



Visitor Guide



LAKES & RIVERS

Our rivers and area lakes are plentiful for exploring by boat, canoe, kayak, or paddleboard. When we say we have world class fishing in our backyard, we mean it – Quesnel is an angler's paradise. Access Dragon Lake within city limits or Ten Mile Lake for a day at the beach. On a hot summer day visit Cottonwood River, which has many access points and swimming holes.

An hour's drive east of Quesnel you'll find Bowron Lake Provincial Park. This world-renowned canoe and kayak destination has a naturally-occurring nearly perfect rectangle circuit for adventure seekers to explore and conquer over a multi-day excursion.



TRAILS FOR DAYS

Whether you're looking for a place to stretch your legs right downtown, a challenging hill climb on your mountain bike or cross-country ski and snowshoe trails, we have trails in and around city limits that are well maintained and ready to welcome you. For a full list of trails stop by the Quesnel Visitor Centre or visit us online.



Places to stay

Quesnel has a number of comfortable and affordable places to stay while you are visiting. We have full service hotels with great food options and pools, as well as plenty of bed and breakfasts and affordable motels to fit anyone's budget.

CAMPING & RV

No matter your style of camping, you'll find it here, in Quesnel. Enjoy campsites steps away from Dragon Lake or Ten Mile Lake, or park your RV or trailer at a site within city limits and explore our downtown on foot.

Visit tourismquesnel.com/stay for a full list of the accommodations we have to offer.





GREENS & COURTS

Hit a bucket of balls or play a round at one, or all, of our three golf courses. Or, trade your clubs for a racket or paddle and head to the tennis and pickleball courts in West Fraser Timber Park.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

From black diamond to green and blue trails, you'll find trails for all ages and abilities in Quesnel. South Quesnel Park and the Adventure Skills Bike Park have pump tracks for beginners and for those wanting to fine-tune their riding skills. Visit tourismquesnel.com/mountain-biking.



PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

Our parks and playgrounds are located throughout the city boasting new structures and loads of green space to run and play. West Fraser Timber Park is our most diverse with amenities to suit all ages and interests.



Arts, culture, history

Not only is Quesnel naturally beautiful, it has a deep history that is reflected in the arts, culture, and historic scene of today, with antique shops, art galleries, the newly renovated museum, historic sites and music and art venues to showcase our unique collective cultures. Local art is woven throughout the town, including our adored hand-painted fire hydrant people.

MUSEUM & ARCHIVES

Quesnel's history is fascinating! Proclaimed as one of BC's top 10 community museums, you'll find activities, objects, and unique stories that appeal to all ages and interests! Visit <u>quesnelmuseum.ca</u> for current hours and events.

ART GALLERY

See the world through another's eyes at the Quesnel Art Gallery where local and BC-wide artists share their creations and inspiration. Visit <u>quesnelartgallery.com</u> to view the annual art show schedule.





GOLD PANNING

Test your gold panning skills on the Fraser River. You might just strike it rich! Gold pans can be borrowed free of charge from the Visitor Centre.

HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

Take a stroll through history and downtown Quesnel reading our many interpretive signs, our on-line tour or pick up a printed guide at the Quesnel Museum and Visitor Centre. Group walking tours can be booked in advance with the Museum. Visit quesnel.ca/walking-tour.

Shopping & dining

Quesnel has 3 vibrant shopping districts and a beautifully revitalized downtown! We have many unique, locally-owned shops and national retail chains. There's no shortage of variety when it comes to dining to suit your tastes and needs.



GREAT FOOD

Quesnel offers many diverse restaurants, pubs and cafes to choose from, whether you're looking for dine-in or takeaway options for a picnic in the park. From locally roasted coffee and hand crafted beer to baked goods and fresh produce, you'll find our local food culture will satisfy your taste buds. Visit tourismquesnel.com/eat.

FARMERS' MARKET

From May to October, the Farmers' Market is the place to go Saturday mornings. Enjoy fresh locally grown produce, artisan crafts, desserts, food trucks and more! The market is open from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm every Saturday on the Helen Dixon grounds. There is often live entertainment and music! Visit the Quesnel Farmers' Market website for more information.



LOVE QUESNEL

Love Quesnel is part of a large shop local movement called Love Northern BC. Our unique, independently owned businesses have character, personality and so



You can view over 90 business profiles and learn more about their stories and services conveniently in one place. Visit lovequesnel.com.



Events & festivals

There's always something happening in Quesnel! Be sure to check out our event calendar <u>tourismquesnel.com/events</u>.

Getting here

Quesnel is located in British Columbia's central interior along Highway 97 (the north-south corridor for the province of BC) and only 120 km away from Highway 16 (the major east-west corridor from central BC to Alberta). The city is accessible by vehicle, air and rail.



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