

Killarney Outfitters

Killarney Provincial Park Lake and Portage Descriptions

GEORGE LAKE, Killarney Provincial Park

Leaving from the George Lake main beach, gives a great feel for Killarney's stunning landscape. A few minutes paddle to the north will begin the trip.

Looking for an adrenaline rush? Keep to the right around the first peninsula to find a rocky outcrop which is a popular spot to jump in and swim. Once out of the narrows, head east (right) on route to the Freeland Lake portage. We recommend paddling the south shore following the steep granite ridges. At the east end of the lake is a small waterfall (dam) and a wooden dock. This is the spot!

Geology Buffs may enjoy off-trail ridge hiking in the southern terrains of the park. The abrupt colour divide between granite and quartzite is a distinctively stunning feature of George Lake. Always remember if hiking the ridges to bring proper footwear, a map, and compass.

PORTAGE FROM GEORGE LAKE TO FREELAND LAKE

This portage is only 80m, but be careful it is a little rocky. On this busy portage, as on all portages, gear should be moved off to the side before beginning to carry as a courtesy to other paddlers.

Once into Freeland paddle directly to the end of the lake, look on the north shore for the take out spot. Freeland is a shallow lake, and during the summer can be full of aquatic plants such as pickerel weed and water lilies. Twist and turn through the paths in order not to damage this beautiful flora. Also be on the look out for the moose, beaver, muskrat, and herons who feed on these plants. This is a great place to see some wildlife - if quiet.

At the end of Freeland Lake to the left is a 380m portage that will lead you into breathtaking Killarney Lake.