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We welcome visitors to our region and know you'll enjoy the area as much as we do.

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# Scenery Stretches On and On



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**W**ASHINGTON celebrates its scenic diversity with the Washington State Scenic Byways program, just one way you can enjoy Okanogan Country and its many beautiful highways and country roads.

Two dozen highway corridors statewide carry the scenic byways moniker, and Okanogan Country sports four of those scenic drives.

**North Cascades Scenic Highway** - The highway begins in the Skagit River valley and rises through the snow-capped peaks of the North Cascades. It skirts deep blue waters of Ross Lake, then descends into the rugged Methow Valley.

Indians used the corridor as a trading route from the eastern plateau country to the Pacific Coast for thousands of years before white settlers arrived in search of gold, fur-bearing animals and land to settle.

Length: 140 miles.

**Cascade Loop** - The loop stretches from the islands of Puget Sound across the North Cascades Highway to the Methow Valley, south to Wenatchee and back across the Cascades via Stevens Pass. It takes in diverse scenery from ocean views to America's Alps and high desert Columbia River fruit country.

Length: 400 miles.

**Okanogan Scenic Byway** - The route begins in Pateros at the confluence of the Columbia and Methow rivers and travels north to the international border near Oroville. The byway traces the fertile valleys of the

Columbia and Okanogan rivers.

Native Americans were the earliest settlers; now they share the Okanogan Valley with farming communities that turn out fruit, cattle and other products.

Length: 83 miles.

**Coulee Corridor** - The corridor takes in spectacular cliffs carved by ice age flooding and high desert that produces a variety of agricultural products thanks to irrigation waters from the Grand Coulee Dam project.

The coulee is a magnet for resident and migratory wildlife, and a paradise for the recreational traveler. The

corridor was extended includes the portion of Highway 155 that travels through the Colville Indian Reservation, making the designated corridor run from Othello to Omak.

Length: 160 miles.

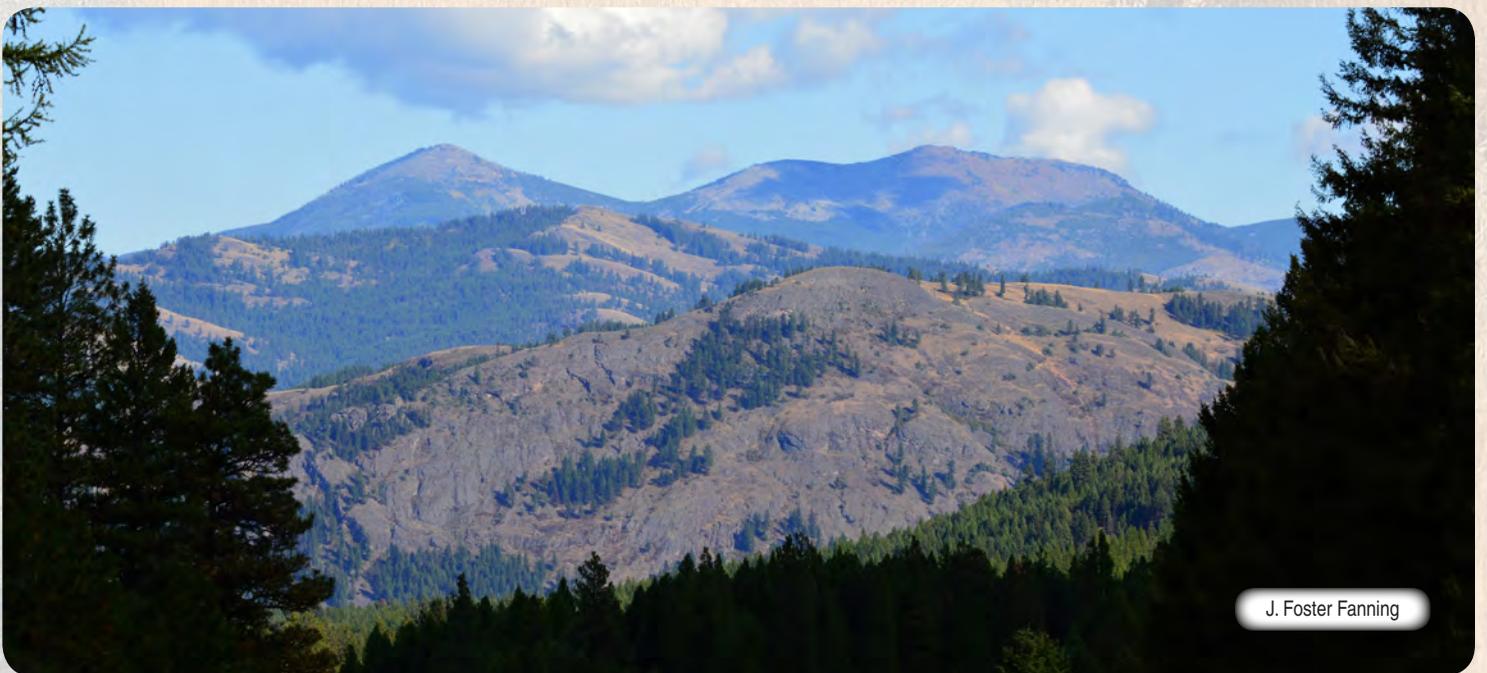
**Sherman Pass Scenic Byway** - The road travels from Republic to Kettle Falls through the heart of the Colville National Forest. The route crosses the highest year-round pass in Washington and includes interpretive signs for the White Mountain Fire of 1988.

Length: 35 miles.



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# Make a Splash!



**O**KANOGAN COUNTRY offers a variety of boating opportunities, from canoeing, kayaking and row boating to water skiing, whitewater rafting and jet skiing.

Canoeing, kayaking and rowing are popular on any number of Okanogan Country lakes. Some resorts offer rentals.

For those who like a bit more of an adrenaline rush, several businesses offer guided whitewater rafting or kayaking trips, mostly on the Methow River. Tubing also is popular, whether it's a lazy float on a hot summer day or a guided trip on a more active stretch of river.

Water skiing and personal watercraft riding also are popular on some of the larger lakes and rivers.

Spectators can take in hydroplane races in Pateros and Oroville, and personal watercraft races in Pateros.

Some lakes have restrictions on water skiing for safety and noise reasons, and motor types to protect fish — they are restricted to electric motors at some lakes.

Fish-related motor restrictions are detailed in the state fishing pamphlet, available online through the state Department of Fish and Wildlife. Sheriff's offices can provide information about county lake restrictions, and the Colville tribal Department of Fish and Wildlife can help visitors with boating questions on the reservation.

A few of the more popular destinations:

Lake Osoyoos, straddling the border between the United States and Canada, provides ample boating, swimming and fishing opportunities.

Of the lake's 5,723 acres, 2,036 are in the United States. The U.S. portion of the lake is open to fishing all year, and produces smallmouth bass, rainbow, kokanee, perch and largemouth bass.

Good launch points on the U.S. side include Lake Osoyoos Veterans Memorial Park and Deep Bay Park, both in Oroville.

Boaters crossing the international border are reminded to check in with the appropriate customs authorities upon arrival in either country.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Lake, the pool behind Grand Coulee Dam on the Columbia River, is 151 miles long with more than five million acre-feet of active storage.

Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area offers fishing, camping, hunting and boating. There are 28 park service campgrounds — some accessible only by water — and 22 public boat launch facilities.

In addition, there are beautiful marinas, houseboat rentals, free ferry service in two locations — Keller and Inchelium — and concessions for visitors.

Most of the marinas offer groceries, ice, fishing licenses, public telephones, houseboat rentals, boat dump stations,

fuel and fresh water in the summer. Several are operated by the Colville Confederated Tribes and others are park service concessionaires.

Boat launch fees are charged in several locations.

National Park Service campgrounds have picnic tables and restrooms, plus various camping facilities. Tribal camping permits are required at campgrounds on the Spokane and Colville Indian reservations, both of which border the lake.

Inchelium-Gifford Ferry and Keller Ferry both daily and provides free passenger and automobile rides across the lake.

Curlew Lake, in Ferry County, offers boating, the Ferry County Rail Trail for non-motorized use, fishing and a state park.

The 5.5-mile-long lake is popular for trout, bass and tiger muskie fishing. Active bald eagle, heron and osprey nesting areas are viewable from the park, making wildlife watching a popular park activity.

A sea plane dock is located in the south campground.

Fishing, swimming and water sports await in northern Douglas County, at the southeast corner of Okanogan County.

Fishing, especially for bass, is available at Banks Lake, where several bass tournaments are held each year. There's plenty of room to water ski, too, especially near scenic Steamboat Rock.





**T**HERE'S A REASON FOR ALL THOSE CAMPERS and trailers roaming Okanogan and Ferry county roads with poles hanging out windows or stuck in trailing boats during the summer.

Some of the best fishing in the state resides in our region.

Favorite Okanogan County waters, which become ice free way before those in Ferry County, include the two Conconully lakes, Spectacle, Alta, Wannacut, Pearrygin and Fish lakes.

Amenities is one reason for the lakes' popularity.

Conconully, an easy drive from Omak or Okanogan, includes a state park, a boat launch on each lake plus a general store, gas station and restaurants within walking distance to the lakes.

All the lakes get plenty of planted fish in anticipation of anglers.

Spectacle, west of Tonasket, gets planted with about

85,000 kokanee each year. Kokanee, one of the fastest growing fish of interest in the state, grow to legal size in four years and can reach up to 16 inches.

The 313-acre lake, which has three resorts and DNR access, also holds browns, rainbows, jumbo rainbows, largemouth bass, yellow perch and blue gills.

Nearby Palmer Lake (2,063 acres) was planted with 15,000 kokanee from the Omak Fish Hatchery in mid-March this year.

Alta Lake (184 acres) near Pateros includes a state park and a boat launch. The area burned in 2014, but the fishing remains good.

There are lots of camping areas around Wannacut, Pearrygin and Fish lakes, too. All are a short drive to nearby towns for supplies but far enough for anglers to experience outdoor living.

As summer heats up anglers climb Wauconda Pass to Republic for the coolness of higher-elevation lakes, including Curlew (989 acres) with rainbows raised in net pens and released into the lake.

Curlew also sports muskies and largemouth bass along with a state park, picnicking areas, boat access and three resorts.





**H**UNTING OPPORTUNITIES  
abound in Okanogan  
Country, from deer to turkeys  
and from black bear to waterfowl.

We've got thousands of acres of wide-open spaces, much of it on public lands, as well as campgrounds, resorts, motels and guide services to help you plan your ultimate hunting expedition.

While the larger deer reside in the Methow Valley, hunters also can find deer in the hills outside of Tonasket, in the Sinlahekin, around the Conconully area, in the Highlands and around Republic.

As always, when hunting, check to see if land is posted or get permission from private landowners before entering.

Some of the best bird hunting in the Pacific Northwest can be found on the more than 200 lakes across North Central Washington. Migratory waterfowl and upland game bird species include pheasant, wild turkey, grouse, quail, chukkar, ptarmigan, goose and duck.

For specific information on seasons and regulations, consult the state Department of Fish and Wildlife Information also is available from the U.S. Forest Service, [www.fs.fed.us](http://www.fs.fed.us). The variety continues onto the Colville Indian Reservation; a special license is needed for non-tribal members. Some areas are closed to non-members or closed to hunting entirely.

For specific information and regulations, contact the Colville Confederated Tribes, [www.colvilletribes.com](http://www.colvilletribes.com).

Where to purchase hunting licenses: [www.wdfw.wa.gov](http://www.wdfw.wa.gov).





# INTO THE WILD

**Y**OU CAN EXPERIENCE wildlife just about everywhere in Okanogan Country. A number of state access areas in Okanogan and Ferry counties allow you to get a bit of fresh air and see some animals in their own habitat.

Weekend trekkers should also remember that a Discover Pass or Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife Vehicle Access Pass is required on all WDFW lands.

### Methow Wildlife Area

Eight units make up the Methow Wildlife Area with opportunities to see birds of prey, eagles, songbirds, upland birds, wading birds, waterfowl, bears, deer, elk, moose, and small mammals, butterflies, reptiles, amphibians, salmon and a host of wildflowers. Motorized vehicles are not permitted.

**Big Buck** – Parking at or before Shaw Lake. No restrooms.

Location: On Twisp River Road, take a right on Frost Road and enter the wildlife area one mile up the road.

**Big Valley** – Parking and ADA accessible toilet at trailhead.

Location: On Highway 20 north of Winthrop, take a left at Dripping Springs Road and follow to the left and park at trailhead.

**Early Winters** – Parking at Arrowleaf Trailhead on Highway 20. No restrooms.

Location: Winter Access only on community ski system, due to surrounding private property. Follow

Highway 20, one mile north of Mazama.

**Golden Doe** – Parking at end of road off Old Twisp-Carlton Highway. No motor vehicle access onto Golden Doe.

Location: Follow Old Twisp-Carlton Hwy south of Twisp approximately 5 miles. Small road on right crosses over Alder Creek.

**Methow** - Parking in vicinity on county and USFS road systems. ADA restroom facilities at Bear Creek Campground, Beaver Creek

Campground, and Ramsey Creek Campground.

Location: From Winthrop, follow East Chewuch Road two miles, turn right on Bear Creek Loop Road (Perrygin Lake State Park turnoff). Continue just over 3 miles to headquarters.

**Rendezvous** - 1 mile west on Gunn Ranch Road is an ADA parking facility and restrooms.

Location: From Winthrop, follow the West Chewuch Road. Turn left on Rendezvous Road and then left on



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Gunn Ranch Road.

**Texas Creek** — Park at kiosk sign at end of road. No restrooms

Location: On Highway 153, five miles south of Carlton, turn north onto Stokes Road.

**Scotch Creek Wildlife Area**

Seven units make up the Scotch Creek Wildlife Area and include a diverse grouping of birds, mammals and other creatures, including birds of prey, eagles, songbirds, upland birds, wading birds, waterfowl, bears, deer, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, small mammals, butterflies, reptiles, amphibians and wildflowers.

**Ellemhan** — undeveloped grass parking areas with reader boards. No restrooms available.

**Pogue Mountain** — Parking, camping, restrooms, fishing and a boat launch are available at the Green Lake access site.

**Scotch Creek** — gravel parking area with reader boards. No restrooms.

**Similkameen-Chopaka** — developed gravel parking area with reader board. No restrooms.

**Tunk Valley** — fenced and graveled parking area. No restrooms.

**Sinlahekin Wildlife Area**

The Sinlahekin is home to birds of prey, eagles, songbirds, upland birds, bears, deer, small mammals, butterflies, reptiles, amphibians and wildflowers.

**Buzzard Lake** — From Okanogan: Follow Highway 20 towards Twisp (about 10 miles). Turn right at Buzzard Lake Road and drive approximately 4 miles. Camping area and boat launch will be on left.

**Carter Mountain** — The first site is adjacent to Highway 97, approximately 1 mile south of Janis Bridge (where Hwy. 97 crosses the Okanogan River) on the west side of the highway. The second site is on the west boundary of the wildlife area adjacent to North Pine Creek Road, 7 miles southwest of Tonasket. No restrooms.

**Chiliwist** — Parking and restroom on east side of Chiliwist Rd. about one-third mile past entrance to Chiliwist Wildlife Area. Additional parking at beginning of Chiliwist Butte Rd.

**Driscoll-Eyhott Island** — Parking available at Driscoll Island parking lot and the SR-97 Bridge

access area south of Oroville. No restrooms.

**Horse Spring Coulee** — no designated access areas or developed facilities when visiting Horse Spring Coulee. Aeneas Lake access site, which is located three-quarters of a mile south of the area, has a restroom. Park alongside Horse Spring Coulee Road to access this unit.

Also includes **McLoughlin Falls** and **Sinlahekin**.

**Wells Wildlife Area**

Wells offers six wildlife units that offer birds of prey, eagles, songbirds, upland birds, waterfowl, bears, deer, small mammals, butterflies, reptiles, amphibians and wildflowers.

**Birdgeport Bar** — Several parking areas. No bathrooms.

**Central Ferry Canyon** — Two parking areas and several pulloffs. No restrooms.

**Indian Dan Canyon** — Two parking areas. No restrooms.

**Okanogan** — No facilities available.

**West Foster Creek** — Three parking areas. No restroom.

**Ferry County**

**Sherman Creek Wildlife area**

Boasts viewing opportunities for birds of prey, upland birds, bears, deer and small mammals. Public

parking available off Highway 20 or at headquarters.

Location: East of Republic, a few miles west of Kettle Falls and on the south side of Highway 20.



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# Spread your Wings



Eli Smith

**B**IRDERS WILL FIND hundreds of species of feathered friends in the fields, forests and skies of Okanogan County.

The area is a favorite among birdwatchers, with birds ranging from bald eagles to loons and from flickers to grouse.

The Coulee Corridor Scenic Byway, which runs from Othello to Omak, is known as “The Great Washington State Birding Trail” because of the numbers and diversity of birds found along the way.

The byway, which runs along highways 17 and 155 with spurs along the sides, features more than half of Washington’s 365 bird species. Thousands of sandhill cranes come through on the Pacific Flyway in spring and fall, while black-crowned night herons and great egrets stay to rest in summer.

The area’s bald eagle and waterfowl populations offer great winter birding.

Several wildlife areas dot the corridor’s route, as do dams, friendly towns, and recreational and cultural opportunities.

There are plenty of lakes — both small potholes and miles-long Lake Roosevelt — plus extensive wetlands.

Information is available at [www.couleecorridor.com](http://www.couleecorridor.com) and, because it’s a designated state scenic drive, on the scenic byways portion of the state Department of Transportation website, [www.wsdot.wa.gov](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov).

From mid-November through mid-March, Northrup Canyon — an offshoot of the Grand Coulee — is a haven for bald eagles, which roost along the canyon’s sheer rock walls and in the trees of Grant County’s only forest.

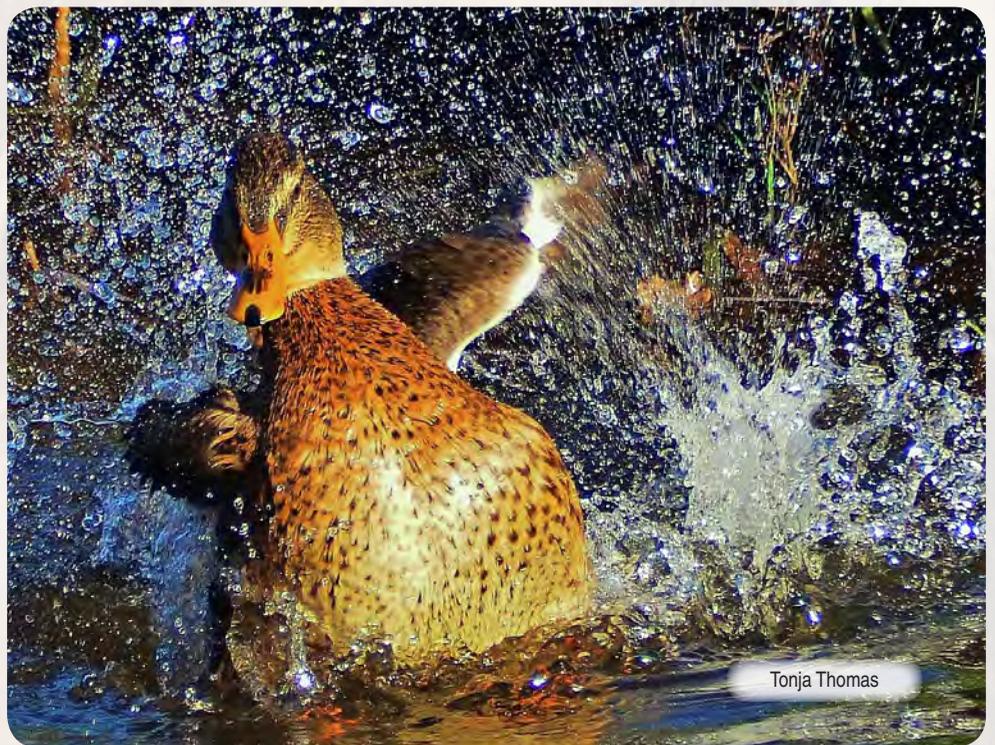
The best time to view eagles is in the afternoon and evening.

The canyon also boasts red-tailed and Cooper’s hawks, great horned and barred owls, woodpeckers, flickers,

grouse, quail, swallows and sparrows.

A trail climbs into the canyon, which includes a beautiful lake and the ruins of an abandoned homestead.

More raptors can be found on 5,675-foot Chelan Ridge, southwest of Pateros. An annual Hawk Migration Festival includes opportunities to visit the ridge, which is a favorite stop along the big birds’ migration route, and a festival in Pateros.



Tonja Thomas

HawkWatch International, the Methow Valley Ranger District and North Central Washington Audubon Society join for the festival.

The Methow Valley forms part of the Cascade Loop portion of the Great Washington State Birding Trail.

The loop, which continues across the mountains via Highway 20, features 225 of Washington's bird species.

Hundreds of thousands of shorebirds, neotropical migrants and other birds of the Pacific Flyway depend on Washington's wealth of natural habitats. Some stop to rest and eat before continuing north, while others stay to nest and raise the next generation.

Hart's Pass, reached via the white-knuckle Forest Service road of the same name, offers boreal bird species and migrating raptors, along with deer and other large animals and an explosion of spring wildflowers.

Birders will find plenty of species in the Okanogan Valley. During a recent Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count, participants spotted 58 species ranging from Canada geese, California quail and mallard ducks to gray partridge, bald eagle, northern shrike, Clark's nutcracker, black-capped chickadee and Wilson's snipe.

The Sinlahekin Valley, which runs from just north of Conconully to Loomis, is home to a variety of birds and butterflies within the Sinlahekin

Wildlife Recreation Area.

To the northeast, Ferry County is home to numerous birds, including Lewis's woodpeckers, eagles, great gray and boreal owls, pine grosbeak, white-winged crossbill, spruce grouse, mountain and western bluebirds and others.

Several rare migrant eastern songbirds flourish there, including the bobolink, veery, American

redstart and red-eyed vireo.

Nesting loons provide another bird attraction on Swan and Ferry lakes, located a few miles southwest of Republic.

The San Poil and Kettle Rivers, and Curlew Creek form an important north-south corridor for migrating birds, and the area's vast timbered hills and riparian habitats provide great nesting conditions.



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# Winter Wonderland

**F**OLKS WHO LIVE IN AND visit Okanogan County know that winter is a great time to be outside enjoying the area's winter sports.

## Snowmobiling

Okanogan County offers a variety of snowmobiling opportunities through pristine forests, wide-open high desert and groomed trails in snow that's first class.

Nearly 400 miles of groomed snowmobile trails exist in Okanogan County alone, running out of eight Sno-Parks sprinkled throughout the county. In the greater Okanogan County area lie hundreds more miles of trails in mountains and flatter countryside.

Some trails are maintained by snowmobile groups or private resorts, and others are groomed by Okanogan County, which also opens some roads to snowmobilers. Some of those roads are dual-use roads, meaning motorists and snowmobiles share the road and need to watch out for each other.

Many areas feature cabins and shelters in visitors can rest.

Popular Okanogan County trails include Black Canyon in the southern Methow Valley; Bonaparte, north of Wauconda; Boulder Creek and Eightmile, both north of Winthrop, and Kerr, northwest of Conconully.

Favorite Ferry County snowmobiling opportunities are in the Boulder Pass area between Curlew and Orient, and can be reached from the Boulder Pass interpretive center/information site.

Other favorites are the Hall Creek, Swan Lake and Empire Lake areas.

Riders should check with national forest offices to make sure forest areas are open; some popular areas burned in 2014 and 2015 wildfires and may have restricted access.

Weekly snowmobile rides are hosted in the Methow Valley.

## Cross country skiing

Okanogan County has what it takes for superb cross country skiing — good weather, cold snow, exceptional terrain and great grooming.

Snowfall generally is moderate and dependable. Snow usually falls a few inches at a time and generally stays

around.

Okanogan Country Nordic ski terrain is gentle, open and varied. Trails follow rivers and streams, cross spacious fields and explore narrow coulees.

Some are in dense forest, others open ridge tops. Flat, rolling or steep, these trails are inviting, interesting and fun to ski.

Every turn and twist of the trail opens up new breathtaking vistas.

There are more than 260 kilometers (about 161 miles) of groomed trails in Okanogan Country.

Popular areas include the community and Sun Mountain trail systems in the Methow Valley and the Highlands area east of Tonasket.

The Boulder Pass area between Curlew and Orient, in Ferry County, features groomed cross country trails, and can be reached from the Boulder Pass interpretive center/information site. The Ferry County Rail Trail, built on a former railroad bed, runs from the Republic area northward, and includes a trek across Curlew Lake via a trestle.

Skiers should check with national forest offices to make sure forest areas are open; some popular areas burned in 2014 and 2015 wildfires and may have restricted access.

## Downhill skiing and

**snowboarding** — with chairlifts to whisk you quickly to the top - also are available at the Loup Loup Ski Bowl, off Highway 20 between Okanogan and Twisp, and Sitzmark Ski Area, off Havillah Road northeast of Tonasket.

Lift prices are modest and there are practically no lines.

Skiers who want a bit more



Eli Smith

adventure can try heli-skiing, a type of downhill skiing where a helicopter deposits skiers and a guide atop a 7,000- to 9,000-foot mountain for an exhilarating run down pristine snow. Vertical drops range from 1,500 to 4,000 feet.

More information is available at [www.heli-ski.com](http://www.heli-ski.com).

### More fun in the snow

Other winter activities include dogsledding, ice skating, snowshoeing, ice fishing, sleigh riding, sledding, outhouse racing in Conconully and Republic, snowshoe softball and bird watching.

**Sled dog and ski-joring** teams frequently train on the roads and trails of Okanogan Country. The area west of Conconully is a favorite area.

**Ice skaters** can clear off a spot on any number of frozen lakes, or can try out the conditions at the Winthrop Ice and Sports Rink, 208 White Ave.

A refrigeration system was added last year, allowing the rink to remain open even when the temperature rises a bit above freezing. The rink welcomes skaters of all skill levels; lessons are available.

Freestyle skaters and hockey players all will find the ice to their liking.

**Snowshoe enthusiasts** can try out a variety of trails and areas throughout Okanogan Country, including the Methow Valley trail system, Highlands, Ferry County Rail Trail and other areas.

For beginners, Beaver Loop in the Methow Valley, offers a gentle hike that meanders through cedar and cottonwood trees. Another popular outing is a Rader Creek, also in the Methow Valley.

The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest hosts a series of snowshoe/nature treks in the Methow Valley.

### Ice Fishing

For those who like to drop a line in the water and try their hand at winter fishing, many county lakes are open for winter seasons or all year round.

In addition, some streams are open for winter fishing.

Locations and rules are available in fishing regulations pamphlets available from the state Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Colville Confederated Tribes' Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The annual Northwest Ice Fishing Festival is the weekend of Martin Luther

King Jr. Day on Sidley and Molson lakes near Molson. Prizes are awarded.

### Sleigh Rides

Folks who prefer to sit back and glide along through the frozen countryside using real horsepower can find sleigh rides available, usually during community festivals or through lodging facilities.

**Sledding** is another favorite winter pastime in Okanogan Country. Favorite hills include the Curtis Sheep Slaughter area off Highway 20 southwest of Okanogan, Peacock Meadows Sno-Park near Conconully and the tubing area of Loup Loup

Ski Bowl off Highway 20 between Okanogan and Twisp.

### Competitive outhouse racing

– using privies on skis – is offered in mid-January in Conconully and Republic. People come from all over the Northwest – and sometimes abroad – to compete and watch the spectacle.

**Bird watching** is a favorite activity all year, but winter watching offers the added quiet and solitude that only a snow-blanketed landscape can bring.

Bald eagles are especially satisfying to spy; they favor bare tree branches along the area's riverbanks.



# SADDLE UP

**T**HE PHRASE SADDLE UP AND GO COULD NOT be more true than when it comes to Okanogan Country.

Anchored by Okanogan County, Wash., Okanogan Country stretches from the craggy peaks of the North Cascades to the rolling wheat fields of the northern Columbia Basin and from the lower Okanogan's apple country to the high desert of south central British Columbia.

The folks who live in Okanogan Country love the land and the landscape. We make our livings largely from the land, taking care to preserve it for future generations.

Major tracts of Okanogan Country are public land, home to the Okanogan, Wenatchee and Colville national forests, Pasayten Wilderness, Lake Chelan-Sawtooth Wilderness, Loomis State Forest, North Cascades National Park, and the Lake Roosevelt, Lake Chelan and Ross Lake national recreation areas. There are many scattered areas managed by the state, federal, tribal and provincial governments.

The southeast portion of the area, east of the Okanogan River, lies within the Colville Indian Reservation.

With hundreds of trails open to horseback riding, traveling Okanogan Country's scenic back roads offers a unique view at rolling hills, evergreen forests and hidden waterfalls and creeks.

Okanogan Country also falls in the middle of the 1,200 mile Pacific Northwest Trail, which runs from Montana to Washington.

The trail winds through the Rocky Mountains, Selkirk Mountains, Pasayten Wilderness, North Cascades, Olympic Mountains, and Wilderness Coast.

We welcome tourists to our wide-open spaces, but also offer a few words of caution to make your stay more pleasant:

- While we have plenty of public lands, we also have vast areas of privately owned property. Please respect landowners' property rights.
- Ask for and obtain permission before crossing private lands, then leave fences and gates as you find them.
- Know the difference between a mule and a mule deer. Livestock ranges extend into forested areas. Believe it or not, some hunters still mistakenly bag horses and cows!
- Be wary of wild animals. We have rattlesnakes, bear, cougars, lynx and other potentially dangerous critters, along with a wide assortment of relatively harmless animals. Ticks are common in areas frequented by deer and livestock.
- Don't expect your cell phone to work everywhere. There are some areas where coverage is spotty or non-existent.
- Watch out for poison ivy.
- Be sure you don't contribute to the spread of noxious weeds and milfoil (a water-borne noxious plant). Check the underside of your vehicle and the propeller of your boat.
- Heed orchard spray signs.
- Don't help yourself to an apple or other fruit — these



are part of the orchardist's livelihood.

- Report forest and range fires, and remember that ours is an arid area where even the smallest spark can erupt into a wildfire. In an emergency, dial 911.
  - Be cautious with water use. Farmers, hydro generators and fish all depend on water being in our streams.
- Come rendezvous with our friendly, hard-working people. Shop at a leisurely pace in our well-stocked stores. Revel in our beautiful scenery and diverse recreational opportunities. Sample our fine fruit, wines and beef.

We welcome visitors to our region and know you'll enjoy the area as much as we do.

# Rodeo Country



**T**HIS IS RODEO COUNTRY. If your vacation plans include rodeos and other equestrian endeavors, Okanogan Country is the place to be.

We've got professional rodeos featuring the nation's top cowboys and cowgirls, along with amateur, high school and junior rodeo events featuring up-and-coming talent. If you want to try your hand at riding, several events feature open entries.

Horse rides and cavalry re-enactments trot alongside leisurely trail rides, cow cutting, barrel racing, reining, racing and English style events.

You can even find one-of-a-kind activities such as the World-Famous Suicide Race in Omak. Along with rodeos, you can take in accompanying activities that include Western dances, powwows, carnivals, all-you-can-eat feeds, chicken chasing, mutton busting, parades, fun runs and more.

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## MAY

**May 3-5  
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**May 9-12  
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Ridge Riders Rode grounds in Grand Coulee. [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org) or [www.prowestrodeo.com](http://www.prowestrodeo.com)

**May 15-16  
Okanogan County Junior Rodeo**  
Omak Stampede Arena. [www.ctjr.com](http://www.ctjr.com)

**May 25-26  
Methow Valley Rodeo**  
Annual Memorial Day weekend rodeo. Winthrop; [methowvalleyrodeo.com](http://methowvalleyrodeo.com)

## JUNE

**May 31-June 1  
Tonasket Founders Day Rodeo**  
Tonasket; [www.tonasketchamber.com](http://www.tonasketchamber.com), [www.prowestrodeo.com](http://www.prowestrodeo.com) and Tonasket Comancheros Rodeo Club on Facebook.

**Okanogan Country**

**June 14  
Cleatis Lacy Memorial Bull Riding and Wild Horse Race**

Friday night wild west action with bulls, barrels and wild horse racing. Facebook: Cleatis Lacy Memorial Bull Riding, Grand Coulee.

## JULY

**77th Annual Fourth of July Chesaw Rodeo**  
A wild west tradition. [www.oroVILLEwashington.com](http://www.oroVILLEwashington.com)

## AUGUST

**Aug. 8-11  
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Always the second weekend in August. Omak; [www.omakstampede.org](http://www.omakstampede.org)

[omakstampede.org](http://omakstampede.org)  
**Aug. 22-25  
NCW Fair Rodeo**  
Waterville; [www.ncwfair.org](http://www.ncwfair.org).

**Aug. 31 – Sept. 2  
Ferry County Fair Rodeo**  
kids games, horse racing and more. Republic; [www.ferrycountyfair.com](http://www.ferrycountyfair.com)

## SEPTEMBER

**Aug. 31-Sept. 1  
Methow Valley Labor Day Rodeo**  
Winthrop; [www.methowvalleyrodeo.com](http://www.methowvalleyrodeo.com)

**Sept. 5-8  
Okanogan County Fair Rodeo**  
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# Take a hike

**O**KANOGAN COUNTRY offers a wealth of hiking opportunities, from easy, paved trails that are accessible to wheelchairs and families, to exhaustingly steep and narrow paths that lead to soaring summits.

The U.S. Forest Service and other federal and state agencies maintain a variety of trails. A good place to start is with any office of the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests or the Colville National Forest, both offer websites.

The Forest Service offers a variety of maps, pamphlets and books detailing one-day and longer hikes. Some materials are free.

Guidebooks are available at Forest Service offices, visitor centers and stores in the area, and Methow Valley Sport Trails Association and various chambers of commerce offer hiking information.

## OKANOGAN COUNTY

### Similkameen River Trail

Trail goes from Oroville to Enloe Dam on Great Northern rail grade. Length: 3.5 miles.

### Whistler Canyon

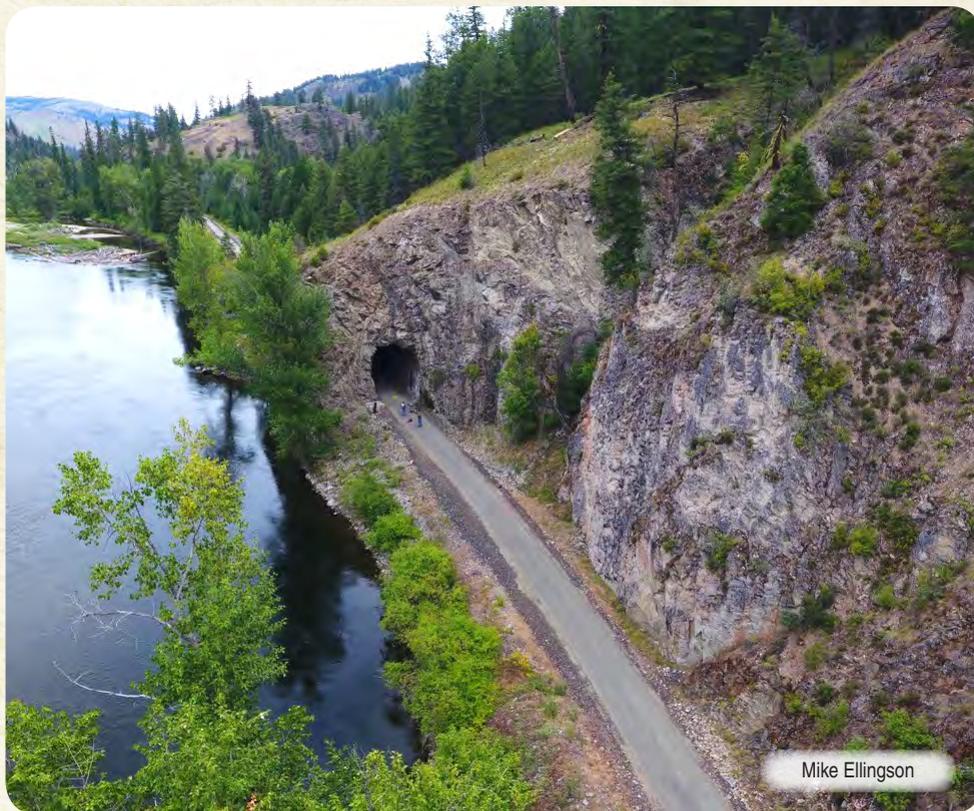
Length: 13 miles. Location: 3 miles south of Oroville.

### Rowley's Chasm

One way: 1.8 miles. Location: Travel about 55.1 miles west of Winthrop on state Highway 20 (North Cascades Highway) to Canyon Creek.

### Big Tree Trail

Loop length: 0.7 mile. Location: State Highway 20 east from Tonasket for 34 miles to Bonaparte Recreation Area turnoff on County Road No. 4953, which turns into Forest Service Road No. 32. Continue to Forest Service Road No. 33, then to a four-corner junction.



Mike Ellingson

Take Forest Service Road No. 33050 for one mile to Lost Lake Campground.

### Rainy Lake

One way: 0.9 mile. Location: Off state Highway 20 just west of Rainy Pass.

### Blue Lake

One way: 2.2 miles. Location: Off state Highway 20 west of Liberty Bell Mountain.

### Foggy Dew Falls

One way: Three miles to falls, five miles to Martin Creek Trail. Location: Gold Creek Road south of Carlton to Forest Service Road No. 200.

### Mutton Creek Trail

One way: 1 mile. Location: North of Conconully on County Road No. 2361,

which turns into Forest Service Road No. 38. Travel nine miles to Salmon Meadows campground.

## FERRY COUNTY

### Swan Lake Trail No. 14

Length: 1.5 miles. Access: 7.5 miles south of Republic on Hwy. 21; turn west on Road 53/Scatter Creek Road and travel 8 miles on paved road to Swan Lake Campgrounds. Easiest for hiking and biking is difficult.

### The Hoodoo Canyon Emerald Lake

Length: 6-8 miles. Location: The area can be accessed from Trout Lake Road off Highway 20 in the Colville National Forest east of Republic.



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The 12 Tribes Resort Casino, the newest of the three casinos, is located south of Omak and features two restaurants, two bars, a sweet shop and more than 56,000 square feet of gambling action.

The bright and modern gaming floor is home to 500 slot machines from popular brands as well as table games including craps, roulette and blackjack.

To the east of Omak is Coulee Dam Casino, located near Grand Coulee, which features many popular brands of slots along with dining and drinks.

Mill Bay Casino is located about 26 miles southwest of Pateros and offers dining, slots and table games.

Mill Bay is also home to Deep Water Amphitheater – the Pacific Northwest's only outdoor concert venue featuring covered seating. With a capacity of more than 1,600 seats, Deep Water Amphitheater is big enough to host major market entertainment, but small enough to ensure every seat is a great one.

The one-of-a-kind music venue has played host to music greats like Melissa Etheridge, Peter Frampton, Huey Lewis and The News, Kenny Rogers and The Temptations, to name a few.





# Arts & Culture

**F**OLKS VISITING OKANOGAN Country are sure to enjoy a variety of fine art and entertainment including live theater production, musical festivals and orchestral concerts.

For nearly 30 years, the Omak Performing Arts Center has been the cornerstone of performing art venues in Okanogan Valley.

The 562-seat center is home to the Okanogan Valley Orchestra and Chorus, along with its annual community theater productions each spring.

This year's production is "A Christmas Story." The program will be presented May 3-5 and 10-12.

Similarly, the Merc Playhouse in Twisp and the Community Cultural Center in Tonasket offer special musical and theatrical performances throughout the year.

Omak is also home to the statewide country music competition — Washington State Nashville Country Star — with its finals each March at the Omak Performing Arts Center.

If you're not invested in performing arts, Okanogan Country provides sculptures, murals and paintings for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike.

A number of murals, some historical in nature, grace the walls of buildings in several cities, among them:

- Omak — A Fourth of July picnic scene on the Omak Centennial Bandstand in Civic League Park, Suicide Race on the side of Main Street Market, early harvest scene on a fruit warehouse at Omak Avenue and Dayton, and giant horseshoes in East Side Park paying tribute to early day rodeo competitors.

The horseshoes were crafted by Nespelem artist Jayme van Tongel.

- Okanogan — Murals taken from photos by frontier photographer Frank S. Matsura and historic photos of downtown buildings.

- Republic — Murals and chainsaw art are in various locations.

- Tonasket — The Community Cultural Center showcases a mural depicting the four seasons of Okanogan County. Tonasket Founders Day Park offers portrait murals of early settlers in the town.

- Winthrop — Several murals and outdoor sculptures can be found around town.

Okanogan Country residents also embellish public fixtures that normally blend into the background, such as fire hydrants and power poles in downtown Omak.

Many clinics, city halls and libraries host traveling exhibits by local artists.



# GOLFING

## *in Okanogan Country!*



### **The Oroville Golf Club • Oroville**

• 9 holes • Par 72 • Slope rating: 129 • Tee times recommended

The Oroville Golf Club has a new PGA professional golfer guiding the nine-hole course. The facility offers rentals, carts and a pro shop, snack bar, putting green, and a large outside deck while being open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. [www.orovillegolfclub.com](http://www.orovillegolfclub.com) and on Facebook.

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### **Okanogan Valley Golf Club • Omak/Okanogan**

• 9 holes • Par 71 • Rating: 70.5/118

Okanogan Valley Golf Club is a family-oriented, nine-hole course (played to 18). The course is open all week with clubhouse. [www.okanoganvalleygolf.com](http://www.okanoganvalleygolf.com)

105 Danker Cutoff Road, Okanogan — Just off the Conconully Highway.



### **Lake Woods Golf Course • Bridgeport**

• 9 holes • Par 35 • Rating: 33.4 • Open play

A small restaurant offers breakfast, lunch and simple menu items. There is a clubhouse with a pro shop. Find us on Facebook.

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### **Gamble Sands Golf and Inn • Brewster**

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This course lies on a picturesque sandy ridge overlooking the Columbia River. Amenities include a golf shop, caddie services, lodging and dining. [www.gamblesands.com](http://www.gamblesands.com)

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### **Alta Lake Golf Course • Pateros**

• 18 holes • Reservations Recommended

Nestled next to Alta Lake a mile off Highway 153 and three miles from Pateros. Services include pro shop, snack bar, carts and rentals, and lessons. [www.altalakegolf.com](http://www.altalakegolf.com)

140 Alta Lake Road, Pateros



### **Bear Creek Golf Course • Winthrop**

• 9 holes • Reservations recommended

Surrounded by the beautiful Methow Valley. There is a gift shop, pro shop, snack bar, rentals, carts and lessons. An upstairs area can be rented for special events.

19 Golf Course Road, Winthrop



### **Vic Meyers Golf Course • Coulee City**

• 9 holes • Open play

A relaxed, nine-hole golf course requiring no tee times when open from about April to early October, depending on the weather. [www.sunlakesresort.com](http://www.sunlakesresort.com).

34228 Park Lake Road NE — 7 miles south of Coulee City on Hwy. 17



### **Banks Lake Golf & Country Club • Electric City**

• 18 holes • Par 72 • Open Play

Banks Lake Golf and Country Club includes views of wheat fields, Banks Lake and coulee walls that surround golfers at this 18-hole course. [www.bankslakegolfcourse.webs.com](http://www.bankslakegolfcourse.webs.com)

19849 Ludolph Road, Electric City — 2 miles south on Hwy. 155



### **Desert Canyon Golf Course • Orondo**

• 18 holes

This course is in a unique and beautiful setting. The course is target style with five sets of tees to match a variety of playing abilities. [www.desertcanyonresort.com](http://www.desertcanyonresort.com)

1201 Desert Canyon Blvd., Orondo



### **Osoyoos Golf Club • Osoyoos, B.C.**

• 36 holes

Osoyoos Golf Club is a public course with a clubhouse, a pro shop, lounge, food and drink services, and full rental. There also is a driving range. [www.golfosoyoos.com](http://www.golfosoyoos.com)

12300 Golf Course Drive, Osoyoos



### **Sonora Dunes Golf Course • Osoyoos, B.C.**

• 9 holes • Par 35

The course is nestled in the rolling hills and lush vineyards of this unique region with a clubhouse, covered patio and open deck. [www.sonoradunes.com](http://www.sonoradunes.com)

1300 Rancher Creek Road, Osoyoos, B.C.



### **Nk'Mip Canyon Desert Golf Course • Oliver, B.C.**

• 18 holes • Par 72 • Rating: 72.4

A course with a diverse landscape that begins on natural desert and smoothly transitions into lush canyons and valleys. [www.nkmipcanyon.ca](http://www.nkmipcanyon.ca)

6891 Tucelnuit Drive, Oliver, B.C.

# PATEROS



**P**ATEROS CELEBRATED ITS CENTENNIAL IN 2013, with a 100th birthday party and additional ceremonies and festivities during the annual Apple Pie Jamboree with its new sister city – Pateros, Philippines.

This will be the jamboree's 72nd year. Scheduled for July 20-22, it features a parade, watercross races, vendors, plenty of homemade pie, Jamboree Jog race, hoop shoot, quilt show, bingo, dunk tank, kids' games, live music, street dance, salmon dinner and fireworks.

The 27th annual Ray Stanley Memorial Bass Tournament is the same weekend. It's a popular draw not only for anglers, but also for spectators hoping to catch a glimpse of the largest prize-winning fish.

Anglers know Pateros — the Columbia and Methow rivers, which meet at the south edge of town, are home to varied species of fish.

Both rivers are open for some kind of fishing year-round. The Okanogan River, with more good fishing, is only a short drive or boat ride away. There are two public boat launches in Pateros, accessible in all water conditions, along with three public docks for people who'd rather stay on shore.

There's plenty of open water for canoeing and kayaking, skiing and personal watercraft, too.

Nearby Alta Lake offers boating, swimming, a state park and an 18-hole golf course. On the far end of the lake, horseback riding can be found.

Lake Pateros — the Columbia River backed up by Wells Dam — is the site of watercross races and, in late August, the Pateros Hydro Classic.

Private companies offer trail rides during the summer, and the Pateros area has plenty of public property with off-road potential for motorbikes and four-wheelers.

Pateros is well known to bird watchers, and watchable wildlife abounds in the hills around town. The mid-September Chelan Ridge Hawk Festival offers birding activities in the waterfront park, rescued raptors and the opportunity to view birds in the wild.

Bargain hunters get their own weekend — and residents, a spring-cleaning opportunity — with all-town yard sales June 14-17. Yard sale fees are waived for the occasion. Maps can be found at City Hall as the sales approach.

Camping enthusiasts will find plenty of room at Alta Lake. There are several motels in and around town for those wanting a soft bed and other creature comforts.

Downtown Pateros boasts restaurants and a specialty bakery, along with businesses that offer a lot for anglers — including plenty of free advice. As downtowns go, Pateros' is relatively new, nearly 60 years old, because the town was relocated during the construction of Wells Dam in the early 1960s.

Pateros started as Ives Landing, named for the man who purchased the land and laid out the original townsite in the late 1890s. He sold out — at the insistence of his wife — and the town was renamed by a Spanish-American War veteran, who remembered a town he'd encountered on his tour of duty in the Philippines.

The town's history is the subject of a museum that opened several years ago.

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## Area Statistics

Elevation: 812 feet  
 Population: 667  
 Incorporated: 1913  
 Location: On U.S. Highway 97 at the junction with state Highway 153.

## Events

### City Wide Yard Sales June 7-9

The whole city gets involved in spring cleaning with this city-wide yard sale. [www.pateros.com](http://www.pateros.com)

### Motorcycle Bike Rally June 22

Salmon bake, live music and beer garden. [www.pateros.com](http://www.pateros.com)

### 72nd Annual Apple Pie Jamboree July 19-21

Parade, watercross races, vendors, plenty of homemade pie, jamboree jog-a-thon, hoop shoot, quilt show, bingo, dunk take, kids' games, live music, street dance, salmon dinner and fireworks. [www.pateros.com](http://www.pateros.com)

### Ray Stanley Memorial Bass Tournament July 20

It's a popular draw not only for anglers,

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### Pateros Hydro Races Aug. 16-18

Watch the hydro's skip across the Columbia River. There isn't a bad seat in the house as these boats race around the course just off the park. [www.pateros.com](http://www.pateros.com)



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# BREWSTER

Kim Youngers

**T**HE COLUMBIA RIVER, THE METHOW AND Okanogan rivers and Lake Rufus Woods (behind Chief Joseph Dam) are an angler's dream.

Brewster offers a public boat launch and dock in Columbia Cove Park where anglers can drop a line for salmon, steelhead, trout, sturgeon and smallmouth bass.

The annual Brewster King Salmon Derby is the first weekend in August; participants can win \$20,000 in prizes and cash.

People who want to take a boat or personal watercraft out for a spin will find plenty of open water on the Columbia, Okanogan and Methow rivers.

Columbia Cove Park offers a beach for swimming and splashing, a playground, picnic areas, a basketball court and a soccer pitch. The municipal pool has a waterslide and diving boards, and next door is the Columbia Cove Recreation Center.

Brewster's city RV park includes 34 total sites. During derby weekend, the fee for dry camping is waived.

Recently, a chainsaw artist carved two London Plane trees in the park with playful bears, birds of prey and salmon – a tribute to the derby.

The hills around town provide plenty of opportunities for a nice afternoon walk, and experienced birdwatchers know that Brewster is a prime spot to observe feathered friends, from eagles to quail.

The back roads are good for long or short afternoon drives, and there are opportunities on public lands for four-wheeling, motorbikes and horseback riding.

Golf courses – Gambles Sands, Alta Lake and Lake Woods – are within a few miles of town.

Visitors can stroll in Brewster's downtown and pick up a snack or coffee in one of the eateries. Dining fare ranges from Mexican cuisines to burgers and other choices. Shoppers will find a variety of stores.

The Fourth of July brings a parade and other events, plus one of the biggest fireworks shows in the area.

Brewster owes its name to a decision made by U.S. Post Office worker who, in the 1890s, changed the spelling from Bruster.

Originally the town followed the steamboat landing. The old three-story Gamble Hotel was moved from one Main Street to another with a horse team and logs, and legend has it the

hotel owner kept the fire in the kitchen stove burning the entire time.

The city became a crucial part of Washington's apple industry. Tours of some local apple processing facilities may be available by appointment.

Nearby is Fort Okanogan Park and Interpretive Center, site of one of the first non-Indian settlements in Washington. The fort was established in 1811 by David Stuart of the Pacific Fur Co. and later purchased by the Hudson's Bay Co.



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## Area Statistics

Elevation: 820 feet  
 Population: 2,370  
 Incorporated: 1910  
 Location: On U.S. Highway 97 near the confluence of the Okanogan and Columbia rivers, about seven miles north of Pateros and 26 miles south of Okanogan.

## Events

### Culpepper & Merriweather Circus June 6

An event sure to bring smiles to people of all ages. [www.brewsterchamber.org](http://www.brewsterchamber.org)

### Cherries Jubilee June 15

A fun day of events honoring cherry harvest. [www.brewsterchamber.org](http://www.brewsterchamber.org)

### Fourth of July Celebration July 4

Events include a parade, vendors and fireworks over the Columbia River. [www.brewsterchamber.org](http://www.brewsterchamber.org)

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# BRIDGEPORT

Brad Skiff

**N**ESTLED BESIDE THE mighty Columbia, Bridgeport sits just downstream from Chief Joseph Dam.

The dam, one of the largest hydropower projects in the world, has a visitor center detailing some of the history of the project and the surrounding area, and how the hydropower system works.

Bridgeport boasts great fishing and boating on Lake Rufus Woods, hiking around the dam, golfing at Lake Woods Golf Course and camping at Bridgeport State Park. Some of the hiking trails are paved.

A Colville tribal fish hatchery opened in 2013 just downstream from the dam, and a visitor's area and playground can be found nearby.

Anglers know Bridgeport for Lake Rufus Woods and its trout fishing and the Columbia River downstream for salmon, steelhead, trout and various sport fish populations. Nearby is the Okanogan River.

Water skiers, paddlers and personal watercraft also can be seen on the waters, and wildlife watchers will find eagles, otters, beavers, badgers, quail and other fowl.

There's a boat launch and places to fish from the shore above the dam and a boat launch below the dam at Bridgeport Marina Park, which is a popular spot for RV users as well.

Bridgeport State Park, set directly behind Chief Joseph Dam, includes 748 acres of camping and 18 acres of lawn –

plus, a bit of shade.

Horseback, motorbike and ATV riding opportunities also exist.

For those who like their water in a pool, Bridgeport offers a pool in Berryman Park, which also is a good place for a picnic and has lots of swings and slides. There's also the exhibit of military equipment, including a helicopter.

Downtown Bridgeport offers cafes, grocery stores, a public library, a laundry and a couple of places that are happy to provide plenty of free fishing advice. Foster Creek Avenue is lined with animals carved from tree trunks by chainsaw artist Jacob Lucas, who grew up in Bridgeport.

The annual celebration, Bridgeport Daze, is the first weekend in June and offers a parade, live music, non-juried arts and crafts exhibition, sports, fun run, food vendors and a wood carving competition.

In the summer months, you can find the freshest locally grown produce and other goods at the farmers market Friday mornings in Fireman Park.

Bridgeport marked its centennial of incorporation as a town in 2010, although the community is older than that. It was platted in the 1890s, and its backers originally named it Westfield.

The townsite was purchased by a group of investors from Bridgeport, Conn., and the new name stuck even after the investors moved on.

Bridgeport was the last stop on the steamboat run; the old flour mill down

by the river is a reminder of the days when wheat and apples were loaded from the bluff.

Apples, cherries, wheat and cattle play a big part in the town's economy.

## Area Statistics

Elevation: 835 feet

Population: 2,409

Incorporated: 1910

Location: On state Highway 17, 13 miles southeast of Brewster.

## Events

### Bridgeport Daze June 8-9

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# TWISP

**T**WISP IS THE PLACE TO BE for those who love the arts and beautiful scenery.

Its origins date from two short-lived gold booms in 1858 and 1880. Now, 900-plus permanent residents provide the commercial center of the Methow Valley population of more than 4,000.

Tourists triple the population several times a year, especially in the summer, as folks flock to the beauty of the valley on the east slopes of the Cascade Mountain range.

You can fly in at the Twisp Municipal Airport, just a mile out of the city. Many community events are planned each year and the airport is continually being upgraded with the support of local volunteers.

Once in the valley, you can enjoy time on some trails, such as the Twisp River Trail for bikers and or the universally — accessible Blackpine Lake Trail.

Or, if you hit Twisp in the summer, relax in the Wagner Memorial Pool in the Twisp Park.

To get closer to nature, plan an adventure with Washington Outfitters and Guides Association on one of its horseback, sleigh, wagon, hiking, rafting or fishing trips throughout the year.

The Methow Wilderness School can teach wildlife tracking, wilderness survival and other trainings either by private class, workshop or seminar out in the great outdoors of the Methow Valley.

Winter activities include cross country skiing, snowmobiling and downhill skiing and snowboarding at nearby Loup Loup Ski Bowl.

If your idea of getting close to nature is in sampling local foods, visit the Methow Valley Farmers Market at the community center in season and get all sorts of fruits, vegetables, jams and more.

The business district offers restaurants, hardware, general merchandise, gasoline and other amenities. There are several motels, inns, campgrounds and other lodging facilities.

For the art enthusiast, Twisp offers beautiful works at Confluence Gallery and Art Center on North Glover Street, where professionals and students show various forms of artwork. The center also offers classes and special events for those wanting to try their hand at a new art form.

Several more artists have opened shops and host exhibits at TwispWorks. It is home to the mobile art gallery, Spartan Art Project and Clay Arts Fest. The on-campus Methow Valley Interpretive Center features an interpretive garden, a tribal encampment and educational lectures on the last Sunday of the month year-round on the geographical and cultural history of the area.

To catch the latest live theater, hit the Methow Valley Theater or Merc Playhouse, both featuring live performances throughout the year. Upcoming events are listed at [www.methowvalleytheater.org](http://www.methowvalleytheater.org) and [www.mercplayhouse.org](http://www.mercplayhouse.org).

Twisp hosts a Fourth of July celebration, Christmas events and a variety of activities all year.

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1909

Elevation: 1,500 feet

Population: 940

Location: On state Highway 20, nine miles south of Winthrop, 29 miles west of Okanogan and 31 miles north of Pateros via state Highway 153.

## Events

### Methow Arts Fest July 4

The fun begins directly after the Independence Day parade in Twisp River Park. A dozen hands-on arts booths, giving children ages one to 100 the opportunity to create art. Food and music is also on tap.

### Merc Playhouse presents: 'A Dinner on the Way' July 12-21

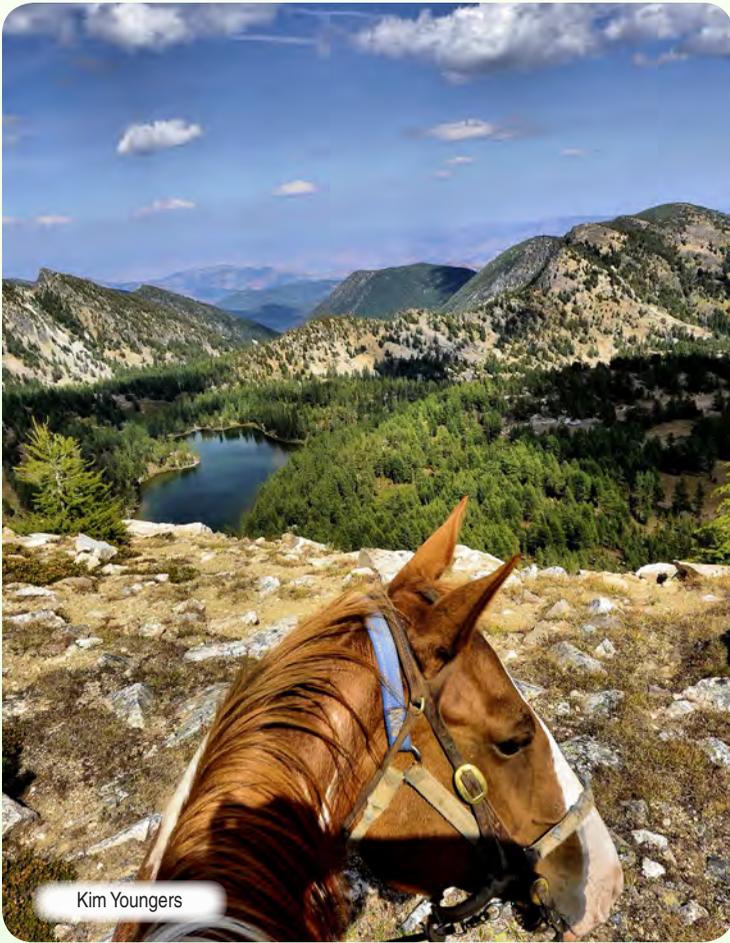
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# WINTHROP



**W**HETHER YOU'RE AN HISTORIAN, outdoor enthusiast or just enjoy getting close to nature, Winthrop holds many charms.

The town is known for its American Old West design of all buildings in town. The design dates back to a 1972 decision and is upheld by town ordinance.

The first white settlers arrived as trappers in the 1800s, some staying permanently after 1883 when dreams of gold mining brought more. Winthrop's founders came at that time.

In 1891, Guy Waring built the two oldest buildings, both of which still stand. One was his home, known as The Castle — now the Shafer Museum — and the other the original Duck Brand Saloon, now town hall. An 1893 fire took out the rest of the town.

Winthrop's board sidewalks lead visitors to gold panning activities, museums, parks, glass-blowing demonstrations, Old West photo studios, putt-putt golf, multiple murals, the oldest legal saloon in Washington and more.

Aside from the aesthetics of the town itself, Winthrop is picturesque in its proximity to the North Cascades, surrounded by forests and wilderness. Visitors can enjoy cross-country skiing, rock climbing, hiking, mountain biking, river rafting, horseback riding, hunting, fishing,

golfing, ice skating and snow-shoeing in winter and sight-seeing.

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Businesses also offer horseback riding lessons and rentals.

Visitors can get a bird's eye view of the scenery in a hot air balloon; the Winthrop Balloon Roundup brings together balloonists from across the Northwest to take flight above snow-capped North Cascades in early March. It's a photographer's fantasy.

Winthrop also is a great jumping-off point for hang gliders and parasailers.

Multiple scenic drives will also take your breath away on the Chewuch Road to Falls Creek Falls, state Highway 20 up to the North Cascades or nearby Hart's Pass, the highest point in the state to which you can drive.

Winthrop is known for a few of its events, too, such '49er Days, Winthrop Rhythm and Blues Festival, the Winthrop Balloon Festival and Christmas at the End of the Road. For schedules and other events, visit [www.winthropwashington.com](http://www.winthropwashington.com).

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1924

Elevation: 1,765 feet

Population: 406

Location: In the Methow Valley at the foot of the Cascade Mountains on state Highway 20

## Events

### Ride to Rendezvous May 6-10

Ride the Rendezvous, a week-long horse packing excursion through the Methow Valley high country. Contact [woga.org](http://woga.org) to join this event.

### Rendezvous Fest May 10-12

A multi-day music festival with daily outdoor recreation opportunities. [www.therendezvousfest.com](http://www.therendezvousfest.com)

### Winthrop '49er Days May 10-12

Celebrating its 74th year, Winthrop's '49er Days is a celebration of rich western and horse history. [www.winthropwashington.com](http://www.winthropwashington.com)

### Memorial Day Rodeo May 25-26

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### Winthrop Rhythm and Blues Festival July 19-21

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### Labor Day Rodeo Aug. 31-Sept. 1

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### Winthrop Vintage Wheels Show Sept. 7

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# OKANOGAN



**O**KANOGAN, THE SEAT OF OKANOGAN County government, offers a range of shopping and amenities in a picturesque setting of historic brick buildings surrounded by sage- and tree-covered mountains.

The city is a gateway to the Colville Indian Reservation, Loup Loup Ski Bowl off state Highway 20 west of town, the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, and various outdoor activities including fishing, cross country skiing, hiking, bicycling, snowmobiling and ATV riding.

The Okanogan Gun Club maintains a shooting range southwest of town off B&O Road.

The city allows off-road vehicles in town and connects to designated county roads. Snowmobiles are not allowed.

A free Internet wireless “hot spot” is in Legion Park on North Second Avenue. Camping is allowed in the park.

The Okanogan County Historical Society Museum, Okanogan Fire Hall Museum and Wilson Research Center (history and genealogy) are at the north end of the park, which also features a farmers’ market Saturday mornings from May through October.

Residents and visitors alike can take a dip in the city’s summer-only pool in Alma Park, 601 S. First Ave. The park also offers a picnic shelter, basketball court and playground equipment.

Across Salmon Creek, but still part of the park, are a boat ramp and river observation deck at the foot of Tyee Street. The ramp is a popular landing spot for kayakers and canoeists

who float the Okanogan River from Omak to Okanogan.

Central Valley Sports Complex on Rodeo Trail offers baseball, softball and soccer fields, a children’s climbing toy and a paved fitness trail.

Public fishing and a nature trail are on the city island off South First Avenue. The city also has several other community parks and an arboretum.

Downtown murals feature early 20th century photographs of Okanogan by Frank S. Matsura. A walking tour is being developed by the chamber of commerce, with audio information on the chamber’s Facebook page and, eventually, through QR codes accessible by smartphone.

Okanogan Days, the first Saturday in June, includes a parade, street fair, live music and more. The event usually coincides with Okanogan High School graduation.

A summer Hot Summer Nights series of outdoor films is offered and October brings Harvest Fest, a celebration of the area’s bounty.

Okanogan Farm Lights Festival, the city’s Christmas celebration, is right after Thanksgiving and features lighted farm machinery, tree lighting, caroling, food and entertainment.

The Okanogan County Fairgrounds are northeast of town on Rodeo Trail. The county fair is the weekend after Labor Day, and numerous other events are scheduled at the fairgrounds, which allows camping.

The city offers shopping, restaurants and bars, public

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### Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1907  
 Elevation: 835 feet  
 Population: 2,596  
 Location: At the junction of state Highway 20 and U.S. Highway 97, straddling the Okanogan River.

### Events

#### The Vintage Faire April 27

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#### Okanogan Days June 1

Parade, street fair, live music, Hoops for Hope 3-on-3 basketball tournament, vendors and more. Information: [www.okchamber.com](http://www.okchamber.com)

#### 72nd Okanogan County Fair Sept. 5-8

A county fair featuring animal exhibits, food, vendors, music, rodeo and more. Information: [www.okanogancounty.org](http://www.okanogancounty.org)

#### Autumn Leaf Run Oct 5

Fun run on streets of Okanogan. Information: [www.omakfit4life.com](http://www.omakfit4life.com)

#### Okanogan Harvest Festival Oct. 5

Pet parade, vendors, farmers market, pig roast and more. Information: [www.okchamber.com](http://www.okchamber.com)

#### Okanogan Farm Lights Festival Nov. 27

Lighted tractor parade, Santa's arrival, tree lighting. Information: [www.okchamber.com](http://www.okchamber.com)

### Churches

#### Our Savior Lutheran Church LCMS

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Omak offers dozens of sporting events in East Side Park and at local schools, plus 3-on-3 basketball in June, a Halloween/Harvest Festival in late October and a Christmas on Main and Twilight Parade in early December.

A farmers market runs from June through October in Civic League Park.

Omak's parks are many and varied. East Side Park, the largest, is home not only to the Omak Stampede, but also offers a full-service RV park, baseball and softball fields, soccer fields, swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, a skate park, playground equipment and walking trail to downtown along the dike. Paddlers can access the river through the park, too.

An off-leash dog park offers a safe place for Rover to run.

Reservations may be made online for the Carl Precht Memorial RV Park portion of East Side Park. Information: [www.omakcity.com](http://www.omakcity.com).

Civic League Park offers a bandshell, picnic area and playground equipment, with the Omak Public Library next door. There are several smaller neighborhood parks.

The Omak Performing Arts Center, owned by the Omak School District, hosts dozens of school, community and professional music, dance and dramatic productions.

Visitors will find three main commercial areas in Omak: The south end, specializing in automotive needs; historic downtown, with a variety of shops, and the north end shopping and medical area.

Omak straddles the Okanogan River, with the eastern portion on the 1.4 million-acre Colville Indian Reservation. A casino resort is just south of town off Highway 97.



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### Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1911

Elevation: 850 feet

Population: 4,835

Location: At the junction of highways 20/97 and 155, straddling the Okanogan River.

### Events

#### Orchards in Bloom Race

April 27

Omak Fit 4 Life on Facebook.

#### "A Christmas Story"

May 3-5, 10-12

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#### Friendly OK Car Club show

May 10-11

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#### Omak Battleground 3-on-3

#### Basketball Tournament

June 15

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#### 86th Omak Stampede and World-Famous Suicide Race

Aug. 8-11

Always the second weekend in August. [www.omakstampede.org](http://www.omakstampede.org)

#### Omak Western and Native Art Show

Aug. 8-11

[www.omakstampede.org](http://www.omakstampede.org)

#### Omak Stampede Indian Encampment

Aug. 8-11

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#### Zombie Fun Run

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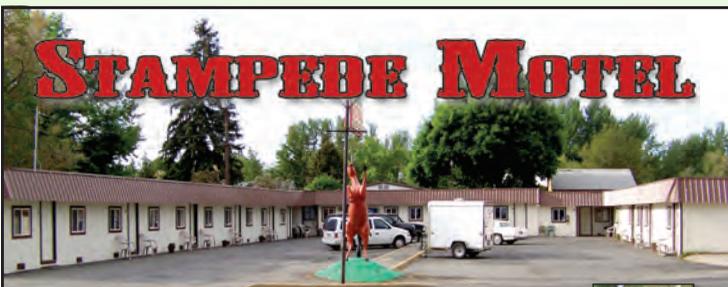
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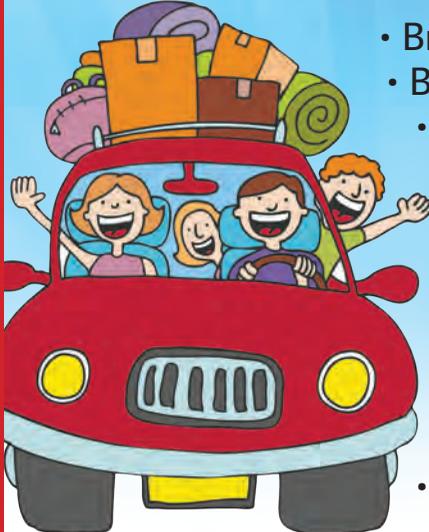
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Tucked into a mountain valley and surrounded by parks and lakes, the hamlet is home to many types of wildlife. Deer wander through town. Bird-watchers can get their fill by keeping an eye on the skies or on the waters of its two lakes.

Conconully State Park borders Conconully Reservoir (the lower lake) and offers camping sites, picnicking and playground equipment, a boat launch and plenty of room to run.

Conconully Lake (or Salmon Lake, the upper lake) also has a boat launch, restrooms and a disabled-accessible fishing dock.

Resorts are available; boats and motors can be rented at various local businesses.

The area, surrounded by national and state forests with two wildlife management areas nearby, is ideal for hunters and anglers. Lodging and RV sites are abundant, and local businesses offer early breakfasts, trail lunches, snacks, fuel, supplies, fishing supplies and other items to make the visitor's experience more enjoyable.

Both lakes are stocked annually by the state Department of Fish and Wildlife, with the town and chamber of commerce pitching in to purchase larger fish.

Each year also features a trout derby on opening weekend of the state general fishing season in late April.

For nature enthusiasts, the area offers trails, such as the Mutton Creek Trail, good for all ages, just a mile north of town on County Road No. 2361.

The state's Sinlahekin Wildlife area, the main part of which is a few miles north of town on Sinlahekin Road, includes more than 23,000 acres in seven units in central Okanogan County. It's the oldest wildlife area in Washington. Fishing, hunting, camping, hiking and butterfly viewing are very popular.

Peacock Meadows Sno-Park, west of town, is a jumping-off point for hiking and winter sports, including snowmobiling.

Conconully allows snowmobiles and ATVs on designated

streets.

The Independence Day Celebration – July 6 in 2019 – brings the Old West back to life with a parade, children's games, firefighters' competitions, antique car show and a staged gunfight.

Each January, snow-covered Main Street turns into the Outhouse Race course, a competition that pits outhouses on skis against each other.

Other activities include an Easter egg hunt, ATV Jamboree in June, Grubstake Open Golf Tournament in August, a quilt festival, Stew and Brew, "hall mall" arts and crafts shows in the Community Hall, and Christmas celebration.

Originally known as Salmon City, Conconully began as a boom town in the 1800s as miners sought silver and gold in the surrounding hills. Their efforts gave way to farming and ranching.

In 1887, the town became part of Washington Territory. In 1889, its central location within Okanogan County made it the county seat, a designation that lasted until 1914.

Japanese photographer Frank S. Matsura arrived in Conconully in 1903 and chronicled the area with hundreds of pictures. He moved on to Okanogan in 1907.

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The Conconully Museum, operated by the Conconully Area Historical Association, is open weekends and holidays from Memorial Day to Labor Day, or by appointment, at 217 N. Lottie Ave.

### Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1908  
Elevation: 2,300 feet.  
Population: 210  
Location: 15 miles northwest of Omak on Conconully Highway.

### Events

#### Trout Derby April 27-28

Opening day of fishing season: Enter prize trout catches for awards.

#### ATV Jamboree June 6-9

A great weekend of fun. Many activities including a bucket run, scavenger hunt, swap meet, obstacle course on Saturday night, guided or unguided trail riding, safety classes and demonstrations, vendors and more.

#### Independence Celebration July 6

The event that brings back the spirit of the old West. A parade, car show, live music, staged gunfight and more is planned.

#### Grubstake Open Golf Tournament Aug. 17

Golf tournament at Okanogan Valley Golf Course.

#### Outdoor quilt and craft show Aug. 17

A fun-filled day throughout town with handmade quilts, crafts, raffles and vendors.

#### Stew and Brew Aug. 28

A variety of stews and beverage of the season.

#### Tree lighting and Santa Days Dec. 7

A community tree lighting celebration and visit from Santa Claus.

#### Outhouse Races Jan. 18

Snow-covered Main Street is turned into an outhouse race course – a competition that pits outhouses on skis. For more information and registration on any of these events, see [www.conconully.com](http://www.conconully.com)

### Churches

#### Conconully Community United Methodist Church 121 N. Esther, Conconully

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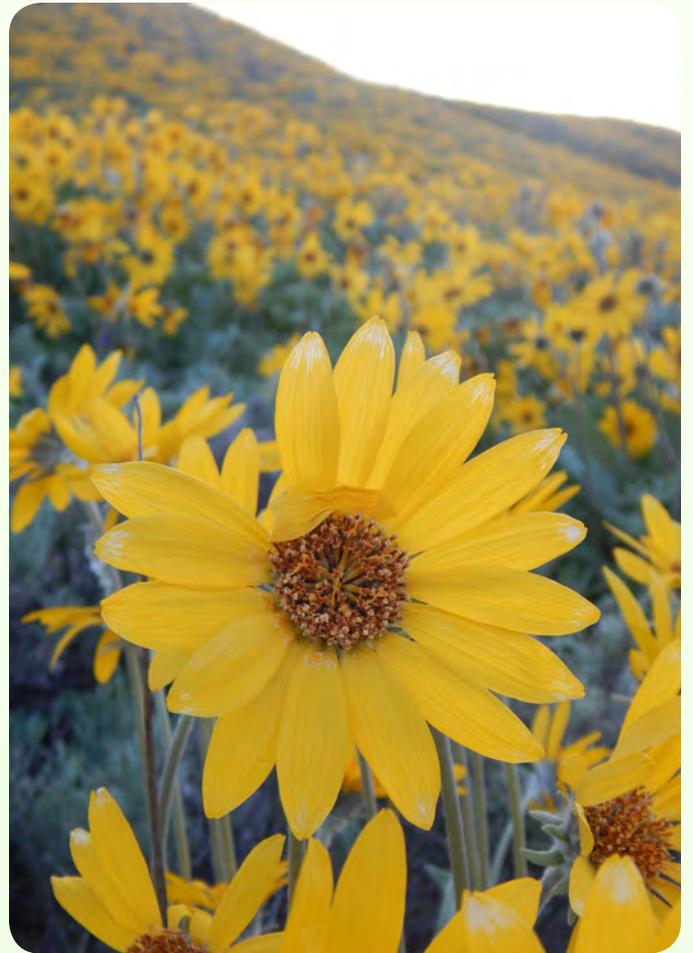
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# RIVERSIDE



Tim Davis

**R**IVERSIDE, LOCATED OFF U.S. Highway 97 just north of Omak, has a population of under 300, but it wasn't always so.

Settled in the 1880s by Uriah Ward, Riverside was booming in the early 1900s, peaking with a population of 350 and making neighboring towns of Omak and Tonasket look small.

When steamboats began traveling up the Okanogan River, Riverside was the upstream limit of navigation during the high water season. It was officially incorporated in December, 1913.

The town includes a general store, gas station, city park, public fishing, antique store, RV park, grange hall and pawn shop. For those who love Western wear including boots, jeans, jewelry, trinkets and saddles, DeTros is a favorite place to shop.

Some historic buildings still stand, such as the old schoolhouse. The 1912 school bell can be found in the city park.

It hosted the first county fair in 1905.

The early 1900s saw its fair share of troubles for Riverside, with the town's new \$3,000 drawbridge collapsing in 1905 and the town losing its bid to be county seat in 1908. Two fires leveled much of the business district in 1916.

In 1914, the railroad came through, spelling the end for Riverboats, and Riverside settled into a quiet existence from its former boom days.

Still, it serves as a jumping-off

## Vacationland

point for recreation, including hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, ATV riding, hiking, wildlife watching and other sports.

It's located just north of the Colville Indian Reservation.

Several miles outside town, explorers can visit nature in the state's Scotch Creek Wildlife Area to the northwest and, to the east, in Tunk Valley. The Okanogan National Forest is nearby.

A bit farther up Tunk Creek Road, Crawfish Lake has a campground and many privately owned cabins for fishing and otherwise enjoying the woods. Half the lake is bordered by U.S. Forest Service land and the other by the Colville Indian Reservation.

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1913

Elevation: 853 feet.

Population: 280

Location: 8 miles north of Omak on U.S. Highway 97 and 14 miles south of Tonasket.

## Events

### Hoofin' and Woofin' Fun Run April 28

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## Churches

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# OKANOGAN HIGHLANDS



J. Foster Fanning

**I**F HISTORICAL SITES AND GREAT FISHING are on your must-see, must-do list, the Highlands Loop makes a great one-day driving trip for those activities.

Start in Tonasket by heading up Havillah Road. You'll climb through sagebrush-covered hills to mountains where you can catch sweeping views of the upper Okanogan Valley and the snow-capped Cascade Mountains to the west.

Continue northwest on County Road No. 9467 to County Road No. 9480 and Chesaw, a small, unincorporated burg with limited amenities but plenty of charm.

Chesaw got its start during the 1896 mining rush to the old North Half of the Colville Indian Reservation. By 1904 its business district bustled with stores, hotels, at least three saloons, a stage office, assay office, butcher shop, Myers Creek News, a meat-packing plant, school, fraternal orders, other shops and telephone service.

Chesaw now is home to one of Okanogan County's wildest, woolliest events, the Chesaw Fourth of July Rodeo. The event - always on Independence Day - features amateur rodeo, kids' games, a parade, food and plenty of hometown hospitality.

From Chesaw, travelers can head west on County Road No. 9480 to Mary Ann Creek Road No. 4839 and

northwest to Molson. Along the way is a sign recalling the Hee Hee Stone Indian legend.

Molson has its own historical tale - one fraught with turmoil and controversy.

The town, a product of the government's decision to open the Colville Indian Reservation's old North Half, was financed initially by John W. Molson of the Canadian brewing family. Promoter George B. Meacham had an



J. Foster Fanning

option on the nearby Poland China gold mine, and persuaded Molson to buy into a town site.

The town grew, but by February 1901, Meacham had departed for the Texas oil fields.

The first Great Northern Railroad passenger train rolled into town from Spokane Nov. 2, 1906.

There were two passenger trains and one freight train daily from Spokane to Molson during the peak years; at one time it was the largest shipping point in the state and had the highest-elevation railroad depot at 3,708 feet.

After businessman John H. McDonald filed a homestead claim that included the town site, the town of New Molson sprang up to the north. For a time the two rival towns existed side by side.

Folks continued to squabble and a third town, central Molson, was platted in 1916.

After a court battle, part of the original town site was declared valid, but by then it was a ghost town. Central Molson and New Molson became the present community of Molson.

Today, Old Molson is the site of

a museum operated by volunteers of the Okanogan County Historical Society. Visitors can go inside a variety of buildings, including the original bank building, two homestead cabins, newspaper and assay offices, and view farm machinery outside.

Molson School, built between Old and New Molson, also houses a historical society-operated museum. The three-story brick schoolhouse, built in 1914, houses three floors of artifacts and a souvenir shop with light refreshments.

Old Molson can be viewed from April through November; Molson

School Museum is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Both are maintained and operated by volunteers.

Remnants of the railroad bed can be seen from the county road, which has a gravel surface in places. The road sometimes travels on the railroad bed, and eventually links with Tonasket Creek Road No. 9480 and descends into Oroville.

Once you reach Oroville, you can turn north into Canada or head south on Hwy 97 back to Tonasket. Access to the Similkameen and Whistler Canyon trails is available in the Oroville area.



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# GRAND COULEE AREA



Kim Youngers

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The dam is 550 feet tall, from the 500-foot polished granite base to the 30-foot wide crest that supports a paved, two-lane road. Because of security concerns, the road is closed except for occasional special events.

Including the Third Powerhouse, Grand Coulee Dam is almost one mile across. There is enough concrete in the dam to build a four-lane highway the 3,000 miles from Los Angeles to New York City.

Construction began in 1933 as a Depression relief project. Eight years later, the dam was complete, leaving behind a monumental sand pile still visible today. It is the largest producer of hydroelectric energy in the U.S.

The dam also irrigates more than 500,000 acres of farms through Lake Roosevelt, its reservoir, and a subsidiary system of reservoirs and canals.

Grand Coulee Dam's visitor center overlooks the downstream dam wall. It is open year-round just off state Highway 155. Tours take place in summer.

The east edge of the dam borders Okanogan County and the Colville Indian Reservation. The west end borders Grant County.

Laser Light Shows run after dark daily from May through September on the face of the dam.

Catch some great vistas from Crown Point, about two miles west of Coulee Dam off state Highway 174. A state Discover Pass is required to park there.

The area is known for geological wonders; prehistoric floods carved out the coulee, showing its layers of basalt rock.

A walking tour of Coulee Dam shows historic buildings from the dam's construction era.

Anglers, hunters, swimmers, boaters, campers and

picnic lovers can visit the many lakes and campsites spread throughout the area.

Lake Roosevelt itself — the Columbia River held back by the dam — has many boat docks, fishing spots, campsites and more. Spring Canyon, about two miles east of Grand Coulee on Highway 174, features a grassy park, sandy beaches, designated swimming space, playground equipment, restrooms, barbecue pits and more.

The lake is stocked with kokanee (land-locked salmon), walleye, silvers, rainbow trout, lake whitefish, white sturgeon and yellow perch. State and tribal fishing rules apply.

With more than two dozen boat ramps, the lake stretches 152 miles up the Columbia River from the dam to the Canadian border. It is the largest man-made body of water in Washington.

Banks Lake, south of the dam area and with the centerpiece of Steamboat Rock, is about one mile wide and 30 miles long.

Near Steamboat Rock State Park is Northrup Canyon, a beautiful shelter for flora and fauna. At the top of the canyon is a five-acre, stream-fed lake stocked with trout and

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reachable by a walking trail. From mid-November through mid-March, the area is home to many bald eagles.

Downstream from the dam is Lake Rufus Woods, the pool formed by Chief Joseph Dam. It stretches 40 miles, with a boat launch on the east side.

The area also boasts many hiking trails from the handicapped-accessible to the difficult.

Big events include:

- **Colorama**, on Mother's Day weekend, with a parade, rodeo, carnival, arts and crafts vendors, live music, cowboy breakfast and more. More: [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org).

- **Sunbanks Blues Festivals**, every May and September at Banks Lake. More: [www.sunbanksfestival.com](http://www.sunbanksfestival.com).

You can see car shows, powwows, golf tournaments, visit a tribal casino and get to know more about the Colville Confederated Tribes and visit museums by visiting [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org) or [www.colvilletribes.com](http://www.colvilletribes.com).

## Area Statistics

### Coulee Dam

Incorporated: 1959

Elevation: 1,140

Population: 1,100

Location: On the Columbia River near the junction of highways 155 and 174.

### Electric City

Incorporated: 1950

Elevation: 1,650

Population: 1,007

Location: Just southwest of Grand Coulee on state Highway 155.

### Elmer City

Incorporated: 1947

Elevation: 1,200

Population: 290

Location: Two miles north of Grand Coulee Dam on state Highway 155.

### Grand Coulee

Incorporated: 1935

Elevation: 1,483

Population: 1,056

Location: On the Columbia River at the junction of state highways 155 and 174.

## Events

### Colorama Festival

May 9-12

Always on Mother's Day weekend, Colorama Festival includes a parade, carnival arts and crafts vendors, a ProWest rodeo and more. [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org)

### Sunbanks Blues Festival

May 16-19

Premiere blues musicians and bands perform on the banks of the Banks Lake. [www.sunbanksfestival.com](http://www.sunbanksfestival.com)

### Koulee Kids Fest

### June 5

Event features plenty of excitement for youngsters. [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org)

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### Sunbanks Blues Festival

Sept. 5-8

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### Harvest Festival

Sept. 20-22

A celebration of harvest with vendors, food and more. [www.grandcouleedam.org](http://www.grandcouleedam.org)

### Run the Dam

Sept. 21

People of all ages races over Grand Coulee Dam. [runthedam.com](http://runthedam.com)



Shawna Priest

# MANSFIELD



**K**NOWN AS “THE TOWN AT the end of the rails,” Mansfield is an agricultural town whose grain elevators process around 1.7 million bushels of wheat annually.

The town boasts a small business district, school and airport, and is well known to hang gliders for its favorable summer weather. It is home to the Fire in the Sky high-power rocketry launches, and is close to Grand Coulee Dam and Lake Chelan.

Mansfield Play Days is the main event of the year. It kicks off the second Saturday in June with a parade down Main Street. There are games, tournaments and a production by the Mansfield Theatrical Company.

A museum houses rotating exhibits about Mansfield’s history, from an old schoolhouse display to vintage wedding dresses and photos from the town’s natives.

Grimes and Jameson lakes, both popular fishing spots, are just south of town. The 1,050-acre West Foster Creek Unit of the Wells Wildlife Area is northwest of town and offers shrub steppe habitat to a variety of wildlife. The area, on Bridgeport Hill Road, offers three parking spots.

In the winter, the Mansfield area offers opportunities for cross-country skiers and snowmobilers.

Settlers began arriving in Mansfield in 1909 with the introduction of the Great Northern Railroad. At the time, land was for sale and it was cheap.

The largest amount of grain ever taken in at Mansfield was 3.2 million bushels

in 1981. The farmers of Mansfield raised soft white wheat, barley and oats for many years; soft white wheat remains the area’s No. 1 crop. In recent years, canola has been added to the mix.

The original plan for the railroad in 1907 would take it from Wenatchee up Moses Coulee and into Waterville. In November 1908, engineer A.F. Whitcomb approached Great Northern Railroad about extending the tracks to a place near Mansfield.

In 1909, the railroad neared completion. The Great Northern Railroad bought a quarter section of land and laid out streets and blocks. Mansfield, which at that time existed about one mile to the northeast, was moved.

A telegraph line was soon installed. In November of 1909, the first train arrived. After that, two trains left per day, hauling passengers in the morning and freight in the afternoon.

The population grew to nearly 2,500 and the town was incorporated in 1911.

Three fires in 1914 took out much of the downtown. After that, the town council passed an ordinance requiring all buildings in the affected area to be made of fire-proof material, and prohibiting the installation of wooden sidewalks.

The town’s first grain elevator was constructed in 1910.

Drought hit in the 1920s, followed by the Great Depression. The railroad scaled back and in the 1950s, the train station building was sold and moved out of town. By the mid-1980s, the Great Northern

pulled out entirely and the tracks were removed.

As residents are fond of saying, it’s a town you drive to, not through.

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1911  
Elevation: 2,270 feet  
Population: 330  
Location: On state Highway 172 about 24.5 miles east of Chelan; 18 miles south of Bridgeport

## Events

### Washington Aerospace Club Annual Fire in the Sky Rocket Launch

**Memorial Weekend — May 24-27**  
At Mansfield Sportsmans Club for more information [www.washingtonaerospace.org](http://www.washingtonaerospace.org).

**Mansfield Playday — June 8**  
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### 42nd Mansfield Lion's Club Auction Oct. 5

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### Mansfield Chamber Christmas Market -Dec. 7

Antiques, a variety of homemade goods, something for everyone. Mansfield, WA Chamber on Facebook.

# NESPELEM

Julie Best

**N**ESPELEM, ON THE Colville Indian Reservation, sits at the crossroads of state Highway 155 and Cache Creek Road, which heads east through the mountains to the Twin Lakes-Keller area in Ferry County.

Numerous Bureau of Indian Affairs roads radiate outward, taking travelers to tree-covered mountains, scenic lakes and the shores of the mighty Columbia River. (Some camping, hunting and fishing areas are closed to those who are not tribal members.)

Nespelem and the Colville Confederated Tribes/U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs agency, which lies two miles south of town on the highway, offer ball fields, celebration grounds, a rodeo arena, community and meeting centers, and a school.

Columbia River Road, which leaves Nespelem near the agency, takes the traveler along the Columbia River and past Omak Lake and northwest to Okanogan and Omak. There are plenty of scenic vistas and a couple maintained fishing sites (special licenses are required for reservation waters).

A roadside marker on state Highway 155 commemorates Chief Joseph and the Joseph Band of Nez Perce, who were pursued into Montana by the U.S. Army from their home in Oregon's Wallowa Valley in 1877. The Joseph Band eventually resettled in Nespelem.

Chief Joseph's grave is nearby

in the Nez Perce Cemetery, which is administered by the Colville Confederated Tribes and is not open to tourists. Those wishing to pay their respects are asked by members of the Nez Perce Band to visit the marker instead.

The sites are part of the Nez Perce National Historic Park, made up of 38 geographically separate sites in four states on the Nez Perce (Nimi-pu) National Historic Trail.

Nespelem lies on the Coulee Corridor Scenic Byway, which runs between Othello and Omak.

The Colville Confederated Tribes hosts several cultural events, including the July Celebration.

Executive Order Day, July 2, marks the creation of the Colville Indian Reservation on July 2, 1872, by President U.S. Grant.

Nespelem and the nearby Colville Indian Agency offer service stations, food services and groceries.

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1935  
Elevation: 1,900 feet.  
Population: 224  
Location: On state Highway 155, 17 miles northwest of Grand Coulee area and 50 miles southeast of Omak.

## Events

**Nespelem Mill Mond Days  
June 15-16**

A community celebration with a parade,

dance, vendors, horse shoes and talent show. Information: Facebook.

**Nespelem July Celebration**

**July 12-14**

Annual powwow, food, vendors at celebration grounds off Highway 155. Information: [www.colvilletribes.com](http://www.colvilletribes.com) or Facebook.

**Nespelem Rodeo**

**July 12-14**

Rodeo with adult and junior events. Rodeo grounds on Lower Columbia River Road. Information: [www.kmiraregion.com](http://www.kmiraregion.com).



# TONASKET



**T**ONASKET LIES HALFWAY BETWEEN OMAK and the Canadian border, about 20 miles north. It is located on the eastern bank of the Okanogan River, on U.S. Highway 97.

Called the "Land for All Seasons", Tonasket is a jumping-off point for recreational activities all year long, including hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, horseback riding, boating, bicycling, skiing, snowboarding and snowmobiling.

The Many Lakes Area, west of Tonasket, has several lakes which are popular spots for fishing and swimming.

State Route 20 turns east at the south end of Tonasket and leads to Bonaparte Lake, before continuing on to Wauconda and Republic.

The area holds many campgrounds, with the Tonasket Ranger District of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest office right in town.

Sitzmark Ski Area, 20 miles northeast of Tonasket in Havillah, offers skiing and snowboarding, with one chair lift and a junior hill with a tow rope. The Highlands Nordic Ski Park, also near Havillah, has over 36 kilometers of trails groomed for both classic and skate skiing.

Snowmobilers can find miles of trails to run in the Tonasket Ranger District, including trails heading out from Bonaparte, Crawfish and Kerr Sno Parks.

The town itself is just about one mile long, bordered on the northern end by Siwash Creek and the southern end by Bonaparte Creek. Several parks in town offer playground equipment along with soccer and baseball fields, a skate and BMX bike park, picnicking and a salmon viewing platform. A public swimming pool is in History Park, and a Splash Park is in Chief Tonasket Park. Little Learners Park features brand new playground equipment.

The U.S. Armed Forces Legacy Project, located at the south entrance to town, holds plaques commemorating local veterans of war, and with memorabilia and a library inside.

Tonasket is named for Chief Tonasket of the Okanogans, who became grand chief of the American Okanogan Indians when the establishment of the U.S. — Canadian border cut across the tribe's lands in 1846. Chief Tonasket used the present day city site for an encampment.

Many descendants of pioneer families still reside in Tonasket and the surrounding areas. A son of one of the pioneering families,

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Walter H. Brattain, grew up on a cattle ranch near Tonasket. After graduating from Tonasket schools, he went on to share the 1956 Nobel Prize for Physics (with William Shockley and John Bardeen) for the invention of the transistor.

Current celebrity sightings often involve actor and musician Jack Black, whose son screened his first film in the nearby Omak Theater in the summer of 2018. The area is also home to the cast of the Discovery Channel's "Alaskan Bush People," who are frequently seen around town.

Popular events include the Tonasket Founders' Day Rodeo, Truck and Tractor Pulls, Demolition Derby and Okanogan Family Faire.

### Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1926  
 Elevation: 900 feet  
 Population: 1,020  
 Location: On U.S. Highway 97 at the junction of U.S. Highway 97 and state Highway 20.

### Events

**Okanogan Family Spring Faire**  
 May 17-19

Vendors selling or trading hand-crafted and home-grown items, live music on two stages, food and family fun. [www.okanoganfamilyfaire.org](http://www.okanoganfamilyfaire.org)

### Tonasket's Founders Day June 1-2

Come enjoy a parade, rodeo, vendors, soap box derby, live music and more. [www.tonasketchamber.com](http://www.tonasketchamber.com)

### Father's Day Fly-In June 16-17

Come have a steak dinner Saturday evening and breakfast Sunday morning, followed by free plane rides for youngsters at the Tonasket Municipal Airport.

### Truck and Tractor Pulls July 19-20

The Comancheros Rodeo welcomes truck and tractors from around the northwest to pull their way to victory.

### Demolition Derby Sept. 1

Smashing fun at the Tonasket Rodeo Grounds. [www.tonasketchamber.com](http://www.tonasketchamber.com)

### Winterfest Early December

Winter brings a wonderland setting for Winterfest with a parade through

town and vendors inside and out. [www.tonasketchamber.com](http://www.tonasketchamber.com)

### Okanogan Family Faire Mid October

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### Restaurants

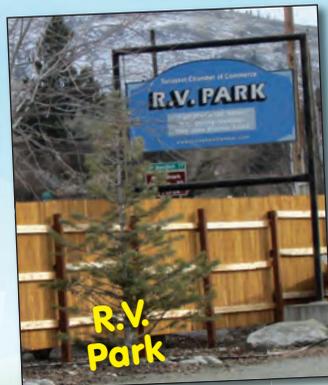
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### Churches

**Holy Rosary Catholic Church**  
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**Hope Lutheran Church**  
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# OROVILLE



**O**ROVILLE IS LOCATED IN A high desert area with agriculture and recreation fueling the area's economy.

Numerous streams, lakes and proximity to the Cascade Mountains make the area a favorite for swimming, boating, waterskiing, hiking, hunting, fishing, bicycling, skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing and wildlife viewing.

There is a growing trail system and the Osoyoos Lake Veterans Memorial Park offers a beach, camping and RV spaces.

Nearby wineries produce unique local wines. The area also produces grapes, and a variety of tree fruit, from apples and pears to apricots.

The Depot Museum, 1210 Ironwood St., features displays depicting area history. It also serves as the city's visitor information center.

Oroville celebrates an annual May Festival, complete with old-fashioned May Pole dance. A late summer watercraft racing can be found on Lake Osoyoos and Fourth of July fireworks are an annual occurrence.

Along with hiking, boating, fishing and other outdoor recreational activities, Oroville features a nine-hole golf course on Loomis-Oroville Road three miles west of town.

The Similkameen Trail, part of the Pacific Northwest Trail, follows the old railroad bed from town to Enloe Dam on the Similkameen River. An eastward leg of the regional trail can be accessed

at Whistler Canyon just south of town.

The city's general aviation airport is named for World War II Women's Airforce Service pilot Dorothy F. Scott. It's also a port of entry for international air travelers.

The Oroville-Osoyoos, B.C., border station is Okanogan Country's only 24-hour crossing.

East of Oroville in Molson, where visitors can tour the old ghost town and the red brick schoolhouse museum. The town hosts an ice fishing festival each February.

Also east of town is Chesaw, a once boom town, that now hosts a popular Fourth of July Rodeo.

West of town is Palmer Lake,

home to varied wildlife and fish, and limited camping.

Oroville was first settled by whites in the late 1850s. The settlement was first known as "rag town," but renamed Oro, Spanish for gold, in 1892.

It was named Oroville in 1909.

## Area Statistics

Incorporated: 1908

Elevation: 912 feet

Population: 1,700

Location: On U.S. Highway 97 at the confluence of the Similkameen and Okanogan rivers and adjacent to the Canadian border.



## Events

### Oroville Farmers Market May-October

Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oroville Library Yard, 1276 Main St., Oroville.

### Borderlands Historical Society May -September

This years' display will feature transportation in all its many forms in the area's history. 1210 Ironwood, Oroville. [www.borderlandshistorical.org](http://www.borderlandshistorical.org)

### May Festival — May 10-11

This long-time tradition includes coronation of a MayFest queen and princess May 10, and a parade down Main Street May 11, along with an old-fashioned May Pole dance, vendors, games and a chamber of commerce barbecue. [www.oroillewashington.com](http://www.oroillewashington.com)

### Culpepper & Merriweather Circus June 8

Prince Heritage Park, south end of town. [www.oroillewashington.com](http://www.oroillewashington.com)

### Deep Bay Fireworks — July 4

Located at Deep Bay on Lake Osoyoos, this event includes vendors and games, with fireworks starting at dusk. [www.oroillewashington.com](http://www.oroillewashington.com)

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### Tree Lighting — Dec. 7

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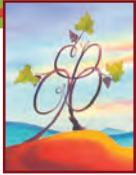
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### Culpepper & Merriweather Circus - June 8th

Prince Heritage Park; S Hwy 97 - Call: 509-557-5165

### Fireworks - July 4th

Deep Bay Park - Call: 509-557-5165

### Lake Osyoos Jet Ski Races and Fun - August 2-4th

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### Halloween Business Trick or Treat - October 31st

Community Businesses - Call: 509-557-5165

### Oroville Winter Market - Dec. 7

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Republic was first called "Eureka Gulch," as the town boomed during the gold rush. The northern part of the Colville Indian Reservation was opened for mining in 1896, and when gold fever hit, entrepreneurs and professionals arrived to build and serve a mining community. It is thought the town's population, currently at 1,085, swelled to 200,000 as investment bankers and mining companies moved in. In more recent years, Kinross Gold Corporation has retrieved gold in Ferry County, Washington State's most prolific county in producing gold.

More about Republic's golden past can be learned at the Ferry County Historical Center, open year-round and located at 15 N. Kean St. The first

mining cabin constructed in the Eureka camp, the Kaufman cabin, can be viewed during the summer months.

Republic celebrates it's history during Prospector Days the second weekend in June, with can-can girls, a staged Old West shootout, parade and other activities.

Nowadays, citizens of Republic and the area make a living through ranching, logging, cottage industry arts and tourism.

Agritourism offers visits to farms and producers including a goat farm, a hummingbird nursery, an alpaca ranch, a mushroom farm, vineyard and orchards, along with farms featuring poultry, pork, berries and a wide variety of produce.

A popular stop for tourists and educational groups is the Stonerose Interpretive Center and Eocene Fossil Site. Located next to the Ferry County Historical Center and across the street from Patterson Park, guests to Stonerose can visit the fossil site and dig for fossils in layers of shale 50 million years old.

For those seeking pristine settings for swimming, fishing, kayaking or

boating, nine lakes lay within 10 minutes to an hour of Republic, including Curlew Lake, home of the Tiger Muskie.

Curlew Lake has numerous fishing resorts and a state park.

Hiking and bicycling can be enjoyed in and around town. The Ferry County Rail Trail, a non-motorized trail that runs 25 miles from Republic to Danville, was built over an abandoned railway bed. Camping spots can be found along the trail. Bald eagles, osprey, ducks, geese, deer and the occasional brown bear can also be spotted from the trail.

For those who wish to stay closer to town, the 3.5-mile long Golden Tiger Trail, also set up on an old railway bed, features both an ATV and bike path.

Other popular means to explore the area, including the breathtaking views from the Colville National Forest surrounding Republic, are snowshoeing and cross country skiing.

For those wishing a little more noise and adrenaline, Eagle Track Raceway south of town features stock car racing. Snowmobiling is also a popular sport in the area.

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new event this year, Get Out Fest, which will feature a variety of events focused around recreation opportunities in around the area.

For loftier pursuits, visit Republic during it's 20th Annual Wings over Republic Fly-in, July 12-14. Hosted at the county airport near Curlew Lake, the event features airplane rides, live music and boat excursions.

There's nothing like a good, old-fashioned county fair, and the Ferry County Fair is just outside of town, over Labor Day weekend.

The Swan Lake Mountain Bike Fest is held at the end of September. With free camping at scenic Swan Lake, the fest includes clinics on bike repair and riding, dutch oven cooking, poker rides and an obstacle course. Boat demos are also part of the mix, along with movies and presentations in the evening.

In January, residents celebrate snow with Winterfest, which includes racing outhouses down main street, snow carvings and a parade.

### Area Statistics

Web site: [www.republicwa.org](http://www.republicwa.org)  
 Incorporated: 1900  
 Elevation: 2,569  
 Population: 1,085  
 Location: At the junction of state highways 20 and 21.

### Events

#### Prospectors' Days June 7-9

Events include a parade, softball tournament, street vendors, music and more. [www.republicchamber.org](http://www.republicchamber.org)

#### Get Out Fest June 28-29

A variety of events focused around recreation opportunities in around the area. Ferry County Fairgrounds. [www.getoutfest.com](http://www.getoutfest.com)



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#### Stockcar Racing May 25, June 8, June 22, July 6, July 20, Aug. 24, Sept. 14 and 28, Oct. 12

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#### Ferry County Fair Aug. 30 through Sept. 1

Arts and crafts, animal exhibits, horse racing, music, vendors. [www.ferrycountyfair.com](http://www.ferrycountyfair.com)

#### Winterfest

**Martin Luther King Jr. weekend**  
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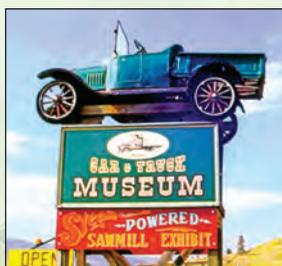
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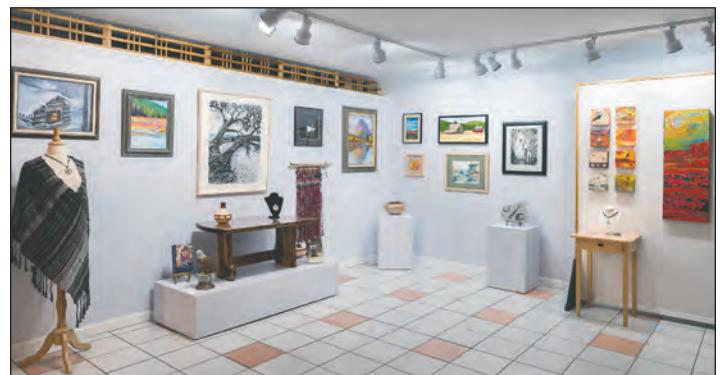
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## Conconully

### Conconully Museum Lottie Avenue next to Conconully post office

Historical artifacts. 509-826-9050.

## Coulee Dam

### Colville Tribal Museum and Gift Shop

512 Mead Way, Coulee Dam

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## Curlew

### Ansorge Hotel Museum Ferry Street, Curlew

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### Antique Car and Truck Museum Three miles south of Curlew on state Highway 21

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## Molson

### Molson School Museum Molson Road, Molson

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## Winthrop

### Shafer Museum

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# National Register Historical Sites

Okanogan County boasts a number of sites on the National Register of Historic Places.

More: National Register of Historic Places, [www.nps.gov/nr/](http://www.nps.gov/nr/).

## OKANOGAN COUNTY

### Bonaparte Mountain Cabin

East of Tonasket in Okanogan National Forest.

### Chief Joseph Memorial

Also known as Nez Perce Cemetery, near the junction of state Highway 155 and Cache Creek Road, Nespelem.

According to Nez Perce band members, those wishing to pay their respects are asked to visit the roadside historic marker in Nespelem, and seek permission from the band to visit any other site in this sensitive area. Visitors are asked not to visit the gravesite.

### Early Winters Ranger Station Work Center

Built in 1936 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986 located in the Okanogan National Forest northwest of Winthrop.

### Enloe Dam and Power Plant

Also known as Similkameen Dam, Oroville Power Project, it's located four miles (6.4 kilometers) west of Oroville.

### Fort Okanogan Sites

North of Brewster between the Columbia and Okanogan rivers off state Highway 17.

### Grand Coulee Bridge

Carries state Highway 155 over the Columbia River at Coulee Dam.

### Lost Lake Guard Station

Built in 1940 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. It was listed on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places on April 11, 1986. Okanogan National Forest east of Tonasket.



Molson School Museum

### Okanogan County Courthouse

Original portion of the building was constructed in 1915. Located at 149 N. Third Ave., Okanogan.

### Okanogan Project: Conconully Reservoir Dam

Is a hydraulic earthfill structure that when completed in 1910. Located south of Conconully.

### Parson Smith Tree

Located 40 miles north of Winthrop on the Canadian border in Okanogan National Forest.

### Hiram Smith Orchard

Also known as Thorndike Orchard or Okanogan Smith Orchard, two miles north of Oroville on Osoyoos Lake.

### U.S. Post Office: Okanogan

Located at 212 N. Second Ave., Okanogan.

### U.S. Post Office: Omak

Located at 104 S. Main St., Omak. Built in 1941 the Omak Post Office is significant on the local level as a legacy of the Federal public works programs of the Depression era.

### Guy Waring Cabin

Also known as The Castle and Shafer Museum, 285 Castle Ave., Winthrop.

## FERRY COUNTY

### Ansonge Hotel

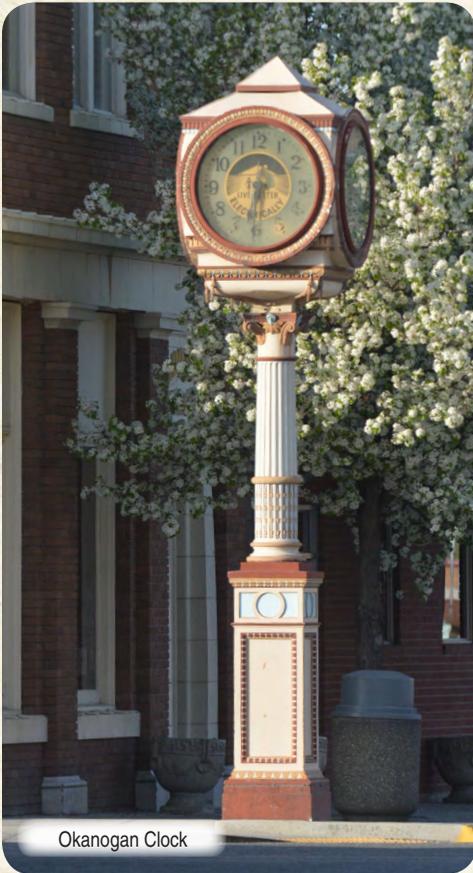
Built in 1903 in Curlew, the Ansonge Hotel still retains many of its original furnishings and all of its charm. Located on River St. in Curlew.



Ansorge Hotel



Enloe Dam



Okanogan Clock



Okanogan Post Office

### Barstow Bridge

Spans the Kettle River at Kettle Falls, U.S. Highway 395 and County Road No. 4061.

### Columbia River Bridge

Spans the Columbia River at Kettle Falls.

### Creaser Hotel

It was built in 1897 by Phil Creaser and operated as a hotel until sometime in 1905-1909. It has been a private residence ever since. Located at 664 Church Lane, Republic.

### Curlew Bridge

Spans Kettle River at Curlew, originally built in 1908.

### Curlew School

Located off Highway 4A, Curlew.

### Fairweather-Trevitt House

It was built in 1902 for George W. Fairweather, an early figure in the mines of the Republic Mining District. Located at 645 Kaufman, Republic.

### Jesse W. and Elizabeth Slage House

Built in 1905, only nine years after the town of Republic was established, this charming home, turned museum, has been in the Slagle family since they moved into the house in 1909.

### St. Paul's Mission

The original St. Paul's Mission, was established near the Fort Colville Hudson's Bay Trading Post in 1830. This was the first non-native settlement in this area. West of Kettle Falls on Lake Roosevelt.



### **Carlton**

Location: On state Highway 153 between Pateros and Twisp.

Features a RV park, cabin rental. Area amenities include fishing, skiing, rafting, hiking, other outdoor activities.



### **Chesaw**

Location: On Chesaw Road in the Okanogan Highlands east of Oroville. Myers Creek Road leads east to Republic. Tourist amenities: Features a store, tavern, Buckhorn gold mine, fishing, hunting, Fourth of July Rodeo, snowmobiling and other outdoor activities.



### **Curlew**

Location: On state Highway 21, 21 miles north of Republic and 12 miles south of the Canadian border. Elevation: 1,801 feet. Tourist amenities: Curlew Lake State Park (13 miles south), motel, grocery store, country store, restaurants, boating, water sports, hiking, Ferry County Rail Trail, winter sports and Ansoerge Artists Affair.



### **Havillah**

Location: On Havillah Road in the Okanogan Highlands, east of Tonasket. Features historic Immanuel Lutheran Church and community operated Sitzmark Ski Hill. Area amenities include fishing, snowmobiling, cross country and downhill skiing.



### **Inchelium**

Location: Southwest of Republic off Highway 21. Area amenities include gas, food, tavern and more. Nearby Twin Lakes offers water recreation and great fishing.



### **Keller**

Location: Southwest Ferry County on Highway 21. Area amenities include a store, and gas.



### **Loomis**

Location: On Loomis-Oroville Road northwest of Tonasket. Features small business district. Area amenities include fishing at Chopaka, Palmer and other lakes (Many Lakes Area), boating, hunting, camping, winter sports. Close to the Nighthawk international border crossing.



### **Malott**

Location: On Old Highway 97 between Okanogan and Brewster; close to U.S. Highway 97. Features small business district, park, Grange Hall, Malott Improvement Club. Area amenities include fishing, downhill and cross country skiing, hunting, camping.



### **Mazama**

Location: On state Highway 20 northwest of Winthrop. Features small business district, lodging, skiing, bike rentals. Area amenities include hiking, biking, camping, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, hot air ballooning, North Cascades.



### **Methow**

Location: On state Highway 153 north of Pateros. Features a store, post office. Amenities include river rafting, tree fruit, hiking, winter recreation.



### **Molson**

Location: At the intersection of Ninemile and Molson roads in the Okanogan Highlands east of Oroville. Features small business district, Grange Hall. Amenities include fishing, winter recreation, ice fishing tournament in January, Old Molson and Molson Schoolhouse Museum.



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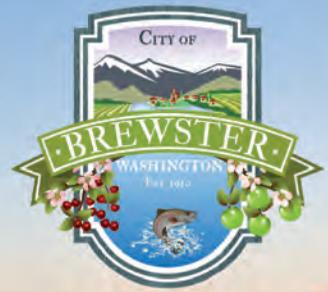
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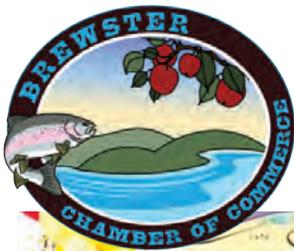


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