

Small town Gurdwaras in B.C.



Source: 100 Mile House Gurdwara Sahib, Facebook page.

100 Mile House

The first Gurdwara in 100 Mile House, British Columbia, is named Gurdwara Sahib. It was built by the 100 Mile House Sikh Society in 1978 and is located on Blackstock Road.



Source: Harpreet Sandhu, Wikimedia Commons.

Merrit

The first Gurdwara in Merritt, British Columbia, is known as the Merritt Sikh Temple. It serves as a place of worship and a community center for the Sikh population in the Nicola Valley.



Source: New Westminster Archives.

New Westminster

Khalsa Diwan Society – Gurdwara Sahib Sukh Sagar, was established in 1919 by Bhai Bishan Singh at 344 Boyne Street in New Westminster.



Source: Alberni Valley Gurudawara Society, Facebook page.

Port Alberni

The Alberni Valley Gurdwara, founded in the 1950s, was the first Gurdwara in the community and remains the longest-running Gurdwara in Port Alberni to this day.



Source: www.southasiancanadianheritage.ca.

Prince George

In 1974, friends created the Gurnam Culture Association in Prince George. They all then purchased a church on Fifth Avenue and Kelly Street and started the Guru Gobind Singh Sikh Temple. The temple was the city's first gurdwara and opened on Christmas Day in 1978.

Cariboo Gur Sikh Temple



The first Cariboo Gur Sikh Temple was constructed on this site, with volunteer labour in 1974. Destroyed by fire, it was rebuilt in 1981. It is twice the size of the original, reflecting the growth of the Indo-Canadian community at that time. It serves as a significant spiritual and gathering place for the community.

Source: Cariboo Gur Sikh Temple, Facebook page.

Quesnel

The first gurdwara, named the Cariboo Gur Sikh Temple, was built in 1974 in West Quesnel which is near Vanderhoof.



Source: WorldGurdwaras.com

Terrace

The first Sikh Temple in Terrace, located on Medek Ave., was built in 1978.



Source: Khalsa Diwan Society, Victoria.

Victoria

Established in 1912 Gurdwara Sahib Khalsa Diwan Society at Topaz Avenue, Victoria B.C. is one of the oldest Sikh Community settlement in North America. Designed by architect H.S. Griffith, the temple opened with a massive parade of 1,200 Sikhs.



Source: Monica Lamb-Yorski, The Williams Lake Tribune

Williams Lake

The first Sikh temple in Williams Lake, the Guru Nanak Sikh Temple, was built in 1974.