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**CONNECTIONS TO GRAND COULEE...** Buses operate daily, Spokane to Grand Coulee and return. Experienced driver-guides point out highlights. Rental cars available at Spokane and Wenatchee.

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Consult your agent, who will arrange transportation, lodging and sightseeing tours.

For information, write:  
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**OHME GARDENS** are a rock gardener's and photographer's paradise. Located just three miles from Wenatchee.



**WENATCHEE PANORAMA** embraces a valley filled with lakes, orchards and magnificent wildflowers.



## Beauty everywhere you look!



The central area of Washington is one of sharp contrasts—between the calm beauty of a lake, the rushing energy of a tumbling stream, the completely useful flow of an irrigation canal and the rugged horizon formed by mountain peaks.

You can spend days roaming the highways and by-ways of this charming region—both a delight to the eye and an education to the spirit.

Tick off these natural wonders: Ginkgo Petrified Forest, Tumwater Canyon, Squilchuck Park, Rocky Reach Dam, Cashmere Valley—the names hint of vacation fun like you've never had before!

## CHELAN...the magic lake



**APPLE ORCHARDS** overlooking Lake Chelan, produce the ruddy king-size fruit for which the region is famous.

**GOLF COURSE** on the shore of Lake Chelan. The setting is designed to make you forget your dubbed shots.



Just 35 miles north of Wenatchee via fine state highways is sparkling Lake Chelan. This serpentine lake—55 miles long—winds through a rugged defile in the foothills of the Cascade Range.

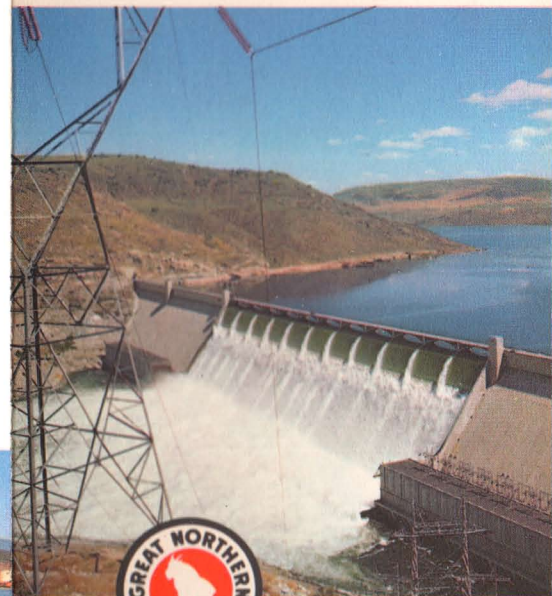
Chelan is a mecca for campers, fishermen, swimmers and boating fans. It's a photographer's paradise.

Bonanza Peak, 9,200 feet high, towers over the lake near its northern limits—and Howe Sound Mine is nearby. Lake Chelan State Park is a fine camp ground and recreational center.

**LAKE CHELAN'S** spectacular shoreline is best enjoyed from a sightseeing cruiser like this one, docked at a shoreside resort.



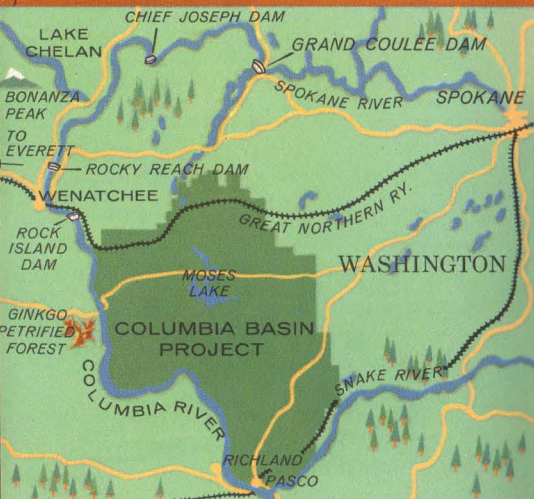
## Grand Coulee Dam and the COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN



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**GO GREAT NORTHERN**



## Vacationland, U.S.A.



### a land transformed by the magic of water

In arid central Washington lies the Columbia River Basin, a fertile land where once was a desert. One of mankind's mightiest efforts to do what nature neglected, it is easily reached by bus or hired car from Spokane or Wenatchee. Great Northern serves both cities.

## COLUMBIA BASIN

*Nature made it awesome  
...man made it wondrous*

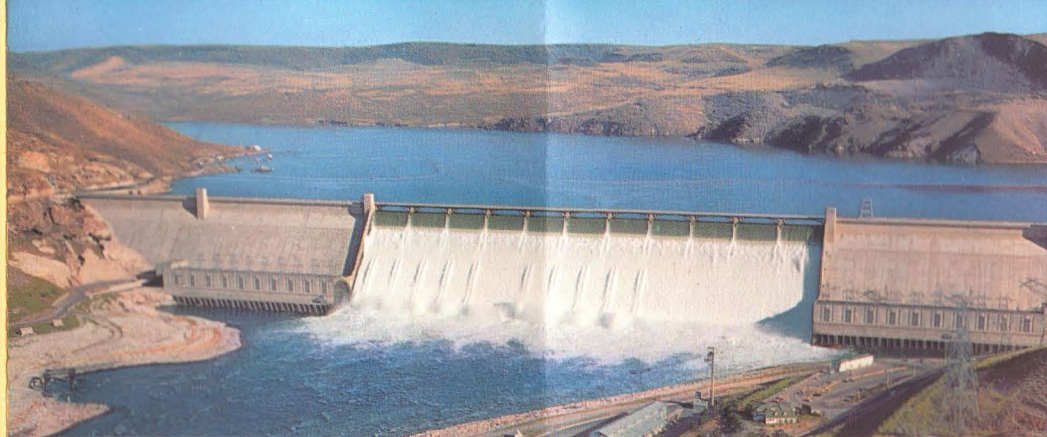
A million acres of wasteland now pouring out agricultural abundances—clusters of new homes, a host of new opportunities for thousands in a vast man-made Garden of Eden wrested away from desolation by the wonders of science and engineering!

Such is the Columbia Basin Project, a mammoth irrigation undertaking made possible by the erection of Grand Coulee Dam astride the Columbia River.

Begun nearly a quarter century ago, but delayed by World War II, the Columbia Basin Project has already transformed more than 600,000 acres into fertile farmland; created more than 4,000 new farms.

Irrigation waters, backed up behind Grand Coulee Dam, now permit the flourishing growth of 50 different crops. Livestock including dairy herds also thrive in lush forage.

This is "ex-sight-ment!" See the Project as it pushes on toward completion—man's greatest reclamation achievement.



**GRAND COULEE**, colossus among dams, stems the waters of the mighty Columbia River.

## GRAND COULEE DAM

*...largest structure on the face of the earth!*

Prepare to be impressed as you approach Grand Coulee Dam, 89 miles west of Spokane, 98 miles east of Wenatchee. Here the raging Columbia River has been stopped in its tracks.

Grand Coulee, man's mightiest engineering accomplishment, is 46 stories high, with a mile-long highway on its crest; required 2½ times as much concrete as Hoover Dam; forms an artificial lake 151 miles long, a mile wide,

up to 400 feet deep. It's the world's largest producer of electric power (14½ billion kilowatts a year); keystone of Columbia Basin irrigation. At night, 742 thousand-watt colored flood lights illuminate the spillways in spectacular fashion.

To see Grand Coulee and its satellite installations, take sightseeing buses from Spokane, or rent a car either in Spokane or Wenatchee.



**GRAIN HARVESTING** in the rich wheat fields of the fabulous Inland Empire of central and eastern Washington.

**IRRIGATION CANALS** bring precious water to thirsty croplands, carved out of the fertile but arid Washington desert.



## Wenatchee...

*America's Apple Capital*

Oh, to be in Wenatchee when it's apple blossom time!

And this apple wonderland is a sight to see anytime of the year. Source of those big, juicy Delicious and Jonathan apples, Wenatchee ships 18,000 carloads annually!

Wenatchee is the focal point of many a sight-filled side-trip—to Lake Chelan, to Rocky Reach and Rock Island Dams, to the eastern slope of the Cascade Range.

This is America at its finest!



**QUEEN** of the Washington State Apple Blossom Festival picks the "King of Apples", the red Delicious near Wenatchee.