

Lake Ontario Shoreline Grimsby Pier / Port Dalhousie



Grimsby Pier

This site offers the remains of a pier in the shallow waters off Grimsby Beach. There is a small parking area off Temple just east of 3rd St. From there you will need to walk. 3rd St extends to the trail running along the beach between Park Road and Betts Ave. The visibility is affected by weather and if the waves have been heavy it will be poor to non-existent. This site is best to visit in Spring and late Fall when the water is colder as all of Lake Ontario surface water visibility drops when the warmer nutrient rich waters fill with algae .

Directions

From the QEW take exit 68 Bartlett Ave North to Lake Street

Turn Left (west) on Lake Street and go to Betts Avenue

Turn right (north) onto Betts Avenue and go to Temple Lane

Turn right (east) onto Temple Lane and into the small parkette on the right.

Considerations :

- This beach is bordering a residential area. Please stay on public areas and do not enter private property.
- There is a short walk to the beach area, confirm your route before carrying equipment. While some are comfortable gearing up where they park others might not be. You might like a small cart to transfer gear.
- Anything left unattended on the beach is not secure.
- Grimsby parks and beaches are open during daylight hours only.

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Port Dalhousie

Tiller Wreck:

The "Tiller Wreck" is a 94' two-masted schooner that lies in 116' of water about 4 km off Port Dalhousie, in Lake Ontario. It gets its name from the tiller which steers it, as opposed to a wheel, which was introduced around 1850

A boat is required to get there. Most charters depart from the boat launch beside the St Catherine's Game and Fish Association. If you book a charter confirm with them.

Old Canal:

The remains of the old canal lie just off the beach of Lakeside Park, which offers free parking. Not much remains but the old cribbing offers refuge to local marine life.

Lake St Wreck:

This wreck sits in 15-20ft of water in Lake Ontario off the end of Lake St. This site will require a boat as the nearest public area on the lake is 400m away and has no available parking.

The sites near shore are best to visit in Spring and late Fall when the water is colder as all of Lake Ontario surface water visibility drops when the warmer nutrient rich waters fill with algae .

The Tiller being further out in the lake generally has good visibility on the wreck even if you can barely see your buddy until you drop down through the thermocline.

Considerations :

- This beach by the old canal is bordering a residential area. Please stay on public areas and off any private property.
- There is a short walk to the beach area, and while some are comfortable gearing up where they park others might not be. You might like a small cart to transfer gear, but anything left unattended on the beach is not secure.
- If taking a charter arrive early so you have time to unload gear and park before departure time.