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Road Map Travel Guide

British Columbia Highway #97C "Coquihalla Connector"

| MILE | KM | ITEM | SUMMARY | MILE | KM |
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| 0.0 | 0.0 | Highway 97, and 97c Connector | Junction of Highway 97 and 97c to Merritt, BC and the Coquihalla Highway. Very long steep grades. NOTE: The Toll on the Coquihalla Highway was removed October/08. NOTE: For highway travel via highway #97 - See Road Map Highway Travel Guide - Trans Canada Highway To US/Canada Border for highway driving directions | 68.4 | 110.0 |
| 1.9 | 3.0 | Information and Rest area, Toilets | Access to east bound traffic only | 66.5 | 107.0 |
| 4.6 | 7.4 | Animal Overpass | | 63.8 | 102.6 |
| 5.9 | 9.5 | U TURN Route | Exit | 62.5 | 100.5 |
| 9.2 | 14.8 | Pull Out Area | Chain up Area | 59.2 | 95.2 |
| 10.9 | 17.6 | Photo | Photo of high mountain highway 97c, west bound to Merritt showing double lane highway | 57.4 | 92.4 |
| 14.4 | 23.2 | Brenda Mine Exit | Pull out area, and chain up area | 53.9 | 86.8 |
| 15.5 | 25.0 | Photo - View from highway | Driving west on the BC Coquihalla Highway #97c. | 52.8 | 85.0 |
| 21.1 | 34.0 | Penask Summit, BC | Elevation, 1744 Metres | 47.2 | 76.0 |
| 21.1 | 34.0 | Penask Summit, BC | Photo of summit, and highway | 47.2 | 76.0 |
| 24.2 | 38.9 | Penask Creek Bridge | | 44.2 | 71.1 |
| 27.2 | 43.8 | Sunset Main Road Exit | Exit to Hatheume Lake, BC (21 kms) lodging, boat rentals, boat ramp, horse back riding. Hatheume Lake is populated with trophy rainbow trout. | 41.1 | 66.2 |
| 34.8 | 56.0 | Photo View from highway | Driving west | 33.6 | 54.0 |
| 35.1 | 56.5 | Elkhart Road | Lodging, gas, propane, diesel Elkhart Lodge, Oma's Restaurant. Exit to Paradise Lake Last Chance Bed and Breakfast | 33.2 | 53.5 |
| 37.3 | 60.0 | Pull Out | Brake Check Area, vehicles over 5500 kg | 31.1 | 50.0 |
| 37.9 | 61.0 | Photo - View from highway. | Driving west on the BC Coquihalla Highway #97c. | 30.4 | 49.0 |
| 39.5 | 63.5 | Photo | Highway view, overlooking Summit Plateau | 28.9 | 46.5 |
| 43.5 | 70.0 | EXIT , To Loon Lake Road | Exit to Pennask Provincial Park , rough road, 4 wheel drive vehicles recommended. Pennask Provincial Park takes in two bays at the southeast corner of Pennask Lake. Camping: Access to the campsites is very rough, often requiring 4 wheel-drive vehicles. The 25 natural sites are open year-round but not maintained. | 24.9 | 40.0 |
| 44.2 | 71.2 | Pull Out Area | | 24.1 | 38.8 |
| 45.2 | 72.8 | Pothole Bridge | | 23.1 | 37.2 |
| 51.3 | 82.5 | Digital Overhead Sign | Road Conditions Information | 17.1 | 27.5 |
| 53.4 | 86.0 | JUNCTION #5a & 97c | To Aspen Grove, Kentucky Alleyne Provincial Park. This park offers 63 vehicle accessible campsites including five double and eight pull-through sites. The campground is quite spread out and divided between Kentucky Lake | 14.9 | 24.0 |
| 58.2 | 93.7 | On 97c | Corbett Lake Inn, BC, Lodging | 10.1 | 16.3 |
| 58.4 | 94.0 | Pull Out | Overlooking Corbett Lake, BC, no overnight parking | 9.9 | 16.0 |
| 59.3 | 95.5 | Kane Valley Turn Off | Hiking, Cross Country Skiing, | 9.0 | 14.5 |
| 62.8 | 101.0 | Lundbom Road | | 5.6 | 9.0 |
| 63.7 | 102.5 | Pull Out Area | Brake Check Area, 5500kg or over | 4.7 | 7.5 |
| 67.1 | 108.0 | Photo View from highway | Driving west | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| 68.4 | 110.0 | Junction of highways 97c & 5 Coquihalla Highway, BC | City of Merritt, BC; access to Merritt, BC Visitor Information Center, Toilets Highway 97c and 5a ends North to Kamloops, BC South to Vancouver, BC. Attractions in and around Merritt, BC: Nicola Valley Museum and Archives, BC. The Museum has an extensive collection of Nicola Valley photographs & artifacts on display. - Nicola Valley Pro Rodeo - annual event combined with the area fall fair - Merritt, BC Speedway and Rally Car races. - The Merritt Mountain Music Festival, BC, held in July. | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 68.4 | 110.0 | Junction of highways 97c & 5 Coquihalla Highway | NOTE: The Coquihalla highway was a Toll Highway. The toll was removed October/08 For highway travel via the Coquihalla Highway - See Road Map Highway #5T Travel Guide Hope, BC to Kamloops, BC for driving directions. -e | 0.0 | 0.0 |