

FOLLOW THE LAKE TO DOVER

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This is a lesser-known way of getting to one of our favourite destinations...Port Dover. It hugs the Lake Erie shoreline for a significant part of the distance. You don't really need much in the way of directions...just keep the lake on your left and follow the red and gold *Waterfront Trail* signs.

Odometer readings are cumulative, and have been done in a modern vehicle and converted to miles. Miles are shown in red, Kilometres in blue. Distance from Dunnville 41.7 66.7. Time to drive: 1 hr. 25 min.

- From Main Street in Dunnville, head west across the Grand River Bridge. It's the only bridge in town.
- Drive about a half mile (1 km) to the Esso Station and turn left onto Port Maitland Road
- Drive 03.6 05.8 to Kings Row, where the measured route begins.
- Before turning right to start the route, you may wish to turn left and explore the Port Maitland harbour and lighthouse. If turning right, or upon returning to the intersection of Port Maitland Road and Kings Row, **you will zero your odometer** and then head west along Kings Row. Zeroing at this location allows the option of visiting the harbour without affecting existing odometer readings.
- Go 04.6 07.3 along Kings Row and then turn left at Aikens Road
- At 04.9 07.9 turn right on Lakeshore
- At 19.6 31.3 Lakeshore bends 90 degrees to the right and becomes Selkirk Line
- At 20.4 32.6 turn hard left on Bluewater Parkway
- At 22.8 36.4 turn right onto Wheeler Rd.
- At 24.3 38.8 turn left onto Haldimand Road 3 (Rainham Rd)
- At 25.0 40.0 turn left onto Cheapside Rd.
- At 26.4 42.2 turn right onto S. Coast Dr. – becomes Lakeshore – becomes S Coast Dr. again
- At 30.6 49.0 turn right (South Coast Dr. continues)
- At 31.6 50.6 turn left onto Haldimand Road 3 (Rainham Rd.)
- At 32.4 51.9 straight ahead at Haldimand Road 55
- At 33.4 53.5 turn left onto Riverside Drive (bends right to become New Lakeshore Rd)
- At 37.4 59.9 You have arrived at John Street in Port Dover East. Turn left to explore the marina and the fishing port, or turn right and then left on Hwy 6 to head into the west side of town.