

Cassiar Highway Road Log

Mile by Mile Description of the Cassiar Highway
from the Yellowhead Highway to The Alaska Highway



Cassiar Highway Introduction

Cassiar Highway 37 is a 724 km/450 mile long road which provides an excellent alternate route for visitors traveling to or from the Yukon or Alaska.

There are several communities enroute. Time should be allowed for a visit to the neighboring towns of Stewart BC and Hyder Alaska, reached by a 65 km/40mile highway (km 156) which opens up some of the North's most spectacular glacier and mountain scenery. This area of British Columbia and Alaska is one of the most beautiful you will visit on your trip north. Long renowned for its glaciers and waterfalls, one of the top attractions still has to be the friendly people.

The Cassiar Highway 37 originally was a combination of logging and mine haul roads. The highway has been improved, however, and for the most part has been realigned.

Although there are some sections still under construction, the road is fine for campers, motorhomes and vehicles towing trailers.

Some services listed in the following highway log are not open all year. Fill your tank at all opportunities and you will have no problems.

Distances along the Cassiar Highway are marked by KILOMETRE posts. (A kilometre is 6/10 mile.) Numbers shown in the highway log correspond to kilometre posts.

There are some gravel sections on the highway so be prepared and drive with caution.

You can find more information at:
www.stewartcassiar.com



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km 0 Kitwanga Junction on the Yellowhead Highway
km .3 Bridge across Skeena River.

km 3.7 Cassiar RV Park.

km 3.8 Kitwanga. General store, gas station, restaurant, post office, public campground. Attractions: Totem poles. Early wooden Anglican mission church. Kitwanga is an Indian word meaning "place of the rabbit."

km 4.4 North access to Kitwanga.

km 8 Seven Sisters Mountain Range can be seen to the Southwest.

km 15.5 Parking

km 20.1 Parking.

km 20.7 South access to native village of Kitwancool. Excellent examples of fine old totems, many recently restored. There is a craft shop in the village. The village was originally named Gitanyow meaning place of many people, but was renamed Kitwancool meaning place of reduced number, after many people were killed by other tribes.

km 26 North access to Kitwancool.

km 30.3 Rest area, tables and toilets by Moon Lit Creek. Visitor info sign.

km 34.7 Kitwanga Lake.

km 39 Kitwanga Lake Road.

km 62.7 Cranberry River.

km 75.3 Parking.

km 75.8 Nass Forest Service Road. Narrow, winding gravel road that leads to New Aiyansh and Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park (see Nearby Attractions in Terrace.) The road is an active logging road so please be cautious. It is approximately 61 km/38 miles to New Aiyansh and 96 km/60 miles to pavement at Lava Lake. The road continues on to Terrace.

km 76.1 Cranberry River small parking area, toilets.

km 81.3 Nass River Bridge and Rest Area.

km 95 Parking beside small lake.

km 103.8 Parking.

km 113.6 Parking.

km 124.9 Parking.

km 127.6 Parking.

km 137.8 Parking by Nass River.

km 139.4 Visitor facilities.

km 142.6 Nass River, one-lane bridge spans the 122 m/400-ft wide gorge. Rest area at south end of bridge, picnic tables, toilets.

km 143.1 Unmarked side road (just north of the Nass River bridge) west 1.3 km/.8 mile leads to private airstrip, you can leave your vehicle and walk approximately 200 yards to Meziadin Fish Ladder on the Nass River. Information signs give the history of the fish ladder, there are often Fish and Wildlife people to answer your questions. July and August are the best time to watch the salmon in their struggle upriver.

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km 151.1 Tintina Creek.

km 152.9 Parking.

km 153.4 Hanna South Creek.

km 155.3 Meziadin Lake Provincial Park. A beautiful campground on the shores of Meziadin Lake. Take a trip to see the spectacular Bear Glacier or visit the towns of Stewart BC, and Hyder Alaska. Fish for Rainbow trout and Dolly Varden. Water, toilets, picnic tables. 62 sites on lakeshore. Boat launch. Fee \$12.

km 156.4 Meziadin Junction. Stewart/Hyder, 65 km/40 miles. Watson Lake Yukon, 584 km/365 miles. Highway is paved to Stewart/Hyder and southbound to Kitwanga. The road to Stewart/Hyder is perhaps one of the most scenic drives in North America. The highway follows the base of towering coastal mountains whose slopes are capped with icefields and hanging glaciers. Hundreds of waterfalls tumble down the beautiful mountain sides, while stately trees border the roadway.

km 163 Hanna North Creek, parking.

km 169.5 Brake check.

km 188.3 Bell-Irving River Bridge. Rest area with picnic tables and toilets, at north end of bridge.

km 191.4 Spruce Creek.

km 193.8 Parking.

km 195.5 Parking.

km 197.6 Parking.

km 202.5 Cousins Creek, parking.

km 205.1 Ritchie Creek, parking at north end of bridge.

km 208.9 Parking.

km 211.3 Taft Creek, parking at north end of bridge.

km 213 Parking.

km 214.8 Parking.

km 221 Deltanic Creek.

km 229.2 Glacier Creek, parking.

Road to Stewart, BC & Hyder, AK

Following is the road log to Stewart, BC and Hyder, Alaska. Distance shown is from Meziaden Junction to Hyder.

km 65 Meziadin Junction.

km 61.1 Parking.

km 58.5 Parking.

km 52.2 Parking.

km 51.8 Surprise Creek Bridge.

km 49 Parking.

km 48.2 Parking.

km 46.9 Windy Point Creek.

km 45.8 Little Entrance Bridge.

km 44.2 Cornice Bridge.

km 43.7 Strohn Creek Bridge

km 41.8 Rest area.

km 40 Bear Glacier.

km 39.4 Bear Glacier, parking. There are several parking areas to view Bear Glacier from here to km 41.5/mile 25.8. Glacier melt from this large body of ice forms the Bear River which empties into the ocean near Stewart BC .

km 36 Cullen Creek, parking.

km 32.2 Rufus Creek.

km 31 Argyl Creek, parking.

km 26.1 Parking.

km 25.6 Bear River Bridge.

km 18 Parking.

km 17.2 Bitter Creek.

km 13.3 Wards Pass Cemetery.

km 6.3 Bear River Bridge. Bear River Trailer Park, RV's welcome. Full 30 amp hook-up sites, showers. 250 636-9205.

km 3.5 Stewart BC

km 0--Hyder, Alaska. Time Zone change - set your watches one hour earlier.

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km 232.7 Skowill Creek, parking area.
km 239.8 Oweege Creek, parking.
km 246.5 Hodder Lake rest area with picnic tables, toilets and boat launch.

km 249 Bell II Services, facilities.
km 249.2 Bell Irving River.
km 254.1 Parking.

km 258.1 Snowbank Creek.
km 261.5 Red Flat Creek, rest area,
km 266 Revision Creek.

km 267.6 Fan Creek.
km 268.5 Parking.
km 273.5 Parking.

km 275 Ningunsaw Pass Summit, 466m/1,530 feet, parking.
km 275.2 Beaverpond Creek, parking.
km 275.5 Liz Creek Bridge.

km 280 Alger Creek.
km 283.2 BendCreek.
km 284.7 Gamma Creek.

km 285 Ningunsaw River.
km 286.6 Parking by Ningunsaw River.
km 286.8 Oglivie Creek.

km 288.2 Parking. Historical sign tells about Yukon Telegraph line. The 1900-mile line linked Dawson City with Vancouver. Built in 1899-1901, the line was a route for prospectors and trappers headed to Atlin, BC.

km 288.6 Echo Lake, parking.
km 294.2 Little Bob Quinn Lake fishing for Rainbow and Dolly Varden, access at km 297.
km 295.5 Rest area, tables and toilets beside Bob Quinn airstrip.

km 299 Bob Quinn Lake Maintenance Camp. No services. Access to Bob Quinn Lake, tables, toilets.

km 303.5 Parking both sides of highway.
km 307 Devil Creek Bridge.
km 308 Parking.
km 314 Thomas Creek Bridge.

km 318.3 Parking.
km 320 Slate Creek.
km 321.7 Parking.

km 324 Durham Creek.
km 330.7 Brake Check.
km 332.7 Burrage River. One-lane bridge, parking.

km 333.3 Viewpoint overlooking Iskut River.
km 335 Scenic viewpoint..
km 336.5 Brake check, emergency airstrip crosses road.

km 345.5 Rest area with picnic tables and toilets beside Eastman Creek.
km 350.2 Rescue Creek, narrow bridge.

km 353.1 Willow Ridge Resort, visitor facilities.
km 353.6 Willow Creek.
km 356.6 Parking.

km 357.8 Natadesleen Lake trail head 1km/.6 mile to lake, parking with toilets.
km 360.9 Parking.
km 363 Snapper Creek.

km 365 Kinaskan Lake Provincial Park Campground, 50 sites, water, picnic area, fire pits, handi-cap accessible toilets, hiking trail and boat launch. Fishing. Fee area.

km 367.7 Gravel southbound to km 330.2/mile 205.2, paved northbound to km 427.
km 370 Parking beside Kinaskan Lake.
km 373 Parking beside Kinaskan Lake.

km 375.6 Small parking area.
km 377.8 Parking.
km 378.3 Todagin Creek.
km 390.2 Tatogga Lake Resort, gas, meals, cabins, campground.

km 391 Coyote Creek.
km 396.5 Eddontenajon Lake, rest area, boat launch, fishing for trout.
km 400 Iskutine Lodge, 250-234-3456.

km 405.5 Iskut. Small Native community. Visitor facilities. Post office, general store, gas.

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km 408.4 Mountain Shadow Guest Ranch, RV Park & Campground. 1 km side road.

km 413.9 Bear-Paw Ranch.

km 415.2 Trappers Souvenirs.

km 423 Morcheau Lake, rest area with tourist map and services directory.

km 424.9 Morcheau Lake BC Forest Service campsite.

km 429.8 Brake check.

km 436.1 Parking with tourist map for Iskut Lakes Recreation area.

km 436 Stikine River Bridge, roads on both sides of bridge lead to river, parking and boat launch.

km 440.2 Parking.

km 443.5 Brake check.

km 452.5 Parking by Tee's Creek.

km 457.5 Parking.

km 461.2 Rest area at Upper Gnat Lake. Fair rainbow fishing. Beautiful camping spots by the lake.

km 463.8 Parking at Lower Gnat Lake. Fair rainbow fishing.

km 467 Parking.

km 468.4 Gnat Pass Summit, 1141 meters/4071 ft.

km 479 Rest area.

km 479 Rest area beside Tanzilla River, fishing for grayling. Dease Lake Lions Tanzilla River Campground on the Tanzilla River.

km 481.1 Dalby Creek.

km 484 Parking beside river.

km 487.1 Arctic Pacific Divide.

km 488 Rest area, sign on Arctic Pacific Crossroads, 820 m/2690 feet.

km 488.3 Dease Lake BC, Junction of Cassiar Highway with Telegraph Creek Road. This road is 112.8 km/70 miles long and leads to Telegraph Creek at the head of Stikine River and is not suitable for large vehicles or vehicles towing trailers.

There are no services along the road but Telegraph Creek has a gas station, store, RCMP station, post office. Check locally for road conditions.

km 489.5 Hotel Creek.

km 501.3 Parking.

km 502.4 Serpentine Creek.

km 508.7 Parking.

km 512.3 Parking.

km 513.3 Halfmoon Creek.

km 517 Rest area with view of Dease Lake, tables, toilets and visitor map.

km 518.6 Parking area on the shore of Dease Lake, picnic table.

km 522.8 Parking.

km 526 Black Creek.

km 529 Sawmill Point Recreation Site, access road to Dease Lake. Fishing for Lake Trout. Highway paved northbound to junction with Alaska Highway.

km 530.2 Dease Lake. Deserted gold rush community of Laketon can be seen across Dease Lake. Steamboats, once part of the route to the Atlin and Klondike gold fields, docked here.

km 531 Dorothy Creek.

km 536 Beady Creek.

km 538.4 Parking.

km 541.6 Parking.

km 544 Packer Tom Creek.

km 546 Elbow Lake.

km 554.7 Pyramid Creek.

km 556 Parking by Dease River.

km 558 Beale Creek.

km 563.4 Parking.

km 564 Parking beside Pine Tree Lake, good grayling fishing.

km 572 The devastation caused by a forest fire in 1982 is still evident. Please ensure your campfires are out.

km 572.8 Cotton Lake.

km 573.8 Parking.

km 581.1 Cottonwood River.

km 582.2 Cottonwood River rest area, reached by 1/2 km/.3 mile side road.

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km 590 Simmons Lake. Fishing for lake trout. Limited access.

km 592.8 Twin Lakes, parking.

km 594 Vines and Puppies Hideaway. One private cabin on Vines Lake that offers a relaxing wilderness accommodation. Dinner and breakfast included. 250-644-1061 www.vinesandpuppies.ca

km 595.4 Limestone Creek.

km 596 Lang Lake.

km 601 McDame Lake.

km 601.8 Troutline Creek.

km 603 Jade City (pop 30); Named for the jade deposits from the Princess Jade Mine, 132 km/82 miles east, one of the largest jade claims in the world. Cassiar Mountain Jade Store. This family owned business has mined and designed unique jade pieces for over 30 years. Come in and enjoy the interactive mining museum, jade picture gallery, and free jade tours. See ad on next page. 250-239-5233

km 604.7 Cassiar Junction, no services, no admittance.

km 605 Snow Creek, parking.

km 606 McDame Creek.

km 611.5 3rd North Fork Creek, parking.

km 611.9-Parking.

km 613.2 Parking.

km 613.9 2nd North Fork Creek.

km 618 Parking with information sign on Cassiar Gold Rush.

km 618.1 Centerville. Once populated by 3,000 gold miners. A 72-ounce nugget was discovered here in 1877, but by 1878 much of the gold had been removed and the fortune seekers had moved on. Centerville Placer Mines Ltd., is mining this area again.

km 618.2 1st North Fork Creek.

km 625.3 Good Hope Lake.

km 626.1 Good Hope Lake, small Native Village. Limited services.

km 627.6 Parking beside Aeroplane Lake.

km 629 Dry Creek.

km 631.9 Mud Lake.

km 638.5 Tā Ch'ilā (Boya Lake) Provincial Park reached by 2 km/1.6 mile side road. 45 camp sites, water, toilets, and boat launch. Fishing. 1.5 km hiking

trail. Fee \$12.

km 645.6 Camp Creek.

km 648 Beaverdam Creek.

km 649.5 Rest Area, picnic tables. Good views of Horse Ranch Mountain Range. Visitor Information Map.

km 653 Baking Powder Creek.

km 667 French Creek Recreation Area. Camping.

km 677.3 28-Mile Creek.

km 681.8 Wheeler Lake.

km 691.6 Blue River Bridge, parking at both ends of bridge.

km 697 Blue Lake, parking area with picnic tables and boat launch.

km 700 Mud Hill Creek.

km 714 Cormier Creek, parking.

km 718.6 High Lake, large parking area..

km 720.1 BC/Yukon Border, parking.

km 722.6 Albert Creek.

km 723.6 Alaska Highway and Junction 37 Services. Gas, restaurant, motel, campground. (km 1043 on the Alaska Highway.)

The markers in place along the highway indicate distances to the Junction of Highway 16 and Highway 37 in kilometers.