

HOW TO FIND THE ROUTE

The access to Dickison Lake is located approximately 75 kilometers South of the community of Geraldton.

Starting at the intersection of Michael Power Boulevard and Highway 11, travel West for 4.5 kilometers and turn south on the Goldfield Road.

The next 63 kilometers are on a gravel logging road and caution should be taken as you travel down this road.

Turn West at Trio Road and follow it for 7 kilometers.

Use the UTM coordinates from the topographical map to help locate the beginning of the portage into Dickison Lake.

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS REQUIRED

It is highly recommended canoeist supplement this brochure with the National Topographic Series Maps as outlined below:

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Dickison Lake	42E/3
Wintering Lake	42E/6
Wildgoose Lake	42E/11
Geraldton Lake	42E/10

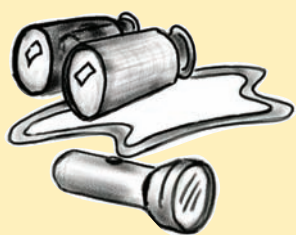
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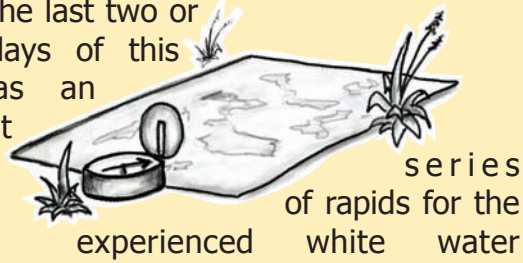


ROUTE TESTIMONIAL

"This is a challenging trip with lots of rewards. Isolated lakes and rivers within a one hour drive of Geraldton make this trip one of my favorites.

The starting point at Dickison Lake is worthy of a day or two of exploring. A bushwack on a bearing from the back of the campsite will bring you to the headwaters of the Gravel River, and a spectacular falls that very few people have ever seen.

A rare Blue Heron Rookery overlooks the head of the first port. A series of small lakes lead the headwaters of the Kenogamisis river. The last two or three days of this trip has an excellent



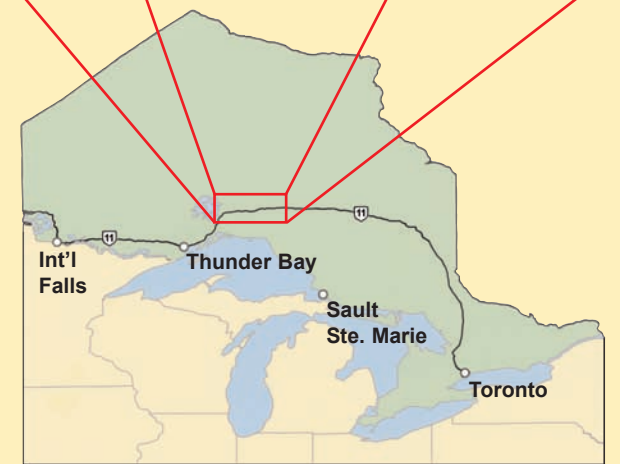
series of rapids for the experienced white water canoeist. Walleye fishing in Wintering and Gamsby Lakes is excellent, as it is in the river.

And of course, one of the best features of this trip is that you can paddle right back into the community of Geraldton, ending your trip at the Geraldton Waterfront.

This is an exciting 10-12 day trip that has many alternate starting and ending points!"

Rob Haslam runs the Outers Wilderness Canoe Club at Geraldton Composite High School

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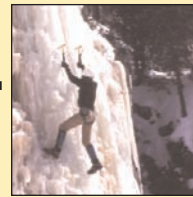


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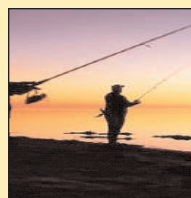
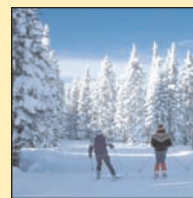
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Dickison to Geraldton Canoe Route



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10 - 12 Day Trip

Portage #1
 Around: The portage brings you to start of route.
 From: Trio Road to Dickison Lake.
 Location: UTM (0480420, 5447619)
 Trail: Over grown logging road used by quads.
 Length: 1.5 kilometers

Portage #2
 From: Dickison Lake to a pond
 Trail: Steep trail
 Landing: Rocky
 Launching: Poor
 Length: 200 meters

Portage #3
 From: One small pond to another
 Trail: Dry and hilly
 Length: 85 meters

Portage #4
 From: Small pond to Ensign Lake
 Trail: Dry and hilly
 Length: 300 meters

Portage #5
 From: Ensign Lake to Kamuck Lake
 Trail: Follows old bush road along river right
 Length: 1000 meters

Portage #6
 From: Kamuck Lake to Pond 1
 Location: Northend of Kamuck Lake
 Trail: Dry, rocky
 Landing: Swampy, bushy, 3-4 canoes
 Launching: Rocky, shallow, 2 canoes
 Length: 100 meters

Portage #7
 From: Pond 1 to Keane Lake
 Location: North end of pond 1
 Trail: Mostly dry, through slash
 Landing: Rocky, good, several canoes
 Launching: Rocky, good, several canoes
 Length: 500 meters
 Other: Cross creek over rock bridge, follow trail along north east side of creek.

Portage #8
 From: Pond 2 to Pond 3
 Location: Northeast end of pond 2
 Trail: Dry at the start however turns into mucky swamp.
 Landing: Good, swampy, holds many canoes.
 Launching: Rocky, swampy, holds 2-3 canoes
 Length: 460 meters
 Other: Swampy area is not pleasant.

Portage #9
 Around: Shallow water, creek running into Toupee
 From: South end of Pond 3
 Location: Northwest corner of pond 3
 Trail: Large burn area with several hills. Mostly dry with a few wet holes.
 Landing: Rocky, 2-3 canoes
 Launching: Swampy, 2-3 canoes
 Length: 890 meters
 Other: Windfall requires removal each year due to deadfall from fire.

Portage #10
 Around: Rapids at the North end of Gamsby.
 From: Wintering Lake resort dock.
 Location: Dock
 Trail: Gravel Road
 Landing: Several Canoes
 Launching: Grassy bank by cottage, several canoes.
 Length: 400 meters
 Other: Rent a cabin for the night!

Portage #11
 Around: Series of Rapids.
 From: Steep Trail before rapids.
 Location: River right, short paddle from previous portage.
 Trail: Dry with several steep hills.
 Landing: Several canoes. Eddy after short rapid
 Launching: Eddy, several canoes.
 Length: 459 meters
 Other: Must make eddy river right is start of port.

Portage #12
 Around: Series of rapids, extending past bridge on Goldfield
 From: Eddy at head of large rapids
 Location: River left
 Trail: Dry trail through bush, changing into bush road.
 Landing: Sandy, 2-3 canoes
 Launching: River bank, downhill, several canoes
 Length: 1.8 kilometers
 Other: Follow portage trail to Goldfield Road, continue South on Goldfield Road, turn east onto bush road before bridge.

Portage #13
 Around: Series of rapids
 From: Old dam at Northwest end of Finlayson Lake
 Location: River left, either from the dam, or if water permits, paddle 100 meters to portage sign, river left.
 Trail: Dry and hilly.
 Landing: Several canoes.
 Launching: Bay with several canoes.
 Length: 900 meters

Portage #14
 Around: Rapids
 Location: River left, head of rapids
 Trail: good and dry
 Landing: Good, river bank, several canoes.
 Launching: Good, steep gravel hill
 Length: 150 meters

Portage #15
 Around: Rapids
 Location: River left, head of rapids
 Trail: Cedar swamp
 Length: 450 meters

Portage #16
 Around: Rapids
 Location: River left, head of rapids
 Trail: Good with wet spots
 Landing: Good for three canoes
 Launching: River bank
 Length: 600 meters

Portage #17
 Around: Rapids
 From: Marilyn Lake
 Location: Old bridge on Marilyn Lake
 Trail: Good bush road
 Landing: Old bridge with room for 2-3 canoes
 Launching: Steep gravel hill on downhill slope
 Length: 300 meters
 Other: Campsite at the end

Campsite #1
 Location: Kamuck Lake, south shore, at river exit, blown out bridge and old bush road
 Landing: Good and large
 Space: Large grassy clearing on east side of river
 Other: Road leads to Goldfield

Campsite #2
 Location: Keane Lake, south west shore, jack pine stand



The term "river left" always refers to the downstream left hand side of the river, just as "river right" always refers to the downstream right hand side of the river. These terms remain the same even when traveling upstream.

Campsite #2 Continued
 Landing: Rock and bush
 Space: Separate sites located behind shore (inland)
 Other: Sheltered however few flat areas

Campsite #3
 Location: Toupee Lake West shore
 Landing: Rock shelves
 Space: Sufficient, several uphill levels

Campsite #4
 Location: Wintering Lake, South end, first point after river
 Landing: Sandy beach
 Space: Sufficient, well sheltered
 Other: Good site

Campsite #5
 Location: Gamsby Lake, extreme North end, West shore below final North bay.
 Landing: Sandy shore with grass between jack pine
 Space: Cleared area between jack pine, well sheltered
 Other: Excellent location

Campsite #6
 Location: Mid way through port #12
 Landing: Large eddy
 Space: Large clearing before Goldfield Road
 Other: Lots of bugs

Campsite #7
 Location: Northeast shore of Finlayson Lake
 Landing: Large
 Space: Large clearing

Campsite #8
 Location: North end of Wallace Lake by exit of river
 Landing: Large sandy
 Space: Room for several tents
 Other: Beautiful site.

Campsite #9
 Location: Old log chute abutments on river
 Landing: River bank
 Space: Old bush road with large clearing



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