can also happen.

KIDS Enjoy skateboarding, biking, basketball and hockey all at the Westbank First Nation **Sport Court**. Located on Quail Ln, the park is open to everyone and is a must-see for families and children.

DOGS An off leash **dog beach** can be found on Gellatly Rd, with off leash dog parks on Wild Horse Dr and Shannon Woods Dr.

TEENS Get your adrenaline going at **Safari Ridge**, an outdoor paintball adventure park where you can also play Clash of Arrows Archery Games.

GOLF Strategic designs and beautiful backdrops combine for the perfect game of golf at **Two Eagles** or **Shannon Lake** golf clubs.

EVERYONE Adventure can be enjoyed no matter what one's ability is! **CRIS Adaptive Adventures** allows people to enjoy the outdoors through adaptive equipment. Learn more at adaptiveadventures.ca.



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KALAMO REGIONAL PARK



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@shannonlakegolf

great places to...

LISTEN TO LIVE MUSIC: Grizzli Winery, Lakesider Brewing Co, Shakers Cocktail Lounge at Urban Distilleries & Winery, Crown & Thieves and Whiski-Jack's.

SKATEBOARD: Two parks! One is on Old Okanagan Hwy and the other is the WFN skateboard park, on Quail Ln, featuring a pump track.

EAT HARD ICE CREAM: Paynter's Fruit Market

GO FOR A PICNIC: Rotary Park (Boucherie Rd & Gellatly Rd)

FISH WITH THE KIDS: Shannon Lake Regional Park

ENJOY A DRINK ON THE PATIO: 19 Okanagan or Courses Restaurant

SEE LOCAL ART: Grizzli Winery, The Gallery Winery, and Blenz Coffee

TOBOGGAN: Hudson Rd Elementary School on weekends

TENNIS COURTS: 860 Anders Rd

PICKLEBALL: 1735 Pike Rd

CHARGE AN ELECTRIC CAR: 3678 Brown Rd or 525 Hwy 97S



The Westside Farm Loop is a collection of farms, fruit stands, markets, farm-to-table events and agricultural experiences. The best way to discover the bounty of the land is to round up friends, fill up the car, grab a map and spend a day discovering these farms and fields. Be sure to look for the Farm Loop signs along the way; each sign has a number that corresponds to a location on the Farm Loop brochure.



Mobile friendly maps of the farms can be found at

www.Visitwestside.com/maps

'Can't Miss' farm-to-table experiences

- Enjoy the best of the Okanagan bounty under the open sky at a long table dinner surrounded by people who enjoy good food, good wine and good company.
- Savour fresh local produce at our winery restaurants. Many of them have chef gardens and some sell their preserves in their tasting rooms. Stop by the Saturday **Westbank Farmers' Market** (July-Sept), a roadside fruit stand or head to an orchard or farm to pick fruit and vegetables for a BBQ.
- Wander through the oldest working nut farm in BC! Come the fall, when it is harvest time, visitors flock to the **Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park** to purchase nuts by the pound or experience the farm firsthand by picking the nuts off the ground themselves.
- Follow us on Instagram and Facebook so you can be the first to know of any new farm-to-table experiences or pop-up dinners!

	BLOSSOM	HARVEST
Apricots	April 10 – April 25	July 20 – August 10
Cherries	April 20 – May 7	July 1 – August 1
Peaches	April 20 – May 2	July 1 – September 1
Pears	April 25 – May 10	August 15 – September 30
Plums/Prunes	April 28 – May 10	August 15 – September 10
Apples	May 15 – May 20	August 15 – October 30
Nuts		September – October
Grapes		September – October

There are few things more delightful than the first peaches of the season; the juicy sweetness is so simple and gratifying. The bounty of seasonal ingredients in the area inspires locals and visitors alike in their home cooking – where it is easy to pick up fresh items after a day at the beach or on the way home from work. Local chefs also embrace the lifestyle and can be seen at local farms and the farmers’ markets.

The Okanagan is known for its veggies and fruit and has fans from around the world. Crops include peaches, cherries, plums, pears, apricots, tomatoes, melons, root vegetables, walnuts and apples to name a few. Along the quiet side roads are u-pick signs, trees laden with lush fruit and fields of berries and fresh produce. Stop by one and taste the Okanagan!

u-pick fruit / berries / nuts

*please note u-pick is based on availability of crop – hours and seasons vary.

Cherrywood Farm – 3169 Shetler Dr

Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park
2375 Whitworth Rd

Griffin Farms – 3344 Elliott Rd

SoulTerra Farm – 3081 Elliott Rd

Paynter's Fruit Market – 3687 Paynter Rd

Westbank Farm Produce – 2672 Scharf Rd



Visit the website for a full listing of fruit stands, orchards, farm sales, hours, and types of farm experiences.

www.westsidefarmloop.com



WATERFRONT



The Gellatly Bay Waterfront promenade stretches 3 km along the shores of Lake Okanagan. The combination of crushed rock and pavement, along with wide walkways makes this stroller and wheelchair friendly. This walk links up to the Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park. The quiet bay is popular for kayaking and swimming and along the stretch one can find an off leash dog beach, parks and playgrounds, a wharf and zipline as well as beach volleyball courts and a boat launch.

There is a time of the day when the air is still and the water is like glass. It is before the swishes of small waves ashore and sounds of children's laughter float through the air. It is this time of day when the kayakers, stand-up paddleboarders and canoers head out to explore the pristine waters of Gellatly Bay and the shorelines of the Westside.

top 5 beaches

GELLATLY BAY WATERFRONT WILLOW BEACH

4111 Gellatly Rd

This sandy beach is a favourite and the sand is perfect for building sandcastles. With a volleyball court off to the side, picnic tables and trees for shade, it is the ideal all-ages beach destination.

GELLATLY BAY WATERFRONT MARINA PARK

4123 Gellatly Rd

This park is perfect for those with small children as both the park and beach areas are fenced in. Offering both grass and a pebble beach, the park area also has a playground and a covered picnic facility.

PRITCHARD PARK 1587 Pritchard Dr

A favourite place for families, this park offers a sand and small pebble beach, grassy areas, a volleyball court, picnic tables, a playground as well as a swimming beach with a dock.

GELLATLY NUT FARM 2375 Whitworth Rd

This historic nut farm also has a swimming beach! Large shade trees, a small rock beach with a gradual slope into the water, grass and a playground nearby make this a perfect 'off the beaten path' swimming beach to enjoy.

BEAR CREEK PROVINCIAL PARK Westside Rd

The swim area is narrow, marked with buoys and covers over 400 metres of coarse sandy beach lakeshore. There are also grassy areas, picnic spots and change rooms in the day use area of this provincial park.



For more information on beaches, go to

www.visitwestside.com/beaches

more ways to cool down



BOAT LAUNCHES

Gellatly Boat Launch | 4111 Gellatly Rd

John Dupuis Boat Launch | 2675 Casa Loma Rd

STAND-UP PADDLEBOARDING

With the growing popularity of paddleboarding, the calm waters of Gellatly Bay are the perfect place for a leisurely paddle.

KAYAKING/CANOEING

Exploring Lake Okanagan can easily be done by kayak or canoe. With several lakefront parks along the waterfront in West Kelowna, rest spots, picnic areas, swim spots and wildlife abound. The vineyard views from the lake are beautiful and camera ready.

BOATING/WAKEBOARDING/SURFING

Whether it is tubing, wakeboarding, surfing or jumping into the middle of the lake off the end of your boat, the deep blue waters are calling. Two boat launches serve the community.

WATER SPRAY PARK

Join in the fun of guessing which spray apparatus will come on next! There are picnic amenities, change rooms, washrooms, as well as a perimeter walking trail. Water Spray Park hours of operation are mid May – mid Sept open at 10 am. 2569 May St

JOHNSON BENTLEY MEMORIAL AQUATIC CENTRE

The perfect cool down alternative to the lake is the aquatic centre. Besides the full-size 25 metre pool there is a soaking pool, hot tub, steam room and super circuit fitness area. 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy

ZIPLINING

Experience the thrill of ziplining over the lake and then dropping into the refreshing waters. Swim from shore or jump off the CNR Wharf to the floating dock to begin your ziplining fun! Gellatly Bay Waterfront

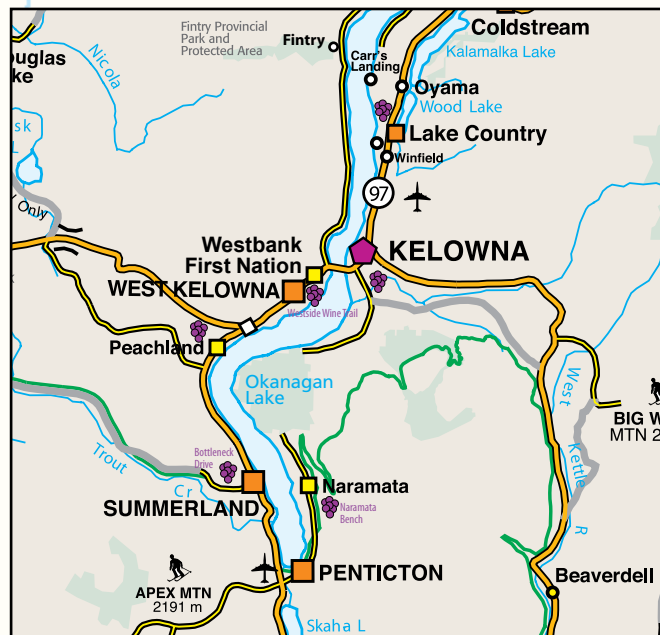


SHANNON LAKE REGIONAL PARK





















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Legend

-  VISITOR CENTRE/
WESTBANK MUSEUM
-  ACCOMMODATION
-  GOLF COURSE
-  WINERY
-  CIDER/BREWERY/DISTILLERY
-  HIKING
-  MOUNTAIN BIKING AREA
-  SWIMMING
-  PICNIC AREA
-  DOG PARK/BEACH
-  BOAT LAUNCH
-  ARENA/SPORT COURT/FIELD
-  SKATEPARK
-  PLAYGROUND
-  TRANSIT
-  GOVERNMENT BUILDING
-  MUSEUM/HERITAGE SITE
-  URGENT CARE CENTRE
- WINE/ALE/FARM ROUTE

Crystal Mountain

Telemark Cross
Country Ski Area

Smith Creek
Mountain Bike Trails

Glen Canyon
Regional Park

Summerview Pl

Smith Creek Rd

Copper Ridge Dr

Wild Horse Dr

Saddleridge Dr

Sageview Dr

Chieftan Rd

Butt Rd

Bering Rd

Solar Rd

Lower Glenrosa Rd

Glenrosa Rd

Paynter Rd

Elliott Rd

Brown Rd

Ingram Rd

Whitworth Rd

Gellatly Rd

Glen Canyon Regional Park

Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park

Goats Peak Regional Park

to Penticton

to Vancouver and Kamloops



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Savour the moment!



HISTORY & HERITAGE



WESTBANK MUSEUM

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Come face to face with stories and artifacts from area founders at the **Westbank Museum** (2376 Dobbin Rd). The museum houses over 6500 artifacts in its collection with displays depicting different moments in Westbank's time.

ALLISON HOUSE

Situated on the grounds of Quails' Gate Winery, the **Allison House**, built in 1873, is the oldest homesite in West Kelowna.

FINTRY

The delta at **Fintry** was named after Captain James Cameron Dun-Water's home in Scotland. He fell in love with the area on one of his journeys and purchased the land in 1908. Today visitors can tour the heritage buildings on-site, including the manor house, octagonal barn and packing house.

GELLATLY NUT FARM

The **Gellatly Nut Farm** (2375 Whitworth Rd) is a regional park and it is currently the oldest working nut farm in BC. The history of the nut farm dates back to 1905 when David Gellatly Jr began testing nuts suitable for cultivation in Canada. Park Open Daily.

GELLATLY HERITAGE PARK

A restored log home and barn as well as a century-old Gellatly family cemetery can be seen at the **Gellatly Heritage Regional Park**. There is also a short interpretive trail and picnic area on site. Park open daily.



Learn more about our history at
www.visitwestside.com/heritage

sncəwips HERITAGE MUSEUM

Visit the sncəwips Heritage Museum, which holds an extensive collection of archaeological artifacts and historical and contemporary art and archives. Professional staff are dedicated to collecting, preserving, restoring, and interpreting archival, art and artifact collections. As a professional heritage organization, sncəwips staff are also committed to the repatriation of syilx artifacts held by other museums.

To book a tour call 778.755.2787 or visit #260 – 525 Highway 97S



try speaking
some nsyilxcen

THE OKANAGAN LANGUAGE

ENGLISH	syilx	PRONUNCIATION
hello	way̓	short 'why'
good bye	way̓	longer 'why', change tone
thank you	limləmt	'leemlimt'
How are you?	ha t'i? kw̓ ʔast	'hatee quwa hast'
mountain	wist	'weest'
lake	tik'wt	'tee kwt'

Okanagan (syilx) Name	ENGLISH NAME	MEANING
skəmxist	black bear	Eldest of the four food chiefs
ntityix	salmon	Main food source
siya?	Saskatoon berry	Used as food & medicinally
mulx	Black cottonwood	Medicinal use and fallen trees used for canoes
sx̣wusəm	soapberry	Used as food & medicinally



WINTER FUN

From action on the ice to the trails on the mountains, tons of winter fun can be found in West Kelowna! The powder filled valleys beckon cross-country skiers and snowshoers to come out to play, while the roar of the crowd in the local arena provides entertainment.

TELEMARK NORDIC CLUB

This 2500 acre site has over 50 km of groomed cross-country skiing trails and an additional 24 km of snowshoeing trails. Your four-legged friend can also join you for a snowshoe on a special 3.3 km K9 trail. The centre offers lessons for all ages and rentals are available at the chalet.

Night skiing takes place seven days per week with trail lights on from dusk to 9pm.

SKATING

Jim Lind Arena is a great place for public skating and offers skate rentals. When the temperatures dip down to double digits, check out **Shannon Lake Regional Park** for outdoor skating.

LIGHT DISPLAYS

Magical light displays can be seen throughout West Kelowna during the month of December with light tunnels, Twinkle Tours and holiday events at the wineries.

TOBOGGANING

When the snow starts to fly everyone wants to know where the best toboggan hills are. The most popular spot to check out is **Hudson Road Elementary** at 1221 Hudson Rd.

WINTER WINE TOURING

Winter is a great time to visit the wineries as the tasting rooms are less crowded. Stop by for a sip and if the weather is just right, you may see icewine being picked.

FAT BIKE

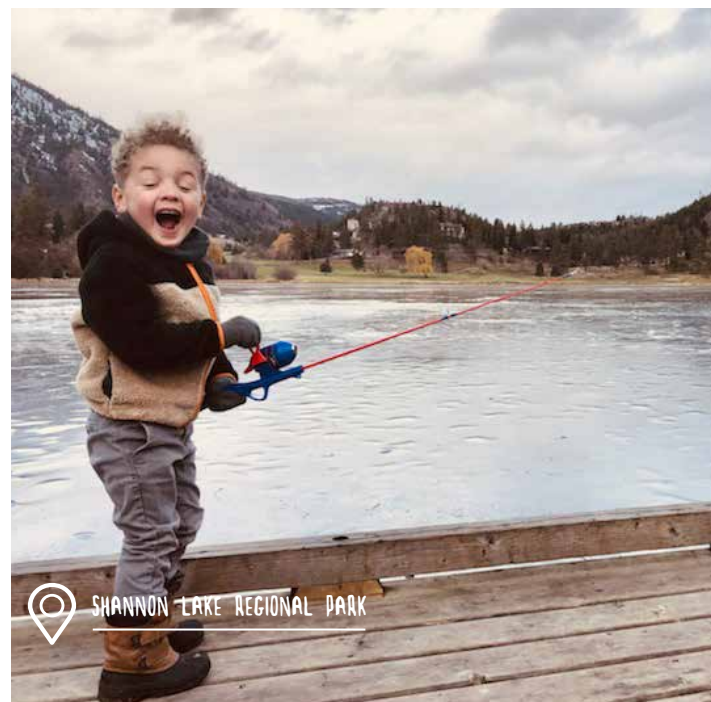
Haul out your Fat Bike or rent one from **Outbound Cycle** and hit the local trails year-round, just be sure to talk to the local bike shop for the best winter trails. 3011 Louie Dr.



TELEMARK NORDIC CLUB



GELLATLY BAY WATERFRONT



SHANNON LAKE REGIONAL PARK

THE ARTS



Did you know that Grizzli Winery has an art gallery that is open to the public? Artists are hand selected to capture the diversity of our nation and the exhibitions are rotated seasonally. 2550 Boucherie Rd

self-guided public art tour

Okanagan Treasure

Artist: Frances Bezeau
Gellatly Nut Farm
2375 Whitworth Rd

Coyote Sculpture

Artist: Smoker Marchand
Hwy 97 & Campbell Rd

Our Westside History (mural)

Artist: Gerry Houghton
Dobbin Rd (Hwy 97)

CNB School Mountie (mural)

Artist: Dean Lauze
2010 Daimler Dr

Medicine Bear

Artist: Smoker Marchand
Hwy 97 & Butt Rd

Lake Serpent

Artist: Clint George
WFN Health & Wellness Centre
1900 Quail Ln

Turtle Island/Four Food Chiefs/Four Elements

Artist: Clint George
sensisyusten House of Learning
1920 Quail Ln

Four Food Chief Medallion

Artist: Janine Lott
WFN Health & Wellness Centre
1900 Quail Ln

Harmonizing Mother Earth

Artist: Graham Pettman
WFN government buildings
201 - 515 Hwy 97S

Hudson's Bay Co. Fur Brigade Cairn

Hwy 97 & Old Okanagan Hwy

Sculpture on Main

Artist: Ken Blackburn
Main St (Hwy 97)

Faces of Youth

Artist: Jock Hildebrand
Dobbin Rd (Hwy 97)

Elk

Artist: Smoker Marchand
Hwy 97 & Butt Rd

Ogopogo

Artist: Smoker Marchand
Okanagan Lake Landing Shopping Centre
525 Hwy 97S

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Indigenous experiences

The Westside is home to Westbank First Nation, a member of the syilx/Okanagan Nation, and this self-governing community has nearly 11,000 residences and 400 businesses. Places to visit for Indigenous experiences include:

- Tasty bites from Kekuli Cafe. Here they serve up bannock, Saskatoon ice tea and Saskatoon berry smoothies.
- Okanagan Select has a tasting room and retail sales of canned wild salmon, frozen salmon as well as other salmon eats.
- Indigenous World Winery, the Okanagan's only Indigenous owned winery, for a tasting.
- sncəwips Heritage Museum for a self-guided museum tour where visitors are educated through a perspective that aims to foster cultural awareness in regards to the syilx nation.
- Spirit of the Lake Native Boutique for Indigenous artisan gifts.

history lovers

Learn about the early settlers of the area and discover which streets and landmarks are named after them or take a walk through the oldest working nut farm in BC.

- Westbank Museum for a self-guided tour and learn about the Gellatly, Paynter and Marr families. Pick up a map and head out to see many of the heritage buildings and parks.
- Gellatly Heritage Regional Park and see the century-old Gellatly family cemetery and short interpretive trail.
- Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park is a century-old working farm that has nut sales take place in the fall with ready picked and u-pick options.
- Fintry Provincial Park where there is a historical manor house and farm buildings. Learn about Captain James C. Dun-Waters and how he made the Fintry delta a garden of Eden back in 1909-1939.

dog friendly places

- Gellatly Bay for the off leash dog beach
- Wild Horse Park or Shannon Woods Park for an enclosed off leash dog park
- Rollingdale, Grizzli, and the hatch wineries
- Cove Lakeside Resort and Best Western Wine Country Plus for pet friendly accommodation



adventure seekers

- ZipZone (outside of Peachland) for a blood pumping rush as you zip along the highest ziplines in North America.
- Safari Ridge Adventure Park for paintball
- Hit some balls at the driving range at Two Eagles Golf Course or hit the links here and at Shannon Lake Golf Course.
- Mountain bike at Smith Creek or Rose Valley or hike on our trails.

rainy day ideas

It is usually sunny here in the Okanagan, but if you are visiting and the rain hits, here are some indoor ideas for all ages.

- Take in some local art at the public library or view the works of local artisans at Blenz Coffee or Grizzly Winery.
- See a movie at our theatre.
- Head to the indoor playcentre Just4Fun, perfect for little ones to burn off some energy.
- Swim at Johnson Bentley Memorial Aquatic Centre and warm up in the hot tub/steam room.
- Get pampered with a spa service or pedicure at one of our day spas.
- Try some local sips at a winery, brewery, distillery or cider house.

organic sips

Spend the afternoon discovering the organic practices of some of our wineries. Wineries that have certified organic vineyards include:

- Beaumont Family Estate Winery
- Kalala Organic Estate Winery
- Mission Hill Family Estate
- Off the Grid Organic Winery
- Rollingdale Winery

photo safari

Why not take a photo safari and discover the beauty of the area through photographs. Some popular places for great captures include:

- Vineyards at Quails' Gate Winery
- Hillsides of Kalamo Regional Park
- Goats at Off the Grid Organic Winery
- Bell Tower at Mission Hill Family Estate
- Vintage truck in front of Little Straw Vineyards
- Old world style at Crown & Thieves

foodies

Check out page 6 for mouthwatering ideas!



STAY & SHOP



THE COVE LAKESIDE RESORT

photo: Shawn Talbot Photography

www.visitwestside.com/stay



After a day of exploration and fun you will want to relax. Now let us help you find your home away from home! We have a wide variety of accommodations to suit your needs. Here you will find hotels as well as waterfront resorts, cottages and charming Bed & Breakfasts.

The majority of our hotels are located right next to a trailhead and minutes from the wineries, with many of our B&B's being within walking distance to the Westside Wine Trail wineries and restaurants. Our highway accommodations are located with convenience and relaxation in mind, with shopping, golf courses and fruit stands within walking distance.

If you love camping and RVing we have private campgrounds within the city boundaries, as well as provincial campgrounds, such as Bear Creek Provincial Park nearby.

Join us for comfort and relaxation. We have a spot just for you!



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Simple and sophisticated or quaint and charming, shopping experiences are around every corner on the Westside. Handcrafted and sustainable items are highly sought after during the weekly summer market and annual festivals. The comforts of home, with nationally recognized stores and independent boutiques, can be found along the Highway 97 shopping corridor.

Experience the locale of the area with a trip to the wine shops where local preserves, cookbooks, art and gifts are available.

Main shopping hub areas include: Westbank Centre, Governor's Landing, Westbank Hub Centre, Snyatan and Okanagan Lake Shopping Centres, all of which are located along Highway 97. If visiting the wineries along Boucherie Road, stop at Lakeview Village for some treats and eats.



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wineries • architecture • wildlife • craft breweries
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Accessible Parks & Beaches

Westbank Centre Park
2569 May St

- Accessible washroom
- Accessible Kids Spray Park
- Accessible playground (Opening 2023)
- Paved ring walking path

Casa Loma Dock Park
2711 Casa Loma Rd

- Accessible picnic area
- Paved pathway and boardwalk

Beechnut Park
2395 George Crt
(Opening Spring 2023)

- Accessible pathway and ramp for access to the beach



CASA LOMA DOCK PARK

SPORTS & RECREATION



WEST KELOWNA SKATE PARK | MEMORIAL PARK

Fun Places to Play	Swimming Pool	Spray Park	Skate Park (s) & Pump Track (p)	Beach Volleyball (v) & Basketball (b)	Sport Court	Pickleball (p) & Tennis (t)	Picnic	Playground
JOHNSON BENTLEY MEMORIAL AQUATIC CENTRE 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy	y							y
WESTBANK CENTRE PARK 2569 May St		y					y	
WFN SPORT COURT 1880 Quail Ln			s, p	b	y			
MEMORIAL PARK 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy			s					
ANDERS PARK 860 Anders Rd				b	y	p, t	y	y
MOUNT BOUCHERIE PICKLEBALL COURTS 1735 Pike Rd						p		
SHANNON LAKE TENNIS COURTS Sandstone Dr						t		
ROTARY BEACH Boucherie Rd							y	
MARINA PARK 4123 Gellatly Rd							y	y
PRITCHARD PARK 1595 Pritchard Dr				v			y	y
SHANNON LAKE REGIONAL PARK 2375 Swite Rd							y	
ROSE MEADOW PARK 1509 Rose Meadow Dr							y	y
WILLOW BEACH 4111 Gellatly Rd				v				



EVENTS



ANNETTE BEAUDREAU AMPHITHEATRE | MEMORIAL PARK

signature events

WESTSIDE DAZE

This summer event is a local favourite. The multiday event has music, vendors, a parade, fireworks and tons of activities! July | Memorial Park, 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The natural backdrop of Okanagan Lake and the Okanagan Highlands provide a breathtaking setting for the outdoor amphitheatre style concerts that take place at Mission Hill Family Estate each summer. Legendary names grace the stage for an evening of music, wine and cuisine.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

This free summer concert series takes place in an outdoor amphitheater style park setting. Each week music lovers can enjoy a different genre of music, including country, pop, and blues. Food and drink vendor services are available as are staff with supervised activities for kids. Friday nights in July & Aug | Memorial Park, 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy

ANNUAL siya? CELEBRATION

Join Westbank First Nation for their annual event that honours the land, resources and achievements of the school children. The event features drumming, dancing and singing! Everyone is welcome! June | Pine Stadium, 1900 Quail Ln

CANADA DAY

Canada Day celebrations are always fun. Show 'n Shine event, live music and a Canada Day cake. July 1 | Memorial Park, 3737 Old Okanagan Hwy

SIP EVENTS

The Westside Wine Trail hosts three signature events each year in February, May, and December. These events are an open invitation to tour and taste at all participating wineries and discover what makes the Westside the best side! Dates and times may vary based on the year.

LIGHT UP

Magical light displays can be seen throughout West Kelowna during the month of December. It all kicks off with the annual Light Up display on Brown Rd where there is music, activities, a visit from Santa and the flipping of the switch. December | Brown Rd





VIEWS FROM MT. BOUCHERIE

distances

Kelowna, BC	12 km	Kamloops, BC	195 km
Summerland, BC	25 km	Vancouver, BC	446 km
Penticton, BC	45 km	Seattle, WA	490 km
Vernon, BC	66 km	Calgary, AB	580 km
Osoyoos, BC	103 km	Edmonton, AB	882 km

West Kelowna and Westbank First Nation are located along Highway 97 on the west side of Okanagan Lake, across the Bennett Bridge from the City of Kelowna. The communities are just a four hour drive from Vancouver and a one hour flight from major centres such as Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton.

VISIT WESTSIDE

west kelowna • westbank first nation



Official Visitor Guide produced by the City of West Kelowna in partnership with Westbank First Nation.

FOR MORE VISITOR/TOURISM INFORMATION:



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c/o Westbank Museum

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The West Kelowna Visitor Centre is part of the Destination BC Visitor Centre Network. It is located along Hwy 97, beside the Westbank Centre core and is housed in the Westbank Museum, so plan on stopping for a little while longer to learn about the local history.



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