EASY PROVINCIAL PARK ROADSIDE PADDLING GRAVEL BOAT LAUNCH

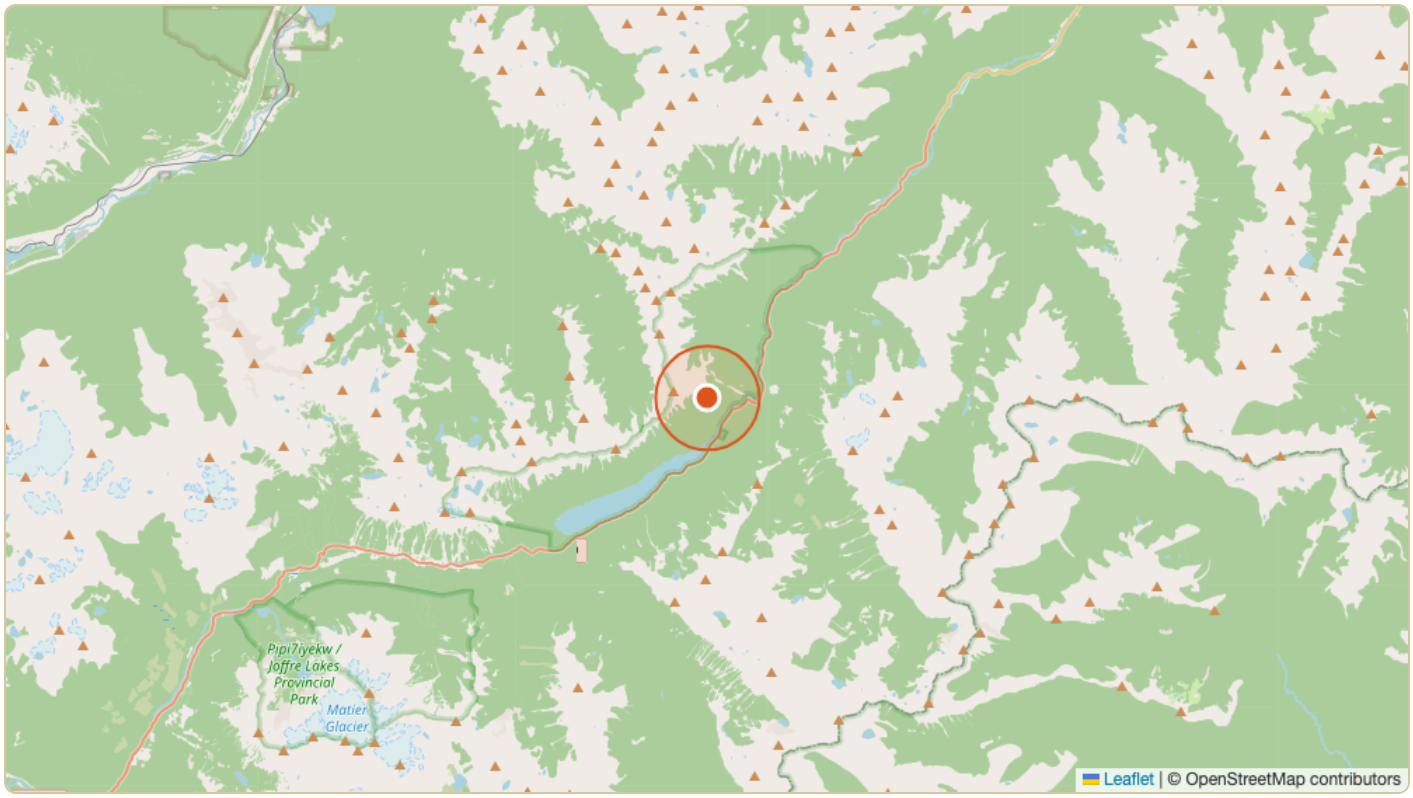
Duffey Lake

A long glacier-cold lake beside Highway 99, 35 km east of Pemberton: paddle it early, before the wind.

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DIFFICULTY	LOCATION	LAUNCH
Easy	**35 km E**	**Rough gravel**
Paddling; no formal trails	Of Pemberton on Hwy 99	BC Parks

WIND	DRINKING WATER	DOGS
Can be strong	**None**	**Leashed**
BC Parks caution	Bring your own	Not on beach areas



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Park	Duffey Lake Provincial Park
Access	Duffey Lake Road (Hwy 99)
Launch	Rough gravel boat launch
Water	None: bring your own
Trails	None formal; backcountry hiking permitted
Dogs	Leashed at all times

Wildlife	Goats, grizzlies, black bears

Overview

Duffey Lake Provincial Park sits on Duffey Lake Road (Highway 99), about 35 km east of Pemberton and roughly midway to Lillooet, about three hours from Vancouver. BC Parks lists a rough gravel boat launch, says canoeing and kayaking are popular, and cautions that wind can be strong on the lake.

BC Parks says there are no formal trails in the park. Backcountry hiking is permitted, and visitors should follow Leave No Trace ethics.

Gravel launch · Strong wind · Grizzly country · No drinking water

Getting there & facilities

Highway 99 On Duffey Lake Road about 35 km east of Pemberton, roughly halfway to Lillooet.

Launch BC Parks lists a rough gravel boat launch. It does not list camping, fees or other facilities.

Water Potable water is not available. Bring your own drinking water.

Rules & safety

Wind BC Parks advises caution because wind can be strong on the lake. Launch early and stay near shore.

Dogs Pets must be leashed at all times, are not allowed in beach areas or park buildings, and owners must clean up after them.

Wildlife Mountain goats, grizzly bears and black bears are among the park's wildlife. Review BC Parks' wildlife safety guide.

No formal trails Backcountry hiking is permitted without formal trails. Carry navigation and follow Leave No Trace.

Questions

Where is Duffey Lake?
BC Parks says it is on Duffey Lake Road (Highway 99), about 35 km east of Pemberton and roughly midway to Lillooet.

Is there a boat launch?
Yes, a rough gravel boat launch, according to BC Parks.

Are there trails?
BC Parks says there are no formal trails. Backcountry hiking is permitted.

Is there drinking water?
No. Bring your own.

Safety checklist

Tell someone your plan Leave your route, group size and expected return time with someone you trust, and check in when you are back. BC AdventureSmart (adventuresmart.ca) has a free trip-plan form.

Check conditions the same day Look at the weather, road and trail conditions, closures and (in snow season) the avalanche forecast on the day you go, not last week. Use the land manager's page for this guide.

Set a turnaround time Pick a time to turn back whatever happens, start early, and carry a headlamp. Most trips go wrong in the last hours of the day.

Carry the essentials Water, food, navigation (map and offline GPS), light, first aid, extra layers, sun protection, a whistle and fire or shelter. A phone alone is not a plan.

Emergencies Call 911. Cell coverage is unreliable or absent in much of the Sea to Sky backcountry, so consider a satellite messenger and know your location.

Water and wildlife Wear a life jacket on the water: cold water can disable you in minutes. Carry bear spray where bears are present, keep food secured and give wildlife space.

Sources & disclaimer

This guide draws on BC Parks: Duffey Lake Park.

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