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There’s a world to discover on our island. Start in these pages, where we present a hint of tall possibilities and deep discoveries—also known as our mountains and ocean. Find an island where people live close to the land and the sea, where Alaska Native culture presents ancient traditions and carvers work on new totem poles, where hiking a mountain and hooking a salmon can be all in a day’s play. Use this guide to get acquainted with the enduring spirit of islanders who love this place and are happy to show you why. Sample Alaskan lifestyles and the natural scene. Refer to it as you plan a visit and as you travel Prince of Wales Island—third-biggest island in the United States, with 1,500 miles of roads and a thousand miles of North Pacific Ocean shoreline. The age of discovery isn’t over. It starts the day you arrive.
ARRIVALS

AIRLINES LINK US TO KETCHIKAN

So far, but yet so near. Air travel on national airlines puts Prince of Wales Island within easy reach. Alaska Airlines offers several flights each day year-round to Ketchikan from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. Flight time from Sea-Tac to Ketchikan is about 95 minutes. Delta Airlines flies to Ketchikan from Sea-Tac daily in summer; the two-hour flights run from June to September. Check ahead for dates.

Island Air Express and Taquan Air link Ketchikan to Prince of Wales Island with scheduled service. Alaska Seaplanes connects Prince of Wales Island to Sitka and Juneau and to other cities in the Panhandle.

Get carried away on a ferry

More and more visitors land on Prince of Wales Island with their own vehicles to enjoy our extensive road system and thousand miles of ocean shore. State-owned ferries link the Lower 48 to Ketchikan and ferries based on Prince of Wales Island provide the sea link from Ketchikan. Walk-on ferry riders can rent vehicles on Prince of Wales Island.

Ferry service to Ketchikan from the Lower 48 is provided by the Alaska Marine Highway out of Bellingham, Wash. From Ketchikan, it’s a pleasant three-hour sailing on Inter-Island Ferry Authority. IFA provides a round trip between Ketchikan and Hollis on our eastern shore. Passengers enjoy an observation lounge with recliner chairs, a restaurant, a children’s play area, a solarium and a reading room. The vehicle deck carries 30 standard cars; many visitors roll on with RVs, pickup campers and boats. IFA owns stellar ratings for on-time performance and passenger service.
The road map for Prince of Wales Island traces a far-reaching system with major paved branches dividing into gravel backcountry tracks—about 1,500 miles in all. Drivers can safely and comfortably explore most of the island from these roads. More than 105 miles of paved highways link communities across the midsection and north end. Good gravel roads stretch 150 miles farther to touch shorelines and mountains. The map in our centerfold provides valuable road info.

Before you drive into remote backcountry, check with U.S. Forest Service offices in Craig (907-826-3271) or Thorne Bay (907-828-3304). Maps may be purchased at the Craig Ranger District, the Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce or Black Bear Store in Klawock.

Many visitors ferry vehicles to Hollis on the Inter-Island Ferry Authority. Rental vehicles are available on the island. The south end of the highway system is at Hydaburg. North-end roads extend to Labouchere Bay.

Good planning eases your road trip in our mix of mild and wild country. Be sure your spare tire is in good shape. Bring a few basic tools. Watch the gas gauge and mile markers. Bring a cell phone car charger.

Adjust speed to surfaces and weather. Roads north of Whale Pass turnoff and the island's gravel roads are ½ lanes wide; turnouts are provided.

Retail sale of gasoline is limited on the island. The mileage guide on the centerfold map can help in plotting your fill-ups. Fuel is available in Coffman Cove; Klawock; Naukati Bay; Thorne Bay; and Whale Pass.
THINK BOAT COUTURE, NOT HAUTE COUTURE

When you load up for POW, pack for fishin', not for fashion. Casual is our usual. Climatic conditions are relatively mild from spring through fall, but they vary from day to day and from shoreline to alpine heights. Waterproof, breathable shells repel rain and block breezes. Synthetic fleece and wool are good for outerwear and layering. Waterproof boots or trail runners are well-suited to trails and boats. Local folks favor rubber boots such as Xtratufs. Find apparel at Log Cabin Sporting Goods and JT Brown's in Craig and at stores in Coffman Cove and Thorne Bay. Summer high temps are 49° to 82° F, winter lows 15° to 50° F. Precipitation averages 120 inches.

Cells link up in towns, on some back roads

AT&T, Alaska-based ACS and Consumer Cellular provide mobile phone service near Craig, Klawock and Hydaburg. Cellular service is good in Kasaan. Thorne Bay has ACS service. Verizon is available in some areas.

Service is spotty on the north end. But coverage changes over time. Providers have upgraded technology in some areas and now travelers on even some remote high roads catch wireless signals.

Access the web at libraries and other sites

Libraries in Craig, Hollis, Thorne Bay and Whale Pass provide computers with free public access to the internet; these libraries also have free Wi-Fi for patrons and visitors using mobile devices. Papa's Pizza in Craig offers Wi-Fi for customers.

Prince of Wales Island draws ever-greater numbers of mariners who navigate Alaska's Inside Passage. Harbors on the east and west sides accommodate private vessels and crews. Here's a summary of facilities. Call ahead for more information.

Coffman Cove has public floats. Craig has three harbors with more than 200 slips; vessels to 125 feet can be accommodated. Facilities include water; power; waste oil disposal; boat grid; haulout; restrooms; and showers. The office is staffed daily and monitors VHF 16. False Island has a ramp. Hollis has small public floats. Hydaburg has state public floats and moorage. Kasaan has public floats. Klawock harbor has float moorage and a boat grid. Naukati Bay has a public float installed by the state. Point Baker and Port Protection have small state-maintained floats. Thorne Bay's two harbors have transient slips and boat launches. Facilities include water; power; waste/oil disposal; restrooms; showers; and boat grid. Staff monitor VHF 16. Whale Pass moorage is private.

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ENRICHING EXCURSIONS IN NATURE AND CULTURE ARE VIRTUALLY BOUNDLESS

CABINS & CAMPING The U.S. Forest Service maintains 18 visitor-use cabins on POW. Several are accessible from the road system (see page 41). Stay over in remote and beautiful saltwater inlets and forested lakes. Two campgrounds have minimal amenities: Harris River (P8 on the map) and Eagle’s Nest (K8). Memorial Beach (B3) is a scenic gem on the open waters of Sumner Strait, where whales are often seen. The site has picnic areas and a three-sided shelter, available first-come, first-served. Camping is allowed on all federal land unless a prohibition is posted. Bring a tent, or rent from an outfitter. Use bear country precautions (see page 18).

WILDERNESS Two remote federal wilderness areas are designated on the island. Karta River Wilderness Area is in the center of the island and South Prince of Wales Wilderness is on the far south end.

KAYAKING & CANOEING We enjoy some of the best-protected coastline in Alaska. Islands and saltwater waterways make paddling a top pick for adventurers. Canoers can paddle on inland lakes teeming with wildlife. For an easy and scenic kayak experience, put in and take out at Sweetwater Lake. (G7) Sarkar Lake Canoe Route (G6) and Honker Divide Canoe/Kayak route (I7) are ideal for paddling excursions. Local outfitters rent paddlecraft and camping gear.

A.T.V. EXCURSIONS Hundreds of miles of logging roads have been converted to trails by the Forest Service and are legal for ATVs. (ATVs and side-by-sides are prohibited on state roads.) ATV maps are available from the Forest Service, the Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce and local vendors. Spectacular wild country and mountain vistas are accessible on remote roads. Bring your own ATVs or rent a four-wheeler and trailer from a local vendor.

HISTORICAL SITES At Salt Chuck Mine off the Kasaan Road, interpretive signs and mining remnants reflect the heyday of mining (L9). At Kasaan, Totem Trail and the restored Whale House are an amazing Alaska Native cultural landmark; at the carving shed next to the trailhead, visitors can see traditional Native carvers creating art (M10).
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Humpback whales spend about half of the year near the island, feeding in fish-rich waters.

- There’s no thrill like close encounters with humpback whales and orcas (killer whales). Your best odds of a sighting are on an excursion with a local guide.
- Kayak the shore to see ocean life up close—but stay clear of marine mammals: they’re federally protected.
- Scenic byways aren’t just for motorists: Bring your offroad bicycles and get close to the natural world on back roads that trace magnificent mountainous terrain.
- Ride your ATV onto remote logging roads. Get official maps at the Craig and Thorne Bay ranger districts and at the Chamber of Commerce in Klawock.
- Go on a salmon or halibut charter: an exciting outing followed by seafood bliss.
- Climb a hillside and pick blueberries, lowbush cranberries and salmonberries: Alaskan sun and rain turned into sweet treats by nature. Read a tide chart and harvest greens on shore at low tide. Before you forage, consult guides to edible and safe plants and animals of this region. Parnassus Books in Ketchikan stocks Alaska’s Wild Plants, outlining Southeast flora that can be eaten, and The Seaweed Cookbook: A Guide to Edible Seaweeds. Alaska Sea Grant Marine Advisory Program published a guide to edible seaweeds; a PDF is at Sea Grant’s online bookstore. Wikipedia has a good article: “List of edible plants and mushrooms of Southeast Alaska.”
- Take a totem tour to see Alaska Native art in Hydaburg, Kasaan, Klawock and Craig. Find an opportunity to talk to an Alaska Native carver at work.
- See the recently raised Veteran’s Pole in Klawock’s Veteran’s Memorial Totem Park. Check out the insignia affixed to the pole by military personnel and veterans.
- Drive scenic Road 30 north of Thorne Bay on Clarence Strait; picnic at Sandy Beach. Go to friendly Coffman Cove for great photos of peaks and forest. (G8)
- Have a cave day. Walk the Beaver Falls karst landscape interpretive trail in old-growth forest, then follow a guide into El Capitan Cave. Call the Forest Service at 907-828-3304 for reservations. (E4)
- Trailer your boat on good road to Labouchere Bay. Launch at the ramp and motor to Point Baker and Port Protection, two small towns on Sumner Strait. (C2)
- Find remnants of the timber industry’s heyday at Coffman Cove, Hollis, Naukati Bay, Thorne Bay and other sites.
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The broad variety of fishing in salt water and fresh water gives Prince of Wales Island world-class status as a destination. Salmon are our most celebrated fish, but anglers’ targets range from halibut hundreds of feet down in ocean depths to trout rising in mountain lakes. No matter where you fish, you’re wetting your hooks in clean, cold, fish-rich water.

Five species of Pacific Ocean salmon are available in spring and summer runs. Halibut lurk in cold, deep waters; flatfish at 150 pounds or greater are caught here, but fish in the 20- to 50-pound range are easier to land and make for better eating. Rockfish, lingcod and Pacific cod await those who fish deep. Charter skippers can set you up with saltwater day trips. Lodges with fishing guides offer several-day packages. Lodging styles range from world-class plush to down-home rustic. Experienced guides can take you trolling for big king salmon offshore or fly fishing for salmon and trout on clear streams. Do-it-yourselfers can reach good fishing on salt water or inland fresh water off the extensive road network. Lakes offer good fishing for cutthroat trout, salmon and Dolly Varden. Some lakes are near roads; others are accessible by floatplane, boat or on foot above ocean estuaries. Dime-bright steelhead run into streams in early spring and late fall; note that steelhead must be released. Dolly Varden, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout can also be found in rivers and creeks. Abundant dungeness crabs and shrimp can be harvested in pots by those with fishing licenses.

Fishing licenses are available from sporting goods stores, fuel sellers, some lodges and online at www.admin.adfg.state.ak.us/license.
GO FISHING WITH A WEB
Consult Fish & Game’s online resources

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) maintains web pages with fishing information particular to Prince of Wales Island, including updated fishing reports and notices of changes in regulations made by emergency orders. Anglers may also subscribe to fishing reports and emergency orders by email.

The agency’s online interactive map for the island is an excellent resource for planning a trip. The web page provides information on fishing locations; species run timing; fishing gear; and angler access. Take your browser to www.adfg.alaska.gov and search “Prince of Wales Island sport fishing.”

TAKE-HOME SEAFOOD
If you’re a guest at a full-service lodge, your catch can be cleaned and packaged for you to take home. Do-it-yourselfers fishing independently and anglers taking guided charters can get waxed, insulated fish boxes from local stores or lodges and transport their fish as checked baggage.

IN REEL LIFE

These tables show the general availability of game fish in salt water and fresh water of Prince of Wales Island. Dots indicate the presence of the species in relatively fishable numbers. For more information, contact guides, outfitters and charter operators.

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King salmon derby helps the hatchery put more kings and cohos into the water

Salmon anglers and even ticket holders who never wet a hook can win in the annual Craig-Klawock King Salmon Derby. Ticket sales help to fund Port St. Nicholas Hatchery near Craig.

The derby extends from June 1 to Aug. 15. Prizes range from $2,000 for the biggest fish to $500 for third-largest. Every ticket is entered into a mid-August drawing for a $10,000 cash prize. Tickets are $35 per person or $100 for a family. Even non-anglers get into the action with $20 tickets eligible for the grand-prize drawing. Get tickets at AC Thompson House; Black Bear Store; J.T. Brown’s Store; Log Cabin Sporting Goods; Petro Marine Services; and the Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce. Some lodges sell derby tickets.

Salmon aquaculture has a long history on the island. Klawock River Hatchery was founded in 1898 as Alaska’s second hatchery to augment salmon runs. This hatchery and Port St. Nicholas Hatchery are operated by Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association. Hatchery-produced king and coho salmon contribute to sport and commercial fisheries.

The hatchery is not open to the public, but fishing in the river is allowed with permits from Klawock Heenya Corp., owner of riverside land. Contact them at 907-755-2270.

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Salmon

KING
Alaska’s state fish is found in many waters around Prince of Wales Island. Returning adults of this largest salmon species weigh 15-50 pounds and are 34-50 inches long. Flesh color can be red or white. Their high oil content and rich, moist meat makes them excellent table fare. **Common Saltwater Fishing Techniques** Troll herring or lures with downriggers and flashers. Cast spinners or spoons.

COHO
Prized for their fight, coho salmon can be acrobatic when hooked. They are caught on fly fishing gear and on rod and reel. Adult cohos weigh 8-12 pounds and are 24-30 inches long. Cohos enter streams July to November amid high runoff. **Common Saltwater Fishing Techniques** Troll herring and lures with downriggers and flashers.

SOCKEYE
Sockeyes’ dark red meat is a dinner favorite. Adult sockeye salmon are identified by a lack of black spots on their body or tail. In salt water, they are bright silver, but once in fresh water, their bodies turn bright red, with a green head. Sockeye are 4-12 pounds and 18-24 inches long. In May through late fall, mature sockeyes flood back to natal streams. **Common Freshwater Fishing Techniques** Cast a fly upriver and drift downstream with river current. Small shrimp-style flies work well.

CHUM
Chums are fun to catch with rod and reel or fly gear. They are excellent fighters and make strong runs. Chums weigh 7-18 pounds and are 24-34 inches long. **Common Saltwater Fishing Techniques** Chums bite on flies or lures.

PINK
Alaska’s most abundant salmon. Smallest of Pacific salmon, adult pinks average 3-4 pounds and are 15-24 inches long. **Common Saltwater Fishing Techniques** Troll herring and lures with downriggers and flashers.

For regulations on saltwater and freshwater fishing, go to www.adfg.alaska.gov and click through Regulations / Sport Fishing / Southeast / Prince of Wales Island Mgt Area.

The information above is taken from ADF&G “Alaskan Salmon Identification and Fishing Guide.”

A Guide to Catching and Identifying All Five Species of Alaska’s World-Famous Wild Fish

Even the youngest get involved in sport fishing on Prince of Wales Island. This little guy accompanied a group catching pink salmon in Maybeso Creek near Hollis on the east side of POW.

King (Chinook) Salmon – *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*

Black spots on the back (including the dorsal fin). Black mouth with a black gumline. Spots on upper and lower lobes of the tail fin.

Coho (Silver) Salmon – *O. kisutch*


Sockeye (Red) Salmon – *O. nerka*

No distinct spots on the back or the tail fin.

Chum (Dog or Keta) Salmon – *O. keta*

No distinct spots on the back or the tail fin. Notice silver striations on the sides.

Pink (Humpy) Salmon – *O. gorbuscha*

Large oval black spots on the back and the dorsal fin. Oval spots on upper and lower lobes of tail fin. Small scales.
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**ROCKFISH**

**ALASKAN WATERS HARBOR**

**SPECIES OF TASTY SEBASTES**

**Rockfish are common** in Alaskan waters and have been staples in the human diet for thousands of years. Half a dozen species of rockfish are caught around Prince of Wales Island. Some species of genus *Sebastes* dwell in open water (the *pelagic* types), others on rocky bottoms (the *non-pelagic* types).

Bottom-dwelling rockfish are long-lived at 15-75 years, depending on the species. Pelagic rockfish at middle depths and occasionally on the bottom live 7-30 years. Most rockfish reproduce late in life and in meager numbers. Fisheries managers urge that the fish be harvested moderately and that unept rockfish be safely returned to the sea with depth-release gear. Several species are protected from harvest to boost stocks. Check at adfg.alaska.gov for regulations.

**Alaska Natives Dined** on rockfish thousands of years ago. Fishing lines were made of cedar bark, spruce root or other strands. Hooks were fashioned from wood with barbs of bone or shell. Fishing parties in dugout canoes weighted lines with stones as they jigged for pelagic rockfish or dropped lines with multiple hooks to the bottom to catch halibut. Quillback, tiger and copper rockfish are non-pelagic fish that can grow to 22-24 inches. Of the pelagic species in our waters, rockfish with first names such as black, dusky and yellowtail are common.

Rockfish fillets are delicious. For novices confronting the spiked fins and thick skin that are characteristic of these fish, we recommend online video primers for easy filleting techniques. One such video is here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=DNec4A6Qdrg

**State regulations since 2020** require anglers to carry deepwater release devices that reduce mortality for rockfish caught incidentally. They are available commercially or can be made with lead-head jigs.

Rockfish pulled from deep water can sustain *barotrauma* from decompression and expansion of gases. Fish released with inflated swim bladders die when they can’t resubmerge. Deepwater release gear reduces mortality.

Dedicate a rod and reel on the boat for a release device and assemble it before fishing. Reel rockfish up quickly. Send the fish back down as quickly as possible and return them to the depths where they were caught, or to 100 feet. ADF&G biologists provide a lesson for deepwater release in a video: vimeo.com/277552381.

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**TALK FISH**

**Use our primer and get hip to local lingo**

**Conversation in Southeast Alaska** is conducted in a form of English, but terms particular to our unique way of life may be foreign. So, why not prepare?

Start your studies in Panhandlese with our famed salmon. We have five species and each has at least two names. The largest, called chinook elsewhere, is mostly called *king* here. The *sockeye* goes by the nickname red—the color they turn in spawning phase. The *coho*’s alias is silver salmon for its shiny flanks. The *chum* salmon is often dubbed dog salmon, but a few folks call it *keta* salmon—taken from its scientific name. The *pink* salmon is also known as *humpy* for the male’s humped back in his spawning phase. That’s a hump he’ll never get over.

More about fish. You may hear that someone hooked into a *barn door*. The angler didn’t haul up a submerged farmland: halibut of 100 pounds and more (about 5 feet long) are likened to barn doors because they’re broad, flat, heavy and hard to reel up and hoist into a boat. In spring, people speak of using *spoons* to catch *dollies*. Don’t think of flatware and Barbies. A spoon is a shiny metal lure that hooks fish—such as the *Dolly Varden*, a fish nicknamed in the 1800s after a colorful dress fabric. (It was earlier the name of a character in Dickens’ novel *Barnaby Rudge*.)

**Fish and fishing contend** with weather for conversational primacy up here and spawn some exotic nomenclature. For example: *hoochies*, rubbery simulations of squid and octopus used as fishing lures. Hoochies have no link to *hooch*, slang for home-distilled liquor—but, ironically, that word originated in Southeast Alaska. Hoochino is cited by etymologists as a Tlingit village where Alaska Native entrepreneurs brewed liquor and sold it to U.S. Army soldiers garrisoned in Alaska after the purchase from Russia in 1867. Another one: *up here*, *jumbo shrimp* isn’t an oxymoron; Alaskan spot prawns at 16 or fewer to the pound are dubbed jumbos.

At the harbor, when one refers to a *kicker*, it’s not the guy who trots out for PATs: it’s a small outboard motor for trolling and for getting home if the big motor fails. If you hear mention of a *Blue Canoe*, it’s not an azure paddle craft: it’s our nickname for blue-painted state ferries.

Outside is every place that’s not Alaska. **Inside waters** isn’t household plumbing: it refers to protected navigable waters amid islands of the North Pacific—as opposed to the western waters exposed to open ocean. The *Inside Passage* isn’t a meditative state: it’s inside waters from B.C. to AK.

**OK, now you’re better prepared** to rock the talk on POW. And just FYI: When you leave this island or most any other settled island in Southeast, you’re getting off the Rock.
Hunters target deer and black bears

Prince of Wales Island is renowned among hunters for trophy Sitka black-tailed deer, large black bears and outstanding waterfowl.

Deer season runs August through December. Residents and nonresidents may take as many as four bucks. Hunters work alpine areas early in the season and hunt the rut during autumn in low-elevation muskegs and timber. Local providers offer guided hunts. U.S. Forest Service rental cabins are used as bases by many hunters. For do-it-yourself hunters, check for businesses that rent all-terrain vehicles for remote mountain areas. Several outfitters rent camping gear and can set up your camp at a cabin or on the road system.

Black bear season is Sept. 1 to June 30. Drawing permits are required for nonresident hunters who do not use registered guides. Mature boars are hunted after winter hibernation. Before June 1, regulations require salvaging of bear meat, hides and skulls. Hides must be sealed by state-appointed sealers. Call Fish & Game in Craig at 907-826-2561 for info.

Waterfowl hunting runs Sept. 16 to Dec. 31. Saltwater marshes and upland fresh water are good bets for ducks and geese.

ALASKA HUNTING REGS
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Omnivorous black bears forage at the shore, as seen here, and in forested uplands.

**CAREFUL HUMAN BEHAVIORS HELP US SHARE WITH BEARS**

**Hundreds of black bears** live on Prince of Wales Island. *Ursus americanus* is active through spring, summer and fall. These quiet omnivores browse beaches in spring for grass and crabs. In summer, they fish in salmon streams and forage on berries in the uplands. Our black bears are large by North American standards; brown bears don't live on POW and black bears don't vie with brown bears for food and territory.

Follow these rules in the backcountry and along the ocean shore—particularly near freshwater streams—to safely share the island with bears.

- Make noise as you hike: bells and voices let bears know you’re there.
- Never get between a sow bear and her cubs.
- Keep food in tightly closed containers. Don’t cook smelly, fatty foods.
- Sleep away from your food, food-preparation equipment and clothing.
- Don’t crowd bears: give them a wide comfort zone.
- Don’t fish where bears are fishing. Watch them briefly from a distance if you like, but fish elsewhere.
- Clean fish in strong currents that disperse the waste.

**USFS offers close-ups with wild bears**

**To see black bears** in their habitat, visit the Forest Service’s Dog Salmon Fish Pass viewing area. It’s on Forest Road 21 (Polk Road) about 12 miles from the Hydaburg Highway turnoff (Highway 913)—about a two-hour drive from Craig.

The wildlife viewing area offers excellent opportunities to watch from a safe, elevated vantage as black bears feed on salmon in the pool below the platform.

**Heed these tips for safe bruin viewing**

- Visit when salmon run—late July through August. No fish? No bears.
- Be very quiet approaching the platform and standing on it. These bears are not habituated to humans.
- Avoid using strong perfumes and colognes.
- Arrive with cameras ready. Unzipping bags can frighten bears away.
- Practice “leave no trace” principles and pack out what you bring in.
- No food or drinks at the platform.
- Wildlife can be dangerous. Bears are wild animals and are unpredictable. Although generally not aggressive, black bears weigh as much as 400 pounds and can run as fast as 30 mph in short bursts. View them from a safe distance.
Prince of Wales Island is the largest of the approximately 1,100 islands in the Alexander Archipelago and took on its English name before 1800. But the island’s original name, Taan, was applied by the first settlers, the Tlingit people. [See More on Page 20.] Our names for islands and bays, in fact, span millennia and many waves of Alaska Natives and Western newcomers.

Tlingit peoples arrived roughly 10,000 years ago, Haida peoples several centuries ago. Echoes of Alaska Native tongues are heard in place names such as Kasaan, Klawock and Sukkwan.

Spanish explorers in the 1770s put names on charts as they went—giving us Suemez Island, El Capitan, Bucareli Bay and the Gulf of Esquibel.

British Capt. George Vancouver visited in 1793 and named this island for George, Prince of Wales and the heir to King George III. Russians explored and exploited this region in the late 1700s; they left the names for Kosciusko, Baranof and Chichagof islands—and applied Tsar Alexander’s name to the island chain.

Well into the 20th century, many sites on this wild coastline were at least officially unnamed. Some land forms and bodies of water were named by U.S. scientists and land managers before statehood in 1959.

El Capitan | Kosciusko | Bucareli | Sukkwan

Two books touch on place names as they express culture and history. University of Washington Press and Sealaska Heritage Institute publish Haa Leel’w Has Aani Saax’u—Our Grandparents’ Names on the Land. The volume treats 3,000 Alaska Native names in Southeast Alaska. The Dictionary of Alaska Place Names (1,100 pages) compiled by the USGS is available online. Go to pubs.er.usgs.gov/publication/pp567.

For general views of the fascinating back story of this region, consult two books by historian Patricia Roppel: Southeast: Alaska’s Panhandle and Southeast: A Pictorial History.

~ Histories & legends relating to the settlements of the island ~

A man bestows his name on Klawock According to a Tlingit story, Klawock is named for a member of the Tongass clan who lived near the area we now call Ketchikan. The man moved his family to the west side of this island to protect them from the influence of fur traders, who had introduced alcohol to his people. Haida hunters found the man at the river and asked him the river’s name. He gave his own name, Tlawa, pronounced schlawa, and added “k” to the end. The spelling was later altered to Klawak and took its present form, Klawock, in 1929 as the city incorporated in the territory.

Port Protection & Vancouver’s voyage Port Protection’s name goes back to the voyage of English Capt. George Vancouver. History tells us that the navigator sailed into this site in 1793 for protection from a storm. Wooden Wheel Cove in Port Protection is named for Wooden Wheel Johnson, who allegedly lost his brass propeller and carved a prop out of wood. The U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey recorded the name in 1949.

Mon dieu! A bay is named for a ship “Labouchere Bay” is a rare French name in a region visited for centuries by Europeans. The steam ship S.S. Labouchere, operated by Hudson’s Bay Co. of Canada, traded in this area in the 1860s. (From Names on the Charts and How They Got There, by R.N. DeArmond)

Naukatee Bay? Or Naukati Bay? The bay was dubbed “Naukatee” in 1904 by E.F. Dickins of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey—anglicized from an Alaska Native name, per the Alaska Dictionary of Place Names. “Naukati Bay” was recorded in 1949 by the U.S. Naukati was founded as a logging camp in 1972. The camp moved to Coffman Cove in 1987, later reopening in Naukti.

‘Cetacean strait’? Naw. ‘Whale Pass’ The town’s name is a shortened form of Whale Passage, a strait between Thorne Island and POW. Whales are often seen there. The passage was named in 1886 by U.S. Navy Lt. Commander A.S. Snow. The community was a logging camp in the ‘60s. The last floating camp moved out in 1983. Whale Pass was connected by road in 1980.

Point Baker: salmon sales, then sailors Point Baker is on the northern tip of POW along Sumner Strait and is accessible by boat or floatplane. Homesites appeared in the early 1930s after floating fish buyers worked the area for the commercial troll fleet. The U.S. Post Office opened here around 1942. Commercial trollers and gillnetters anchor the economy. In summer, charter vessels are numerous at the dock. Sailors and cruisers transiting the Inside Passage frequently tie up at Point Baker for an experience of real, remote Alaskan ambiance.
**EMBLEMS OF ALASKA: ‘THE GREAT LAND’**

- **STATE FLOWER** — Forget-me-not
- **STATE TREE** — Sitka spruce
- **STATE FISH** — King salmon
- **STATE INSECT** — Four-spot skimmer dragonfly
- **STATE LAND MAMMAL** — Moose*
- **STATE DOG** — Alaskan malamute

* One emblem of Alaska that you can’t see in abundance on POW. We have zero moose.

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**Human settlement** Prince of Wales Island was first settled by Indigenous Tlingits of the Northwest Coast ethnic group. Haidas followed them. Archaeologists date the human presence to more than 10,300 years ago. Place names in the Tlingit and Haida languages are prominent in our area.

Russians sailed these waters as early as 1741. Spaniards and Englishmen explored in succeeding decades, making charts and naming islands, inlets and waterways. All the while, this island bore the Tlingit name “Taan”—for sea lion.

“Prince of Wales Island” was affixed—at least in British cartography—in 1793 by Capt. George Vancouver, captain of HMS Discovery. The explorer named the island in honor of George, Prince of Wales, son and heir of King George III—whose colonies had recently won the War of Independence.

Russia claimed Alaska until 1867, when the U.S. purchased “the Great Land” for $7 million from the tsar—the so-called Seward’s Folly that enriched the nation immeasurably.

Transient logging and mining camps have come and gone on Prince of Wales Island since the 1800s. Commercial fishing brought permanent settlements of non-Native pioneers along the shoreline. A trading post and salmon saltery were set up in 1868 in Klawock, site of a Tlingit summer fish camp. Alaska’s first salmon canneries arose in Klawock and Sitka in 1878.

**Size and rank** The island is 135 miles long and 45 miles wide and has an area of 2,577 square miles, slightly greater than the area of Delaware. POW is the third-largest island in the U.S. after Hawai‘i and Kodiak islands, and the 97th largest in the world.

**Terrain and forest** Most of the island is steep, forested mountains, with peaks at 2,000 to 3,996 feet. Glacial ice left deep valleys for streams, lakes, saltwater straits and bays. The forest is composed of western hemlock and Sitka spruce (the Alaska state tree), with some red cedar and yellow cedar. Alder is the primary deciduous species. Shore pines of modest height dot the forest.

**Shore and tides** Prince of Wales Island has about 990 miles of shoreline; smaller islands nearby have hundreds more. Shores range from steep, rocky outcroppings to shelves of soft sand. Daily tides routinely range about 16 feet between highest and lowest; a few days each year, the range is 22 feet. Tidal flows affect boat travel, fish movement and your choice of campsites. (If you’re not careful, you might be an island surrounded by water).

**Climate** The Japanese Current of the North Pacific Ocean moderates our climate and generates 60-200 inches of annual precipitation. Our mean temperature in January is 35° F. (2 C); in July, 58° F (14 C). On the summer solstice in June, daylight extends about 15.5 hours; on the winter solstice, about 7 hours.
Your **Hometown Healthy Team**

PeaceHealth is here to provide you and your family with the care you need, close to home. The clinicians and caregivers at our Prince of Wales Clinic and Ketchikan Medical Center offer the latest technology and specialty care services to keep you at your best.

**Our Prince of Wales Services Include:**
- Prenatal care
- Women's health
- Pediatrics
- Home health
- General surgery
- Behavioral health/Psychiatry
- Cardiology
- Veteran services, including assistance with the VA authorization process

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Temperate rain forest and clean, cold waters of the North Pacific Ocean are prodigiously generative. The linked ecosystems offer astonishing diversity in animal species. Binoculars and cameras with powerful zoom lenses are essential gear for visitors. Clear space on your storage drive for video recordings. Spare batteries and removable storage devices for cameras are indispensable where wildlife and changing light excite the eye from dawn to dark.

The forest teems with creatures amid tall trees and tangled undergrowth. Tiny voles at the base of the food chain are furtive forest-dwellers; agile red squirrels scamper under the forest canopy. Both species live under the hungry gazes of owls and bald eagles. Black bears are routinely seen around the island—foraging on shores in spring and consuming the bounty of berries, small mammals and salmon in summer and fall. Sitka black-tailed deer are numerous; does and fawns are relatively approachable, but bucks are wary—particularly as hunting season opens in late summer. River otters inhabit stream banks around the island. Mink and martens sneak from the forest to feed along shorelines.

Sea otters collect in floating communities offshore. Harbor seals range from remote rocky outcrops to the harbors that give them their common name. Massive sea lions gather in groups to hunt salmon and other fish throughout summer. POW is a superb place for encountering humpback whales and orcas clockwise from top.

Black bears emerge from hibernation thin and hungry, like this bear reconnoitering a stream. Sea lions in small groups follow the salmon runs. Mink slink from the forest for seafood buffet. Humpback whales summer here in numbers.
(a.k.a. killer whales) as they feed and teach their young. Adult humpbacks as long as 45 feet swim past in majestic serenity, surfacing for loud breaths. Lucky people in boats and even ashore will see several emerge from the depths amid “bubble nets,” mouths opened, working together to devour schools of herring. Humpbacks and orcas occasionally breach out of the water, making for spectacular photos.

Enjoy marine mammals from a distance; they’re federally protected and we try not to disturb them. Remain at least 100 yards from humpback whales and orcas and at least 50 yards from seals, sea lions and Dall porpoises.

Consult the Island Attractions guide on page 37 for advice on linking your island travels and wildlife viewing sites.

Sitka black-tailed deer moms keep fawns close in the young ones’ first summer. Orcas follow salmon to near-shore waters and occasionally breach. FROM TOP

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SMALL WONDERS

A vast rain forest and a thousand miles of intertidal shoreline engage Prince of Wales Island’s talented photographers. Some focus in on modestly sized but compelling scenes in an outsize ecosystem. Good reminder: To see the big picture, look at small things.

Mice are near the nervous base of the food chain. Busy rufous hummingbirds rarely pose for photos. Salmonberries thrive in this moist setting. Myriad mushrooms are important forest decomposers. Sea life filter feeding in the intertidal zone can be colorful. Herring eggs spawned near shore are a food source for many sea and land species. CLOCKWISE FROM TOP
THE BUZZ

Bugs are minor factors in most outdoor pursuits

SOUTHEAST ALASKA isn’t famous for insect pests—unlike some places in the state.

We take pains to tell visitors that mosquito swarms such as those that plague Interior Alaska (and lead to the bug’s derisive moniker as “the state bird”) are unknown here. Mosquitos and flies are minor players in our summer scene.

You’re likely to see dragonflies (the state insect) near bodies of still fresh water, where they feed and breed. Doubled wings keep them in restless, graceful flight. Follow them to breeding sites for spectacular macro photos.

NOW, THE BAD NEWS and the good news about bugs. The bad news is, our beautiful environment is favored by tiny midges we call no-see-ums for their hardly-there 1.5mm size. They like us—for meals. Tiny, blade-like jaws tear our skin to get at blood.

The good news is twofold: You can usually escape them on the ocean, and combinations of apparel and repellent help you to enjoy mid- to late summer in relative nonchalance.

Armor yourself in tightly woven, loose clothing with collars and long sleeves. Deploy fine-mesh screens in your headgear and tents.

The repellent DEET at concentrations of 30-40 percent is effective, but its odor, oily feel and damage to some fabrics are knocks. Picaridin is an alternative; it repels less well, but doesn’t damage fabrics nor carry strong odor and oiliness. Brands include Natrapel Spray, Sawyer Premium, Cutter Advanced and Avon Skin So Soft. Citronella is a natural repellent. Bite Blocker is a blend of soybean, geranium and coconut oils. Some say yarrow tea is effective, taken the day before going out.

TRY WEARING REPELLENT. Permethrin is bonded to apparel such as Ex Officio BuzzOff and Columbia Insect Blocker. Apply it to your own clothes with spray. Or try an anecdote as your antidote to biting bugs. One old-timer recommends Vitamin B1 for 30 days before a trip. An outdoors enthusiast in the Lower 48 sprays on a 50/50 blend of Listerine and water to ward off pests.
NATIVE CULTURE

HEIRS OF ANCIENT WAYS
PREVERSE THE CULTURE AMID A MODERN WORLD

Prince of Wales Island centuries ago was a land with a thousand miles of shoreline and beaded by countless small islands. Scattered Alaska Native villages settled into the trees behind sloping beaches. Wood smoke rose from large communal longhouses and totem poles looked down on large dugout canoes resting above the tide. Village residents wove tree fibers into baskets and hats. They put up salmon, berries and other natural foods during long days of summer and fall.

The First Peoples of this region thrived amid bountiful natural resources, the most precious of them the salmon that sustained a way of life. Newcomers came to the region to exploit furs, then fish, then minerals and finally timber, but Indigenous ways persisted and today they draw visitors to see a culture attuned over millennia to its natural setting.

Alaska Natives and other peoples in the Northwest Coast culture lead modern lives, but traditional ways survive in many forms. Customary subsistence harvest continues on sea and land. Traditional arts flourish.

Archaeologists date artifacts on this island to as much as 10,300 years before present. Oral literature tells of creation and outlines a civilization in balance with nature.

Tlingits were first to settle “Taan”—the island that would be called Prince of Wales Island millennia later. The nation traded with inland Indigenous peoples and with coastal Haida and Tsimshian nations. Haidas from Haida Gwaii (present-day B.C.) settled here in the 1700s.

Alaska Natives on the island provide powerful displays of Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian cultures. Craig Tribal Association, Hydaburg Cooperative Association, Organized Village of Kasaan and Klawock Cooperative Association are federally recognized tribal governments that take active roles in cultural issues.

Klawock Totem Park displays 21 restored or replicated poles from the village of Tuxekan, as well as modern poles. Hydaburg and Kasaan display totem pole collections and are essential sites for exploring world-class offerings of traditional culture.

Knife skills are life skills. Youngsters are taught traditional methods of filleting, cleaning and preserving salmon—still a fundamental food.

A halibut hook, now in a museum, combines utility and carved artistry in wood, cord and iron. The design goes back centuries.
ARTS ARE INTEGRAL IN N.W. COAST LIFE

**Totem poles** are the best-known art form of Northwest Coast peoples, but other traditional arts bear out a rich heritage: carved-wood and fur headpieces for ceremonies; baskets and hats intricately woven from cedar bark and spruce root; and button blankets, robes and aprons in traditional designs. Songs in Alaska Native languages and the associated dances also carry culture down the generations.

Many poles seen today were carved in the 1930s by artists in the Civilian Conservation Corps, replicating poles that had stood in remote villages; this New Deal program was designed to revitalize Indigenous art forms. Modern carvers continue a world-renowned tradition, carving on commission and telling new stories.

The Sukteeneidí pole raised at Craig Memorial Cemetery in 2022 was commissioned by Ed Thomas of Craig to honor the mentoring roles of uncles, particularly those of his Dog Salmon clan of the Tlingit people. Master carver Jonathan Rowan created the cedar pole.

A **column monument** was placed in conspicuous view along Craig-Klawock Highway in 2022. The poignant pole calls attention to missing and murdered Indigenous Women and is dedicated to Judylee Guthrie, murdered by her partner six years before.

More than 10 poles have been raised in Klawock in a decade. Hydaburg replicated its entire totem park since 2009. To learn about seeing carvers at work, call ahead to cultural agencies.

- **Hydaburg Cooperative Association** – 907-285-3665
- **Village of Kasaan** – 907-542-2036
- **City of Klawock** – 907-755-2261

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ARTS

Creative people in our communities take inspiration from our unique setting. Alaskan imagery and materials are featured in beautiful artwork and artisanal pieces.

KATHY YATES at Taat’s studio blends Northwest Coast formline design with contemporary artistry on media from paper to wooden paddles.

PAUL COFFEY hand-turns local wood into ingenious and useful objects. This yarn bowl took honors at the Alaska State Fair.

TRAVIS PETERSON at Off the Hook Taxidermy casts and paints lifelike simulations of the North Pacific Ocean’s marine life, such as this pair of rockfish.

MARTA TAYLOR renders Alaska’s natural world in the art point style of her native Ukraine, using dimensional dots of glossy paint. “River Otter” was shown at the Anchorage Museum. Taylor also pursues Ukrainian folk painting, mixed media and photography.

JOANNE JOHNSON has been an artist for more than 60 years, in media from fine art to sign painting, from murals to book illustration.

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ARTISTS. ORGANIZATIONS. SUPPORTERS.

Artists | artisans

CRAIG
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Marty Sharp  Sharp Creations [DIRECTORY PG. 62]

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JoAnne Johnson  Persuasions by JoAnne [DIRECTORY PG. 62]
Travis Peterson  Off the Hook Taxidermy [DIRECTORY PG. 65]
Kathy Yates  Taat’s Art & Designs [DIRECTORY PG. 62]

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THORNE BAY
Jeannie McFarland  Baskets & Bullets [DIRECTORY PG. 62]
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Crystal Toman  Alaska Mist Soaps [DIRECTORY PG. 62]

Arts organizations

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Businesses
Displaying and selling work by local artists & artisans

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Alaskan Echo Creatives & Mercantile  CRAIG [DIRECTORY PG. 65]
Betty’s Hair and Nails  KLAWOCK [DIRECTORY PG. 64]
Craig Tribal Association Smoke & Gift Shop  CRAIG [DIRECTORY PG. 65]
Dockside Restaurant  CRAIG [DIRECTORY PG. 61]
Parnassus Books and Gifts  KETCHIKAN [DIRECTORY PG. 66]
Strictly Local Gallery  CRAIG [DIRECTORY PG. 66]
Taat’s Art & Designs  KLAWOCK [DIRECTORY PG. 62]
Totem Trail Cafe & Gift Shop  KASAAN [DIRECTORY PG. 61]

Carvers
Ronnie Fairbanks  KLAWOCK
Jonathan Rowan  KLAWOCK

Dance groups
Craig Country Line Dancers  CRAIG [DIRECTORY PG. 60]
K’iis Xáadei  HYDABURG
Heinyaa Kwaan  KLAWOCK
Haagana  KLAWOCK
WRAP ARTISTS
Craig walking tour of labels tells salmon industry history

Cans were canvases for industrial artistry in the early era of salmon packing. Decades later, labels that clad classic cans of wild-caught Alaskan salmon are artifacts and collectibles. The niche enthusiasm scales up on POW, where trash barrels in Craig and Klawock are wrapped in label designs from the early 20th century. A walking tour of the Craig labels is a stroll through industry history.

The project was volunteer-driven; most labels were provided by a local collector and another in Petersburg. Similar programs were undertaken in Anacortes, Wash.; Astoria, Ore.; and in Ketchikan, Kodiak and Petersburg, Alaska.

Craig Civic Pride Committee rounded up sponsors. The City of Craig installed and maintains a dozen sites. The Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce in Klawock shares an embellished barrel with Klawock Heenya Corp. and the City of Klawock. Island Air Express in Klawock hosts a can with a classic replica label.

In the competitive U.S. consumer market of the early 20th century, packers used distinctive label art and fanciful brand names to entice shoppers. North Pacific Trading and Packing Co. and Barnes and Co. were notable packers on this scene.

A DOZEN REPLICA CANNED SALMON LABELS COMPRISE A SELF-GUIDED HISTORY TOUR IN CRAIG

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Liberty Church
907-826-2185
Pastor.liberty@outlook.com
New Hope Baptist Church
907-826-2526
pastoroyanania@gmail.com

HOLLIS
Hollis Community Church
907-530-7038
Hollisbiblechurch@aptalaska.net

KLAWOCK
Prince of Peace Assembly of God
907-617-5886
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The Salvation Army
907-755-2769
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St. John by the Sea Catholic Church
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WHALE PASS
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While you’re on the adventure of a lifetime, SouthEast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) is here for all of your healthcare needs. Whether it’s care for an ear infection or a muscle sprain, we have multiple locations to serve you while you’re enjoying your stay on Prince of Wales Island.

Scan code or visit SEARHC.ORG for a full list of our locations.
Prince of Wales Island’s annual spring marathon leaves the starting line on Memorial Day weekend while welcoming back last year's special guest. Andrea Peet made history on POW in 2022 by becoming the first athlete to finish marathons in all 50 states after being diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

Andrea Peet’s work for Team Drea and allied efforts by fellow athletes have raised $1 million for research into ALS, commonly called Lou Gehrig’s disease. Peet races in a recumbent trike with support from her husband, David, who will accompany her again to POW. Participants in the 2023 races await presentation of the documentary Go On, Be Brave. The video about Andrea Peet’s personal journey and research-funding campaign is in production.

Peet was prominently featured in the New York Times last May as she belatedly visited POW to complete her 50-state series. Scores of participants take off on May 27, 2023, for an out-and-back course that skirts shoreline, forest and Alaska Native sites. It’s the 22nd running of the RRCA-sanctioned POW marathon and 10th staging of the allied half marathon. Four- and eight-person relay teams also take on the scenic 26.2-mile marathon course. Participation is limited to 400 so that “quality reigns throughout.”

Andrea Peet overcame long odds since her diagnosis of ALS in 2014. She was 33 and had run one marathon and nine triathlons. Most people with ALS survive two to five years. Rather than giving in to the crippling disease that attacks the nervous system, Peet took to a recumbent trike and finished as many as a dozen marathon courses each year since 2016. She rallied friends and athletes to the Team Drea Foundation and raised funds for ALS research.

The 2020 POW marathon would have been the 21st of her intended 50. But coronavirus cancelled the race that year and the next—while Peet kept going. She ticked off a prodigious 21 marathons in 21 states in 2021. A video crew tracked her across the Lower 48 and finally to a culminating race on POW.

Information on the race is at powmarathon.org. To follow Andrea Peet’s progress and to donate to ALS research programs or to the documentary, visit teamdrea.org.
Prince of Wales Island communities share fun and enriching activities throughout the year. Visitors to the island are always welcome to join us.

# EVENTS CALENDAR 2023

## SPECIAL EVENTS

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**Favorite spots**

**EAGLES NEST CAMPGROUND & BALLS LAKE** We often hiked this half-mile trail on the weekends. It includes a boardwalk [seen in the photo above], a small dock, and a loop to observe salmon spawning. I suggest waterproof boots when trekking the longer 3-mile trail around Balls Lake: it can be marshy.

**GRAVELLY CREEK** I spent more time walking on this trail than any other. It is the perfect place for a quick walk along the Thorne River. Stop for a snack at the picnic area or cross a footbridge to stroll a path through the woods to make the most out of the experience.

**KASAAN WHALE HOUSE & TOTEM PARK** Hike an easy half mile through the thick rain forest to the oldest standing Haida longhouse. I found the nine totem poles scattered throughout the trees to be a delightful surprise. You’ll enjoy traveling back to a time when canoes provided the only access to this well-preserved world. Guided tours are available.

**Best Drives**

**CONTROL LAKE JUNCTION LOOP** Our Sunday drives began in Thorne Bay and took us to Sandy Beach. We passed Ratz Harbor and Ratz Creek as I watched through the trees for views of Clarence Strait—part of the Inside Passage. We often dropped a canoe into Trumpeter Lake or had a picnic at Luck Lake on Road 3030. On the way back home from Coffman Cove, we drove by two of our favorite spots: Eagles Nest Campground and Gravelly Creek.

**WHALE PASS LOOP** When we had more time, we ventured north to relax at the most beautiful place on the island: Sarkar Lake. We seldom skipped Beaver Falls Karst Trail, a boardwalk that meanders to spectacular sinkholes. On occasion, we climbed the stairs at El Capitan Interpretive Site and drove into Whale Pass by Twin Island, stopping at Caverne Lake to see the underground river. After leaving Whale Pass, we skirted Neck Lake before turning south to Thorne Bay.

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**MEDICAL SERVICES & EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**
911 SYSTEMS  911 services are available where phone coverage exists. Calls are dispatched by various agencies. First responders are EMTs, fire departments, State Troopers or village public safety officers.

ALICIA ROBERTS MEDICAL CENTER | KLAWOCK  
907-755-4800 | after-hours nurse triage: advice only  800-613-0560  
No on-duty emergency staff.
For life-threatening emergencies, call 911.
7300 Klawock-Hollis Highway  
MDs and nurses staff the clinic only during office hours.

GUARDIAN FLIGHT ALASKA  24-Hour dispatch  888-997-3822

**ROUTE MEDICAL, DENTAL & EYE CARE**

PEACEHEALTH MEDICAL GROUP | CRAIG  
907-826-3257  1800 Craig-Klawock Highway  
MDs and medical assistants by appointment.
Thorne Bay satellite service monthly; call for information.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS | CRAIG  
907-826-3891  1800 Craig-Klawock Highway #241  
Senior and disability services, children’s mental health and early learning

**ROUTE MEDICAL, DENTAL & EYE CARE**

SOUTHEAST ALASKA REGIONAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM  
ALICIA ROBERTS MEDICAL CENTER | KLAWOCK  
907-755-4800  7300 Klawock-Hollis Hwy.

ALICIA ROBERTS MEDICAL CENTER DENTAL CLINIC | KLAWOCK  
907-755-4918  7300 Klawock-Hollis Hwy.

CRAIG HEALTH CLINIC | CRAIG  
907-755-4967  333 Cold Storage Rd. #203  
Providing behavioral health, physical therapy and optometry

HYDABURG ALMA COOK HEALTH CENTER | HYDABURG  
907-285-3462  Eighth Street Extension

KASAAN HEALTH CENTER | KASAAN  
Contact Alicia Roberts Medical Center at 907-755-4800.
At this time, the Kasaan Health Center is temporarily closed.

THORNE BAY CLINIC | THORNE BAY  
Please contact Alicia Roberts Medical Center at 907-755-4800.
The Thorne Bay Health Center is temporarily closed.

WHALE PASS E.M.S. | WHALE PASS  
907-846-5221

SOUTHEAST DENTAL CENTERS INC. | CRAIG  
907-826-2273  407 Spruce St.

ALASKA ISLAND COMMUNITY SERVICES MEDICAL CLINIC (AICS)  
907-874-7000  
AICS provides medical and behavioral services to Point Baker; Port Protection; Coffman Cove; Whale Pass; Naukati Bay; and Edna Bay.

TSUNAMI EVACUATION AREAS IN CRAIG  
Elementary School; Aquatic Center; Recreation Center; High School

**A NOTE ON GROCERIES**

Full-service grocery stores operate in Craig, Klawock, Thorne Bay and Whale Pass. In other communities that display the grocery icon in this guide, you may find stores stocking limited wares—convenience stores, in effect. You can use the contact phone numbers in this section to call ahead for detailed information.

**A NOTE ON DINING**

Conventional dining-out options are available in Craig, Klawock and Kasaan. In other communities, options might be limited to take-out. We advise calling ahead before you travel to less-populous towns, or call ahead to check with local folks. Taking some food supplies with you is usually a good move.
As you explore the great outdoors on Prince of Wales Island, you’re in the largest national forest in the United States

- Tongass National Forest spans 500 miles from southeast to northwest, encompassing nearly 17 million acres.
- Prince of Wales Island offers 2 million acres of forests, mountains, streams and bays for your adventures.
- Catch a beautiful fish in a stream, thanks to Forest Service efforts to restore and improve fish habitat.
- Purchase wood products from local mills and businesses—products that started with harvest in Forest Service timber sales.
- Find a home within the Tongass at a public-use cabin or a favorite picnic area.
- Help keep recreation alive and well in your national forests by volunteering with the Forest Service.
- Get more information about your Tongass National Forest programs from the Prince of Wales Island districts.

Twelvemile Cabin

is base camp for adventures of your own creating. When you want a laid-back experience, relax on the front porch and soak in Alaska’s backcountry beauty. Take that stored energy out for a leisurely stroll and beachcomb at low tide. When you’re ready for livelier adventure, grab the tackle and head to the inlet for excellent fishing of coho, chum, and pink salmon, as well as cutthroat and rainbow trout. If you have a kayak, spend a day paddling along the shoreline. In August, you can also take a short drive to Dog Salmon Fish Pass to view bears and other wildlife feeding on runs of chum and pink salmon. This fully accessible cabin is on the road system south of Craig with a short gravel trail to the site.

Sandy Beach Picnic Area

is a short drive from Thorne Bay. The site has a new covered picnic pavilion (funded by the POW Resource Advisory Council), a picnic area with fire rings, vault toilets and dispersed camping. This is a great spot to view marine life, bird-watch and go tide pooling. Sandy Beach Road connects Thorne Bay to Coffman Cove on well-maintained gravel with several scenic pullouts.

ROCK WALK

Join the underground on a cave tour

- or a unique Alaskan experience, tour under the forest. A geologic treasure 400 million years in the making lies beneath your feet. Caves, sinkholes and pits have formed a vast karst landscape: weathered limestone bedrock. El Capitan Cave is the largest of more than 500 caves on the island. The cave is about two hours from Craig or Thorne Bay; pavement reaches within 13 miles of the access road. The cave is also accessible by floatplane; by boat; and by foot from El Capitan Passage. For the free two-hour tour, meet a Forest Service guide at the interpretive site. After a briefing, pick out a helmet, headlamp and flashlight—and climb. The trail zigzags up boardwalk with rest stops. At the cave, the guide outlines safety. The first 50 feet of the passage squeezes between boulders and a low ceiling, then opens out. Wear sturdy shoes or boots for traction. The temperature in the cave is in the low 40s. The tour goes about 500 feet into the cave. Guides provide information about cave formation, speleothems (cave features), cave biology and fossil finds. Questions are welcome.
PUBLIC LANDS WELCOME HIKERS ON A VARIETY OF FOREST PATHS

Sunnahae Mountain Trail above Craig offers a workout and amazing views from an alpine summit. Staircases and a gravel trail bed ease the hike. One Duck Trail is a mountain alpine trail off of Hydaburg road; steep slopes are strenuous but afford access to world-class Sitka black-tailed deer hunting in season. A three-sided shelter at the top is first-come, first-served.

Gravely Creek Day Use Area near Thorne Bay provides excellent fishing. A pavilion and fire ring offer a warm-up site.

Karta River Wilderness Area offers world-class salmon and steelhead fishing. Three cabins on Karta River can be reserved at www.recreation.gov. A 5-mile trail linking the cabins provides access to the river. Karta River Wilderness Area is accessible by boat from Hollis and by air from Kasaan and Ketchikan.

Honker Divide Canoe Route is a challenging 33-mile paddle on rivers and lakes. Sarkar Lakes Canoe Route is an easier 15-mile loop on small lakes. The hearty can portage a paddle craft to the mouth of Sarkar Creek, five minutes by road from Sarkar Lake, and explore beautiful El Capitan Passage.

Dog Salmon Fish Pass wildlife viewing area is on Forest Road 2100 (Polk Road) 12 miles from the Hydaburg Highway turnoff (Highway 913) toward Polk Inlet. It’s a two-hour drive from Craig. It offers excellent opportunities to watch black bears feed on salmon. Recreation sites are nearby at Polk Camp and 12-Mile Arm Cabin.

Hatchery Creek Trail, just off the pavement via the Coffman Cove road, is a half-mile boardwalk trail through mossy older-growth forest and muskegs. It ends at a large viewing platform, where visitors can see salmon jumping falls during runs. Black bears sometimes appear when the area is quiet.

The Forest Service maintains public-use cabins on POW. Cabins can be rented for up to 14 nights. All the cabins offer special settings. You might drive to a cabin perched on the edge of a saltwater inlet. Another cabin is accessible by rowboat across a lake (boat and oars provided, but you could bring a small outboard motor). Alpine cabins are accessible by floatplane. Cabins offer unique sights: leaping whales or rocky cliffs, giant cedars or a stream overflowing with salmon. See the table for accessibility. Camping is available for tents and RVs at Eagles Nest and Harris River.

Cabins and campgrounds are marked on the centerfold map. Reservations are required for cabins. Browse at www.recreation.gov or call 877-444-6777.

For information online, go to www.fs.usda.gov/activity/tongass/recreation/camping-cabin.
Prince of Wales Island is an avian haven and a feathery mecca. A prolific ecosystem of temperate forest, wetlands, salt water and fresh water nurtures resident birds and migratory visitors alike.

Bald eagles, great blue herons and ravens are conspicuous year-round. Geese, swans and ducks visit on migratory journeys and a few choose to overwinter. Rufous hummingbirds arrive in April from the desert Southwest. Songbirds in profuse variety wing it here in summer.

Several species of owls and hawks inhabit the woods. Kingfishers and loons frequent lakes and estuaries such as Thorne Bay. Showy cormorants stand on docks and navigation buoys as they spread dark wings to dry. Long-legged plovers, sandpipers and yellowlegs mine soft shores for hidden fodder.

Our wilds provide ample food and long days, perfect for feeding and breeding. Move quietly and enjoy the feathered feature. Robert H. Armstrong’s Guide to the Birds of Alaska is a good companion for birdwatching. Island residents contribute photos and bird IDs to a Facebook page, POW Island Birders.

The stately great blue heron hunts in shallow waters—both fresh and salt; it’s commonly seen resting on our docks and pilings. Bald eagles descend to the sea and lakes, talons spread, and snatch fish in explosive splashes. Female mergansers lead broods of as many as a dozen chicks in elegant foraging formations. Sandpipers and other migratory waders spend months digging into sandy and muddy watersides for food. CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT
The grey owl is a skilled nighttime hunter and seldom seen in daylight—except by alert and lucky photographers. Ravens are ubiquitous in our region: soaring on the wind or alighting to indulge an omnivorous appetite. The Steller’s jay is a resplendent but noisy companion in Alaskans’ yards and vexes other birds. The kingfisher is named for its dramatic headfirst plunges into water to catch fish in its bill. The spruce grouse is a tree-dweller you may hear clucking in warning if you get close.
SPORT FISHING TRIFECTA | BASE ANYWHERE
DAY 1 Choose a target. Let’s say it’s salmon today. If you have your own boat or a rental boat from a local outfitter, drop a crab pot and a shrimp pot on the way out to your fishing site. Troll bait herring or use lures that suit the species and the season. You might also choose to mooch if the fish finder shows a clutch of salmon beneath you; mooching is an active and exciting method. Fish to the limit, pull the pots on the way in and fillet your salmon at the dock. Grill some fresh for dinner, vacuum-seal and freeze the rest.

DAY 2 What say we go fishing—just for the halibut! Local guides know these waters and the places likeliest to yield big flatfish. Latch onto a guide and boost your odds of filling that fish box.

DAY 3 Stream fishing! Now, there’s a fresh idea. Freshwater fishing is great on POW. Salmon, steelhead, Dolly Varden, rainbow trout and more. Grab fly fishing gear or spincasting tackle and wade right in. The family in the photo above made a summery day of fishing and playing on the Harris River. Thorne River is another good bet for freshwater angling.

TOTEM POLES | BASE IN KLAWOCK OR CRAIG
DAY 1 Walk to Klawock’s totem pole park above the town. Older poles stand with cedar monuments raised in recent years. On the drive to Craig, stop near the turnoff for Viking Lumber to see a pole raised in 2022 as a memorial to a murdered Alaska Native woman and as a call for justice on behalf of all murdered or missing Indigenous women (MMIW); the pole, seen above, was created by carver Tony Christianson of Hydaburg. At Craig’s cemetery, see the Sukteeneidí Honor Totem Pole raised in 2022. The pole was carved by Tlingit artist Jonathan Rowan and honors uncles as mentors in Alaska Native life.

DAY 2 Drive across the island to Kasaan, a village with traditional and contemporary Haida carvings and artifacts. Visit Son-i-Hat Whale House and the carving shed. Have lunch at Totem Trail Café.

DAY 3 Complete the tour with a drive to Hydaburg; take the highway south out of Klawock. Hydaburg is about 2.5 hours from Kasaan. The town boasts an impressive array of traditional and modern totem poles of the Haida people.
WHALES & MARINE MAMMALS
BASE IN WEST SIDE OR EAST SIDE TOWNS


DAY 2 Use what you just learned about marine mammal viewing sites and get close-up photos from a kayak. Bring your own paddle craft or rent from an outfitter.

DAY 3 You found out you really like boating on the extraordinary Inside Passage. So go charter fishing!

INDUSTRY HISTORY
BASE IN THORNE BAY

DAY 1 Drive west and take Lake Ellen Road. Hike to Salt Chuck Mine. An trail leads to massive mining machinery that recalls epic human feats in the forest.

DAY 2 Relax in Thorne Bay, once one of the busiest timber towns in the world. Grab takeout or a picnic and eat near the great grapple that once hoisted huge logs. Meet a charter skipper at the dock for salmon fishing.

DAY 3 Take the sunrise route north along Sandy Beach. Look for bears on Hatchery Creek Trail. On the southbound trek, take the scenic gravel road toward Staney Creek and drive to the shore at Winter Harbor; a remnant steam donkey, seen here, rests on logs where the engine yanked enormous felled trees ages ago.

NORTH END TRAILS / CAVE / BEACH
BASE IN WHALE PASS

DAY 1 Walk the easy Cavern Lake Trail to see and feel the temperate rain forest up close; in the photo above, a group is exploring along the trail. In the afternoon, take on the longer Beaver Falls Interpretive Trail.

DAY 2 Join a Forest Service guide for an exploration of El Capitan Cave, the largest of many caves on the island. Much of the forested land on POW is underlain by limestone formed in ancient seas: karst geography. Reserve your tour ticket in advance. [See page 40 for more information.]

DAY 3 End of the Road Day. Take Road 20 to its end at Labouchere Bay. Swing back to beautiful Memorial Beach near the north tip of the island. Picnic at the USFS shelter in the late afternoon and stay on to witness an amazing sunset over nearby islands of the Alexander Archipelago.
CABIN VACATION | BASE AT A U.S.F.S. CABIN

DAY 1 minus months Reserve a cabin. See page 41 or call staff at Forest Service offices in Craig and Thorne Bay for information on how to select a cabin and reserve it for your stay.

DAY 1 Park the car, load your gear to your cabin and make home; you might walk in, or in some cases you’ll use a boat provided by USFS to get to your vacation setting. Get organized while the kids whoop it up at the lake. Set up your rustic kitchen. Light a fire in the wood stove. Put on your float coats and row the boat on the lake. Catch trout.


DAY 3 Light a last, homey fire. Walk the lake shore. Breathe deeply and secure those lifelong sense memories.

WINTER WANDERLAND | BASE IN CRAIG & KLAWOCK

DAY 1 Pull on the cold-weather gear. Lash the snowshoes to the pack in case you’re trailblazing new snow on the hike up Sunnahae Trail above Craig. The trail is one of the most popular on the island in summer, but it’s probably even more scenic dressed in winter white. The view of town in the afternoon is tremendous.

DAY 2 POW has excellent acreage for snowmachines—from old logging roads to snowy muskegs and broad alpine hillsides. An unofficial snowmachine group fuels up and plans routes at Black Bear Store in Klawock on winter mornings; the dozen or more regulars welcome newcomers. From untouched level snow along One Duck Trail (seen in the photo above) to steep alpine slopes in several mountain ranges, Prince of Wales Island is a hot spot for cold-season running of motor sleds.

DAY 3 It’s winter, so there’s no fishing—right? Wrong! Here again, we suggest charter fishing. Southeast Alaskans with a stubborn love of angling know that winter kings are the hardest to find and the best to eat. If you’re here in the so-called off-season, check the charters section of our member directory and find a skipper with a boat still in the water and who shares your enthusiasm for winter angling. You’ll spend the short winter daylight hours fishing deep and watching the fish finder for the big king that could provide you with 150 feet of fight and a box of fillets.

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We invite you to browse the member directory at the back of this guide. The section with information on “Adventure Tours” may have exactly what you need for a thrilling, up-close experience of our environment. Some charter-fishing operators offer sidelines in marine excursions, so read through the “Charters / Guides / Outfitters” section.
The economy of Prince of Wales Island is diversifying from the accustomed triad of salmon, timber and governments—a transition pushed by public investments and by the allure of Alaska Native heritage.

Farming in ocean waters is poised to create new commodities for export. A private company leveraging public funding is extending urban-class internet, bit by megabit, to small towns on the big island. The goal of “sustainability” is shifting federal spending away from support of clear cuts and toward community-building. And while all of that is in the formative stage, a luxury cruise ship will tie up to a former log-ship dock and very tangibly inaugurate a new visitor-industry era.

INVESTMENTS IN MARICULTURE AND BROADBAND WILL BLEND WITH ESTABLISHED RESOURCE INDUSTRIES WHILE A NEW VISITOR SECTOR EMERGES

In 2021, a quarter-century after Ketchikan Pulp Co. closed its massive mill near Ketchikan and devastated the timber industry in southern Southeast Alaska, the U.S. Forest Service issued a comprehensive new policy for Tongass National Forest. The Southeast Alaska Sustainability Strategy (SASS) reduces harvest of old-growth trees and incrementally pushes timber falling into young-growth stands growing out of clear cuts from timber’s heyday. SASS vastly increases federal allocations to small-scale projects based in communities. An interagency group awarded $25 million in regional grants in 2022, the first year for SASS spending. Grants went into Alaska Native cultural heritage; processing and marketing salmon; building trails; and developing a demonstration plant for production of biomass fuel from wood fiber. The Forest Service vowed that SASS projects would respect “local priorities” after consultation with tribal authorities and communities.

Southeast Alaska’s last large sawmill is squeezed by dwindling supply of timber, but Viking Lumber Co. remains a vital employer on the island. Direct employment varies at the mill near Klawock, but an economist several years ago calculated that Viking generated more than 90 jobs, from road building to mill operations. The family-operated business developed a secondary product line, drying and pressing sawdust and >
waste wood fiber into biomass bricks for boilers and home stoves.

The biggest private land owner in the region stopped timber harvest altogether in 2021. Sealaska Corp., a regional business owned by Alaska Native shareholders, closed its timber division after selling $100 million in California carbon credits to oil interests in 2018. In the deal to offset CO₂ releases in the Lower 48, Sealaska will leave 160,000 acres of trees standing for a century—in keeping with the “lungs of the earth” designation that some folks apply to this temperate rain forest. Sealaska Corp. had reportedly cut about three-quarters of its timber after the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act conferred vast forest lands on POW and in other areas.

Sustainability is essential for Prince of Wales Island’s seafood resources, harvested in a state that leads the nation in wild-caught fish. State and federal authorities regulate catches for the long run—in species from salmon to sea cucumbers. The port of Craig registered more than 15 million pounds of commercially landed seafood in 2019, putting the port at 44th in the nation according to NOAA. Annual commercial values ranged from $9 million to nearly $15 million in recent years, in reports from federal and industry sources.

Crucially for the economy and for the vitality of POW communities, about 8 percent of residents are involved in commercial fishing as skippers or crewmembers. Nearly 290 commercial fishing vessels owned by skippers are homeported around an island with a population of fewer than 4,500 people. Economists several years ago reported that nearly a quarter of earnings on the island were accountable to seafood—including fishers, processors and support personnel.

The definition of seafood is stretching to take in Prince of Wales Island’s burgeoning sea farming sector. Sea Otter Sound on the north end has provided sites for modest oyster farms for many years and the bivalves are commercially produced in a few other bays. But with a federal allocation of $49 million to the Alaska Mariculture Cluster in late 2022, mariculture around POW is expected to blossom. Southeast Conference led the way in applying for the outlay, which the consortium of businesses and municipalities called a cash catalyst for producing shellfish and seaweed. The money will float revolving loans; foster mariculture seed supplies; help processors; and aid growers in testing product. Grant terms through the U.S. Economic Development Administration favor tribal and rural mariculture statewide.

Earlier in 2022, the U.S.D.A. handed $500,000 to Southeast Conference to design and plan a mariculture processing plant on POW. NOAA’s Alaska Fisheries Science Center committed to five years of research support, noting that sea farms can benefit local economies while improving ocean ecology and reducing acidification.

The nation’s largest kelp farm floats offshore of west POW, where Seagrove Kelp Co. tends 127 acres of ribbon kelp and sugar kelp. The company cultures seed at OceansAlaska nursery in Ketchikan, plants and harvests kelp and sells product in bulk and in branded consumer packages. Seagrove harvested nearly 170 tons in 2022. Across the globe, seaweed goes into products from dietary supplements to processed foods and cosmetics.

More than half a dozen other would-be kelp farmers around POW and Ketchikan await state permit approval. The state helped out by increasing its permit-review staff in 2021. Alaska’s mariculture permit applications average 540 days to decision, compared to about 10 years in California.

Mining was an important economic factor in the first years of the 20th century, when deposits of copper, gold, zinc and silver were marketable. But lodes of those metals played out or were priced out. A 21st century mining bonanza for POW
may involve rare and cutting-edge metals. Ucore Rare Metals Inc. of Canada is moving toward extracting rare earth elements (REEs) at Bokan Mountain on southeast POW. Ucore aims to compete with China to supply global industry. REEs are used in magnets for electric-vehicle motors; rechargeable batteries; LCD screens; and wind turbines. Steady upticks in rare earth oxide commodity prices may boost Ucore toward green-lighting mine development. The raw material may eventually undergo initial processing in a facility in Ketchikan.

Internet users on the island are eager for a multi-year project that will bring contemporary broadband to most of POW. Alaska Power & Telephone (AP&T) is attaching $9.8 million of its own money to a $29.3 million federal grant to upgrade most of POW to fiber-optic speeds. The so-called “SEA-Link South” project started in late 2022 with an undersea fiber-optic cable connecting Juneau and Petersburg nodes to Coffman Cove. Fiber to the home installation is slated in 2023 for Coffman Cove and Kasaan, boosting symmetric service speeds to 100 Mbps or better. Blazing broadband comes later to Craig, Klawock and Hollis. POW internet users have used patchy combinations of microwave relays and satellites for internet service in recent years.

The most significant historical dividing line for POW’s economy in 2023 may be the scheduled arrival on May 24 of a luxury cruise ship. Oceania Cruises’ MV Regatta is set to tie up in Klawock at a dock previously used for loading log ships. Passengers on a sumptuous 12-day cruise from Los Angeles to Vancouver will disembark on an island that has seen only small, regional excursion vessels. Klawock Heenya Corp., an Alaska Native business, teams up with an experienced Alaska Native corporation in making POW a visitor destination; Huna Totem Corp. developed the Icy Strait destination in northern Southeast. Klawock will be one of four Alaskan ports visited by passengers on the MV Regatta during four cruises in 2023.

STONE ART TRANSFERS COME HOME TO BRING ALASKA NATIVE ANTIQUITY INTO VIEW FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

IT’S A FORM OF REPATRIATION. Transfers of ancient Alaska Native stone art are returning to Southeast Alaska after a Craig resident took custody of a scholar’s work from the 1970s.

Public presentations are expected in May 2023 for a set of petroglyph “rubbings” that had languished in a box in British Columbia for decades.

Wax rubbings on cloth are as close as many people will come to remote and federally protected petroglyphs in this region. The rubbings were made by Beth Hill and her husband, Ray, during an boat-based tour of sites from Hydaburg to Sitka in 1974. Beth Hill was an author devoted to the stone art of Northwest Coast Indigenous peoples. Hill studied anthropology at Cambridge in England, earning a “certificate.” Pluck and persistence, aided by her husband’s seamanship in a 28-foot boat, made up for lack of advanced training.

The Hills’ delicately crafted wax transfers of stone carvings featured in her books, such as *Indigenous Rock Carvings of the Northwest Coast*.

Kathy Peavey of Craig shares Beth Hill’s love of petroglyphs. She has admired many of them during decades of travel by water. She came across a reference to Hill’s rubbings in a scholarly book and tracked down the wax-and-cotton cloth transfers. They were on Salt Spring Island, B.C., where the author had founded a historical society. The custodian of the rubbings agreed to confer them to Clinton Cook, president of Craig Tribal Association, the tribal government. Peavey and her friend Brenda Demmert traveled to Salt Spring Island in 2022 and brought the rubbings full circle. They will exhibit them this spring before turning them over to the Craig tribe.
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COFFMAN COVE

Founded 1950s | Incorporated 1989 | Population est. 200 | City Hall 907-329-2233


The City of Coffman Cove is on the Inside Passage on the east side of Prince of Wales Island. The community began as a logging camp in the 1950s. After the pulp mill in Ketchikan closed in the 1990s, residents reinvented this community on the shore of a beautiful, protected bay by developing commercial and recreational fishing. A number of services are available for visitors. Access is via floatplane, boat or the Scenic Byway in the center of the island. The entrance to Coffman Cove is a big bay that’s great for beachcombing at low tide and ideal for spotting whales and other marine life when the tide is in. A covered picnic area and attractive businesses are on the bay. Coffman Cove was the site of an archaeological project excavating a village of Stikine Tlingits dating to 8,000 B.C. Nearby are U.S. Forest Service recreational trails that lead to fishing streams and cabins, and opportunities for canoeing and boating.

CRAIG

Founded late 1800s | Incorporated 1922 | Population est. 1,036

City Hall 907-826-3275 | www.craigak.com

Craig is the most populous community on Prince of Wales Island and the leading business center. Tlingit and Haida peoples traditionally used this area for its rich seafood resources, and still do. In the early 1900s, a fish saltery was established on nearby Fish Egg Island and a salmon cannery was built in Craig. Beginning in the 1950s, Craig’s major industry was logging, but with changes in demand and less available timber for sale, the town has diversified into many other economic sectors. Craig is the retail, service and transportation hub of the island. Fishing, fish processing, aquaculture, timber operations, government and commercial services provide employment and goods for the community. Tourism and recreational opportunities also abound in Craig and surrounding areas. Among the recreational facilities are a community swimming pool, a city gym and numerous parks. A number of fishing charters and wildlife-watching options are available. Craig is a great place to access marine waters off the west coast for fishing, wildlife viewing and exploring. It’s a great base for hiking on the popular Sumnaahie Trail (a 2,000-foot vertical trail over two miles) or the Graveyard Island Trail (a three-quarter-mile hike on fairly flat, improved trail) out to a great view of Bucareli Bay. And it’s a great all-around base of operations for exploring the rest of Prince of Wales Island.

EDNA BAY

Founded 1940s | Incorporated 2014 | Population est. 49

City 907-539-6200 | mayor@cityofednabay.org | www.ednabayalaska.net

The City of Edna Bay is on Kosciusko Island off of the northwestern side of Prince of Wales Island. Edna Bay started as a logging camp in the 1940s and remained so until State of Alaska land sales in 1983. Families invested in land and, when logging was no longer a viable occupation, focused on commercial and sport fishing. Edna Bay became a city in 2014. The fertile waters of Sea Otter Sound are a spectacular place to view marine mammals, whales, sea otters and seals; salmon make their way to the many streams and rivers that empty into the sound from Kosciusko Island. Edna Bay is accessible by air or water. Airplanes and boats land at the state float 3 miles by road from the general store and lodging services. An extensive road system, created during the heyday of logging, gives visitors access to vast recreational opportunities. There are many creeks and lakes to fish in, mountains to scale and beautiful places to drive and hike.

HOLLIS

Founded 1890s | Unincorporated | Population 165 | Library 907-530-7112 | www.hollisalaska.org

Welcome to Hollis, where your Prince of Wales Island journey begins and everybody waves. Hollis is on the east side of POW, 22 miles east of Craig and 35 miles west of Ketchikan. Inter-Island Ferry Authority (IFA) brings residents and visitors to Hollis from Ketchikan every day. IFA’s homeport and our floatplane dock are in Clark Bay on Twelve Mile Arm. Originally a bustling mining town and later a logging camp, Hollis was settled after 1980 through state land sales. Hollis is a nonprofit community with an elected community council. Hollis Public Library has internet service, books and movies for visitors. The library has a summer reading program for kids. A public dock is down the road from the library. Hollis Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) and Emergency Medical Services are equipped with a modern building, a pumper truck and ambulance. Members collaborate with the school for EMT training and conduct a Junior Fire Department program. Every August, HVFD hosts the Chili & Cornbread Feed, Art & Farmers’ Market and Fundraiser—a chance to vie for the Golden Ladle honoring the best chili on the island. See page 33 for details on this event and other events on the island during the year. Hollis School’s 25 pre-K through 12th-grade students participate in mastery learning. Two teachers support multi-age groups’ academic skill development and exploration through rich reading and writing, projects, art and fieldwork. The school’s chickens, geese and ducks, outdoor art and large garden reflect students’ learning. The best place to watch the stars in Hollis is at the overlook and welcome sign. A bulletin board provides important information about local events. The Harris River picnic area, with a covered shelter, tables and a fireplace, allows you to relax after a walk on the foot trail, a game of horseshoes and fishing in the adjacent river.
Hydaburg, on the southwest coast of Prince of Wales Island, is accessible by floatplane and boat, and by road via Hydaburg Highway. Blacktop road to Hydaburg off the Hollis Highway contains turnoffs that lead to Forest Service trails, picnic areas and points of interest. In the early 1700s, a group of Haida people crossed from Haida Gwaii (formerly called the Queen Charlotte Islands) to Prince of Wales Island. The first migration landed in Kasaan; others established major settlements at Howkan, Hlinkwaan, K’ay, K’aani, Sukwaan and Kuy Gandlaas. In 1911, these villages consolidated in Hydaburg. Hydaburg is the most populous community of Haidas in the U.S. The community is rooted in tribal values and relies on historical and cultural relationships to the land and sea; residents take great pride in their ability to harvest resources in a traditional manner. A totem park was built in Hydaburg during the 1930s. New poles have been raised in the park in recent years due to growing interest in preserving Haida traditions. The community comes together during Culture Camp to teach Haida language, song, dance, carving, weaving, beadings, and traditional food gathering and preparation. The camp is followed by Haida Festival. Hydaburg hosts a large number of Haida artists, carvers and weavers. Please contact the HCA office with questions at 907-285-3665 or dorinda.s@hotmail.com.

Kasaan gets its name from the Tlingit word “Gasa’aan,” meaning “pretty town” or “pretty village.” Haida people migrated north from Haida Gwaii (in present-day British Columbia) and established the village now known as “Old Kasaan.” In 1892, the Copper Queen mine camp, sawmill, post office and store were built on Kasaan Bay. Haida people relocated to the new village from Old Kasaan. In 1902, a salmon cannery was built in Kasaan and operated off and on until 1953. A two-thirds-mile walk on a forest trail leads to Kasaan Totem Historic District and Chief Son-i-Hat Whale House. The Whale House, or Naay I’waans (“The Great House”), built around 1880, is the only traditional Haida longhouse standing in the U.S. In the 1930s, totems from the old village were moved to the totem park. Between 1936 and 1940, CCC carvers restored the longhouse. Visitors may enjoy the remote setting but should remain mindful of the sacredness of the site. Kavilco Inc. and the Organized Village of Kasaan (OVK) joined to restore Naay I’waans and re-dedicated the site in 2016. Guided tours are available by calling OVK at 907-542-2230. Kavilco Inc. and OVK have an exclusive agreement for tours. The Organized Village of Kasaan offers lodging by reservation; call 907-617-9121 or 907-542-2230. The Discovery Cabins have two-bedroom cabins that sleep as many as six. Kasaan sells fuel on a limited basis; call 907-542-2212 for scheduled times. Espresso drinks and food are available at the Totem Trail Cafe. For the safety of our residents, visitors are asked not to shoot firearms within the city limits—a large area around the main town site.

Klawock is on the central western shore of Prince of Wales Island and is the “Crossroads” of the island. Paved Scenic Byways intersect here, leading south to Craig; east to Hollis and the ferry terminal; and north to communities on the north half of the Island. Many services are available. Klawock lays claim to two distinctions: the largest employee-owned sawmill and only airport runway on the Island. Klawock also has a deepwater port for loading large ships. The townsite was a summer fishing camp until Tlingit chief Kloo-wah permanently moved his clan here from a village in Moira Sound. Klawock is known historically as the site of the first salmon cannery in Alaska. Klawock is a significant center of Tlingit culture, with an annual celebration of Elizabeth Peratrovich’s civil rights work for Alaska Natives.

The totem park has 21 poles masterfully carved replicas of poles that stood in Tuxekan, the original winter village of the Heenya Kwaan people. Recently raised new totem poles in the traditional manner have prompted grand celebrations. A heritage center with a longhouse and carving shed are near the edge of town. Visitors are welcome to see carving activity and visit with carvers.

Naukati Bay, on the northwestern shore, began as a logging camp in 1972 and remains unincorporated. Alaska Natives first camped here and called the bay Naukatee. It is the gateway to Sea Otter Sound, which is rich in marine life and wildlife. In 2014 the community finished its grant-funded state dock and in 2017 the road was paved all the way to the marina, which makes Naukati Bay the newest premier destination for visitors from all over the island. Naukati Bay, a non-profit community, is managed by a volunteer board of directors and is organized as a 501(c)(4) social welfare organization, Naukati Bay Inc. (NBI). NBI is responsible for providing emergency services (Fire/EMS, managing a public dock (moorage and boat launch), and maintaining the road system past the pavement. Since 2004, NBI has operated the Naukati Bay Shellfish Nursery, which provides spat (15-25mm oysters) to local oyster farmers who grow them to marketable size (3 inches and bigger) and sell them wholesale and direct to consumers across the country. The community offers two picnic areas (Steam Donkey near the Marina; Community Beach past the store); a convenience store and gas station; short-term RV parking (no services); rental cabins; fishing and hunting lodges; non-denominational church (Naukati Bay Community Church); public school (Southeast Island School District); and friendly residents who welcome visitors. Our annual events include: Memorial Day BBQ & Singspiration; 4th of July Parade; Potluck and Skunk Cabbage Festival; Community Rummage Sale; Labor Day BBQ & Singspiration; and the Ladies Christmas Ornament Exchange. Men’s Breakfast is on the first Saturday of every month, and every Thursday is Soup Night; both are open to the public!
THORNE BAY

Founded 1930s | Unincorporated | Population est. 35
Community Association 907-559-2204

Thorne Bay is on the northern tip of Prince of Wales Island in a protected harbor that opens onto Sumner Strait. The community is accessible only by boat or floatplane. Since being settled in the early 1900s, the community has prospered through the fishing industry, by great fishing for Alaskan salmon and halibut, and for opportunities to observe humpback whales.

The first store and post office opened by 1941. Today a 440-foot state float is the “floating downtown” and includes a floatplane dock; store; cafe; saloon; fuel sales; laundry and shower; community building; post office; and volunteer fire department.

PORT PROTECTION

Founded 1949 | Unincorporated | Population est. 63

Port Protection is nestled in a quiet cove three miles south of the northern tip of the west side of Prince of Wales Island. Access is by boat or floatplane. A gravel boat launch at Labouchere Bay, a little more than a mile from the community, provides access to the road system.

In the early 1900s, Wooden Wheel Johnson gave the cove its name. A trading post established in 1946 ran for a quarter of a century, growing into a warehouse, rental cabins, dock facilities and fuel sales. The permanent community of Port Protection was established in 1981 through the state’s land disposal program.

THORNE BAY

Founded 1961 | Incorporated 1982 | Population 510
City Hall 907-828-3380 | www.thornebay-ak.gov

Thorne Bay is on the eastern shore of Prince of Wales Island. It rests on gentle hills overlooking its namesake bay, where Alaska Natives hunted and fished for centuries.

Ketchikan Pulp Co. brought a floating logging camp to shore from Hollis in 1961, when timber was the leading sector of the island’s economy. The “new economy” boasts a number of visitor services. K-12 schools provide education. The U.S. Forest Service ranger district and the field office for Southeast Road Builders provide employment. Thorne Bay is linked to the rest of the Island by state Scenic Byways. Thorne Bay can also be accessed via floatplane services and private boats.

Visitors find a unique welcome sign plaza housed in “The Boat House” — the world’s largest log-handling grapple. Thorne Bay was home for the world’s largest logging camps in the 1960s. In 1982, a State of Alaska land sale program gave residents the opportunity to incorporate their city. Fishing, beachcombing, clamming and hiking are close by in the bay and up Thorne River. Thorne Bay is also the access point for the popular U.S.F.S. Eagles Nest Campground and Balls Lake and Sandy Beach picnic areas. An archeologically significant 5,360-year-old spruce root basket — “The Thorne River Basket” — was found in the estuary of the Thorne River in 1998 and is preserved in the Alaska State Museum in Juneau.

WHALE PASS

Founded 1950s | Second-class city incorporated 2017 | Population est. 98
City 907-846-5222 | Harbormaster 907-846-5308

Whale Pass is on the northeast side of Prince of Wales Island, north of Coffman Cove. The town sits on a bay in Whale Passage, named by a Navy commander in the 1880s. Orcas and humpback whales are commonly seen in the pass, a nearly 10-mile-long strait between Thorne Island and Prince of Wales Island. The area has been the site of logging camps since 1964. In the early 1980s, the last camp moved out and the area was permanently settled through land disposal sales. The road system reached town in the early 1980s.

Recreational options are numerous. Neck Lake offers beautiful vistas. The shore road is a scenic wonder. Cavern Lake near town drains into a cave and reappears hundreds of feet away in stairstep waterfalls. Twin Island Lake provides a handsome mountain setting and good trout fishing. Exchange Cove offers beach camping. Beaver Falls Karst Trail is handicap-accessible and offers a wonderful overview of karst systems. The U.S. Forest Service provides summertime tours of nearby El Capitan Cave.

Commercial fishing is the principal industry; gillnetters and trollers homeport here. Local artists produce drawings, paintings and carvings of wooden boxes and writing. Full-service and self-service lodging is available nearby. A boardwalk in the forest provides charming access to residents’ homes. Most services are seasonal in Port Protection. Call Wooden Wheel Cove Trading Post for updated information: 907-489-2222.

For remarkable photographic and narrative perspectives on this community and the area, see an island resident’s blog at www.alaskafloatsmyboat.com.
ACCOMMODATIONS

**A Place To Stay**
Klawock / 907-755-2609 / cell 907-209-1247 / aptalaskastay@aptalaska.net
Cabin rentals available April through September. Accommodations for one to six persons. Crossroad location for the Island. Fresh and saltwater fishing nearby. Black bear and Sitka deer hunting available. See ad on page 25

**Adventure Alaska Southeast, LLC**
Thorne Bay / 907-828-3907 / 877-499-3474 / info@fishorhunt.com / www.fishorhunt.com
Packages including: cottages, boats, vehicles, saltwater charters, or guided stream fishing. Our facilities include tackle store, hot tubs, freezers, canoes, laundry, and more. Serving POW for over 20 years.

**Aimee’s Cabin Rentals**
Craig / 907-826-4770 / cell 907-401-0877 / aimeecabinrentals@gmail.com / www.craigalaskacabins.com
4 cabins to choose from. Quaint, cozy, quiet & well-appointed, full-kitchens, private decks, premium satellite TV & Wi-Fi. Catering to business professionals and vacationers alike. Downtown Craig. Nightly starting at $129-5195. Open year-round.

**Alaska–P.O.W. Lodging**
Klawock / cell 907-308-4035 / 907-401-3068 / stewardbob@hotmail.com / www.changingtidesinn.com
Oceanfront lodging. One or two-bedroom units with living room. Fully equipped kitchen, washer/dryer, satellite TV, wireless Internet, freezer, and BBQ grill. Five miles from Klawock. See ad on page 43

**Coffman Cove Adventures**
Coffman Cove / 907-329-2043 / 907-351-2978 / info@coffmancoveak.com / www.coffmancoveak.com
Coffman Cove Adventures offers full-service guided packages for fishing, hunting and sightseeing. Weeklong rates include accommodations, meals, vehicle and boat rentals.

**Coffman Cove Lodging**
Coffman Cove Lodging offers you accommodations, home-cooked meals along with 16’ Lunds, and 20’ & 22’ Hewescrafts, and jetcraft for rent. Private rooms available. Call or email for an Alaskan adventure that suits your needs!

**Discovery Cabins**
Kasaan / 907-542-2230 / ovk@kasaan.org / www.kasaan.org
Beautiful rustic two bedroom cabins with kitchen and a view that overlooks the ocean. Hideaway allows 6 people per cabin. The perfect place for a quiet getaway!

**Dreamcatcher Inn & Charters**
Craig / 907-826-3672 / cell 907-965-2720 / dreambb@aptalaska.net / www.dreamcatcherbedandbreakfast.com
Luxury waterfront lodging in Craig, Alaska. Enjoy one of our three guestrooms all with private baths, phone, DireCtv, Wi-Fi, and homemade buffet-style breakfast. Charter packages available, open year-round. See ad on page 17

**Fireweed Lodge**
The only full-service fishing resort. 10 boats, kayaks, recreational facilities, spa and fitness rooms. See ad on page 32

**Gilmore Hotel**
Ketchikan / cell 907-755-2932 / 800-275-9423 / cell 907-225-9423 / info@gilmorehotel.com / www.gilmorehotel.com
Built in 1927, our Ketchikan, Alaska, hotel offers 34 comfortably furnished nonsmoking rooms with commanding views of the state’s busiest waterfront.

**Great Blue Heron Inn at Southcove**
Craig / 907-826-3600 / greatblueheron@aptalaska.com / www.greatblueheroninn.com
Centrally located. Quaint, cozy, clean. Well-decorated rooms, each with private bath, kitchenette, TV, wireless Internet. Queen-size, single room, or full-4-bedroom lodge available. See ad on page 43

**JS Development**
Craig / 907-401-0071 / james.sley@comcast.net / Storage Units, secured parking, furnished room and suite rentals, apartment.

**KingFisher Charters & Lodge**
Craig / 907-826-3350 / fax 907-826-3350 / cell 202-244-2112 / rico@aptalaska.net / www.alaskakingfisherlodge.com
Full-service fishing lodge, family-run. Three-day packages starting at $3,200 include round trip airfare from Ketchikan International Airport to Craig. 32-foot walk-around boats. See ad on page 50

**Klawock River Inn**
Klawock / cell 907-401-3366 / klwriverinn@gmail.com / www.klawockriverinn.com
Klawock River Inn is centrally located, or as we like to say, ‘Where all main roads meet!’ So, you will be well-situated to venture out on our wonderful island.

**Klawock River Park, LLC**
Klawock / 907-755-2375 / cell 907-401-0376 / belle@aptalaska.net
Furnished apartment available. RV spaces for rent. See ad on page 24

**Land, Sea, & Tree B&B**
Thorne Bay / 907-401-3809 / mikeloin5@gmail.com
Waterfront log cabin with full kitchen & bathroom including DireCtv & log bunkhouse both with BBqs and Kayaks included: self-guided skiff rentals and car rental available.

**The Landing Hotel**
Ketchikan / 907-225-5166 / fax 907-225-6900 / info@landinghotel.com / www.landlnghotel.com
Across from Alaska Marine & IFA ferry terminal and airport. Large rooms and suites, complimentary high-speed Internet, courtesy van, exercise room, two restaurants, guest laundry, business center, and meeting rooms. See ad on page 47

**Ocean Bluebird B&B**
Craig / 907-826-3672 / cell 907-350-1559 / pierce@aptalaska.net / www.oceanbluebirdb.com
Comfy non-smoking apartment rental for nightly or extended visits. One block from the beach, public pool/ weight room facilities, and center town mini mall. Can sleep one to four people. Pets okay with deposit. See ad on page 18

**Ruth Ann’s Hotel**
Craig / hotel 907-826-3378 / 907-826-3292 / fax 907-826-3293 / ruthannhotel@yahoo.com
Established in 1976. All hotel rooms include fridge, coffeeemaker, microwave, shower/tub. See ad on page 9

**Salt Chuck Lodging**

**South Haven Guest House**
Thorne Bay / 907-828-3471 / southhavenguesthouse@yahoo.com / www.southhavenguesthouse.com
Best view on the bay. Private waterfront two-bedroom, furnished guest house with woodstove and Satellite Internet & TV. Includes skiff, vehicle, and ocean rods for your self-guided Southeast experience. Also listed in Lodges and Resorts. See ad on page 48

**Southeast Alaska Getaway**
Hollis, Craig / cell 917-807-1088 / southeastalaskagateway@yahoo.com / www.seakgetaway.com
Now offering NEW lodging options for 2022. Hollis cabin has 2-bedrooms, sleeps 5. All three Craig apartments are fully furnished including WiFi, D/W, linen/ towels; pots/pans, and dishes. Apt A has 2-bedrooms, sleeps 5; Apt B has 1-bedroom, sleeps 4; Apt C has 1-bedroom, sleeps 2.

**Stryker Bay Adventures, LLC**
Klawock / 541-790-9400 / weaversbo@gmail.com
Our Home, Your Adventures. Launch from Beautiful Klawock. Fishing, whale watching, hunting, self-guided ecotours. Skiff and paddlercraft rentals, rustic cabins, dock & shoreline. See ad on page 2

**Sunnahae Hotel & Cabins**
Craig / 907-826-2587 / hotelmanager@sunnahae.com / www.sunnahaehotel.com
Our goal is to provide you with a positive, memorable experience while making you feel at home away from home. You can expect a clean and comfortable environment.

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Craig / 907-826-2298 / kelseybeakley@gmail.com / www.waterstreetapartmentsllc.com
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ADVENTURE TOURS

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Emerald Island Adventures Craig / 907-321-5772 / emeraldislandak@gmail.com / www.emeraldislandadventures.com Emerald Island Adventures provides custom, affordable, private boat tours out of Craig. Join us for a chance to see whales, sea otters, seals, bird, other marine mammals, and spectacular scenery. Birdwatching, nature photography, and remote transports are also available. See ad on page 25

Island Charters Craig / 907-826-3856 / 907-801-0790 / peavey@aptalaska.net Come enjoy a day with Alaska naturalist, salmon cannon historian and member of Alaska Historical Society and whale watching enthusiast Kathy Peavey on her 22-foot, heated Hewescraft Ocean Pro. Video & film crews welcome! Photograph and explore! Lunch provided. USCG licensed. Drop-offs to pickups to fishing boats, remote camps, and lodges available. Whales, whales, whales!

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AIR SERVICES

Alaska Seaplanes Juneau / 907-755-2200 / klawock@aptalaska.com / info@flyingalaskaseaplanes.com Based in Juneau, Alaska Seaplanes is the premier commuter airline of Southeast Alaska, providing direct scheduled service from Klawock to Sitka and Juneau with convenient connections to Northern Southeast Alaska. Flying at a Higher Standard.

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CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE / VISITORS BUREAUS

Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Anchorage / 907-272-2401 / fax 907-272-4177 / info@anchoragetchamber.com / www.anchoragetchamber.com The Anchorage Chamber of Commerce works to advance a successful business climate by attending to the civic, economic, and cultural betterment of our community through advocacy, connectivity, and education. President Bruce Bustamante.

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Denali Chamber of Commerce Healy / 907-683-4636 / www.denaliclub.com / info@denaliclub.com Use the web site to contact virtually every business in the Denali area that is involved in tourism. Please look through our member list for information on merchants, services, and organizations.

Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce Ketchikan / 907-225-3184 / info@ketchickanchamber.com / www.ketchickanchamber.com Advocate for local businesses and industry in the Ketchikan area.

Greater Palmer Chamber of Commerce Palmer / 907-745-2880 / fax 907-746-4164 / director@palmerchamber.org / www.palmerchamber.org Offers businesses a wide range of opportunities to promote business. Offers programs for networking to make new contacts and make a difference in the community.

Greater Sitka Chamber of Commerce Sitka / 907-747-8604 / ed@sitkachamber.com / www.sitkachamber.com The Greater Sitka Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary organization of Sitka businesses and community leaders who promote, support, and facilitate commerce and economic growth in the community.

Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce Wasilla / 907-376-1299 / contact@wasillachamber.org / www.wasillachamber.org Haines Chamber of Commerce Haines / 907-766-2292 / fax 907-766-2271 / chamber@haineschamber.org / www.haineschamber.org Promotes economic growth that contributes to the local quality of life by advocacy, cooperative programs that provide necessary resources, and educating the community on the importance of a sustainable economy.

Juneau Chamber of Commerce Juneau / 907-463-3488 / fax 907-463-3489 / info@juneauchamber.com / www.juneauchamber.com The Juneau Chamber of Commerce supports economic diversity, encourages entrepreneurship, and endorses responsible, sustainable development to maintain Juneau’s high quality of life while advocating economic vitality for all of Alaska.


Petersburg Chamber of Commerce Petersburg / 907-772-4636 / fax 907-772-2453 / pcc@alaskan.com / www.petersburg.org Serves the business community of Petersburg through communication, networking, and education of our members.

Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce Klawock / 907-735-2626 / fax 907-735-2627 / info@princeofwalescoc.org / www.princeofwalescoc.org Call for a Prince of Wales Island Visitor Guide; USFS road map; the Inside Passage map; relocation packets with brochures from our members. Contact us for more information about beautiful and friendly Prince of Wales Island!

Prince Rupert & District Chamber of Commerce Prince Rupert, B.C. / 250-624-2296 / fax 250-622-2334 / manager@princerupertchamber.ca / www.princerupertchamber.ca Our mission is to lead the business community in building a diverse, competitive and sustainable economy that enhances our quality of life.

Seldovia Chamber of Commerce Seldovia / 907-234-7612 / president@seldoviachamber.org / www.seldoviachamber.org ‘You Otter Be Here!’

Skagway Chamber of Commerce Skagway, AK / 907-983-1898 / fax 907-983-2031 / chamber@aptalaska.net / www.skagwaychamber.org

Soldotna Chamber of Commerce Soldotna / 907-262-9814 / fax 907-262-1337 / chamber@soldotnahq.com / www.soldotnahq.com Soldotna Visitor Center offers Soldotna Logo Wear & branded merchandise, wildlife exhibits, and free parking to access RiverWalk for fishing and the Centennial Trail. Home of the world-record King Salmon! Free Recreation Guides available upon request.

Wrangell Chamber of Commerce Wrangell, AK / 907-874-3901 / fax 907-874-3905 / wrangellchamber@gmail.com / www.wrangellchamber.org We encourage the growth of existing business activities while giving all proper assistance to any new firms or individuals seeking residence in Wrangell and its environs.

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CHARTERS / GUIDES / OUTFITTERS

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Alaskan Dreams Fishing & Hunting Lodge  Nakakni/541-316-5077 / akdreams2015@gmail.com Charter fishing on 32-foot catamaran with head and heat; 3-day to 5-day packages. Lodge has three bedrooms with private baths, double occupancy.

Anderson Lodge Alaska / Tackle Shack  Thorne Bay / 907-419-0957 / andersonlodgealaska@gmail.com / www.andersonlodgealaska.com Experience Alaska with a personal touch! All-inclusive Charter & Self-guided packages for every season in our newly remodeled lodge in Thorne Bay. Call for details and custom packages. See ad on page 39

Catch-a-King Charters, Inc  Craig / 907-826-2938 / cell 907-401-0189 / fax 907-826-2937 /catchaking1@aptaalaska.net / www.catchingkings.com Fishing charters for salmon, halibut, bottom fish from May through September. Lodging for up to thirty guests. Twenty years in business with very experienced and friendly guides.

Dreamcatcher Inn & Charters  Craig / 907-826-2228 / cell 907-965-2720 / dreammb@aptaalaska.net / www.dreamcatcherbedandbreakfast.com Luxury waterfront lodging in Craig, Alaska. Enjoy one of our three guestrooms all with private baths, phone, DirectTV, Wi-Fi, and homemade buffet style breakfast. Charter packages available, open year-round. See ad on page 11

Eagles Wings Wilderness Lodge  Wadleigh / 800-907-7211 / cell 907-821-0033 / eagleswingstravel@gmail.com / www.eagleswingstravel.com Our inclusive package includes: 5 nights lodging, 3 meals/day, 3 days guided saltwater fishing plus a 4th day of self-guided salt or freshwater fishing (or a variety of other choices). We filet, vacuum seal, freeze, and box your catch for your trip home. Beautiful, remote, authentic lodge on west side of Wadleigh Island. See ad on page 27

Emerald Island Adventures  Craig / 907-321-5772 / emeraldislandak@gmail.com / www.emeraldislandadventures.com Emerald Island Adventures provides custom, affordable, private boat tours out of Craig. Join us for a chance to see whales, sea otters, seals, sea birds, other marine mammals, and spectacular scenery. Birdwatching, nature photography, and remote transports are also available. See ad on page 25

Fireweed Lodge  Klawock / 907-755-2930 / cell 206-910-7702 / fax 907-755-2936 / fireweed@oal.com / www.fireweedlodge.com The only full-service fishing resort. 10 boats, kayaks, recreational facilities, spa and fitness room. See ad on page 32

Hooked On Alaska Charters  Craig / 907-401-4665 / HookedOnAlaska@outlook.com / www.hooked-on-alaskacharters.com LET THE FUN BEGIN! From world-class fishing to picturesque scenery and wildlife, there is something for everyone to enjoy. We accommodate up to 10 people, day/multi-days, all inclusive. See ad on page 25

Island Charters  Craig / 907-826-3856 / 907-401-0790 / peavoy@aptaalaska.net Come enjoy a day with Alaska naturalist, salmon cannery historian and member of Alaska Historical Society and whale watching enthusiast Kathy Peavoy on her 22-foot, heated HeuvesCraft Ocean Pro. Video & film crews welcome! Photograph and explore! Lunch provided. U.S.G.S. licensed. Drop-offs and pickups to fishing boats, remote cabins, and lodges available. Whales, whales, whales!


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Prince of Wales Excursion Outfitter, LLC  Klawock / 907-401-0909 / powexcursionoutfitter@gmail.com / Katie@powoutfitter.com POW Excursion Outfitter is a full-service outfitter, guide, charter operator, and transportation.

Silverthorn Charters, Inc  Thorne Bay / 208-484-6977 / silverthorncharters@gmail.com / www.silverthornfishing.com Quality charters in beautiful Thorne Bay, Alaska. Book today for the experience of a lifetime fishing for halibut, salmon, ling cod, and/or shrimping, crabbing, whale watching. GAF permits available. See ad on page 45

CHURCHES / CLUBS

American Legion POW Post 26  Craig / 907-209-1300 / We support Island veterans, patriotism, youth outreach. We are a mobile post, able to travel to your community, if invited. We meet the second Thursday of each month, 10 a.m.

Catholic Parish of Saint John by the Sea  Klawock / 907-755-2345 / saintjohnbythesea@aol.com / https://facebook.com/SJOHNKlawock Call, write, or check the Web site for the current Mass schedule in Klawock and other towns. The Church in Klawock is open most days; drop by for prayer and contemplation.

Craig A.N.S. Camp #19  Craig / 907-401-0461 / millie.schoonnover@yahoo.com / Facebook: Alaska Native Sisterhood Camp 19

Craig Country Line Dancers  Craig / 907-965-2344 / msizzle@hotmail.com FREE line dancing lessons. Small group fun exercise, two nights a week. Call for meeting location in Craig. Beginners welcome anytime. Lots of music variety. Like us on Facebook.

First Presbyterian Church of Craig and Klawock  Craig / 907-826-3288 Join us for Worship. Come as you are, stay for lunch. Sunday Worship 10am Sunday School 10:15am, after children’s time (Sept – May). Located 2nd and Spruce Streets.

Holliis Community Church  Holliis / 907-530-7038 / ecomoarklars@gmail.com Camp facility includes: cabins, bathhouse, conference room, Chapel, classrooms, kitchen, trails, and more. Church gatherings: for worship/fellowship Sunday am/pm. Bible studies during week, call or email for times.

Liberty Church  Craig / 907-826-2185 / Pastor/liberty@outlook.com / Facebook.com/powbaptist Join us for our friendly, casual, Bible-based worship and teaching. Sunday School 9:45am Worship Service 11:00am (right across from Craig Aquatic Center). Visit us on Facebook. See ad on page 43

Naukati Community Church  Nakakni / 907-629-4124 / smmccord@gmail.com

New Hope Baptist Church  Craig / 907-826-2526 / pastoreryanania@gmail.com / nhbc Craig @com Preaching Christ as our only H.O.G.E. Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:10am, Worship Service at 11am and 6pm, Wednesday at 6:30pm, Friday Youth Group at 6:30pm. Children’s Playgroup, Thursdays. See ad on page 45


Prince of Peace Assembly of God Church  Klawock / cell 907-617-5886 / pastorbobgerts@gmail.com / www.klawockpop.org Sunday School 9:30am Worship service 10:30am. Home fellowship groups, at various times & places during the week for men and women. Call for information. Join us and experience the love of God and His people. See ad on page 18

Prince of Wales Island Lions Club  Thorne Bay / 219-781-1825 / powlionsclub@yahoo.com

Prince of Wales Little League  Craig / 907-219-7754 / info@powlittleleague.org /facebook.com/Little League POWL is operated by volunteers. Players 4-16 are welcome to participate. Registration opens Feb 15-April 2nd. Season begins in April and continues into June.

Prince of Wales Runners/Walkers Club  Craig / 907-738-5700 / info@powmarathon.org / www.powmarathon.org Sponsoring organization for the 22nd Annual POW Island Marathon and 10th annual Half Marathon on May 27, 2023. Also sponsors other fun runs throughout the year promoting a healthy lifestyle.

Prince of Wales Shooting Club  Craig / powshootingclub@gmail.com / Mile Post 8, Port Nicholas Road / www.powshooters.com POWSC Range at Port Saint Nicholas is open to members every day and to the public for special events. Please check the club calendar at powshooters.com for information.

Prince of Wales VFW  Craig / jantrojanvfw@gmail.com / www.facebook.com / Prince-of-Wales-VFW-692091701868277/ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12151 meets the second Tuesday at 11 a.m. We will take a road trip to any community that wants us and provides a meeting place.

Trails maintained by the U.S. Forest Service, some with boardwalk, offer comfortable access to lush forest.

Full-service fishing lodge, family-run. Three-day packages starting at $3,200 include round-trip airfare from Ketchikan International Airport to Craig. 32-foot walk around boats. See ad on page 50
CHURCHES / CLUBS
Quilters by the Sea Klawock / 907-401-1067 A gathering of quilters to promote quilting and goodwill with an emphasis on contributions to those in need. Monthly meetings. Call/text for more information.

The Salvation Army Klawock / 907-755-2769 / fax 907-755-2768 / joseph.murray@uss.salvationarmy.org Join us for Sunday services! Sunday school 9:45am Worship Service 11am. Visitors aren’t just welcome, they are expected! Emergency assistance and commodities when available. Hours 10:00am - 2:00pm, Tuesday - Thursday.

Whale Pass Bible Church Whale Pass / 907-846-5464 / whalepasschurch@gmail.com Sunday school for adults and children at 10:00am. Service @ 11:00am. We are a Bible teaching church. Everyone is welcome!

CONSTRUCTION / CONTRACTORS
B-3 Contractors, Inc. Klawock / 907-755-2375 / 907-401-0376 / fax 907-755-2361 / b3com@aptnalaska.net / belle@aptnalaska.net General contracting, site development, retaining walls, driveways, utility installations, pre-engineered metal buildings, hauling, excavation. Forty-eight years’ experience and high-quality service building Alaskan excellence.

Island Tile & Marble Ketchikan / 907-225-5444 / info@islandtileandmarble.com Interior products for new construction, remodel, and commercial. Flooring, countertops, window coverings, tile. Retail sales and installation. See ad on page 11

Mike Hamme’s Quality Carpentry, LLC Craig / 907-826-5038 / fax 907-826-5687 / cell 907-401-0351 / mihamme@hotmail.com General carpentry: concrete, framing, roofing, siding, windows, trim, interior packages. Island-wide.

Mountain Remodel & Repair, LLC Craig / 907-821-3721 / 406-697-6825 / noah@mountainremodelandrepair.com We specialize in carpentry, painting and staining, as well as various handyman jobs. We are licensed, bonded, and insured. We are a small business looking to serve our community.

Ocean Air Contracting Coffman Cove / 907-821-3855 / oceanairak@gmail.com Ocean Air Contracting is a heating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and ventilation company specializing in ductless heat pumps which are much less to operate than other methods. Please, give us a call. See ad on page 39


Southeast Stevedoring Corp. Ketchikan / 907-225-6157 / fax 907-225-8254 Southeast Stevedoring Corp. is a marine service business handling cargo and cruise vessels in the region.

Stillier’s Rock Trucking Craig / 907-401-3158 Specialty Contractor offers all phases of site development; land clearing, driveway construction; house pad; drainage; retaining wall; utility installations. Rock hauling and excavation.

Thermal Supply Inc Idaho / 253-926-1807 / tnnanamacher@thermalsupply.com Northwest HVAC, Commercial Refrigeration & Plumbing Engineering & Wholesale. See ad on page 15


FINANCIAL SERVICES / INSURANCE
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First Bank Craig / 907-826-3254 / fax 907-826-3910 / lynnettelogan@firstbankak.com / www.firstbankak.com Full-service community bank offering checking, savings, and time deposit accounts; consumer, commercial, construction and home loans; and online banking services. Two ATM locations on Prince of Wales Island. See ad on page 39

Jay M Johnson, LLC CPA Ketchikan / 907-220-9970 / jayjohnson@ketchikanpa.com / www.ketchikanpa.com

Milner, Howard Palmer & Edwards CPAs (PC) Ketchikan / 907-225-1040 / smilner@1953.tax CPA firm providing advisory, financial statements, and tax services.

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Organized Village of Kasaan
Kasaan / 907-542-2320 / fax 888-380-4480 / avk@kasaan.org / www.kasaan.org
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Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council (POWCAC)
www.powcac.org
POWCAC, established in 1989, is a membership organization made up of the communities, tribes, and Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce. POWCAC promotes the resolution of issues important to the residents of Prince of Wales Island. The Prince of Wales Community Advisory Council is a non-profit member.

Prince of Wales Vocational and Technical Education Center
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Workshops and classes. Meeting space with business amenities available for rent-up to 4 hours $100 / up to 8 hours $200. Tech lab / high-speed Internet. Construction & Welding Shops.

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Southeast Conference
Juneau / 907-463-5670 / info@seastorage.org / www.seastorage.org
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Our motto is Progress Through Unity and that principle keeps us focused on the economic, cultural and educational features that we all share. Although our island is a unique melting pot of indigenous peoples, loggers, kayakers, pilots, fishermen, artists, lodge owners, builders, forest rangers and a hundred other types, we agree on a few key things. They’re in our mission statement.

The Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce works to promote commerce on the island by advocating for economic vitality, a healthy quality of life and wise resource development that benefits all residents and communities.

Beyond networking and providing information through our office, the chamber participates in many events to promote commerce and enhance quality of life. Our major outreach to communities and to the world at large is this annual island guide. The publication, in printed and online forms, is aimed primarily at visitors and residents, but it appeals to investors, relocators and second-homers as well.

The chamber’s Adopt-A-Marathon Mile cleanup in May goes along with co-sponsorship of the Prince of Wales Marathon. We also support youth by funding annual scholarships for high school graduates.

The chamber is a nonprofit 501(c) 6 organization governed by a nine-person board of directors. Our goal is to have members representing as many communities island-wide as we can. The Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce is funded by advertising in the guide and by members’ dues. Annual scholarships are funded by the generous underwriting of members and other benefactors.

To find out more and to get involved, see the contact information on page 4 of this island guide.
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