

CRAVEN GULCH

DESCRIPTION

Location: Northwest Upsalquitch RiverStretch type: Regular Crown Reserve

Stretch length: 4.8 kilometres
Number of named pools: 11
River width: 10-30 metres

River bottom: gravel, rock, and ledge

• Pool access is by canoe. Motorized canoe recommended: 6-10 hp. Canoeing good until mid-July. There are no falls or rapids. Boat launch is possible at the Three Mile (Fidel Lagacé) Bridge.

ACCESS (see corresponding numbers on map)

NOTE: Access to certain stretches may require four-wheel drive vehicles.

- Distances given are approximate and may not correspond exactly to the reading on your odometer
- Look for yellow Crown Reserve signs along the road

Option 1 – traveling on Route 11 (follow yellow route on map)

- 1. From Campbellton or Belledune, travel on **Route 11** and take **Exit 391 for Route 275** (Dalhousie and Eel River Crossing).
- 1. From Exit 391 on Route 275, head towards Eel River Crossing and Balmoral. Travel approx. 6.5 km to the intersection between Avenue des Pionniers and Drapeau Street, in Balmoral.
- 2. Continue straight on Drapeau Street. Travel 4.2 km on Drapeau Street till it turns into the Main I.P. Road (dirt road).
- 3. Continue straight. Travel 7.3 Km on the Main I.P. Road to the intersection with the Charlo Camp Road.
- 4. **Continue straight** on the Main I.P. Road. Travel **19.6 Km** on the Main I.P. Road to the intersection with the New Belanger Road.
- 5. **Continue straight** on the Main I.P. Road. **Travel 19.9 km** to the Flying Eddy Bridge crossing the Southeast Upsalquitch River. **Cross the bridge**.
- 6. Travel 0.2 km (200 meters) after bridge to the intersection with Caribou Road. Turn right.
- 7. Travel 5.6 km on Caribou Road to intersection with the Craven's Gulch access road. Turn right.
- 8. **Travel 5.2 km** (ignore all side roads) to the Three Mile (Fidel Lagacé) Bridge crossing the Northwest Upsalquitch River. **Cross the bridge**. Boat launch is possible at this site.

OR

- 9. Continue beyond bridge and travel 0.8 km (800 meters). Turn right.
- 10. **Travel 1 km** to tenting site.

OR

Option 2 - traveling on Route 180 (follow green route on map)

- 1. From Bathurst or St-Quentin, travel on Route 180 (Road to Resources) to the **intersection between the Main I.P. Road** and Portage Lakes Road.
- 2. **Turn north** (towards Dalhousie) onto Main I.P. Road. **Travel 24.5 km** to the intersection with the Caribou Road (which is 0.2 km or 200 m before the Flying Eddy Bridge). **Turn left**.

At this point, continue with items 7 to 10 above, as described under Option 1.

ACCOMMODATIONS

- No accommodation available; bring your own camping equipment
- Rudimentary facilities are available at tenting site: sheltered table, out house, fire pit
- Water: no running water. Anglers must provide their own drinking water.
- Firewood is not provided. It is recommended that only kiln dried firewood be brought to Crown Reserve to minimize the risk of spreading invasive insects and disease. If using firewood that has not been kiln dried, buy it locally (as close to your destination as possible), burn it all on site and do not bring any remaining firewood home.
- Garbage removal is the angler's responsibility. Littering is strictly prohibited.

REGULATIONS

- For information on current salmon conservation measures such as live release requirements, visit the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada website.
- General angling regulations for New Brunswick are in effect. Consult the *Fish* book for additional information.

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