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DESTINATIONS Summer of Road Trips

Road Trip to Bike Ride

Galena Trail, New Denver

Strap your bikes on the roof rack and head for the massive, uncrowded wilderness of Slocan Valley nicknamed Silvery Slocan for its rich history as a mining mecca in the 1890s. Hwy. 6 leads to the village of Rosebery, and a small parking lot on Rosebery Loop Road, which marks the start of the non-motorized-use Galena Trail. The 13-kilometre trail ends in Three Forks, following the old Nakusp and Slocan Railway along scenic lakeshore and through dense forest. The ride is suitable for all levels, thanks to its mostly subtle grade and roomy width, but use caution when crossing Hwy. 6, and on the more difficult sections between New Denver and Carpenter Creek. At the latter, you'll make a thrilling one-person cable car crossing. The reward at the top of the steep climb on the other side is the sprawling ruin of Alamo Siding, an old mining structure. \blacksquare -Catherine Roscoe Barr



The Must-Instagram Route

Northbound on the splendid Sea-to-Sky Highway

Leave Vancouver over the Lions Gate Bridge and head west, curving along Howe Sound, before climbing into the mountains, past vivid glacial lakes, colourful totem poles and dense forest. Your Instagram feed will never be the same:

- Howe Sound: The sheer relentlessness of pristine Pacific Northwest beauty will awe you here: smooth blue sea dotted with green islands and ringed by mountains. The best views can be had from the Sea to Sky Gondola at Squamish.
- Shannon Falls: See BC's third-highest waterfall, surrounded by emerald forest, and snap a spray-tastic selfie.
- Alta Lake: Have a waterproof camera? Dive off a dock for beach-and-mountain shots aplenty at this Whistler-adjacent lake.
- One Mile Lake: Pull off the highway just before Pemberton and walk the boardwalk, snapping arty shots of the mountains, perfectly reflected in the lake.
- Joffre Lakes Provincial Park: If you're lucky, you'll have an up-close encounter with one of the adorable





whisky-jacks who live at this glacial lake east of Pemberton – and have been known to perch on visitors' hands. -Nikki Bayley