Welcome. The heritage attractions listed here reveal the inside stories that represent the difference between simply seeing and truly knowing your destination. They include museums, cultural centres and other places that bring to life the territory’s rich and diverse heritage.

Most of these attractions are part of the Government of Yukon Gold Explorer’s Passport Program. This annual contest begins June 1 and ends August 31. Collect stamps and numbers at all participating sites listed inside the Explorer’s Passport for a chance to win a prize of Klondike placer gold. Passports are available at Visitor Information Centres and participating heritage attractions.

Attractions and communities are listed in alphabetical order within each region. Unless otherwise indicated, all facilities are wheelchair accessible. Many facilities offer pull-through parking; please phone for more information.

Many of the attractions listed here offer discounts for groups, seniors or children, and are available for rent for functions and events. Please contact the facility directly for more information. For more information about any of the places listed here, and to discover additional attractions, please visit heritageyukon.ca, go to your local Visitor Information Centre or call Tourism Yukon at 1-800-661-0494.

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Abbreviations

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e e-mail  
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tw Twitter  
w website  
m mailing address

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Background, inside cover: The Whitehorse riverfront.  
Back cover, top: Andrew Cruikshank and Claude Tidd, members of the Dawson City Orchestra, 1926. Yukon Archives, Claude and Mary Tidd fonds #7611  
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Watson Lake &
Southern Lakes
Alaska Highway South

Southeast of Whitehorse, the Alaska Highway travels through rolling hills and beautiful forests. Watson Lake, often called the gateway to the Yukon, is a service centre for highway travellers and for the territory’s mining and logging industries. The town of Watson Lake was established with the construction of a military airport in 1941 and the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942. The original Athapaskan inhabitants of the area, who continue to live there, are the Kaska Dena. They have lived and traded in the southeast Yukon, southern Northwest Territories and northwestern British Columbia for thousands of years.

Teslin is a picturesque community on the shore of Nisutlin Bay. The Teslin Tlingit people are descendants of coastal traders who lived first on the Alaskan coast and later on the Taku River. The semi-nomadic Tlingit people continued to move inland, trading at posts on Teslin Lake. In the 1940s they established themselves permanently in the community of Teslin. The Inland Tlingit continue to honour Tlingit social patterns, traditions and culture.

Lilly Johnston and Maude Smith with a stretched beaver skin from the Nisutlin River, Teslin.
Yukon Archives, Freddie Johnston collection, 79/119 #45
George Johnston Museum

George Johnston Museum and Heritage Park is a must-see Teslin attraction. It is named after a venerated Tlingit elder, trapper, fur trader, entrepreneur and photographer. George Johnston’s photographs, his restored 1928 Chevrolet car — which he used for hunting — and colourful exhibits of Tlingit ceremonial regalia and traditional artifacts tell the story of the Inland Tlingit as they met the rapid changes of the first half of the 20th century.

The museum gift shop replicates Johnston’s 1950 general store. It stocks Tlingit arts and crafts and small Yukon gifts. A small theatre shows films, including the renowned Picturing a People, by Tlingit director Carol Geddes. Visitors can view a 1940s Air Radio building exhibit, stroll prepared trails or picnic in the interpretive rest areas.

**Location**

Testin
km 1294 (Mile 804)
Alaska Highway
1 km west of Nisutlin Bay Bridge

**Hours**

Early June to early September
Daily: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Contact**

ph 867-390-2550 (seasonal)
f 867-390-8810
e manager.teslinhms@gmail.com
fb George Johnston Museum
w gjmuseum.yk.net
m P.O. Box 146, Teslin, YT Y0A 1B0

**Features**

- gallery of early 20th century photographs
- walking trails
- picnic areas
Teslin Tlingit Heritage Centre

The Teslin Tlingit Heritage Centre welcomes visitors to participate in the life of the Tlingit people whose traditions are reflected in every aspect of the facility. This striking building houses the Great Hall, home of clan governance for the Teslin Tlingit people.

The centre has a spectacular setting on Teslin Lake, with a clear view of *Tle’naux T’Awei* (Lone Sheep Mountain), also known locally as The Three Aces or Dawson Peaks. Visitors to the centre are greeted by five traditional clan poles carved by local artists. They represent the five Clans in which Teslin Tlingit Council society remains firmly rooted.

Interpretive displays feature masks and artifacts that illustrate two centuries of Tlingit history and the culture of the Inland Tlingit people. Visit the gift shop/gallery for authentic Tlingit art.

### FEATURES
- award-winning building designed by Yukon architects
- biennial Ha Kus Teyea Celebration
- cultural demonstrators on site
- coffee and bannock daily

### CONTACT

**LOCATION**
Teslin
3 km west of Teslin on the Alaska Highway, overlooking Teslin Lake

**HOURS**
June 1 to September 1
Daily: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
By appointment in the off season

**PH**
867-390-2532, ext. 332

**W**
[ttc-teslin.com/heritage-centre.html](http://ttc-teslin.com/heritage-centre.html)

**M**
P.O. Box 133, Teslin, YT Y0A 1B0
Northern Lights Centre

The Northern Lights Centre is home to the Yukon’s only visitor facility dedicated to the science and folklore of the aurora borealis. A two-part presentation features *The Yukon’s Northern Lights* (filmed and produced entirely in the Yukon) and *Big*, an entertaining sky show that uses a lighthearted storytelling style, 3-D computer animation, stop-motion characters, and a surround-sound musical score to explore the age-old mysteries of the universe. The two-part presentation lasts approximately one hour.

**Location**
Watson Lake
807 Frank Trail

**Hours**
Mid-May to mid-September
Daily: 12:30 to 9:30 p.m.
By appointment in the off season

**Contact**
ph 867-536-7827
f 867-536-2823
e nlc@northwestel.net
w northernlightscentre.ca
m P.O. Box 590, Watson Lake, YT Y0A 1C0

**Features**
- daily video presentation in summer
- available for community events and movies
Whitehorse

The Yukon’s capital is known as the wilderness city, but it could also be called the heritage city. Whitehorse never loses touch with its rich history, even as it continues to evolve. A historic log skyscraper or heritage home can find a new lease on life among modern buildings whose false fronts and colourful murals pay tribute to the past. As the Yukon’s capital and primary service centre, Whitehorse offers a great diversity of heritage attractions.

Situated on the banks of the Yukon River, Whitehorse lies within the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Ta’an Kwäch’än Council. The community was established during the Klondike Gold Rush with the completion of the White Pass & Yukon Route railway and became a permanent transfer point in the territory’s transportation network. A new economic boom came in 1942 with the whirlwind construction of the 2,288-km Alaska Highway. Almost overnight, the sleepy town was transformed into a tent metropolis crowded with thousands of American soldiers. Whitehorse eventually assumed a central position in Yukon economic, social and political life.

Photo taken from a sternwheeler of people on wharf, Whitehorse, ca. 1938. Yukon Archives, GSC photo library collection, 90/36 #104
Copperbelt Railway & Mining Museum

The Miles Canyon Historic Railway Society operates the Copperbelt Railway & Mining Museum and the Waterfront Trolley.

The Copperbelt Railway & Mining Museum is an interpretive learning experience that focuses on Whitehorse and Yukon mining and rail history. The museum offers a ride through the northern boreal forest, a place to take your family for fun and adventure, and a fascinating history lesson on northern mining, rail and life. Learn the stories of northern miners at the Copperbelt Museum. Come and visit the picnic pavilion and playground, enjoy the walking trails and take a ride on the beloved “Loki.”

Features
- picnic facilities
- train rides
- healthy learning and outdoor fun

Location
91928 Alaska Hwy, 2 km north of Whitehorse between the Kopper King and Raven’s Ridge
May 18 to September 1
Daily: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Contact
ph 867-667-6355
867-667-6198 off-season
e Copperbelt@yukonrails.com
fb Copperbelt Railway & Mining Museum
in @Copperbelt919
bw @CopperbeltYT
w yukonrails.com
m 1127 Front Street, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 0G5
Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre

The Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre, located on the banks of the Yukon River in downtown Whitehorse, is a gathering place for people of all cultures. The vision of the centre is to revive, preserve and present the cultural heritage, values and traditional life of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation. The goal of the cultural centre is to share KDFN culture with Yukon visitors and other First Nations.

Visitors from the territory and around the world come here to experience vibrant northern culture. The centre is available to host a wide variety of meetings, events and exhibits.

**Features**
- picturesque location suitable for a wide range of events
- permanent and temporary interpretive exhibits

**Location**
On the riverbank at the foot of Black Street (downtown Whitehorse)

**Hours**
- **Summer**
  - Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; weekends and holidays: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Winter**
  - Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Contact**
- ph 867-466-5322
- e info@kdcc.ca
- w kdcc.ca
- m 1171 Front Street, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 0G9
Experience Yukon’s spirited history within one of the oldest buildings in Whitehorse. Uncover fascinating stories and hidden treasures of Yukon’s early pioneers and missionaries.

The Old Log Church Museum presents daily tours and interpretive programs. Come learn what makes the church building unique, how much whale oil would be worth today, and why Bishop Isaac Stringer ate his own boots!

Located in the heart of downtown, the museum is a welcome destination for people of all ages and backgrounds. In 2014 the Old Log Church and nearby Rectory became an officially designated historic site.

The museum gift shop contains something for everyone, including interesting and locally crafted items, historical books, artwork and old-fashioned toys.

Features
- daily guided tours
- see inside one of the oldest buildings in Whitehorse
- kids’ activity room

Location
Corner of Third Avenue and Elliott Street (downtown Whitehorse)

Hours
Mid-May to early September: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

Contact
ph 867-668-2555
f 867-667-6258
e logchurch@klondiker.com
fb Old Log Church Museum
w oldlogchurchmuseum.ca
m P.O. Box 31461, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 6K8
tw @oldlogchurch

Photo, top: Aasman/Nicolas Lemieux
S.S. Klondike National Historic Site

For the first half of the twentieth century, the sternwheelers of the British Yukon Navigation Company plied the upper Yukon River between Whitehorse and Dawson City. The S.S. Klondike was the flagship of the fleet. Sitting proudly on the banks of the Yukon River in Whitehorse, she has been meticulously restored and refurnished, paying tribute to an era before roads, when riverboats and rail linked the Yukon to the outside world.

Wander the freight deck, inspect the paddlewheel and admire the scenery of the Yukon River valley from the sun deck. Be sure not to miss the movie In the Days of the Riverboats to see historic footage of sternwheelers in action. To enrich your experience consider a guided tour from one of the licensed tour operators.

Features
- free movie
- exhibits
- self-guiding brochure available
- Xplorer activity book for kids

On the riverbank at the foot of Robert Service Way

May 20 to September 5
Daily: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CONTACT
ph 867-667-4511
e whitehorse.info@pc.gc.ca
fb ParksCanadaYukon
bw @ParksCanYukon
w pc.gc.ca/ssklondike
m 205-300 Main Street, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 2B5
Waterfront Trolley

Visitors to downtown Whitehorse can ride the beautifully restored bright yellow 1925 trolley. The trolley departs northbound from Rotary Peace Park, across from the S.S. Klondike, and southbound from Spook Creek Station, behind Earl’s restaurant, with stops along the way.

Passengers are welcome to disembark and reboard along the route at the various stations with a round-trip pass. This interpretive ride describes the Whitehorse waterfront’s fascinating history, including stories about the White Pass & Yukon Route railway and the mighty sternwheelers that plied the Yukon River.

Features
- wheelchairs and strollers can be stored during the ride
- Trolley and Roundhouse are available for rental

Along the riverfront (downtown Whitehorse): various stops

LOCATION

May 15 to September 15
Daily: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

HOURS

ph 867-667-6355
e trolley@yukonrails.com
w yukonrails.com
fb Waterfront Trolley
in TrolleyYukon
tb @TrolleyYT
m 1127 Front Street, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 0G5

contact

wheelchairs and strollers can be stored during the ride
Trolley and Roundhouse are available for rental
Imagine a world where the vast steppe stretches unbroken as far as the eye can see. A place where predators of staggering proportions compete with human hunters for food in a cold, dry, treeless expanse. Explore the mysteries of that world at the Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre. Beringia was an ice age land between two continents on the northwestern edge of North America. It was home to giant mammals, such as the woolly mammoth, and the first people of North America.

This multimedia exposition features life-size exhibits of ice age animals, interactive activities and dioramas. Highlights include a reconstruction of the Bluefish Caves, one of the oldest archaeological sites in Yukon. The Yukon Horse exhibit contains the remains of the most complete and best preserved specimen of a mummified extinct large mammal ever found in Canada.
Yukon Transportation Museum

Experience impressive modes of transportation that tell dramatic and authentic stories of the Yukon and its people. Follow the stories of the early bush pilots and traders, hike the Chilkoot trail alongside stampeders and packers, hear the stories of the people who shaped and use the Alaska Highway, and more.

These stories of love and loss, ingenuity and self-sufficiency, adventure, joy and fear show us how and why people have been moving over this land for thousands of years.

Recent projects at the museum include restorations of CF-BXF, BDZ and our Austin A40 pick-up.

Photos: Yukon Transportation Museum

LOCATION
Mile 917 Alaska Highway
just south of the Erik Nielsen
Whitehorse International Airport;
watch for our DC-3 weathervane

HOURS
Mid-May to September 1
Daily: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Winter:
Sunday and Monday: noon to 5 p.m.

Features
• daily tours
• bilingual exhibit on Yukon aviation
• venue available for meetings and events

CONTACT
ph 867-668-4792
f 867-633-5547
e info@goytm.ca
fb Yukon Transportation Museum
w goytm.ca
m 30 Electra Crescent,
Whitehorse, YT Y1A 0M7
Yukon Wildlife Preserve

Only 25 minutes from downtown Whitehorse and open all year, the Yukon Wildlife Preserve provides an opportunity to view and learn about more than 12 Yukon species. You can walk, ski, snowshoe or bike our 5-km (3-mile) loop, or join us for a bus tour guided by one of our friendly, knowledgeable interpreters. Both options provide excellent viewing of Yukon species in large natural habitats. Reservations are recommended for guided tours.

The facility is home to the Wildlife Research and Rehabilitation Centre, where we work to give injured animals a second chance. We are a member of Canada’s Accredited Zoos and Aquariums. Our mission is to connect our visitors to the natural world by being a living centre of Yukon’s species.

Note regarding access: platforms are accessible by ramps, but there is no lift on the bus.

km 8, Takhini Hot Springs Road
25 minutes north of Whitehorse

Summer
Daily: 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Winter
Friday to Sunday: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
additional hours during holidays

Features
• daily bus tours
• viewing platforms
• guaranteed wildlife viewing
• easy walking, biking and skiing

Contact
ph 867-456-7300 (reception)
867-456-7400 (admin)
f 867-633-2425
e info@yukonwildlife.ca
fb Yukon Wildlife Preserve
in @yukonwildlifepreserve
tw @yukonwildlife
w yukonwildlife.ca
Campbell Region

The Campbell Region is in the traditional territory of the Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation. In the mid-1800s, Hudson’s Bay Company trader Robert Campbell became the first European to explore the land and rivers of the region that now bears his name.

The aboriginal people of the Upper Pelly River area used the present townsite of Ross River as a seasonal camp, and a trading post was established there in 1901. Faro was built in 1968 to service the huge lead-zinc mine nearby, which operated for almost thirty years. Both Faro and Ross River lie in the Tintina Trench, a geological feature that extends from British Columbia to Alaska. The trench is a route for many migratory birds, and is home to valuable deposits of zinc, lead, silver, gold and tungsten.

During World War II, the United States military constructed the Canol pipeline from Norman Wells, on the Mackenzie River through the Campbell Region to Whitehorse. Many relics from this massive undertaking, including old army vehicles, are still visible along the Canol Road.

Trappers with furs in front of Taylor and Drury trading post at Ross River, 1928.
Yukon Archives, Claude and Mary Tidd fonds, #8437
Campbell Region Interpretive Centre

This impressive log building in the centre of Faro is the place to go for tourist information and interesting displays on the Campbell Region’s history, geology and wildlife. The helpful interpretive staff can tell you everything you need to know for a great time in the area, including the location of trails, attractions, fishing holes, scenic drives and the best spots to view Sandhill cranes and Fannin sheep (see photo, top) in the spring and fall. The centre also presents talks on the region’s many fascinating heritage features.

Visitors who fancy a round on the town’s nine-hole golf course can rent a set of clubs from the centre. A full-service RV park and campground are adjacent to the centre.

Photo, centre: Town of Faro

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Klondike Region

For generations, the Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in used the confluence of the Klondike and Yukon rivers, known as Tr’ochëk, as an important gathering spot, fish camp and base for moose hunting. During the Klondike Gold Rush, Dawson City was established across the Klondike River from Tr’ochëk.

Carmacks was originally a fishing site on a main trade route used by many Yukon First Nations. As non-aboriginals poured into the area, George Carmack, one of the discoverers of Klondike gold, built a roadhouse in the area. In the early 20th century the community was an important stopping point for sternwheelers and the winter road between Whitehorse and Dawson. It continues to be an important stop for road and river travellers.

In 1960, the road from Whitehorse to Dawson was completed, and Pelly Crossing was established as a ferry crossing and construction camp for highway workers. Today, it is home to the Selkirk First Nation. Previously, these Northern Tutchone people were based at Fort Selkirk, a traditional site for countless years. The Selkirk people originally led a nomadic life, but settled at Fort Selkirk after it was established in the mid-19th century.
Tagé Cho Hudän Interpretive Centre

The Tagé Cho Hudän Interpretive Centre showcases the past and present culture of the Northern Tutchone people, with many fascinating exhibits. Indoor features include a mooseskin boat, a dugout canoe, a rare collection of stone and bone tools, a beaded slipper collection and traditional clothing. Outdoors, visitors will find a walking trail. The centre is home to the world’s only mammoth snare diorama!

Visitors are encouraged to listen to the stories and information, and learn about the culture and exhibits.

**Location**

Tagé Cho Hudän Interpretive Centre

**Features**

- Several First Nation outdoor displays
- Guided tours
- Mammoth snare diorama

**Contact**

867-863-5831
867-863-5710 or 867-863-5831

tagechohudan@northwestel.net

P.O. Box 135, Carmacks, YT

Y0B 1C0

**Hours**

Carmacks
just north of the Yukon River bridge

Mid-May to mid-September
Daily: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
By appointment in the off season
Dänojà Zho Cultural Centre

Dänojà Zho ("long ago house"), on the bank of the Yukon River, is a gateway to Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in heritage. The knowledgeable staff bring the Hammerstone Gallery to life, sharing the story of life before the arrival of the goldseekers: life on the land, survival skills, leadership, and the strength and success of the community today.

The Gathering Room presents a new exhibit each summer. The Heart Of The Homeland river walk tour brings the focus to one of the most important heritage features of the traditional territory: the Yukon River and the ancestral fish camp of Tr’ochëk.

Guests are encouraged to take in a cultural program or hands-on activity. The gift shop has a variety of handmade clothing, beaded footwear and jewelry, and Northern and First Nation books, art and music.

Dawson City 1131 Front Street, across from the Visitor Information Centre

June to September Monday to Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
By appointment in the off season

Contact

ph 867-993-7100, ext. 500
t 867-993-6553
e cultural.centre@trondek.ca
w trondekheritage.com
m P.O. Box 599, Dawson City, YT Y0B 1G0

Features

• award-winning building
• guided gallery tours
• relaxed atmosphere for learning and sharing

Klondike Region
Jack London Museum

Tucked in a quiet corner of Dawson City, this quaint museum is dedicated entirely to the life and writing of Jack London, author of *White Fang*. Browse through historical archives and photographs, while learning about London’s adventures before, during and after the Klondike Gold Rush. Explore the museum on your own, or visit during one of our interactive and informative presentations.

As an extra treat, take a peek inside the home where London resided during his days as a Klondike gold-seeker, complete with contemporary furnishings and objects fit for a stampeder. This replica is built from half of the logs of London’s original cabin, which was located on the North Fork of Henderson Creek (the other half resides in London’s hometown of Oakland, California).

Photo, top: Isabelle Chagnon

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**Dawson City**
Corner of Eighth Avenue and Firth Street

**Open daily from early May to mid-September.** See the Visitor Information Centre or phone the museum for updated information.

**Features**
- daily interpretive talks
- pedestrian friendly
- part of “Authors on Eighth,” which includes the Robert Service Cabin and the Berton House Writer’s Retreat

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**Contact**

ph 867-993-5575
f 867-993-6415
e kva@dawson.net
fb Jack London Museum
w jacklondonmuseum.ca
m P.O. Box 389, Dawson City, YT Y0B 1G0
Klondike National Historic Sites

Dawson City Historical Complex National Historic Site

Prowl through historic buildings such as the old Post Office (see photos), exploring past and present Dawson City on a lively guided tour led by a costumed interpreter. Do a self-guided walking tour, or search out the geocaches. Experience a famed wilderness poet’s life in a log cabin, then visit the elegant Commissioner’s Residence and pristine gardens.

S.S. Keno National Historic Site

Stride up the gangplank of historic S.S. Keno and enter an era before roads, when sternwheelers were the Yukon’s link to the outside world, bringing in essential supplies and equipment, and carrying ore to market.

Photos: Fritz Mueller

Location

Features

- interpretive programs, including guided tours of Dawson City
- geocaching
- self-guiding brochures and apps
- Xplorer activity booklets for kids

Hours

Daily, mid-May to late September

Contact

867-993-7200
dawson.info@pc.gc.ca
ParksCanadaYukon
@ParksCanYukon
pc.gc.ca/klondike
Box 390, Dawson City, YT Y0B 1G0
Klondike National Historic Sites

Please note: both these sites are located in the Klondike goldfields, a short distance from Dawson City.

Discovery Claim National Historic Site
Take a walk along a self-guided trail to stand in the exact spot where the first gold nugget that started the Klondike Gold Rush was found, and discover what life was like for the early miners.

Dredge No.4 National Historic Site
Marvel at North America’s largest wooden-hulled bucket-line dredge (see photos). This enormous mechanical marvel operated in the Klondike goldfields for decades after the initial rush, which extracted millions in gold. The dredge reworked the creek beds and recovered the gold left behind by the hand miners.

Note: Guided tours of Dredge No.4 are available from Goldbottom Mine Tours in Dawson City, 867-993-5023, info@goldbottom.com.

Photos: Fritz Mueller

Klondike Goldfields, a short distance from Dawson City

Daily, mid-May to late September

ph 867-993-7200
e dawson.info@pc.gc.ca
fb ParksCanadaYukon
tw @ParksCanYukon
w pc.gc.ca/klondike
m Box 390, Dawson City, YT Y0B 1G0

Features
• interpretive programs
• geocaching
• self-guiding brochures and apps
• Xplorer activity booklets for kids
Big Jonathan House

The Big Jonathan Heritage Centre is housed in a replica of Fort Selkirk’s Big Jonathan House. This attraction has a range of works on display by local artists, as well as locally made beaded clothing, birchbark baskets, traditional baby bunting bags, tools, and more. Some are for sale.

A replica of a mooseskin boat made by local elders is on display. You can also watch the Fort Selkirk: Voices of the Past video to learn more about this interesting region and its people.

Photo, centre: Teri-Lee Isaac

Top: Fish drying in front of Big Jonathan house, Fort Selkirk, ca. 1935. Yukon Archives, Martha Silas collection, 87/39 #9
Silver Trail Region

The traditional territory of the Na-Cho Nyäk Dun is rich in resources, providing a dependable harvest of fish and wild game for the First Nation’s citizens.

The search for gold brought prospectors to the area in the late 19th century, but it was the discovery of silver in the early 20th century that transformed the region. Mayo — named after circus acrobat-turned-trader Al Mayo — was established on the Stewart River in 1903 and the sternwheelers brought supplies there for the area’s mines. Keno was a small but busy town on Keno Hill, close to many of the mines. The production of silver ore concentrate was the backbone of the Yukon’s economy for many years. This thriving industry led to the construction of the first all-season road from Mayo to Whitehorse in 1950.

The hard-rock miners who came to live in Mayo and Keno City gave the region an individual character that remains to this day. Mayo and Keno City are towns full of historic buildings, most dating from the 1920s.
Keno City Mining Museum

The Keno City Mining Museum is housed in Jackson Hall, a community centre built in the 1920s. This museum tells the story of the gold and silver mining history of the area, dating from the early 1900s. Displays of early tools and equipment, as well as memorabilia and photographs, offer visitors glimpses into the experiences of everyday life in isolated northern mining communities.

The museum also boasts a fine gift shop featuring souvenirs related to Keno City and mining, plus a variety of works by some of the Yukon’s most gifted artists. Next door to the museum, the Alpine Interpretive Centre interprets the area’s natural history and serves as the starting point for a network of marked hiking trails.

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**LOCATION**
Keno City
Main Street

**HOURS**
Late May to early September
Daily: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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**Features**
- Kennedy Bradshaw photograph collection
- mining history
- nearby hiking trails
Binet House

A restored heritage building in the community of Mayo, Binet House provides Yukoners and visitors with the opportunity to learn about the natural and cultural history of the area.

The Binet House is home to displays on area history, early medical instruments, wildlife, geology and local permafrost studies. A large collection of photographs portrays the lifestyle — past and present — of Mayo’s residents and the local First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun. There is a Veteran’s Monument on the well-kept grounds. The Binet House annex has a gift shop with local arts and crafts.

Features
- access to the Trans Canada Trail
- three-dimensional map of the region

LOCATION
Mayo, corner of Second Avenue and Centre Street

HOURS
May 23 to September 15
Daily: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Kluane Region

Kluane National Park and Reserve of Canada is the site of Mount Logan, Canada's highest peak. It is an area of icefields and mountain wilderness and is home to a wide range of plants and animals. KNP&R is managed through a partnership of Parks Canada, the Kluane First Nation and the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations.

Haines Junction has a spectacular setting on the edge of KNP&R. It was established in 1942 during the construction of the Alaska Highway. The Champagne and Aishihik First Nations have their administrative base in the community.

Burwash Landing is the home of the Kluane First Nation. The community was once a seasonal fishing camp for these Southern Tutchone people, and part of a major inter-regional trading trail connecting settlements around Haines, Alaska with the Kluane Lake area. During the Kluane Gold Rush of 1904, Burwash Landing became a docking point for the Jacquot brothers, who established a trading post there and ran a big-game guiding operation.
Kluane Museum of History offers a world-class wildlife exhibit along with displays on the Southern Tutchone people and the many plant species that live in the national park. The museum features diorama displays (see photo, above) of more than 70 animals, birds and fish that are native to the Yukon.

It also contains displays of Southern Tutchone artifacts, clothing and tools. The gift shop features local crafts, northern books and videos, and handmade moosehide moccasins.

Photo, centre: Wendy Martin
Exploring the Kluane National Park and Reserve Visitor Centre is an experience not to be missed. The centre contains a multitude of displays and exhibits.

You can quiz yourself to discover what you know about grizzly bears, hold a bone tool traditionally used by the Southern Tutchone people, step on an animal scale to see how many wolves or pikas you weigh, or identify a variety of animal skulls.

Videos feature images of mountains, wildlife and glaciers, Southern Tutchone legends, historical mountaineering footage, and safety information on travelling in bear country.

Knowledgeable and passionate staff are also here to assist you in learning Kluane’s many stories. We can’t wait to be part of your Yukon visit!
North Yukon Region

Old Crow is named after Chief Crow May I Walk, Deetru’ K’avihdik, a respected chief who died in the 1870s. The village of Old Crow is the most northern community in the Yukon and is located at the confluence of the Crow and Porcupine rivers. The area has a record of human occupation that dates back for millennia.

The Vuntut Gwitchin continue to travel over the land, trapping, hunting and fishing as part of their lifestyle, although the wage economy has increased in importance. The Vuntut Gwitchin were one of the first four Yukon First Nations to sign their comprehensive land claim agreement in 1993 and continue to be a progressive, thriving community.
The John Tizya Centre is located in Old Crow, the only Yukon community located north of the Arctic Circle.

The centre has an exciting exhibition area, with displays of the Vuntut Gwitchin’s dynamic culture, the Porcupine Caribou herd, the landscape and oral history. The centre has educational opportunities for visitors and community members alike. It has the capacity for workshops and multimedia presentations.

Come visit us and learn about the Vuntut Gwitchin: the “People of the Lakes.” Our community welcomes you.
Yukon Historical & Museums Association

The goal of the Yukon Historical & Museums Association (YHMA) is to inspire and share a passion for Yukon heritage. YHMA was established in 1977 by a group of concerned and passionate individuals to create a united voice to promote an understanding and appreciation of heritage and history in the Yukon. YHMA keeps apprised of issues and advocates on behalf of the Yukon’s heritage and heritage sector.

YHMA continues to build a learning environment for history and culture and the development of skills and best practices in the heritage sector. The association shares knowledge with the Yukon heritage community and supports them in conservation and other projects. Most YHMA activities are collaborations and partnerships.

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Our heritage attractions include everything from guided walks to special exhibits. There’s something for everyone.

Come and see us — we look forward to sharing our stories.

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