Kootenay Lake, featured in the Great Canadian Lakes series, lies in the Central Kootenay Region of British Columbia at 530 metres (1736') above sea level. The valley is sheltered by the Selkirk Mountain range to the west and the Purcell range to the east.

Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce
British Columbia, Canada
www.kootenaylake.bc.ca
By road, Kootenay Lake is a seven hour drive west of Calgary, Alberta, four hours north of Spokane, Washington or 9-10 hours east of Vancouver. The city of Nelson is located across the ferry at the end of the west arm and the town of Creston is just 20 minutes from the south tip of the lake. The time literally never changes so in winter we are the same as Mountain Time and in the summer the same as the Pacific Time Zone.

The lake is 145 km (90 miles) long, and up to 152 metres (500’) deep with an average width of 4 km. (2.5 miles) The water is pure enough to drink and provides a home for Kokanee salmon, huge sturgeon and trout – including the world’s largest species of rainbow. Approximately half of the lake shore is accessible by road. Kootenay Lake is fed by numerous creeks and its rocky shores encompass hundreds of tiny bays and beaches, intriguing to explore by kayak or canoe. Peaks ranging from 2100 – 2750 metres (7,000’ – 9,000’) dominate the terrain. Settlements are strung along a thin band where the roads follow the lake shore and wilderness is always close at hand. A favourite local pasttime is to tell tales of encounters with the abundant wildlife, including deer, elk, bears, cougars, lynx, wild turkeys, bald eagles, osprey and pileated woodpeckers. Wetlands at both ends of the lake and at Crawford Bay include the 7,000 hectare Creston Wildlife Management Area. There are over 265 species of migrating and nesting birds – even wild swans and pelicans.

He Ktunaxa and Sinixt people have hunted, fished and gathered in this valley for thousands of years. These resourceful people left few traces; however petroglyphs can be seen from the water in a few locations and arrowheads and other artifacts indicate favourite camping grounds. The Ktunaxa still live in the Creston valley and elders occasionally share at our school and at Tipi Camp on Pilot Peninsula.

Explorer David Thompson was the first non-native to describe the valley in 1808 but it wasn’t until the 1880’s that the area began to be explored by Europeans and Americans – prospectors and miners drawn by the lure of silver and gold. Enormously rich silver strikes brought waves of men and women seeking fortune, and they were followed by fruit farmers. The stern-wheel steamers and railways connected communities. There are signs of this frontier history wherever you go in the Kootenays from sunken ships and wooden power wheels to miner’s prospect tunnels.
DISCOVER

The settlers on the east shore of Kootenay Lake were originally served by paddle wheeler. Highway 3A was completed in the 1950's and these social centres began to blend together in what our local monthly paper calls The East Shore Mainstreet, our 80 km long community. See www.mainstreet.eshore.ca

The East Shore ranges from the bright lights of the village of Riondel north of the ferry landing, south through small rural hamlets that occupy 20 km stretches along the highway to Wynndel, just south of the main lake. Historic community halls serve the region’s recreational and social needs.

Kootenay Bay

The eastern terminus of the Kootenay Lake Ferry, this tiny community stretches down Pilot Point south of the Ferry Landing. Just north, find the Yasodhara Ashram which draws yoga enthusiasts from around the world.

Riondel

The village began in 1882 with the staking of the famous Bluebell mining claim – an intriguing tale of claim-jumping and murder. Since the mine's closure in 1971, recreation and retirement have become Riondel’s mainstays. Today it is a tidy hamlet with pebbly beaches, a 9-hole golf course and lakeshore campground with a spectacular view north towards Mount Loki. www.riondel.ca

THE EAST SHORE

Crawford Bay

Originally homesteads with orchards and hayfields, Kokanee Springs Golf Resort now occupies most of the green floodplain of Crawford Creek. The sandy beach is gradual enough for small children to play safely under parental supervision. Visitors love to tour the unique Artisans. Services include a Health Care Centre, the Nelson & District Credit Union and the new Crawford Bay Elementary Secondary School built with high environmental standards. The community park hosts Sunday markets, regular soccer and the Starbelly Jam Music festival in July.

Gray Creek

Originally where the paddle wheeler loaded passengers for Nelson and points west, this was the only route connecting western British Columbia with the rest of Canada for many years. The pilings are still visible at the historic Gray Creek Store. The Gray Creek Historical Society booklet with self guided tour information is free at both stores. Keep an eye out for the old wooden water wheel. This is the western end of the summer use only Gray Creek Pass forestry road to Kimberley, also a portion of the Trans Canada Trail.

Boswell and Kuskonook

Highway 3A winds through these scenic communities, locally considered the banana belt for their warmer winter temperatures. The highway here provides dramatic views of the lake and towering mountains. The communities offer public beaches and picnic areas, unique roadside attractions and art galleries.

Wynndel

Just south of shallow Duck Lake, Wynndel is home to a unique lumber mill, an Art Gallery and is the beginning of farm country.

New Crawford Bay Elementary Secondary School
**Winter Activities**

**Kootenay Lake Never Freezes, Moderating**

and moistening the climate. The heavy mountain snowpack invites winter travellers to visit. Skiers, snow shoe enthusiasts and snowmobile groups enjoy uncrowded scenic outings. Gain easy access to deep snow at forest roads up Akokli Creek, Sanca Creek, Gray Creek Pass, Crawford Creek and north of Riondel. There is a track set for skiers around Kokanee Springs Golf course, spectacular on a sunny day. Winter fishing is excellent.

For overnight winter visitors, check the Chamber of Commerce website for information on accommodations that are available year round.

**HOT SPRINGS**

Kootenay Lake is part of the Hot Springs Circle tour. Ainsworth Hot Springs, with its unique cave is just north of Balfour.

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**Fishing**

**Kootenay Lake is World Renowned**

For good fishing in pure waters. The East Shore offers exciting fishing adventures including excellent guides. Some of the world’s largest Dolly Varden Bull trout and Gerrard Rainbow trout live here. These trout are known to exceed 29 pounds and are among the tastiest fish you can eat. The most productive season for trout is from mid-September to the end of May. During the summer months, the abundance of Kokanee Salmon will delight your fishing experience and taste buds. Kootenay Lake also offers some excellent fly fishing, particularly in the spring.

Duck Lake, a smaller and much shallower lake located just south of Kootenay Lake produces perch and bass, the latter up to 10 pounds. It is also a great location for ice fishing during the winter months. Power boats are not allowed on Duck Lake.

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Record Rainbow is 35 3/4 lbs, caught in Riondel.
BOATING
KOOTENAY LAKE IS A JOY TO EXPLORE
by boat, whether it is a kayak, canoe, sailboat or power boat. The shore line is dotted with beautiful little bays and beaches, ideal to relax in, explore, enjoy a picnic or even stay overnight away from civilization. The wind can be strong enough for an invigorating sail, while it is often calmer closer to shore. Along the lake there are many places you can park close enough to the water to launch your craft including public and private boat launches.

GOLFING
Kokanee Springs Golf Course is renowned for its challenging yet peaceful atmosphere abundant with wildlife, natural forest and historic fruit trees left from pioneer farms. The course has elevated tees and greens, 66 sand traps and water hazards challenging 12 of its 18 holes.

For another treat, try the Riondel community golf course. This immaculate 9 hole course is great for families, tuning up your short game or for days you don’t have time for a full 18. Enthusiasts can continue the indulgences at nearby courses in Balfour, Nelson and Creston.

MOTORCYCLING
RIDE CANADA’S #1 ROAD.
(Destination Highways) There are 300 corners between ferry and Creston with spectacular scenery. A breathtaking roller coaster on any motorcycle. No space for extras? Local artisans ship.

HIKING
THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE vigorous hiker as well as for families. Up in the mountains is where you will get a real taste of Kootenay wilderness and perhaps our delicious huckleberries as well.
Pebble Beach Trail
2-3 hours return
This moderately steep trail is located about 7 km north of Riondel on the forest service road. Watch for the wooden trail sign on the lake side. The trail switchbacks down to a lovely pebbled cove, ideal for a swim and picnic. Remember that the hike back is all uphill.

Pilot Bay Lighthouse Trail
1/2 to 1 hour return - accessible for children and seniors
This short trail leads to an historic lighthouse built in 1904. Turn south on Pilot Bay Road from the Kootenay Bay ferry landing. At 4.5 km there’s a small trail sign and parking area. It is an easy 10 – 15 minute walk on a broad trail up through mossy forest leading to expansive views of the lake from the lighthouse. There is also a picnic table and outhouse for your convenience.

Pilot Bay Trail
2 hours return or all day
This popular trail offers land access to Pilot Bay Marine Park, with campsites, picnic tables, fire pits and outhouses. Drive south on Pilot Bay road from the ferry landing at Kootenay Bay. At 3 km watch for the Pilot Bay Park sign; turn left and park. In the first ten minutes the trail climbs by granite cliffs and huge scented pines, then descends through cool forests. Take the fork to the right about five minutes past the second wooden bridge to reach the campsite. If you wish to continue towards the end of the peninsula, a full day’s hike, keep left to find a pebbled beach with a huge south view down the lake and the lakeshore trail that leads to Tipi Camp and beyond.

Lockhart Creek Trail
A short hike as far as you wish or up to 2 days return to Baker Lake
Lockhart Provincial Park offers forested campsites, picnic tables, a sandy beach and a trail up into the Purcell Range. About two hours up the north side of the creek brings you to a magnificent grove of old growth trees. The trail continues for 15 km mostly through forest to the ridge line at 7,000 feet before dropping to Baker Lake.

There are many more hikes outlined in “Where the Locals Hike in the West Kootenay”, available locally.
**East Shore Kootenay Lake**

**RIONDEL**

1. **ACCOMMODATION/GUIDING**
   **SHADOW MOUNTAIN OUTFITTERS & CABIN**
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**KOOTENAY BAY**

3. **YOGA & RETREAT**
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   Browse our bookstore for world music, metaphysical books, jewellery, shawls and more. Open daily from 9:30 to 6:00. All are welcome to visit our grounds and Temple. For Retreat and Course schedule visit our website.
   Ph. 1-800-661-8711 www.yasodhara.org

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   Sunny motel rooms with satellite TV, wireless internet, fridge, coffee maker and hair dryer. Swiss-Italian fine dining, wood-fired oven pizza, homemade desserts and ice cream. Fully furnished cabins.
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5. **ACCOMMODATION, CAMPING & MARINA - ART**
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**ARTISANS OF CRAWFORD BAY**

10. **NORTH WOVEN BROOM**
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   Toll free 1-866-471-1117 or local 250-227-9245
   www.northwovenbroom.com

11. **BAREFOOT HANDWEAVING STUDIO/GALLERY**
   Try on unusual shawls while listening to the rhythm of bare feet treadling on traditional wooden hand looms. This straw bale studio/gallery offers a serious colour fix and hand-woven products from bags to blankets, plus Ted Wallace Art. Open every day April – October Winter hours vary, call ahead.
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12. **BREATHELESS GLASS**
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   fastglass@theeastshore.net mchantal@theeastshore.net

13. **KOOTENAY FORGE/FIREWORKS**
   Watch our blacksmiths forge hot iron! See our beautifully crafted ironwork in our gallery, along with FireWorks Copper and Glass enameled creations. Mid April to mid October, 7 days a week. Winter hours vary, please call ahead.
   Toll free 877-461-9466 Local 250-227-9467
   www.kootenayforge.com

14. **RESTAURANT/PUB**
   **JUNCTION CREEK HUB**
   The Junction Creek Hub is a Coffee shop and meeting space; providing coffee, espresso, baked goods and an increasing variety of Hub-made food, including pizza. The Hub is also a lounge by night; providing games, DVD rentals and quality live entertainment.
   Ph. 250-227-9339 thehub@live.ca
CRAWFORD BAY

6 INTERNET
East Shore Internet Society
We are Central Kootenay Lake’s not-for-profit community Internet Service Provider. We deliver no-contract non-line-of-sight wireless high speed Internet access to virtually all locations from Woodbury to Sanca. Serving residents and seasonal visitors for over five years.

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7 GOLF, ACCOMMODATION & RESTAURANT
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One of Canada’s finest championship 18 hole golf resorts in a magnificent mountain setting. On site accommodations include the new fully serviced Big Bend Cottages and ridge side Villas of Kokanee, as well as the original Lodges of Kokanee. Restaurant and Patio, Lounge, full service Pro Shop and driving Range. Affordability and Comfort in a true resort setting. Golf Packages available from Mid April through Mid October.

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8 ACCOMMODATION
Crawford Creek Cabins
Let country roads take you home to Crawford Creek Cabins! Located near the entrance to Kokanee Springs Golf Course in Crawford Bay. New large fully equipped light housekeeping cabins, sleeping 4-8. Children under 12 free. Come, relax, and enjoy your stay!

Ph. 250-227-6988 www.crawford creek cabins.ca

9 ACCOMMODATION & ARTISAN
Deer Ridge Bed & Breakfast and Pottery
Located in the heart of the Artisan Community of Crawford Bay, on Hwy 3A. We have four lovely guest rooms with private baths. Whether your stay is just a day or longer, enjoy the country atmosphere and great hospitality.

Ph. 250-227-9077 www.crawford bay.net

10 RESTAURANT
Black Salt Café
In the midst of all the artisan activity, this restaurant offers eclectic dinner and lunch menus, a finely tuned wine and beer list, a luscious and lavish dessert selection (all day), and the best espresso drinks around. Great patio, Kootenay friendly.

Ph. 250-227-9596 www.blacksaltcafe.net

11 GROCERY
Crawford Bay Market
A friendly country store with a difference. Open 7 days a week, featuring the big store groceries including fresh produce, meats, cheeses and organic products, all with small town flair, and topped off with a full deli, large liquor outlet and gasoline.

Ph. 250-227-9322

12 SERVICES
Eastshore Community Branch Nelson & District Credit Union
Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am to 4:30pm, Saturday 9am to 12:30pm. 24 hour Automated Banking Machine. Crawford Bay.

Ph. 250-227-9221 Fax: 250-227-9533 www.nelsoncu.com

13 ACCOMMODATION & CAMPING
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A historic English country house on 50 park-like acres. Six enticing rooms with private baths and two self sufficient cabins. Exquisite décor, delicious breakfasts, afternoon tea. Lounge in our cozy library, in front of the fireplaces, or on the porch. Close to beach, golf, hiking, and artisan shops.

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17 RESTAURANT
Rockwood Café

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EMERGENCY SERVICES: 911
Nearest Hospital: Creston: (250) 428-2286
Nelson: Kootenay Lake Hospital: 250-352-3111
Kootenay Lake Ferry Information: (250) 229-4215
Highway Information: 1-800-550-4997
Forest Fire Reporting: 1-800-663-5555
EXPLORE - the Gray Creek Pass forestry road to Kimberley.

Take a picnic.

This 85 km scenic gravel road, open from July to October, turns off Highway 3A at Gray Creek. Take Oliver Road, 200 hundred meters north of Gray Creek Bridge. Cross the bridge on your right at the first junction and stay on the main road heading up hill. The Gray Creek forest service road (Highway 44) begins with a left turn off a sweeping right-hand corner. It is 1.3 km from the highway - look for a stop sign on the left and road advisory signs on your right.

This is not a short cut to Kimberley, though the mileage is less than the Highway 3A route. In the first 15 km you will climb 1500 m to the summit at 2028 m. This route has continuous corners and grades up to 14 percent. Please read the warning signs. There are no services on this road and it is not recommended for low clearance vehicles. Travel prepared, take your time – and your camera!
We have four lovely guest rooms with private baths. Whether your stay is for business or leisure, we will make your stay as comfortable as possible. Come, relax, and enjoy your stay!

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Try on unusual shawls while listening to the rhythm of the drum. Walk in the park and find yourself unwilling to leave any discovery uncharted, any treasure overlooked… and suddenly an hour or more has gone by… and still there's more to see!

If you want to step back in time, enjoy history, need info about the Gray Creek forest fire of 1983, or simply want to find out about the Gray Creek community from 1898 to present. Stop by, have a cup of tea and learn about the Gray Creek history. Gray Creek History Days, located in the old log barn. Open 9 to 5 seven days a week, April 1 to Canadian Thanksgiving in October.

If you want to take in the annual flower show in mid-September. Enjoy a bake sale, plant sale, group photo and don’t forget to take in the annual flower show in mid-September.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

CRAWFORD BAY SUNDAY MARKET
Every Sunday in July and August there is a market in the Crawford Bay park. Vendors offer everything from locally grown vegetables to baking, crafts and exotic imports.

CANADA DAY
Join us at the Crawford Bay Park on July 1st for family fun, children’s races and games and food at old fashioned prices. In the afternoon, take in the annual flower show in Boswell. See awesome fireworks at Crawford Bay beach at dusk.

STARBELLY JAM
The East Shore’s eclectic family music festival takes place on the third weekend of July in the Crawford Bay Park. Musicians from near and far, covering many musical genres, treat music lovers for two days plus. Add children’s entertainment, food and craft booths, and you have one of the cultural highlights of the year! www.starbellyjam.org

GRAY CREEK HISTORY DAYS
Later in July the 1912 log Gray Creek Hall is packed with displays that explore the history of our community from 1898 to present. Stop by, have a cup of tea and learn about early life in a Kootenay Lake sternwheeler outpost.

Email for details: gchistory@theeastshore.net

RIONDEL DAZE
Join in as Riondel celebrates the August long weekend (BC day) with ball games, pancake breakfasts, children’s events, a dance and more.

FALL FAIR
The oldest continuous Fair in BC celebrated it’s 100th birthday in 2011. Hosted by local Food Roots group, this annual event takes place at the Crawford Bay Hall in mid-September. Enjoy a bake sale, afternoon tea, inviting displays of flowers, produce, crafts, art, photography, baking and preserves as well as interactive, educational booths. Lots for the children to do. Watch for the scarecrow logo!

GRAY CREEK SAILING REGATTA
The south end of Crawford Bay is filled with colourful sails Saturday and Sunday of Labor Day weekend, the first weekend in September.

CRESTON VALLEY AND EASTSHORE ARTWALK
A self guided tour of artists’ studios and supporting venues stretching from the Creston Valley and along Kootenay Lake’s East Shore all the way to Riondel. Meet established artists/artisans in their studio galleries and see work by emerging artists from mid June to Labour Day. Sponsored by Artlink.

WYNNDDEL

22 GENERAL STORE
THE HISTORIC GRAY CREEK GENERAL STORE
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CRESTON

32 WILDLIFE INTERPRETATION CENTRE
CRESTON VALLEY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
“Close to 400 species of wildlife call these wetlands home” Stop in at the Wildlife Interpretation Centre located 11 kms west of Creston off Hwy 3. Naturalists are available to offer guided canoe tours and special programs and events. Check out the gallery of exhibits, science lab, gift shop, covered picnic area and much more. Explore many kms of flat topo trails and 2 viewing towers. Open May and June (Tues – Sat); July and August (7 days a week); September – Thanksgiving weekend (Tues – Sat); 9 am to 4 pm
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**Kootenay Lake Sustainable Boating Society**

**www.klsb.org**

check website for boater forum and services

**Daily Happenings**

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