


**Safe Travel on Logging Roads**

Check with the Forest Service or forest licensee offices for advisory on log hauling routes, road closures and detail road network maps (open Mon-Fri).

QC Forest Service 559-6200  
 Weyerhaeuser 557-6810 or  
 JS Jones 637-5323

**Safe Travel Tips**

Drive with your head-lights on and at a safe speed. Stay alert. Always yield to oncoming industrial trucks. Be prepared to stop safely and to react to unexpected conditions. When stopping, park well off the road.

- A Kagan Bay**- Splendid Island views and congregations of sea birds are only a few minutes from Queen Charlotte City. A  kayaker's delight.
- B Sleeping Beauty Trail** - A challenging climb to the alpine of the Charlottes. A 2 hour hike brings you to 3,300 foot elevation with views from Alaska to the mainland on a clear day. Watch for alpine flowers spring and summer. Follow signs from Honna Road to the trail head, well marked.
- C Yakoun Lake** - A wilderness lake set below snow capped mountains accessed 20 min through an old growth forest arriving at a small pebble beach with fabulous views of Mt Stapleton, Mt Needham and Delta Dome. While on the trail keep watch for the Haida Gwaii giants - 700+ year old trees.

 **Rennell Sound**

Follow the Rennell Sound Mainline to the only vehicle access to the west coast of Graham Island. It is here that lucky beachcombers may find Japanese glass balls (fish net floats) washed up from the Pacific Ocean. A glimpse of the Island's rugged west coast and sometimes unforgiving winds and swells can be witnessed from Rennell Sound.

- D 5 Mile Beach** - A day use area for picnics and beach combing. The small island off shore is a fabulous dive site to see octopus and eels. Look for caves in this area too.
- E Riley Creek** - A mostly flat trail rated easy to moderate, 45 minutes length. In an old growth setting with 400 year old 7 foot diameter trees, the path follows the mainstem of Riley Creek to the ocean. Cross the creek on a 'natural bridge' - a single span spruce tree. Fabulous west coast views.
- F Gregory & Bonanza Beach** - View Rennell Sound from these beaches, each a short 15 minute walk from the road pull outs. Cone Head campsite located just past Bonanza Beach.
- G Yakoun River Spruce** - Take the QC Mainline to Branch 47 traveling the east side of Yakoun River. Be sure to stop at the S25 sign where a 700 year old Sitka spruce dominates the forest with an amazing 12.5 foot diameter.
- H Haida Canoe** - A short 10 minute trail leads to a shaped (not hollowed) cedar canoe. The main feature of this site may be at the end of the trail, but 2 other canoe forms can be found in the bush nearby the parking area.
- I Golden Spruce Trail** - Access the Yakoun River a 20 minute walk from the QC Mainline. A riparian forest setting with an easy trail rating.
- J Skidegate Point** - A popular sports fishing site. Catch spring salmon, halibut and colorful rock cod.

———— Paved Road

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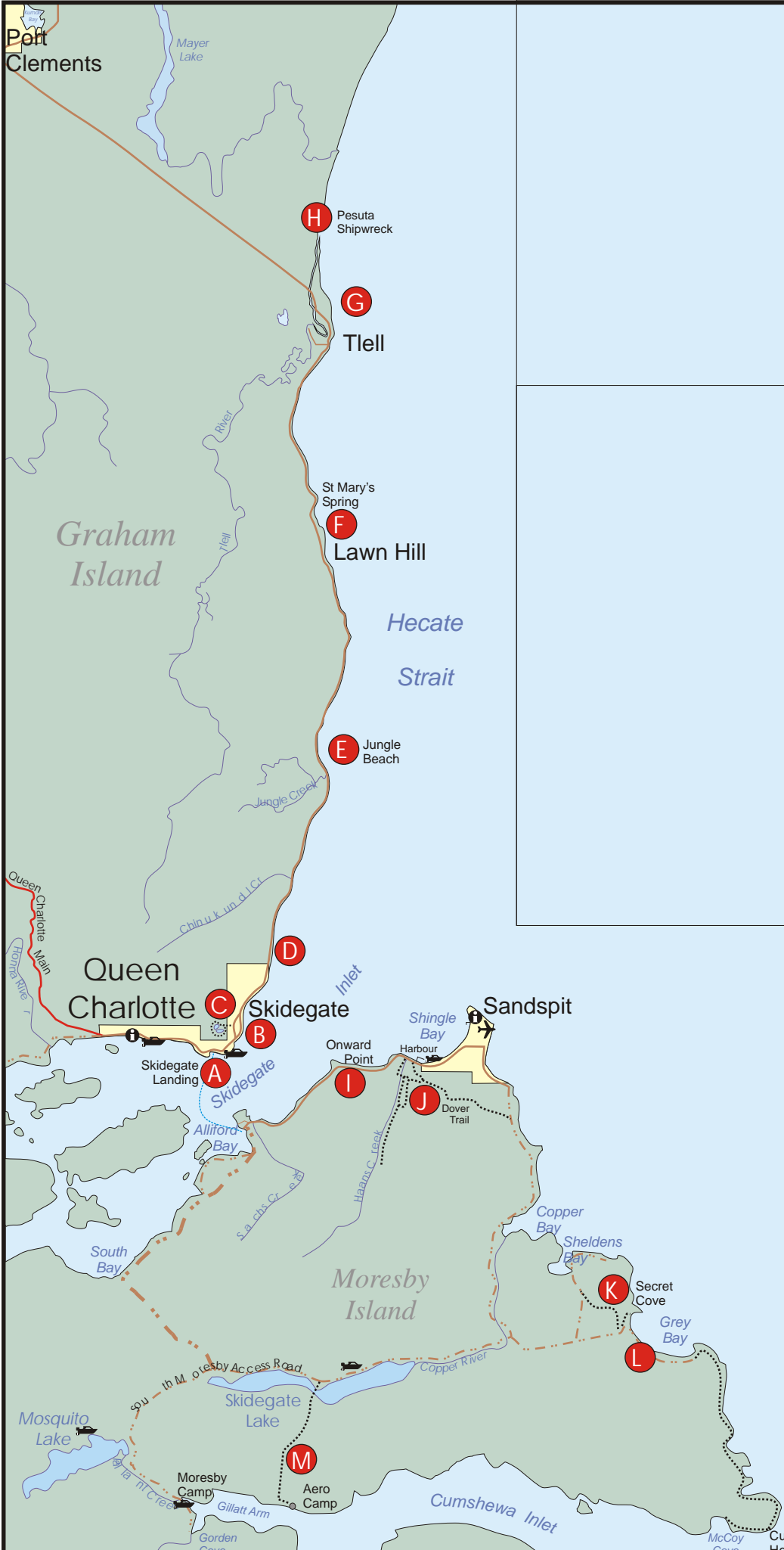
..... Ferry Route

..... Walking Trail

 Airport

 Visitor Information Centre

**Hiking Safely:** Trails can be muddy, slippery and wet; wear appropriate footwear. Carry plenty of water and a first aid kit. Be bear aware, the Queen Charlotte Islands are prime black bear country.



Transportation to Moresby Island  
 M. V. Kwuna Schedule  
 BC Ferries Skidegate Landing: 559-4485

Leave Alliford Bay (Moresby Island)	Leave Skidegate (Graham Island)
7:00 am	7:30 am
8:00 am	8:30 am
9:30 am (8:50am Wed's)	10:00 am
10:30 am	11:00 am
12:30 pm	1:00 pm
1:30 pm	2:00 pm
3:40 pm	4:00 pm
4:30 pm	5:00 pm
5:30 pm	6:30 pm
7:00 pm	7:30 pm
9:00 pm	9:30 pm
10:00 pm	10:30 pm

- A Skidegate Landing** - While the Landing is now home to BC Ferries, earlier times it was known as the 'oil works' for the dog fish oilery plant located at its shores. This site was accompanied by a post office and the homes of many settlers. Look for the pilings of the old dock.
- B Skidegate Village** - This fast growing Haida community boasts an extensive collection of Haida artifacts and ever changing local and international exhibits in the Haida Gwaii Museum, the first stop visitors to the Islands should make. See the Dog Fish pole on Front Street, carved by internationally acclaimed Haida artists Bill Reid and Guujaaw.
- C Spirit Lake Trail** - 4 km of gravel and boardwalk encircle two small lakes. Choose to walk the full loop or shorter circuits described on routing maps posted throughout the trail. An excellent family picnic destination. Look for culturally modified trees and eagles perched in lake side trees. An excellent family picnic destination.
- D Balance Rock** - This large boulder (an erratic) which originated far inland on Graham Island sits precariously out of place on the flat bedrock sea shore. Ten thousand years ago when a glacier covered the Islands it was deposited in its present location by the receding ice.
- E Jungle Beach** - The best stretch of easily accessible sandy beach on the east coast of Graham Island. Spanning several kilometers, it is an ideal walking beach at a mid to low tide. The beach is so named for the 'jungle' of logs that come ashore. Look for the large carved eagle and bear marking the entrance.
- F St Mary's Spring** - Legend has it that those who drink from this spring will return to the Islands. Enjoy fabulous views of Hecate Strait and listen for the blowing sound of the navigation buoys.
- G Tlell** - A community of a few hundred people situated near the mouth of the Tlell River, noted for its world famous fly fishing experience. From pottery to driftwood carvings- artists, artisans and gallery shops abound.
- H Pesuta Trail** - A combination forest and beach walk opens to the mouth of the Tlell River and up to the remains of the ship that ran aground in 1928, the *Pesuta*. The freight carried on this vessel was happily used in constructing several homes in Tlell. The hike takes an entire afternoon (10km return), best to begin your hike on a falling tide.
- I Onward Point** - A short 10 minute walk that is well worth the stop. Leaving the parking lot, enter the fern-strewn path that leads to a bedrock beach. Climb the stone staircase to the gazebo where, given the season (April to June), Grey whales can be sighted.
- J Dover Trail** - Sample Moresby Island's old growth forest and find spruce, hemlock and cedar giants. Begin both the Hans Creek loop and the longer Sandspit Skyline loop just west of the Hans Creek bridge.
- K Secret Cove** - A short 1 km walk leads to a quiet and secluded beach aptly named Secret cove. If you're looking to walk a little further, an abandoned spur road arched with Alder trees leads from this trail to Sheldens Bay.
- L Grey Bay** - A beautiful crescent shaped sandy beach frequently used by residents and tourists alike. A favorite spot to camp and hike. The 24km Cumshewa Head trail begins at Grey Bay. It moves between beach and forest, following the east coast of Moresby Island. Walk a portion of it and enjoy combinations of thick salal and curious seals.
- M Aero Camp** - Rails to trails. Walking or mountain biking this former railway line from Skidegate Lake to Cumshewa Inlet showcases an industrial history of the Queen Charlotte Islands. See moss covered steam donkey engines, sections of corduroy road and the remains of Aero Camp, where Sitka spruce logs were cut for use in the construction of Mosquito bomber aircraft during WWII.