

PATAPEDIA

DESCRIPTION

- Location: Patapedia River
- Stretch type: Regular Crown Reserve
- Stretch length: 23 kilometres
- Number of named pools: 35
- River width: 10 to 20 metres
- River bottom: mixture of small and large rock
- Additional information: a Patapedia Crown Reserve licence is valid for three calendar days:
 - Day 1:** New Brunswick anglers are prohibited from fishing from the 23 Mile access point downstream but not including the Boundary Pool. The waters upstream of Boundary Pool are in Quebec. New Brunswick anglers may fish from and including the Boundary Pool downstream to, and including Lower Glover Pool.
 - Day 2:** Anglers may only fish from Lower Glover Pool downstream to and including 14 Mile Pool.
 - Day 3:** Anglers may only fish from 14 Mile Pool downstream to Last Chance Pool.

ACCESS

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

- From Campbellton to the 23 Mile camp and boat launch site is approximately a two hour drive.
- 1. From Campbellton, travel 19 km westward on Route 134. **Turn right** onto the Matapédia Bridge.
- 2. After crossing the bridge, **turn left** and travel **2 km** on Route 132 to the town of Matapédia.
- 3. At Matapédia, it is strongly advised that you stop and register your party and check on road conditions with staff at the office of the Corporation de Gestion des Rivières Matapédia et Patapédia (CGRMP; 2, rue des Saumons; 418-865-2080, or call no charge at their Causapscal office : 1-888-730-6174). This is where anglers pay for additional services (camp rentals, canoe rentals and vehicle shuttle).
- 4. From the CGRMP office in the town of Matapedia, travel North **8 km** on Route 132. **Turn left** onto Route 1 at the bridge at Saint-Alexis.
- 5. From the bridge at Saint-Alexis, **bear right** on Route 1 (rue de l'Immaculée) travel **13.5 km** to St-François d'Assise.
- 6. **Turn left** at the "Gaz Optimum" garage, and travel **10 km** to L'Ascension-de-Patapédia.
- 7. At the Stop sign by the SER Max convenience store, **turn left**, on rang de l'Église and travel 0.1 km (or 100 m).
- 8. **Turn right** on route Du Pin-Rouge (Route 1 South), and travel **3 km** to where the road makes a big curve.
- 9. Take the gravel road on **your left** where you see the sign: "Réserve faunique des Rivières Matapédia et Patapédia" (Route 1 South). Do not stay on the paved road Pin-Rouge South (extreme left), nor on Pin-Rouge North (to your right).
- 10. Travel another **10 km** on this section of Route 1 South until you reach an intersection.
- 11. At the intersection, keep your right, still on Route 1 South, towards the 7 Mile and the 23 Mile camps. Do not take a left turn: that would bring you to the 2-Mile landing (Daily Crown Reserve).
- 12. Travel **3.3 km** and you will encounter the intersection of Route 1 and Route 13.
- 13. **Turn right** onto Route 13. (Do not take a left turn on Route 1: that would bring you to the 7 Mile camp on a road that is very rough with a steep hill, and which absolutely requires a 4X4 vehicle.)
- 14. Travel **11 km** on Route 13 to the intersection with Route 2 and Route 22.

15. Go straight on Route 2 South. Do not turn right on Route 2 East, nor turn left on Route 22. (Note: on your way out from the 7 Mile camp and landing site, you will arrive at this same intersection, from Route 22.)
16. Travel **9.7 km** on Route 2 South to the 23 Mile access point “Pavillon de la Rivière Patapédia” and boat launch site.

EXIT

1. From the 7 Mile camp landing site, bear to the left travel 10 km on Route 22 North. (**Do not bear right on route 1 north road is in very poor shape**). You will arrive at an intersection with a road leading to the 19- Mile camp. Stay on Route 22 North.
2. Travel another **4.3 km** to the intersection of Route 2 and Route 13 described in step 14 above. **Turn right** onto Route 13.
3. Travel **11 km** to the intersection with the other road from 7 Mile Camp. **Turn left** onto Route 1 North.
4. Travel **3.3 km** on Route 1 North to the intersection to 2 Mile Landing bear left on Route 1 North.
5. Travel **10 km** you will leave the woods on route Du Pin-Rouge bear right still on Route 1 North to L'Ascension-de-Patapédia.
6. Travel **3 km** turn left onto Rang de l'Église.
7. Travel **100 m**, at the SER Max convenience store, **turn right** to drive to St-François d'Assise.
8. Travel **10 km**, **turn right** at the “Gaz Optimum” garage.
9. Travel **13.5 km** to the bridge at Saint-Alexis.
10. Cross the bridge and **turn right** drive to Matapédia.

ACCOMMODATIONS and VEHICLE SHUTTLE

- Camps: are operated by Québec and are available at Mile 23 (start), Mile 19 (end of day 1) and Mile 14 (end of day 2).
- For information on camp fees and amenities or to make a reservation, visit or call the CGRMP office in Matapédia at 1-418-865-2080 or in Causapsca at 1-888-730-6174.
- Anglers not using the Québec camps must bring their own shelter and cooking gear.
- 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.

OTHER SERVICES

- Arrangements can be made with the CGRMP office to have your vehicle shuttled from the 23 Mile camp down to the 7 Mile camp. Canoes can also be rented at the 23 Mile camp.
- Contact the CGRMP office for information on vehicle shuttle and canoe rental services including applicable fees.

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.