

Welcome to WEST Sport Fishing | King Pacific Lodge 2016

We are looking forward to seeing you on the water and at the lodge! The following information should provide everything you need to ensure a great trip.

Be sure to fill out our Guest Information Sheet available from the home page of our website under the "Forms and Resources" heading at the bottom of the page. This will allow us to understand your individual needs. Please be sure to include special health or dietary requirements, allergies, and anything else we may need to know. Please fill out the form and email a saved copy to info@westsportfishing.com. If you require a form to be sent to you, have questions or need assistance making travel arrangements please contact us anytime!

1-855-825-WEST (9378), 604 503 5474 or info@westsportfishing.com

Getting Here and Home Again:

Hotels:

For those of you travelling from out of town we have arranged special rates with the Pacific Gateway, River Rock Casino and Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotels. Mention you will be staying with WEST Sport Fishing or King Pacific Lodge upon booking to receive our discounted rate.

Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotel: 1 604 207 5200 Vancouverairport@fairmont.com

Pacific Gateway Hotel (formerly Delta): 1 604 278 1241 Info@pacificgatewayhotel.com

River Rock Hotel and Resort: 1 604 247 8900

Flights:

We utilize Pacific Coastal Airlines – Leaving Vancouver's South Terminal. This is south of the main Vancouver terminal (YVR) several kilometers.

1st First Flight Check in: **7:30**

On your return trip from the lodge you will land in Vancouver at approximately 1:30pm.

2nd Second Flight Check in: **7:45**

On your return trip from the lodge you will land in Vancouver at approximately 3:00pm.



A WEST Sport Fishing representative will be at the South terminal to greet you. Look for West Sport Fishing | King Pacific Lodge signage. International guests should allow 3 hours, and domestic guests should allow 2 hours for connecting flights in case of weather delays to / from Vancouver. Shuttle and taxi transportation is available to the YVR Main Terminal as well as most local hotels.

Directions to the Terminal:

Pacific Coastal Airlines and the South Terminal is located at 4440 Cowley Crescent just south of the Vancouver International Airport (YVR). Direct shuttles are available from many hotels as well as from the YVR Main Terminal. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Follow the signs to "YVR South Terminal". Turn off of Russ Baker Way onto Inglis Drive, continue around the big gentle curve and drive along the river. Make a right turn onto Cowley Crescent and continue on to the South terminal. Parking is available in the lot across the street front of the South Terminal and has been proven to be a very safe area to park.

First Day Itinerary:

You will fly one hour twenty minutes from Vancouver BC to Bella Bella BC. Once on the ground, please go inside the small terminal building, check in at the Pacific Coastal desk or otherwise take direction from a Pacific Coastal or Helijet (Helicopter company) representative. You will be issued a boarding card and will be asked to board the Helicopter within a timely manner.

Enjoy the helicopter flight into the lodge. It will take approximately 8 minutes. Once at the lodge, our crew will assist you out of the helicopter and direct you off the helipad and directly into the lodge.

Upon arrival to the lodge you will be asked to go directly inside the lodge and to the lodge's front desk (bar) to check in. You will receive your room and boat assignments. Your luggage will be delivered directly to your room. Once all guests have arrived from your particular helicopter, our Dock / Guide Supervisor, Lodge Supervisor, Chef and George will welcome you to the lodge with a brief "fish talk" and orientation. Afterwards, you will go to your room, pack some snacks and drinks, collect your raingear and head to the dock. There, our fully guided and *instructed* guests will join their guide and our *self-guided* anglers will join our Fish Master or dockhand to go through our boat safety checklist and orientation.

Gear:

We use Islander (or similar) MR-2 single action reels (like a large fly reel). If you prefer a level-wind reel, we will have some available and always encourage you to bring your own favourite reel. Please indicate on your guest information form if you are left handed so we may ensure availability of left handed reels. We supply high quality, comfortable raingear and boots for all anglers. Indicate your sizes on the information form also and it will be waiting for you in our dry room.



Fishing Regulations:

You will need a fishing license to fish in Canadian waters. This is only available online and should be purchased and printed prior to your trip. To obtain a fishing license, you will be required to log into the Department of Fisheries and Oceans website, create a profile and provide the necessary information and payment. If you require assistance, please contact us prior to your arrival.

To fish in Canadian waters, you will need a 5-day saltwater (tidal) license and a salmon stamp. For more information, and to purchase your license online, please visit the Department of Fisheries and Oceans' website at http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/rec/index-eng.htm.

The possession limits for 2016 are as follows: 8 SALMON TOTAL. 4 Chinook salmon: 2 per day with a total trip possession limit of 4. Other species of salmon: 4 per day with a total trip possession limit of 4. (8 salmon total) Halibut: 1 per day with a total trip possession limit of 2. Maximum size limits are in effect for halibut. Typically an angler may take a halibut up to 70 pounds and one up to 20 pounds.

Fish Processing:

We'll process your fish as you request. Your catch will be cleaned, filleted, and vacuum packaged. Please note: we are by regulation, allowed to cut your fish into pieces that are easily identified. Your catch will be frozen and boxed for shipping. We can also send your fish to St. Jean's Cannery where they are able to can and/or smoke your fish to your specifications. You will be responsible for all outside processing costs. Taxidermy is also available for your trophy fish.

Your guide or instructor will ensure your catch is prepared according to your instruction. Should you be self-guided, our dock supervisor will ensure your catch is prepared according to your instructions. Either way, it is helpful if this information is filled provided to us as early as possible.

Fish processing ideas:

Salmon may be left whole, head on or off. This is ideal for long-term storage or for future smoking/canning. Salmon may also be fillet and vacuum packaged in whole sides, with or without rib bones and belly or fin collar attached. Fillets may be further cut into several pieces and individually vacuum packaged. Example, most Coho up to ten pounds are left whole side. Most Chinook fillets would be each cut into two (twenty pounder) three (thirty pounder) Four (forty pounder) etc. Special requests beyond these suggested cuts are accommodated as often as possible.

At the end of your trip, your Guide, Instructor or our Dock Supervisor will present you with a catch care receipt. This will indicated what fish / processing you may expect to receive once you land in Vancouver.



Communication from the Lodge:

There is no cell phone coverage at the lodge. Smart phones and laptops will work in most areas as we have improved our WiFi service. You may provide our office number (604-503-5474) for emergency contact information while staying at the lodge or <u>George@westsportfishing.com</u> or <u>Lisa@westsportfishing.com</u>

Packing List:

Strict weight restrictions are in effect for all of our charter flights. Each guest will be allowed 20 – 25lbs. checked luggage with no carry-on luggage permitted. We would be happy to store additional luggage for you in Vancouver if your bags are over **25lbs**.

For weight and safety reasons, carry-on luggage of any sort will NOT be accommodated on Helicopters. We are improving logistics from Vancouver and carry on may be allowed between Vancouver / Bella Bella. Be prepared to check your carry on baggage.

Remember to pack layered clothing, gloves, fleece or wool cap, warm socks, closed-toe sandals/Croc-style shoes, wide brimmed hat, polarized sunglasses, sunscreen, camera, and a book (although we have a great library!). Don't forget your swimming suit as we have a hot tub, sauna and stream room included for you to enjoy as well as spa amenities with a registered massage therapist.

Notes:

Gift-shop merchandise, fishing licenses and alcoholic beverages other than wine and beer served with dinner are not included in our package price. If you have booked a group or even a pair, please let us know how you would like your charges handled. On check out we accept Visa, Master Card, cash and cheque.

We have often been asked at the lodge to provide a guideline for gratuities. Our guests have told us Fishing Guide gratuities range from \$60 to \$90 per guest/per day, and lodge gratuities range from \$140 to \$200 per guest/per trip. Lodge staff includes all catering, maintenance, housekeeping and dock personnel. Lodge staff gratuities are divided equally after each trip. Should you have any questions at the lodge regarding gratuities, please speak with our Lodge Manager.

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