Galiano Island Cycling

Map & Safety Tips for Residents and Visitors



Cycling on Galiano

Galiano's rural roads offer the opportunity for local and visiting cyclists to get up close and personal with the jewel of the Southern Gulf Islands. A day trip from the Sturdies Bay ferry takes you to a number of intimate shore access points. Or for an extended cycling vacation, use the island's only bike-accessible campground at Montague Harbour Provincial Park as a base to explore farther afield. To help make your cycling experience an enjoyable one, the Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission offers these suggestions and tips.

Galiano's parks and beaches have a "pack in, pack out" policy. Please take your garbage with you.

When visiting the shore, leave your bike locked at the head of the shore access. Bicycles are not allowed on trails to the shore.



Please respect private property. Driveways with street number signs lead to people's houses.

Be fire safe! Open fires are permitted ONLY in the fire pits at Montague Park Campground. Fires are forbidden elsewhere on the island, including the beaches. If you see a fire, call 911.

Dionisio Provincial Park is officially for marine access only.

Travel tip: Street numbers correspond to distance in meters from the beginning of a road, which makes it easy to track your distance.

Safety Tips for Cyclists

• Ride SINGLE FILE on the right: the roads are narrow and winding.

• Large groups travel more safely in smaller bunches of 5 to 8 to allow cars to pass.

• Do NOT zig-zag up-hill - it's very dangerous! There is not much traffic, but it may be coming fast!

• For your own safety, stop to rest off the pavement. Use designated rest areas (see map).



• Beware of hazardous areas with limited visibility, such as hill-crests and curves. Watch for this sign, which marks areas for special caution:



• Drivers are expected to slow down and give cyclists space. Report dangerous behaviour to RCMP, with plate number.



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