

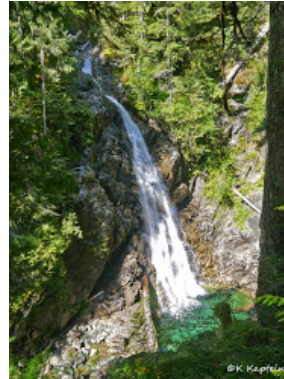
Vancouver Island Nature Viewing Region

Buttle Lake Area

Strathcona Provincial Park: Upper Myra Falls Trail



Upper Myra Falls Trail: photo by Krista Kaptein



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The trail to Upper Myra Falls along Myra Creek passes through old-growth forest among large boulders & rocky side streams to reach a 60m high waterfall .

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Geographical Description	Along Myra Creek on the west side of Buttle Lake.
Area/ Trail Length	Strathcona Park is 245,807 ha. Strathcona-Westmin Park is 3328 ha. Upper Myra Falls Trail = 3.5 km. one way.
Seasons to Visit	Spring for flowers. Spring is best for high water flows.
Habitat	Old-growth Douglas-fir forest; riparian.
Viewing Highlights	60m high waterfall, & waterfall along creek at high water. Large boulders along hillside trail. Large redcedar & Douglas-fir. Plants in the wintergreen & orchid family.
Other Features	Active mining for Zinc, Copper, Silver and Gold is ongoing at Nyrstar Mine in Strathcona-Westmin Provincial Park. The mine started as two open pits but is now mainly underground.
Main Access	Along Westmin Road, 39 km south of Buttle Narrows bridge & past the Nyrstar Mine site.

Secondary Accesses

Cautions**Jurisdiction** BC Parks.**Regulations** No fires. Tributaries to Buttle Lake are closed to angling.**Facilities** Parking area, signage, toilets, viewing platform.
Camping nearby at Ralph River Campground.**Other****Recreational
Activities****Other** Many other trails of varying difficulty in Strathcona Park.**Connections****History**

Strathcona Provincial Park, designated in 1911, is the oldest provincial park in BC.

Strathcona-Westmin Provincial Park was separated out of the rest of Strathcona Provincial Park in 1965 in order to allow mining at the south end of Buttle Lake. It is currently designated as a Class-B provincial park, and is expected to be absorbed by the rest of Strathcona Provincial Park once mining operations cease (approx. 30 years hence)

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