

TOP 10 NIPIGON FISHING HOLES

1 LAKE NIPIGON

Some road access from Beardmore/High Hill Harbour, concrete boat launches in places.

2 NIPIGON BAY

Red Rock Marina for boat and road access. Brook, rainbow and lake trout, coho, pinks, whitefish, carp, perch and pike.

3 ELIZABETH LAKE

Walleye are abundant here. Can be good for ice fishing, access by snowmobile.

4 FRAZER LAKE

Another great lake for walleye fishing accessible by Frazer Lake Road.

5 JESSIE LAKE

If you're looking for burbot (ling), Jessie Lake is the place to go. Provincial record burbot came from Jessie Lake!

6 LOFQUIST LAKE

Road access from Cameron Falls Road. Stocked Nipigon strain brook trout, splake, walleye, and burbot.

7 BLACK STURGEON LAKE

Walleye, pike, smallmouth bass and perch are the draws here.

8 BLACK BAY

Part of Lake Superior, boat launch and access from Hurkett, ON.

9 OSKAWA LAKE

Gravel road access and boat launch. Walleye and pike.

10 COX LAKE

Gravel road access and boat launch. Smallmouth bass, perch and pike.

BONUS 11 NIPIGON RIVER

Concrete and gravel boat launches, shore fishing. World record brook trout caught here!

LAKE SUPERIOR

Lake Superior averages 500 feet deep, with more than 80 species of fish in its chilly waters. Its moody and rugged landscape provides rich fishing habitat, and helps to give the town of Nipigon its unrivalled fishing opportunities.

"OURS IS A TOWN ON THE RIVER'S BEND ..."

The Nipigon area is packed full of lakes and rivers that are stuffed with fish of all types. Anglers can go after walleye in Elizabeth and Frazer Lakes, or burbot in Jessie Lake. For every lake listed here, there are dozens more. World and Provincial records are held in this region, too. Your record could be next! Smallmouth bass, lake trout, walleye and pike are waiting. Visit any of our partners to get set up or to hang your hat at the end of a successful fishing trip! Visit the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) online at www.ontario.ca to access provincial fishing regulations and learn more about fishing in Ontario.



MORE INFO nipigon.net

TOURISM INFO CENTRE 1-877-596-1359

LOCAL RESOURCES

BUSINESS	PHONE	WEBSITE	TYPE
A Nipigon Marina and Campground	807-887-3040	www.nipigon.net/visitors/attractions/nipigon-marina/	⚓
B Stillwater Tent and Trailer Park	807-887-3701	stillwaterpark.ca	⚓
C Beaver Motel	807-887-3132	beavermotel.ca	🏠
D Pinecrest Motel	1-877-802-3808	pinecrestmotel.ca	🏠
E Locking Horns Motel	807-887-1750	N/A	🏠
F Birchville Motel	1-866-282-4843	birchvillemotel.com	🏠
G Town and Country Motel	807-887-2382	N/A	🏠
H Crabby Andy's Motel and Restaurant	807-889-1488	N/A	🏠🍴
I Sunnyside Cabins	807-887-5739	sunnysidecabins.ca	🏠
J Zechner's Food Mart	807-887-2910	N/A	🛒
K Canadian Tire	807-887-3131	canadiantire.ca	🛒
L Quebec Lodge	807-886-2603	nipigonriveradventures.com	🏠
M Nipigon River Bait and Tackle	807-889-0707	nipigonriver.com	🛒
N Bowman Island Charters	807-886-2504	bowmanislandcharters.com	🛶
O Hardy Baits	807-887-2306	N/A	🛒
P Hamilton Baits	807-857-1462	hamiltonbaits.webs.com	🛒



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BROOK TROUT



STEELHEAD (RAINBOW TROUT)



LAKE TROUT



WALLEYE



BURBOT (LING)



PIKE



WHITEFISH



SMALLMOUTH BASS



COHO SALMON



CHINOOK SALMON

“ **Home of the world record brook trout!** ”

Brook Trout By: Duane Raver
Walleye By: Virgil Beck
Pike By: Tim Knepp

Photo By Craig Willis,
Disraeli Lake



Photo By Eric Lund,
Esnagami River



HOW TO GET HERE

Nipigon, Ontario is located one hour east of Thunder Bay, six hours west of Sault Ste. Marie and two hours north of Grand Portage, Minnesota. Access from Highway 11/17 or the Thunder Bay International Airport.

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NIPIGON SPECIES

BROOK TROUT – The world record brook trout came from the Nipigon River. Cooler water is best, and early spring is the time to try.

STEELHEAD (RAINBOW TROUT) – Aim for river tributaries with Rapalas and Little Cleos to target these gorgeous fish.

LAKE TROUT – Think cold. And deep. Lake trout are slow-growing, deep-loving, cold water fish. Downriggers in deep lakes can help you get to these lunkers.

WALLEYE – Mike Pobrislo from Canadian Tire suggests a white Twister Tail or Fire Tiger to go after walleye. Worms and minnows work well as bait.

BURBOT (LING) – Not pretty, but they taste incredible! Mike Pobrislo from Canadian Tire says that dead smelts on a jig are the way to go for burbot, also known as ling.

PIKE – You'll often find pike in the shallows, and sometimes hook them without trying. They love big, flashy, bright coloured lures, but they aren't fussy and will chase anything that moves!

WHITEFISH – Whitefish can be found all over the region. Mike Pobrislo from Canadian Tire says that small Swedish Pimples and white Tube Jigs are among many effective choices.

SMALLMOUTH BASS – Glenn Hart, from Nipigon River Bait and Tackle, says that Topwater Baits are best for bass. Try light green and white.

COHO SALMON – Coho start running in mid-August, and are present in the Nipigon River all the way to November. Try lures in rainbow colours.

CHINOOK SALMON – Chinook run through the river in late summer and early fall. Rainbow or brown trout imitations can work well.