

The Route

The Powell Forest Canoe Route is a 57 km, 8 lake, 5 portage journey that takes roughly 5 days. Portages range from 0.7 km - 2.8 km, and paddling stretches from 1 km - 28.5 km. The best time to travel the route is from June - October.

If you're not up for the full 5 days of canoeing and portaging, you can get a ride to Windsor Lake and descend back down to Lois Lake (~3 days) or get a head start from any point along the Goat Lake Main and take the usual route. Or, you can start at the beginning and canoe to Khartoum Lake (2 days). Whichever route you choose, we strongly recommend not starting from the Shinglemill end as the Windsor/Goat portage is extremely steep in this direction.

Conditions

Campsites along the route have picnic tables, outhouses, fire pits, and occasionally firewood (please follow fire ban regulations). Paddling is on flat water, and portage paths are clear and have frequent rest stops, but are not wide enough for boat carts.

Access & Safety

All lakes on the canoe route are logging-road accessible. Please note that logging roads are only open for public use on the weekends and after 6 pm during the week.

Mitchell's can provide transportation to and from various locations along the canoe route, including unscheduled emergency pickup. They can also provide all the equipment you need for your trip and let you know what the route's current conditions are.

Information Contact

Mitchell's Canoe, Kayak, and Snowshoe Rentals and Sales

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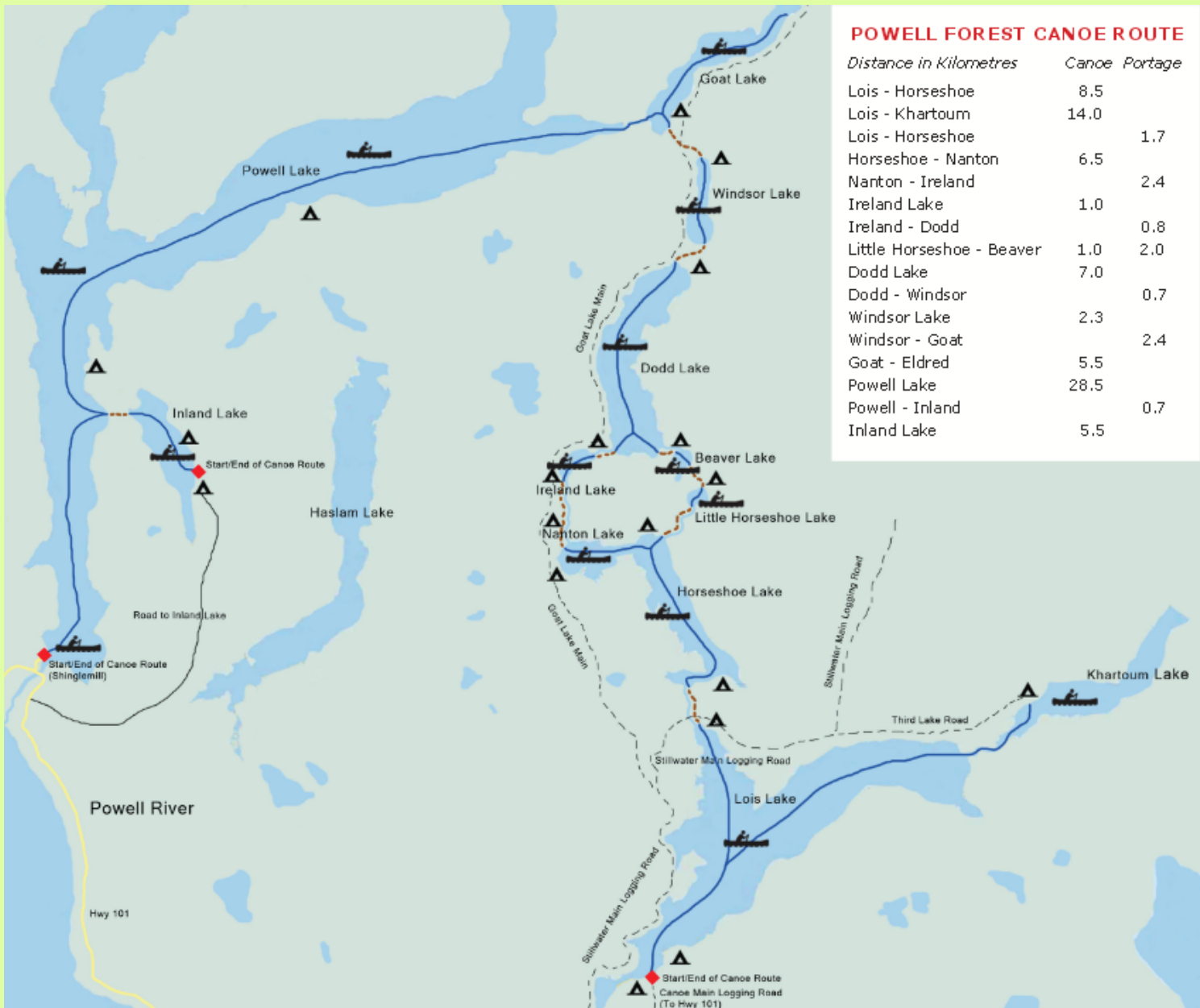


Goat Lake, part of the Canoe Route

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POWELL FOREST CANOE ROUTE

Distance in Kilometres	Canoe	Portage
Lois - Horseshoe	8.5	
Lois - Khartoum	14.0	
Lois - Horseshoe		1.7
Horseshoe - Nanton	6.5	
Nanton - Ireland		2.4
Ireland Lake	1.0	
Ireland - Dodd		0.8
Little Horseshoe - Beaver	1.0	2.0
Dodd Lake	7.0	
Dodd - Windsor		0.7
Windsor Lake	2.3	
Windsor - Goat		2.4
Goat - Eldred	5.5	
Powell Lake	28.5	
Powell - Inland		0.7
Inland Lake	5.5	

TABLE OF FACILITIES

T = Toilets P = Picnic Tables
L = Litter Barrels

Lois Lake	T,P,L
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Khartoum Lake	T,P,L
Horseshoe River	T,P
Horseshoe Lake	T,P
Little Horseshoe Creek	T,P,L
Nanton Lake	T,P
Nanton-Ireland South	T,P
Middle Point	T,P
Nanton-Ireland North	T,P
Dodd Lake	T,P,L
Beaver Lake	T,P
North Dodd	T,P
Windsor Lake	T,P
Windsor Portage	L
Goat Lake	T,P
Powell Lake	T,P
Lower Powell Lake	T,P
Anthony Island	T,P
Inland Lake	T,P,L

GETTING THERE

Once you're off the ferry at SALTERY BAY, drive north for approximately 10 km; you'll see the entrance sign on the right side of the road across the highway from Loubert Road (entrance to the community of Stillwater). After turning right, drive up the hill and approximately 5 km in, you'll be at the start of the Route, Lois Lake Campsite. It is not recommended to start from the north end of the route due to the steep grade along the Windsor-Goat portage.



Welcome to the Powell Forest Canoe Route!

The Powell Forest Canoe Route is one of the finest canoe journeys in the province. Expect enrapturing visuals: soaring coastal mountains laden with cedar, fir, and spruce trees overlook fjord-like waters, and wildlife sightings, from bald eagles to black bears,

are always possible. The route has a logging history dating from the early 1920s, and now serves as a good example of integrated forest management. Remote, stunning, and adaptable to different abilities, the Powell Forest Canoe Route is the epitome of West Coast adventure and a superb choice for outdoor enthusiasts who find themselves in the Powell River area.

