
GWAII HAANAS

NATIONAL PARK RESERVE AND HAIDA HERITAGE SITE

LICENSED OPERATORS

Licensed operators offer a variety of expeditions, tours and transportation options. Excursions range from flight seeing and day trips by motor boat to multi-day sea kayak or sailing expeditions.

Only operators who are licensed by Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve and Haida Heritage Site may operate within Gwaii Haanas. Below is a list of all tour operators that have an allocation to operate in Gwaii Haanas. These businesses may or may not be intending to operate in Gwaii Haanas in 2010.

Check our website (www.pc.gc.ca/gwaiihaanas) for updated information on licensing status of these operators.

The Gwaii Haanas business licensing process ensures that minimum safety standards are met for all businesses that operate in Gwaii Haanas. However, Gwaii Haanas does not evaluate guides on the extent of local knowledge, and service standards vary from business to business. You are encouraged to discuss your service expectations with your prospective transportation or tour company prior to confirming your trip plans. If you have any questions as to whether a business is authorized to conduct trips in Gwaii Haanas, please contact Backcountry Management Coordinator Anna Maria Husband at 250-559-6322 or annamaria.husband@pc.gc.ca.

NOTE: the service descriptions below are provided by the operators.

Anvil Cove Charters

Discover the natural and cultural wonders of Gwaii Haanas with Island residents, Keith and Barb Rowsell. We feature adventure and “kayak mothership” tours of the Haida cultural sites, wildlife and coastal rainforest. Enjoy it all from the comfort and security of 53’ schooner, *Anvil Cove* or aboard traditional wooden ketch, *Pireaus*.

Keith and Barb Rowsell

Mail: Anvil Cove Charters, Box 454, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Phone and Fax: (250) 559-8207

Email: info@queencharlottekayaking.com

Website: www.queencharlottekayaking.com

Archipelago Ventures Ltd.

Nourish the body, mind, and spirit with a six day wilderness adventure aboard the *Island Bay* – a 42' motor vessel, fully licensed and equipped for touring and mothership kayaking. Our trips focus on both learning and fun! Experience spectacular old growth forests, riparian ecosystems, Haida cultural heritage wildlife viewing, natural hot springs and fabulous kayaking.

Mail: 5-3871 River Road West, Delta, BC V4K 3N2

Phone: (604) 940-6309 Toll Free: 1-888-559-8317

Email: info@TourHaidaGwaii.com

Website: www.TourHaidaGwaii.com

Bluewater Adventures

Educational wildlife and cultural sailing tours. Join expert leaders, educators, and guides—marine biologists, anthropologists, ornithologists, whale researchers—traveling with the group, in addition to the ship's crew. The beautiful 70' sailing vessel, *Island Roamer*, provides 8 private cabins (double occupancy), extensive library, double kayaks, and zodiacs for frequent shore excursions.

Mail: #3-252 East First Street, North Vancouver, BC V7L 1B3

Phone: (604) 980-3800 Toll Free: 1-888-877-1770 Fax: (604) 980-1800

Email: explore@bluewateradventures.ca

Website: www.bluewateradventures.ca

Butterfly Tours - Sea Kayak Haida Gwaii

Expertly guided wilderness sea kayak tours and mothership cruises. Journey to the ancient Haida village of SGang Gwaay Llnagaay (Ninstints). Specializing in single kayaks—our group size is six guests. Owner and guide, Gord Pincock, has kayaked throughout Gwaii Haanas since 1981; his guiding experience and safety record are unsurpassed.

Mail: #303-5855 Cowrie Street, Sechelt, BC V0N 3A3

Phone: (604) 740-7018 Toll Free: 1-866-568-3770

Email: kayak@butterflytours.bc.ca

Website: www.butterflytours.bc.ca

Duen Sailing Adventures

Presents exceptional educational wilderness opportunities to experience the Spirit of Haida Gwaii. Unforgettable Wildlife and Cultural expeditions with expert naturalist and crew since 1986. The classic 72' ketch *Duen* provides safety, pleasure and comfort. Four private double cabins. Viewing pilothouse. Frequent excursions exploring wide open places with you in mind.

Michael and Manon Hobbis

Mail: P.O. Box 398, Brentwood Bay, BC V8M 1R3

Phone: 1-888-922-8822 Fax: (250) 652-8206

Email: explore@thenaturalcoast.com

Website: www.thenaturalcoast.com

Ecosummer Expeditions

Since 1976, a specialist in educational and challenging, yet safe, coastal explorations. We're proud of having introduced hundreds of small groups to Canada's Galapagos by sea kayak. We invite you to come with us on our 10 or 17 day trips where you will learn about the fascinating native and natural heritage of this truly unique archipelago.

Mail: Box 177, RR #1, Clearwater, BC V0E 1N0

Phone: (250) 674-0102 Toll Free: 1-800-465-8884 Fax: (250) 674-2197

Email: trips@ecosummer.com

Website: www.ecosummer.com

Gnoses

Participatory sailing on 40' auxilliary ketch through the Gwaii Haanas archipelago. Bunks aboard. Camping ashore. Shoreline explorations/hiking/kayaking. Customized youth programs. Skipper has considerable experience as a teacher in alternative schooling and outdoors education, and enjoys it. *Gnoses* is not luxurious, but is skipper's home. Emphasis on enthusiasm for outdoors.

Ralph Nelson

Mail: Box 371, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Website: www.island.net/~ralphn

Green Coast Kayaking Ltd.

Leaders in inclusionary and educational kayak tours. Paddlers take part in meal preparation and daily route planning. Local owner and guide, Jo Hager, has led tours in Gwaii Haanas since 2000. Six single and two double kayaks. Paddle 4 - 6 hours most days. 8-day trips from CDN \$1575 - \$1622.25.

Jo Hager

Mail: Box 670, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Phone: (250) 559-4682 Fax: (250) 559-8643

Email: paddle@gckayaking.com

Website: www.gckayaking.com

Gwaii Haanas Guest House and Kayaks

Rustic and comfortable accommodation and meals in Rose Harbour. Accessibility: boat, floatplane. Electricity and hot water using quiet alternative energy. Rigid hull inflatable speedboat excursions focusing on cultural and natural heritage to ancient totem poles @ Ninstints (SGang Gwaay Lnagaay), bird colonies, sea lion rookeries, remote beaches, giant trees, Hot spring. Beachcombing, hiking. Local guide/owner. Sea kayak rental. English! French!

Patrick Lemaire

Mail: Box 578, Rose Harbour, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Phone: (250) 559-8689 (answering machine)

Radiophone: Contact your local telephone operator. Request a TELUS operator, British Columbia.Canada

Ask for Campbell River Radiophone Operator. Call Sign: St-Patrick.

Selective Signal Number: N-159009 Channel: Channel 628, Cape St. James 24

Email: mailbox2009@gwaiihaanas.com Website: www.gwaiihaanas.com

Haida Expeditions Ltd.

Experience Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve and Haida Gwaii with knowledgeable Haida Guides. Our 26' Osprey will transport you in comfort. Come visit the islands' cultural and natural treasures with our experienced Haida guides. Haida Expeditions also offers fishing charters.

Mail: Box 1297, Skidegate, B.C. V0T 1S1

Phone: 250-559-0061 Toll free: 1-877-262-9929 Fax 250-559-0071

Email: haidaexpeditions@skidegate.ca

Website: www.haidaexpeditions.com

Inland Air Charters Ltd.

Inland Air offers memorable and exciting tours into the heart of Gwaii Haanas. Fly in a DHC-2 Beaver, accommodating 1–6 persons to the ancient village sites of Skedans (K'uuna Lnagaay), Nan Sdins (SGang Gwaay Lnagaay), and Hotspring Island (Gandll K'in Gwaayaay). Our twenty-five years of experience and knowledgeable pilots will ensure you have a spectacular trip.

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Phone : : (250) 559-4223, Queen Charlotte

Email: inof@inlandair.bc.ca

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Website: www.borekair.com

Kingfisher Wilderness Adventures

Join Kingfisher Wilderness Adventures on fully inclusive 8 and 10 day sea kayak expeditions of Gwaii Haanas. Each trip is lead by two highly experienced naturalist/guides with a maximum of 8 guests kayaking both single and double kayaks. 2010 will be Kingfisher's 12th year leading exceptional sea kayaking expeditions to many British Columbia destinations.

P.O. Box 1318, Port McNeill, BC V0N 2R0
Phone: (250) 956-4617
Toll Free: 1-866-546-4347
Email: info@kingfisher-adventures.com
Website: www.kingfisher-adventures.com

Maple Leaf Adventures

Educational tours in Haida Gwaii since 1988. Sail among 138 islands, learn from expert naturalists/anthropologists, view wildlife and village sites. On your 8-night tour, chef and crew take excellent care of you. Accommodations for nine aboard the classic 92' schooner *Maple Leaf*. Kayaks, zodiacs for frequent shore trips. Excellent international reputation.

Kevin Smith

Mail: Box 8845, Bastion Square, Victoria, BC V8W 3Z1

Phone: (250) 386-7245 Toll Free: 1-888-599-5323

Email: MapleLeaf@MapleLeafAdventures.com

Website: www.MapleLeafAdventures.com

Moresby Explorers

Touring the waters around Gwaii Haanas since 1988 has earned us a growing reputation for providing fun, educational and safe wilderness adventures at affordable prices. Locally owned and operated. We offer zodiac boat tours one to four days long, floating lodge accommodations, dive tours, kayak rentals and transportation, and general outfitting.

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Box 902, Masset, B.C. V0T 1M0

Phone: (250) 626-3494

Email: mmoresby@telus.net

Website: www.adventurecamp.ca

Ocean Adventures Charter Co. Ltd.

We offer the only luxury motor yacht tours into Gwaii Haanas. Aboard our 54' yacht, *Great Bear II*, with her experienced Captain and crew, you will enjoy unparalleled comfort, privacy, service and gourmet cuisine! We believe our small group size of no more than six guests will help ensure that you experience the trip of a lifetime!

Eric and Trish Boyum

Mail: 401-1144 Strathaven Drive, North Vancouver, BC V7H 2Z6

Phone: (604) 812-9453 Fax: (604) 988-5990

Email: info@oceanadventures.bc.ca

Website: www.oceanadventures.bc.ca

Ocean Light II Adventures

As the longest running operator in Gwaii Haanas, we offer exciting adventure and natural history trips into the heart of the archipelago. Our beautiful *Ocean Light* 71' ketch provides spacious and comfortable accommodation for nine. We encourage special interest groups, photographers, families, and individuals seeking adventure to join us.

Mail: 363-1917 West 4th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6J 1M7

Phone: (604) 328-5339 Fax: (604) 731-7066

Email: adventure@oceanlight2.bc.ca

Website: www.oceanlight2.bc.ca

Ocean Sound Kayaking Company

Exploring Gwaii Haanas since 1989! Owner operated, we understand the Journey is as important as the Destination, and it's our "Local Knowledge" of small details that will make your experience a memorable one. Expeditions and Base Camp Tours designed for beginners and experienced paddlers, use a mix of singles and double kayaks providing the Freedom, Comfort and Experience you deserve!

Mail: #6 - 241 Benchlands Terrace, Canmore, AB T1W 1G1

Phone and Fax: (403) 609-5576 Toll Free: 1-888-736-0377

Email: info@oceansoundkayaking.com

Website: www.oceansoundkayaking.com

Pacific Rim Paddling Company

We believe that Gwaii Haanas is more of a presence than a place. The focus of our trips is to try to connect you to the same presence that has been drawing us back to these islands since 1977. Contact us and we'll help you decide if we're right for you.

Mail: Box 5247 Squamish, BC V8B 0C2

Phone: (250) 384-6103 Fax

Toll Free : 1-800-384-6103

Email: info@PacificRimPaddling.com

Website: www.PacificRimPaddling.com

Queen Charlotte Adventures

We offer guided eco-tours by: boat, sea-kayak, and land in Gwaii Haanas and other areas of the Charlottes. Our focus is on cultural and natural history. We provide services to individuals, groups, film, and photographic crews.

Mail: Box 248, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Phone: (250) 559-8990 Toll Free: 1-800-668-4288 Fax: (250) 559-8983

Email: info@queencharlotteadventures.com

Website: www.queencharlotteadventures.com

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Operating since 1987 in southern Gwaii Haanas. Birdwatcher's Paradise. Spectacular views. Boat tours. SGang Gwaay totems. Old growth forest. Whaling station. Nature observation.

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Mail: Box 437, Queen Charlotte, BC V0T 1S0

Phone: (250) 559-2326

Email: mail@roseharbour.com

Website: www.roseharbour.com

Tofino Expeditions Ltd.

Our Queen Charlotte Islands sea kayaking trips visit what we, after over 15 years of running expeditions there, consider the very best attractions of the Islands. We operate 8-day, full service, guided sea kayaking trips in the southern portion of Gwaii Haanas focusing on the significant natural and cultural features of the area. We have a reputation for great camp food and minimum impact camping. No previous experience necessary.

Mail: Box 1066, Salem, OR 97308-1066

Phone: (503) 364-0400 Toll Free: 1-800-677-0877 Fax: (503) 364-5326

Email: info@tofino.com

Website: www.tofino.com

Whitney & Smith Legendary Expeditions

Guiding kayak trips in the Queen Charlotte Islands since 1987. We invite you to join our wildlife biologists on their annual May and June sea kayaking expeditions, each trip scheduled to coincide with the rich wildlife, extended daylight hours, and typically beautiful travelling conditions that accompany the Haida springtime.

Jane Whitney

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Email: info@legendaryex.ca

Website: www.legendaryex.com or www.legendary.ca