Welcome to King Pacific Lodge for 2017!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Lodge and on the water! The following information should provide everything you need to ensure a great trip to King Pacific Lodge on Milbanke Sound!

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 admin@kingpacificlodge.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) Office: 604-503-5474 or admin@kingpacificlodge.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 King Pacific Lodge upon booking to receive our discounted rate.

Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotel: 1-866-540-4441 / vancouverairport@fairmont.com

Pacific Gateway Hotel: 1-604-278 -1241 / info@pacificgatewayhotel.com

River Rock Hotel and Resort: 604-247-8900 / info@riverrock.com

Flights:

You will fly King Pacific Lodge Charter flight with Pacific Coastal Airlines – departing Vancouver’s South Terminal.

1st First Flight Check in: 7:00am

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

2nd Second Flight Check in: 7:30am

On your return trip from the lodge you will land in Vancouver at approximately 3:00pm.
A King Pacific Lodge representative will be at the South Terminal to greet you. Look for King Pacific Lodge signs at the Pacific Coastal Check-in Counter. 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 service is available to the YVR Main Terminal as well as many local hotels.

Directions to the Terminal:

YVR South Terminal is located at 4440 Cowley Crescent just south of the Vancouver International Airport. 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. Paid parking is available in front of the South Terminal. Parking is secure, however, please do not leave any valuables inside your vehicle visible from the outside.

First Day Itinerary:

Your flight is one hour twenty minutes from Vancouver to Bella Bella, BC. You will disembark the aircraft and immediately check in at the Pacific Coastal Counter in Bella Bella to receive your boarding pass and instructions for your helicopter flight to the Lodge. You will enjoy a scenic 8 minute helicopter flight from Bella Bella directly to King Pacific Lodge. There will be Pacific Coastal and Helijet representatives at the Bella Bella airport to help direct you and answer any questions.

Upon arrival, the King Pacific Lodge Crew will greet you at the helicopter pad and guide you to the Front Desk inside the Lodge where you will receive your room and boat assignments. Your luggage will be delivered directly to your room. Once all guests have arrived, everyone will be asked to meet in the Lounge for a brief Welcome Orientation and KPL Fish Talk. From here, it’s on the water and time to fish! All you need now is to collect your weather gear, choose some boat snacks and beverages and meet your guides on the dock. The KPL crew will be there to assist with everything and anything you require to enjoy your day on the water.

Gear:

We use Abel single action Mooching Reels and the Islander MR-2. If you prefer a level-wind reel, please let us know and we will have one reserved for your stay. 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 rain gear and boots for all anglers. Indicate your sizes on the information form so we may have it ready for you on arrival.
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. All anglers must have a hard copy of their fishing license on them at all times when they are on the water. 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 conservation 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 2017 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, vacuum packaged, frozen and boxed for travel. Please note: we are required by regulation, to cut your fish into pieces that are easily identified. Please speak to your guide or any of our crew to ensure your catch is cut and packaged to your preference.

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/Silvers up to ten pounds are left whole side. Most Chinook/Kings would each be cut into two pieces (20 lbs); three pieces (30 lbs); four pieces (40 lbs) and so forth. Special requests beyond these suggested cuts will be accommodated provided your request is in compliance with our British Columbia Fish Regulations.

We can also send your fish to St. Jean's Cannery for any processing beyond what has been outlined above such as smoking or canning. You will need to complete a St. Jean’s order form with your instructions on what you would like done to your fish and enter a credit card for all processing and shipping costs.
Taxidermy is also available for your trophy fish. Please advise your guide or any of our crew members of any special instructions at the time of returning to the dock with your catch each day.

**Communication from the Lodge:**

King Pacific Lodge is equipped with high speed Internet Service. Our remote location does not allow cell phone usage, however, all Wi-Fi applications will work in designated areas at the Lodge. You may provide our office telephone number for emergency contact information while staying at the lodge – 604-503-5474.

**Packing List:**

Strict weight restrictions are in effect for all of our charter flights. Each guest will be allowed a total limit of 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.

**Due to weight limitations (25lbs/per person), carry-on luggage of any sort may not be accommodated on the aircraft. Special allowances are made for medical devices.**

Layered clothing is recommended, as is a toque or wool cap, warm socks and closed-toe sandals. You may wish to bring a wide brimmed hat, polarized sunglasses, sunscreen, camera, and a book (although we have a library in our Games Room). Don’t forget your swimming suit as we have hot tub, sauna and stream room amenities included as part of your package.

**Notes:**

Complimentary Wine and Beer are offered each evening with dinner. Gift Shop, Massage Services and Alcohol are not included in your package and will be an additional charge. Please let us know upon arrival if you have specific requests for individual or group billing. King Pacific Lodge accepts Visa, Mastercard, Cash or Cheque as payment method on departure.

We have often been asked at the lodge to provide a guideline for gratuities. Our guests have told us Fully Guided gratuities range from $50 to $70 per guest/per day, Instructor Guide gratuities range from $25 to $35 per guest/per day and Lodge Staff gratuities range from $60 to $70 per guest/per day. Lodge staff includes all catering, maintenance, housekeeping and dock personnel. Gratuities are divided equally after each trip. Should you have any questions at the lodge regarding gratuities, please speak with our Lodge Manager.

Thank you for choosing to stay and fish at King Pacific Lodge!