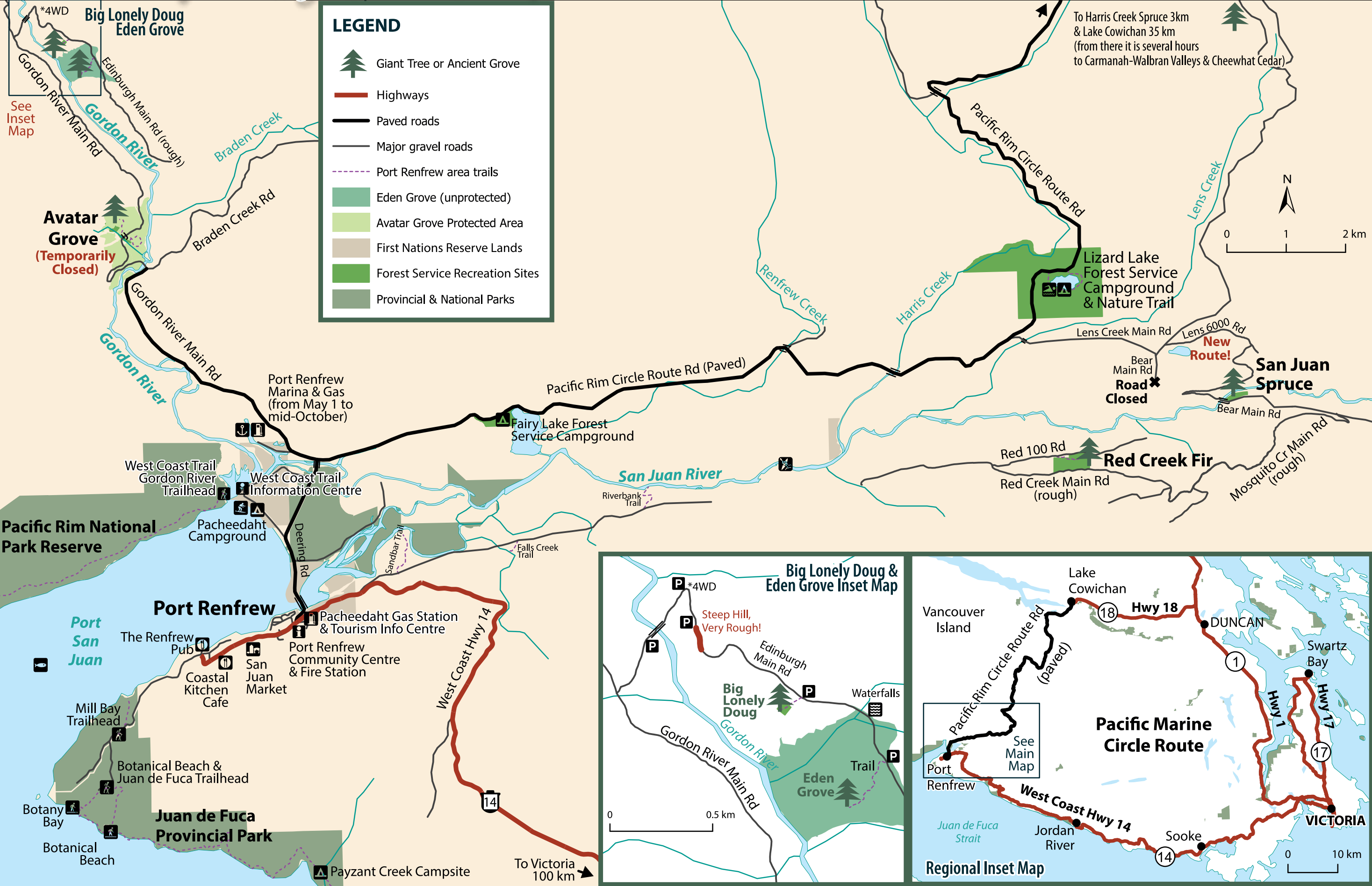
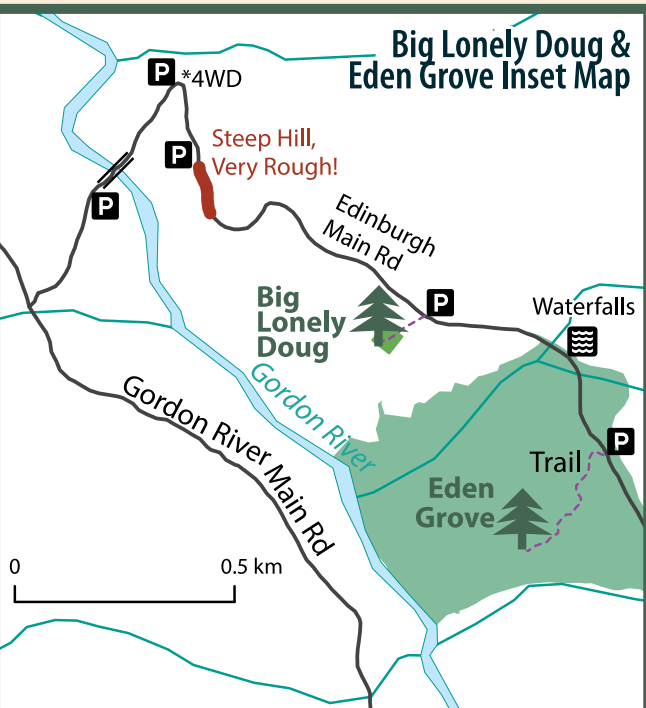
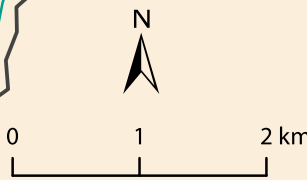


# Port Renfrew Big Trees Map



To Harris Creek Spruce 3km  
& Lake Cowichan 35 km  
(from there it is several hours  
to Carmanah-Walbran Valleys & Cheewhat Cedar)



To Victoria  
100 km

# Driving Directions TO OLD GROWTH TREES

## DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO OLD GROWTH TREES

Port Renfrew is known as “Canada’s Tall Tree Capital.” All of these magnificent ancient trees are in the traditional territory of the Pacheedaht First Nation.

### Notes regarding travel to the Red Creek Fir:

Odometer readings may vary, so it’s best to rely on your own judgment when referencing the distances below.

### THIS ROUTE IS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR VEHICLES WITH LOW CLEARANCE. TRUCKS, SUV & 4WD VEHICLES ARE THE MOST SUITABLE.

Remember, when travelling on logging roads, it’s essential to have a full gas tank and a working spare tire and drive defensively with your headlights on. There is limited cellphone reception in Port Renfrew and often none in the surrounding areas, so always be prepared in case of an emergency. Let a friend know where you’re going and when you intend to be back.

### THESE ARE REMOTE WILDERNESS AREAS - TRAVEL & HIKE AT YOUR OWN RISK!!

## DIRECTIONS TO RED CREEK FIR & SAN JUAN SPRUCE

(approx. 1 hour from Port Renfrew)

The driving directions to the San Juan Spruce and Red Creek Fir have recently changed.

- 1. km 0.0** - start at the Port Renfrew Community Center/Fire Station and drive down Deering Rd
- 2. km 0.2** - take the single lane bridge over the San Juan River.
- 3. km 1.4** - keep right at fork.

**4. km 2.7** - cross Deering Bridge and turn right towards Lake Cowichan (\*To reach Eden Grove/Big Lonely Doug instead, turn left after crossing and follow directions on the opposite page\*)

**5. km 15.8** - turn right at 9 Mile Junction onto Len’s Creek Main (start of gravel road)

**6. km 18.2** - \*NEW\* keep LEFT at Y junction on Lens Main

**7. km 18.4** - keep right/straight onto Lens 6000

**8. km 20.0** - turn right onto a new road linking to Bear Main

**9. km 22.2** - Turn left onto Bear Main

**10. km 23** - cross the large bridge over the San Juan River (The San-Juan Spruce Tree is on the left just after the bridge.)

**11. km 25.4** - turn right onto Mosquito Creek Main & begin heading uphill

**12. km 26.4** - keep left up steep hill through the clearcut

**13. km 27.4** – continue straight

**14. km 29.2** – keep right at fork

**15. km 30** - keep right at fork onto Red Creek Main. This road descends downhill for quite some time, so don’t feel you’ve gone the wrong way!

**16. km 33.2** - turn right at “T” junction at the bottom of the hill.

**17. km 31.2** - park where the road noticeably widens on both sides. The trailhead is found just a few meters beyond on the right-hand side. It is a 10-15 minute walk to the Red Creek Fir, the largest known Douglas-fir tree in the world! Watch for three giant old-growth redcedar trees along the left-hand side of the trail about halfway up as well.

## DIRECTIONS TO BIG LONELY DOUG & EDEN GROVE

(approx. 40 minutes from P.R. GPS 48.64622, -124.45051)

(continued from Red Creek Fir Direction #4)

4. Cross Deering Bridge and turn LEFT

5. Stay on the Gordon River Main road. After about 5 km, you will hit a “Y”. Go LEFT and cross a high bridge over the beautiful Gordon River.

6. After crossing the bridge, keep on the Gordon River Main for about 1.5 km, staying to the RIGHT at the next “Y”.

7. Shortly after you will cross a small bridge over a creek (Baird Creek).

8. Continue past the Avatar Grove on the Gordon River Main for approximately 5 km and make a RIGHT turn onto Edinburgh Main (the first road you can turn right onto).

9. Soon after you will cross a bridge spanning a deep canyon along the Gordon River. (\*Note: Vehicles with 4WD and good clearance are necessary from here on. It is possible to park near the bridge though and walk the next ~1.5 km if you’re willing.)

10. Follow the rough road as it goes uphill and around to the right. Continue on this main road for approximately 3-5 minutes.

11. A clearcut from 2012 (now growing in) will eventually appear on your right side with a view downhill to the tree. Park off the side of the road, allowing room for large trucks to pass by, and follow the rough footpath to the tree. The hike in should only be attempted by those with good balance. Try to limit time spent around the roots of the tree, but be sure to give Doug a hug ;)

12. Continue down Edinburgh Main another 500m and you will find a trail on your right to Eden Grove