

**REMEMBER!** Fishing regulations are designed to keep our systems healthy, so check which ones apply where you go. You can pick up a license online or at one of our local retailers.  
[www.fishing.gov.bc.ca](http://www.fishing.gov.bc.ca)

## VISITING SHUSWAP MARINE PARK



**KIDS DON'T FLOAT BUT PFDs DO!**

Shuswap Marine Park is comprised of 23 sites located around the perimeter of Shuswap Lake. All locations are destinations for fishing and water sports; hiking and nature study are also popular at some areas, some are road accessible, but most are water-access only. Facilities at the sites vary from nothing to 3 or 4 wilderness tenting sites with a pit toilet. Anglers take note: Shuswap Lake contains 19 species of fish!

Shuswap Lake is shaped like an H, and is made up of four large arms: the Shuswap Lake Main Arm, Seymour Arm, Anstey Arm, and Salmon Arm. The lake is a result of ancient glacial scouring that also rounded the surrounding Shuswap Highlands. All four arms converge at Cinnemousun Narrows, northeast of Sicamous. Camping permits and fishing permits are required in advance.

[www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/fees](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/fees)

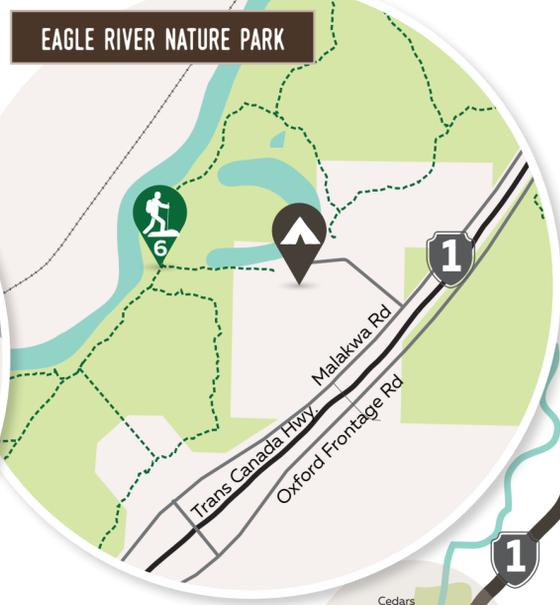
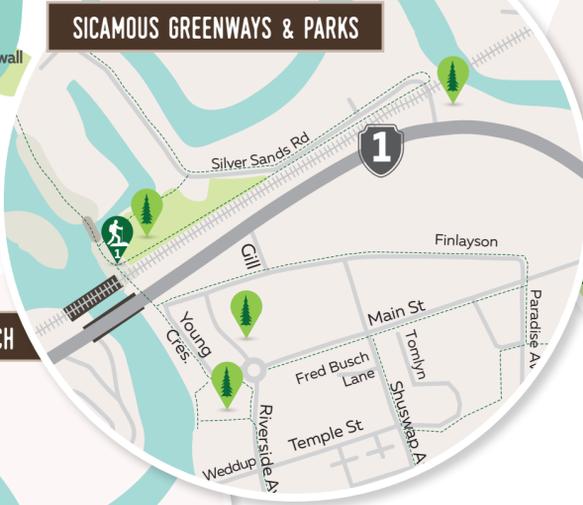
- SICAMOUS**
- Old Town Bay Boat Launch
  - Finlayson Street Boat Launch and Docks
- SWANSEAPoint**
- Oxford Road Lake Access

## FAVOURITE SICAMOUS AREA BEACHES

- SICAMOUS BEACH PARK**  
**Sicamous:** located at the west end of Finlayson Street. This park offers a safe swim area, children's water splash park, playground, volleyball nets, picnic tables, benches and public washrooms. There is lots of grass to spread out and enjoy the day.
- CARTIER BEACH**  
**Mara Lake Two Mile:** Located at the end of Tecumseh Avenue in the Two Mile subdivision. A quiet beach that highlights amazing sunsets, a lighthouse and Hyde Mountain Golf Course.
- TWO MILE BEACH**  
**Mara Lake Two Mile:** Located at the end of Cartier Road in the Two Mile subdivision.
- MARA PROVINCIAL PARK**  
**Hwy. 97A, Mara:** A popular day-use area for fishing, swimming, boating and picnic area. Lots of parking.
- MARBLE POINT PROVINCIAL PARK**  
**Shuswap Lake Marine Park:** Beautiful beach accessible only by boat. Spectacular sunset views and a short hiking trail.

## SICAMOUS & MARA LAKE PUBLIC BOAT LAUNCHES

- SICAMOUS CHANNEL**  
 A - Finlayson Street Boat Launch & Docks  
 B - Kappel Street Boat Launch  
 C - Main Street Landing Dock  
 D - Martin Street Boat Launch  
 E - Mervyn Road Boat Launch  
 F - Weddup Street Boat Launch
- OLD TOWN BAY**  
**200 Old Town Rd West, Sicamous** - Boat launch in Sicamous, limited free daily parking and washrooms.
- WINDSOR ROAD**  
**8959 Swanshore Rd, Swansea Point** - Lake access park in Swansea Point. Bike rack, parking, beach and picnic tables. No public washrooms.
- MARA PROVINCIAL PARK**  
**Hwy 97A**



## MUST TRY LOCAL HIKING & BIKING TRAILS

- SICAMOUS GREENWAYS:**  
 Explore trails out to Old Town Bay & the Eagle River estuary, walk the beach back over the foot bridge, follow designated walk/bike routes throughout town.
  - LARCH HILLS TRAVERSE:**  
 An epic 40 kilometre highland cross-country romp through the forests linking the communities of Sicamous & Salmon Arm. The Sicamous Switchbacks are a hike/rideable uphill grade averaging 10%. Head west on Hwy 1 across the Bruhn Bridge for 1km turn south (left) off the highway. Follow the dirt road 400 meters, to the obvious trailhead sign on the right.
  - OLD SICAMOUS HIGHWAY:**  
 Easy level trail follows the old, historic highway for approx. 6 km, until it meets Hwy 1 (trail end). Cool shade, excellent views of Shuswap Lake, wildflowers, and birds. Return the way you came.
  - RIVERFRONT NATURE PARK:** Several kms of easy trails near the mouth of the Eagle River. River and Shuswap Lake views, giant cottonwood trees, and wildlife.
  - SICAMOUS CREEK FALLS:**  
 The scenic path slopes down to the base of the falls on the south side of the parking area. Another trail drops to the creek off the west side of the parking area.
  - EAGLE RIVER NATURE PARK:** Explore the old growth cedar and hemlock forest along the Eagle River. Look for Salmon running up Yard Creek at the east end of the trails in September.
  - SICAMOUS LOOKOUT:** Not really a trail, but a hang gliding ramp with outstanding views of the Sicamous Channel, Shuswap Lake, and Mara Lake. The lookout is 6.2kms up the #1800 Forest Service Rd (off Cambie-Solsqua) and another 1.6km on #1800-300 Rd.
- WARNING!** Stay away from the ramp edge & watch for active logging traffic on the roads.

## STORMY WEATHER STAY SAFE ON THE LAKE

Visit one of our watercraft rental companies and complete your Rental Boat Safety Checklist & training to get out onto the beautiful Shuswap Lake. As a boat operator in Canada you are legally responsible for equipping yourself, your passengers and your boat with the right equipment. You are also responsible for operating your boat in a safe and courteous manner and for ensuring the safety of your passengers and other boaters on the water.

Larger vessels have the right of way. Houseboats move slowly and take a long time to change course.

Shuswap Lake is large and conditions can change without warning. Be mindful of changing weather conditions - storms can blow in quickly. If a storm is approaching, get off the water. If you get caught in bad weather, you will need advanced operating skills in order to return to a dock safely.

## CLEAN + DRAIN + DRY YOUR BOAT



**#DON'T MOVE A MUSSEL**

[shuswapwater.ca](http://shuswapwater.ca)

### BRINGING A WATERCRAFT TO BC?

To avoid accidentally introducing invasive Zebra and Quagga mussels to the Shuswap you must:

- Clean, Drain, Dry.**  
**Clean** ALL watercraft, trailers and equipment including waders and fishing gear.  
**Drain** all compartments and items holding water (such as bilge, wells and buckets) onto dry land.  
**Dry** all items completely before launching into another body of water.
- STOP at Watercraft Inspection Stations as you pass them in your travels.**  
 All types of watercraft must stop for inspection.

