

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FISHING WITH US IN KYUQUOT.

• Guests traveling from other countries including the USA require a valid passport. Visit the <u>Canadian Border servi</u>ces site for other admission rules.

• Our pickup location is in Fair Harbour. The pickup time is at 3:00pm on the date of your arrival. We recommend that you arrive into Comox or Campbell River no later than 10:00am on the start date of your fishing trip; this will allow you enough time to arrange for a rental vehicle and/or drive to Fair Harbour. Guests will be returned to the dock at Fair Harbour at noon on their last day. We recommend that you do not rely on Mapquest or GPS devices to get you to the dock as they are using old deactivated logging roads in their maps. Please refer to our "Detailed Driving Directions" on the last page of this document.

• Fishing licenses are available online at <u>Fisheries & Oceans Canada: Recreational Licensing</u>. Please acquire your tidal license prior to your trip. Fishing licenses are also available at fishing tackle shops in B.C. It is important that your license is dated to include the first and last day of your fishing trip and you must also purchase a Salmon Conservation Stamp. When purchasing your license online it is important that guests from the United States know that they are fishing in area **126**.

• We have a cooler exchange program at <u>St. Jean's Cannery</u> in Campbell River. Stop on your way in and pick up "our" coolers. Pick up at least one cooler per person, and we also kindly request that you bring as many as you can fit into your vehicle. Any unused coolers can be left at the Lodge for future use and we will return them to the Cannery for you.

• Our remote location puts us in a great access point to the best fishing that British Columbia has to offer. However, we have limited internet access at the lodge (not the ship) and there is not any cell phone service past Campbell River.

## Things to Bring:

- ✓ Any alcoholic beverages you choose to enjoy. The Village of Kyuquot does not have a liquor store
- ✓ Personal toiletries, camera, batteries, sunglasses & medications
- ✓ 2 sets of clothing to wear during your fishing days (these should consist of layers as it is cool on the water)
- ✓ 2 sets of clothing to wear around the lodge/ship and on your way home
- ✓ Extra socks
- ✓ Large cooler (150 quart) for transporting fish home if you are not having St. Jean's Fedex it to you
- ✓ Motion sickness prevention medication
- ✓ Rubber boots (not hiking boots; boat floors are flat, wet and slippery)
- ✓ Printed copy of your fishing license

# We Supply:

- ✓ Comfortable accommodation at the Lodge or the Ship with all linens & towels
- Full breakfasts, boxed lunches, and dinners throughout your stay
- ✓ Fully equipped & Transport Canada approved vessels
- Professional, experienced & personable guides & hosts
- ✓ All of your equipment & rain gear...with the exception of rain boots & fishing licenses

| Day One                            | Day Two & Three    | Day Four                               |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| 3pm pick up at Fair Harbor         | Breakfast          | Breakfast                              |
| Shuttle to Kyuquot                 | Guided Day Fishing | Guided Morning Fishing                 |
| Orientation & Dinner (approx 4:30) | Boxed Lunches      | Big Buffet Breakfast                   |
| Guided Evening Fishing             | Dinner             | Shuttle to Fair Harbor – NOON drop off |

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# **TRAVEL INFORMATION**

## **Driving From Vancouver**

If you are travelling from the mainland on your pickup day, it is very important that your group catches a BC ferry no later than 7:30am. The ferry can be taken from Horseshoe Bay to Departure Bay, or Tsawwassen to Duke Point. You are on a tight schedule, so it is wise to make ferry reservations.

The drive from Departure Bay (Nanaimo) or Duke Point (south Nanaimo) to Fair Harbour (the pick up point) is roughly 5 hours. The pick up time at Fair Harbour is 3pm. If you are not familiar with travelling to and from the island we recommend that you make arrangements to come to the island the day or night before.

#### Flying to the Island

Many of our guests fly into Campbell River or Comox from other cities in Canada. Victoria and Nanaimo are also alternatives, but farther from Kyuquot. <u>WestJet</u> flies directly into Comox from many Canadian Cities.

Please select a flight that will arrive to Comox or Campbell River by 10am on the first date of your fishing trip. This allows for enough time to get your car rental. If you are going to be late please let us know and we will arrange a later pick up for your party. What ever happens along the way, someone will be waiting at the dock when you get there.

For your flight home we recommend booking it for the day after your last day of fishing. See "Getting Your Fish Home" on the following page.

#### Flying to & from Vancouver

All major international carriers fly into Vancouver Airport and many fly into Victoria. Ideally, you could fly right into Campbell River or Comox by landing in Vancouver then take a quick four minute cab ride to the South Terminal and then catch a smaller plane operated by Pacific Coastal Airlines to Campbell River or Comox on Vancouver Island.

At the Campbell River airport car rentals from Budget and National are available. Make sure you make reservations well in advance. The road to Fair Harbor is an active gravel logging road. Many of the vehicle rental agencies will only allow their trucks and S.U.V's to travel on these types of roads.

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| Important Links:                            |  |  |
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| Campbell River Hotels                       |  |  |
| Austrian Chalet Best Western (250) 923-4231 | Coast Discovery Inn (250) 287-7155       |  |
| Campbell River Car Rentals                  |  |  |
| Budget Rental car (250) 923-3946            | National Rental Car (250) 923-1234       |  |
| Comox Car Rental                            |  |  |
| Budget Rental Car (250) 338-7717            | National Car Rental (250) 334-0202       |  |
| Fish Friendly Vancouver Hotels              |  |  |
| Airport Delta (604) 278-1241                | Airport Fairmont (604) 248-3281          |  |
| Executive Inn Express (604) 270-6030        | Richmond Inn Best Western (604) 273-7878 |  |

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# **GETTING YOUR FISH HOME**

IF YOU ARE BRINGING HOME YOUR CATCH WITH YOU:

We ask that if you are coming by vehicle that you bring a 150 quart cooler to bring your fish home in. Your fish will be kept chilled on site then packed in ice for your trip home. You may have to top up your ice on route.

Salmon: For best quality your salmon should be whole (head off). We are happy to filet your salmon if you prefer. Halibut and Groundfish: These will be filleted on site with skin left on.

#### IF YOU ARE DROPPING YOUR FISH AT A PROCESSOR:

Commercial packers like to receive Salmon dressed in the round if they are smoking, vacuum packing, or canning. Ground fish will be filleted with skin left on.

St. Jean's can Fedex your processed fish to your home or they offer free shipping to any of their locations for pick up. There are St. Jean's depots in Richmond, Vancouver, Nanaimo, and Victoria.

St. Jean's Campbell River (250) 287 2457 www.stjeans.com info@stjeans.com High Tide Sea Foods (250) 850 1086 hightideseafoods@telus.net

The Delta and the Fairmont in Vancouver have large walk-in freezers to store fish boxes overnight.

If you plan to bring home fresh fish it is ideal to stay the extra night in Campbell River to have your fish processed and packed ready for your flight.

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## DETAILED DRIVING DIRECTIONS COMOX/CAMPBELL RIVER TO FAIR HARBOUR

It is a good idea to have a good working spare tire; flat tires can be common depending on the road conditions and the nearest tire shop is in Port McNiell. Also, if you are in multiple vehicles try to stay together. When you leave Campbell River, please leave a message with our office via telephone or email with the time you have left Campbell River as well as the type of vehicle you will be arriving in. There is no cell service after Campbell River but there are payphones in Sayward, Woss & Zeballos. If you leave Campbell River by noon, this will get you to Fair Harbour for the scheduled 3 PM pick-up time. Please note, if you arrive early to Fair Harbour, there are no early pick-up times.

Follow the signs that say "Campbell River 19A". If you are leaving from the Campbell River Airport it is the first major LEFT turn. From the Comox Airport, you must first go through the town of Courtney to get onto the highway. It is well marked and you want to make sure you get on Highway 19 North; from Campbell River stay on Island Highway North (#19) heading towards Port McNeill. Do NOT take the highway to Gold River. You will drive past the Sayward turn-off on your RIGHT (approximately 65 KM from Campbell River)...there is a new gas station with clean washrooms, convenience and liquor store. If you fuel up here, you will have enough fuel to get back to Sayward. Once back on Highway 19 you will travel 65 km to the Woss turn-off ...this is the *last gas station and convenience store* on the way to Fair Harbour. *There are no services in Fair Harbour*. When leaving Woss continue on the Highway 19 and drive 20.5 km to the Zeballos & Fair Harbor turn-off. This will be on your left. There will be signs directing you prior to cut-off. This is the exit you will want to take!

#### Below are detailed driving instructions from the Zeballos turn-off to Fair Harbor.

All odometer readings are continuous from the Zeballos turn-off...do NOT reset at every junction.

- 2.6 km mark on the gravel road, take the road to the RIGHT. The Zeballos sign points in the right direction. Do NOT turn left.

- 2.9 km mark; take the road to the LEFT up the hill. This is a steep up hill climb for approx. 1 km

- 8.9 km mark stay to the LEFT following the Zeballos signs up a steep hill. Do NOT go right towards the Artlish River. All signs from this point will have the words Zeballos or Fair Harbor on them. You are going to Fair Harbor which is 37kms past Zeballos

- At the **41.4km** mark you will come to a fork in the road, **STAY TO THE RIGHT and go up the hill**. About 5 minutes up this road you will see a sign that says Fair Harbor 37. The road to the left goes to Zeballos, **STAY STRAIGHT**. You will pass a W.F.P logging yard on your right and a few houses. There are speed bumps in front of the houses **Go very slow! There are always children playing on the road!** You will have water on your left & you will go up a very steep hill to the right that by-passes a log dump. 10 minutes from this point you will see a sign that says High Crash Area...this is for approx 2km. Please watch your speed until you reach the bridge.

- Stay on the main road until you reach Fair Harbor which is approx 25 minutes from the tidal bridge. From this point on, all turns or forks are well marked with Fair Harbor signs. You will know you are very close to Fair Harbor when you cross a large bridge with the ocean to your right and river to your left.

 Stay straight and head into the large parking area. We will be loading at the first small dock on the right which is accessed by the fuel tanks. You can unload your vehicle near the dock and park in front of the trees on the right side of the parking lot. There will be Murphy Sportfishing Guest Parking Signs. We have not had any problems with theft or vandalism to vehicles parked at Fair Harbour but is advised not leave valuables in your vehicle. We will meet you at the dock at 3:00pm

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