

Humber Bay / Toronto



Humber Bay Park West:

A popular shore dive for divers year round. Divers both swim and scooter this popular spot.

Visibility ranges from 5'-100' both in summer and winter, but tends to be better in the cold weather. This site is often open even in the winter as this area rarely freezes over. There are lines run to various underwater attractions including large concrete storm drain pipes that you can swim through.

NOTICE - Recreational boaters operating a powered vessel within the Port and Harbour of Toronto must be in possession of BOTH a Powered Vessel Operator's permit from the Port Authority and a Pleasure Craft Operator Card.

The Sligo: Just a short boat ride out of Humber Bay Park. Originally built as the barkentine "Prince of Wales". was rebuilt in 1874 as a three masted, fore & aft rigged schooner and renamed "Sligo" She was a towed barge at the time of her loss while under tow in 1918 from gale force winds. The Sligo sits up right in 70ft of water. The 138' long wreck is fairly together and lies cool Lake Ontario water. Visibility can be poor but has been 50' or better. I have seen it from the surface on the occasional winter dive.

The Julia B. Merrill: Also a short boat ride out of Humber Bay Park is a 1870's era 3 masted schooner 125' long in 60ft of water.

The wreck was Burned, and sank, for the entertainment of the masses gathered on Sunnyside beach, in 1931. Most of the hull remains, as well as some of the masts, a mast hole, the centre board box, some rigging, the rudder, the keelson, strapping, donkey boiler, several pulleys, and what could potentially be part of the bowsprit.

Lyman E. Davis: A great wreck and a slightly longer "hort boat ride" out of Humber Bay Park takes you to the Lyman Davis an advanced/technical dive site in 135' of water.

Visibility is usually excellent although dark. The wreck was a 2 masted wooden schooner that was scuttled and burned as a public exhibition typical of those days. Apparently there are many more shipwrecks around this area, but more effort to locate them is needed. The Davis was built in 1873 and sank in 1934.

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