

# ROCKS 1 HIGHWAY 99 NORTH

## site 1 WHISTLER

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### *black tusk crystals*

From the town of Squamish, at the A&W, head north on Highway 99 for 44 km. Turn on the road for the Whistler bungee jump. Follow this road past the government forest camp sites and the bungee jump for 5 km and turn right on the road heading toward Daisy Lake. This is the first road to the right after the bungee jump. Follow this road for 1.3 km where the crystals are in the road cut on the left. The next location is 1 km past here. There are more crystal locations around here so watch for the diggings of others. The crystals here are very nice. Some are clear and others are coated with a green coating of “pixi dust” (possibly micaceous chlorite). Pyrite has also been found back on the road that the bungee jump is on. *[Site information courtesy of Greg Peterson]*



Site 1, second crystal location.



## site 2 LILLOOET

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### *jade, jasper, serpentine, soapstone*

The area around the town of Lillooet is a great place to find and learn about jade. Jade is a major attraction of the area and magnificent samples can be seen throughout the town. Jade samples can be found in front of most public buildings and businesses.

It is a large area to check out with many trips you can go on. The jade museum is a good place to start your search. The manager will give you lots of good advice which can help you in your search.

The best area to look for jade is along Bridge River Road. You can get there by traveling through the town and turning left on Bridge Lake Road.

As you travel around the lakes look for jade in ditches and on roadsides. Turn up the road to Marshall Lake; this is the best road to find jade in the ditches. There are jade mines in the area, so please respect the property of others.

There is also a lot of serpentine which will take a great polish. It is quite soft, making it easy to work with.

For jaspers, in town you can hunt the beach at the Cayoos Creek area which is also a panning reserve. Check with the visitor information center in town for directions. All of the Fraser River and most of the surrounding creeks will have claims on them, but the many forest service roads will be great places to search.



**Boulders along the Fraser River.**



