



Yellowknife, North West Territories Permanent Trail #008

Prairies and Northern Director's Walk

10 km Walk

Rating 1A

Capital City, Trans Canada Trail, Murals and Community Programs

This walk begins at the Northern Frontier Visitors Centre, 4807 49 St #4, Yellowknife, NT X1A 3T5, tel: (867) 873-4262. The Centre is open Mon - Fri 8:30 - 5:30, Sat - Sun 10:00 - 5:00 **Please Note:** The Visitor Centre is a start point on the map only. There is no "Walk Box" here.

1. From the Northern Frontier Visitor Center walk toward the DND building. (White/Glass Building). At the stop sign you will notice you are on 49th St. Keep going 1 block.
2. Turn left on Franklin Ave. You will be walking toward Great Slave Lake and a part of Yellowknife called Old Town. You will be able to view a few heritage buildings or sites which are along the way but may not be mentioned below.
3. Turn left on Weaver Dr. From here you can view houseboats on Great Slave Lake--year round homes to some Yellowknifers.
4. Turn right on Ingraham Drive. On the way up the hill, on the right you will notice stairs going up. Up the stairs you will find a beautiful panoramic view of Great Slave Lake and at the same time see the Pilot's Monument. This of course is an option and not part of the walk but definitely worth the climb. If you are lucky there will be float planes taking off or landing on the Bay.
5. Walk further along Ingraham Drive, this time going down the hill, do **not** cross the bridge, turn left on Wiley Road.
6. The white house on the right hand side used to be the Hudson Bay Co. A little further on the left is the Wildcat Cafe (oldest building in Yellowknife). THE place to eat in the summer season. Follow the road and on the right - Weaver & Devore General Store, another old building of Yellowknife still operating today. Across from Weaver and Devore is also a heritage house, now a Bistro called Bullocks. (a great place for fish – no menus so ask the price first! It is a fun place with delicious food and I highly recommend it)) At the stop turn right on Franklin.
7. Turn left on Bretzlaff Drive. In this general area you will come across a sign saying “Einor Broton Historical Area Enter at your own Risk”. Worth leaving the route and entering and wandering through the unique “homes” (brave people to live in them in the winter!) down to the dock – wonderful views of Slave Lake.
8. Turn right on Hamilton. . Turn at the first left (no street sign). The street sign is posted on some of the houses. This is Yellowknife's most famous street. Ragged Ass Road!! Follow the road and check the interesting sheds and cabins., some of which are still inhabited.
9. Turn right on Bryson Drive. Turn left on Hamilton. Turn left on Franklin. Turn right on 48th Street. Turn left on 49th Avenue. Turn right on 49th Street. You have now walked 5 km.
10. Turn left on the paved pathway beside DND building. Walk the trail by Frame Lake until you reach the hospital.
11. From the hospital walk back toward the beginning of the path.
12. Just before reaching the end of the path, turn left towards the flags--Ceremonial Circle.
13. Walk by the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Center. (a museum and well worth visiting) .
14. Continue walking towards the Legislative Assembly. Just before the Legislative Assembly there is a giant Tipi on the left hand side of the building.
15. From the Legislative Assembly, walk back towards the Northern Frontier Visitor Center.

We hope you enjoyed the walk. As this is a remote walk we would love to hear how you enjoyed it and of any changes that have affected the route . Thank You!!!

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