

MAYSON & BOGMAR LAKE

TRAILS

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LENGTH: 31.4 KM
GPS: N-51.22784
W-120.39390
TIME: 1+ DAYS

SEASON: JUNE-SEPTEMBER
DIFFICULTY: EASY - MODERATE

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AREA DESCRIPTION

This system of trails showcases pristine wilderness with exceptional fly fishing lakes. Some trails are relatively short, but very worthwhile and scenic. The trails north of Mayson Lake are on solid ground and offer a nice view of Bonaparte Lake. The area can be boggy in spots so stay on the marked trails and be alert for marshy looking shorelines. Parking is limited in this area. Access roads are radio controlled.

THE CAMPSITE

Mayson Lake Horse Camp has six camping spots in a well treed area suitable for high lining. There is an outhouse, shower house, picnic tables and fire rings. All trails in the area are easy to moderate. Very little elevation gain. (4000 ft - 4350 ft)



ACCESS

From Barriere: Travel north from Barriere on Highway 5 for 18 km to Darlington Forest Service Road to 15.5 km, turn left onto Powder Lake Road which is at 61.0 km and drive to 50.2 km. Turn right for a very short distance, the camp is on the left.

From Kamloops: Travel Westsyde Road 20 km to Jamieson Creek FSR Road to 48.75; turn right onto Powder Lake Road which is at 49.0 km and drive to 50.2 km.

MAYSON LAKE TRAIL JUNCTIONS

#3 and #4 on Map indicate junctions in the connector trail.

BOULANGE LAKE TRAIL 5.098 KM

The trailhead at km 54.5 is on the right (east) side of the road (close to the Bogmar Lake trailhead). Boulange trail connects to a trail that goes around Boulange Lake and also a trail to the dam on Allan Lake. Another branch of Boulange Lake Trail connects to Bogmar Lake trail at the east end of Branch #50.

The Allan Lake portion of the trail takes off at the south end of Boulange Lake and has firm footing. The trail then opens into a logged and re-planted area with stubbed trees and Culturally Modified Trees (CMT) that mark the original First Nation trading trail. The portion of the trail which starts at Branch Rd. #50, heading south to Allan Lake does not loop around but is a one way trail.

NOTE: The northern part of the Boulange trail has some boggy spots and is not suitable for horseback riding. Be Aware!

BOGMAR LAKE TRAIL 10.92 KM

ACCESS

The trailhead is on the right side of the road directly across Powder Lake Road from the Mayson Lake campsite at km 50.2 on Powder Lake Road.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION:

There are several Culturally Modified trees (CMT) on this trail, one has 'blazes' on the east, south and west sides of the tree. The trail crosses Branch Rd. #50 and continues through the logged/stubbed trees on the south side of the road. This area of the trail is a short stretch between Branch Rd. #50 and #51 and at some times of the year has a wet swampy area. The trail also crosses Branch Rd. #51. A short distance in, the trail splits. This trail has views of Mayson Lake to the south/west. Both trails end on the main east/west Bogmar trail that follows the lake but not along the lake edge.

CONNECTING TRAILS/ROUTES: Bogmar Trail connects with Boulange Lake Trail at the north end and half way along. It also connects with the Mayson Lake and Salle Loop Trails on the south end.

MAYSON - BONAPARTE TRAIL 5.12 KM

CONNECTING TRAILS/ROUTES: This trail starts at the Mayson Lake Horse camp at one end and links to the South side of the Salle trail towards the west end of the trail.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

The Mayson Lake trail starts below any one of the camp sites at the Mayson Lake Horse Camp. It follows the shore line for most of the length of the lake and then veers off to the north/west where it goes through an open forest then along an old road bed. The trail comes out onto the Jamieson Creek Road at 57.1 km.

TRAIL HISTORY:

In the past, Mayson/Bonaparte trail has been used by First Nation People, trappers and outfitters. More recently, it has been used by ranchers, fishermen, hunters, hikers and horseback riders.

SALLE LOOP TRAIL 11.625 KM

ACCESS

From Mayson Lake Campsite: From the campsite access road, turn left (north) onto the Powder Lake Rd. The trail head is about one km north of the Mayson Lake Campsite, on the left (west) side of the road.

Alternate access is further along Jamieson Creek FSR at 57.1 km. The trailhead is on the (east) right hand side of the road.

CONNECTING TRAILS/ROUTES: The Salle Loop Trail links to the Mayson Lake/Bonaparte trails and connects also to the Lupin Lakes Trail System and the Powder Lake Spur Road via a short distance through a cut block.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

The south end of the Salle Loop Trail that starts off Powder Lake Road begins on an old logging road. Approximately half a kilometer along, the trail divides into two; the trails parallel each other and head north/west. These trails come out on Jamieson Creek FSR at 57.1 km and Bonaparte Lake.

At 57.1 km on Jamieson Creek FSR there are options. Turn left or south/west and go for 100 meters; on the left is the Mayson Lake trail which travels south/east back to Mayson Lake Horse Camp.

The other option at 57.1 km on Jamieson Creek FSR is to turn right (north); go approximately 2 km (across a cattle guard and a bridge) and take the right (north/east) fork in the road. At 59.1 km is the trailhead for the Lupin Lakes Trail System.

POWDER LAKE SPUR

ACCESS

From Mayson Lake Campsite: To access the Powder Lake Spur Road from the Mayson Lake Campsite, travel down Powder Lake Road (Left/north) to km 58.5 km. The spur road is on the left (west).

CONNECTING TRAILS/ROUTES: The Powder Lake spur road connects to the Powder Lake trail, the Lupin Lakes trail system, a trail that loops around the first Lupin Lake, camping on the second Lupin Lake, and the Salle trail which connects to the Mayson Lake trail.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

There are many opportunities to take other routes off this old logging road as it is a main artery for the Lupin Lakes trail system, Powder Lake trail and Salle Loop Trail.

LUPIN LAKES TRAIL 11.625 KM

Access from the west end of the Lupin Lakes trail system off the Jamieson Forest Service Road at 59.1 km. This trail follows the north banks of Ramsay Lake and the chain of 4 Lupin Lakes. It will come out through a meadow and onto an old sub spur road which leads out to the Powder Lake spur road at 2.7 km. There are portages between the four Lupin Lakes. The trail is wet in the early spring and not suitable for horseback travel. Another connection is the Darlington FSR at 18.5 km and the 2240 road which is off Darlington at 23.5 km.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

In general, the Lupin Lakes trail system is a historic First Nation trading trail that runs along the north side of the 4 Lupin Lakes and several smaller connecting lakes and channels. There is historical evidence of First Nation people having been in the area through the many Culturally Modified trees (CMT) along the various trails. Much of the trail is in pristine wilderness, through a variety of forest types, has good views of the various lakes and it crosses several creeks and a beaver dam.