

# 2012 CANADIAN RETAIL TARIFF

# PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Located 80 kilometres, or 50 air miles, north of Campbell River, British Columbia, is a wild and remote area of the Pacific Northwest known as Knight Inlet. As the longest fjord on the B.C. coast, Knight Inlet offers visitors spectacular scenery set against a backdrop of dramatic mountain peaks plunging into the Pacific Ocean. Variegated hues of blues and greens seamlessly blend forest, ocean and sky. It can be a place of immense silence in the calm of the temperate rainforest and of immense power in the face of the many thundering glacier-fed waterfalls.

Situated 60 kilometres from the mouth of the inlet is Knight Inlet Lodge. Our floating lodge is tucked into Glendale Cove, which offers one of the few protected anchorages in the inlet, and it is here that you will begin each day's adventure.

The lodge is an assortment of construction styles dating from the early 1940's, when the original float housed a logging camp. Recent construction has provided modern buildings for guest accommodation. In the Palace, the Native House and the Lair, all of the rooms are cedar paneled and have private bathrooms for our guests' comfort. Most of the rooms have one double/queen/king bed and a twin bed. With the addition of a cot we can accommodate four in some of the rooms. Most of the guest buildings have lounges with wood burning stoves in them, for relaxing in the evening or on a cool day. At full capacity the lodge will hold 30 guests, plus children in our fifteen rooms, but 28 -36 is the average occupancy.

Glendale Cove is home to one of the largest concentrations of grizzly (brown) bears in British Columbia. It is not uncommon for there to be up to 50 bears within 10 kilometres of the lodge in the peak fall season, when the salmon are returning to the river. Although they are abundant in the fall, it is not the only season that grizzly bears can be found in Glendale Cove. Starting in late April the bears return to the estuary from winter dens and start the year feeding on the sedges, succulents, grasses and barnacles that abound in our estuary. This luxuriant spring growth provides the basic nutritional needs for the bears which draws them from the mountains down to the estuary. This is the time to see, at close proximity, the tiny cubs emerge with their ever-cautious mothers. In the summer, the berry crop is very heavy and this helps keeps the bears in the general area. We do not get the high numbers of the spring and late summer/fall season viewing, but we usually see some bears every day.

We view the bears differently in the different seasons. In the spring, we set out in boats so that we can get close to the shore (50 metres) and give our guests a good view of the bears feeding. We still remain far enough away as to not disturb

them. Our early summer program continues on the water but if the opportunity arises there may be a chance to view the bears from a vehicle. On August 25 th.we move to our platforms at the spawning channel to watch the grizzlies fish for salmon. In all of our viewing programs our guest safety is of utmost importance. We strive to see the bears in their natural environment without having a negative impact on them.

As well as bear viewing, we also offer a number of other tours. Our marine wildlife tour is offered in all of the seasons that we operate but it changes greatly as the seasons change. In the spring, we travel throughout the inlet viewing the seals, sea lions, porpoises, dolphins and the occasional minke whale that may travel though our waters. From July onwards, our tours have the added attraction of the orca (killer) whale and when we journey to the world famous Johnstone Strait, we are almost assured of spending some great viewing time with these magnificent marine mammals. Not only do we view the whales, but our tour includes all of the spring marine viewing as well, so the program lasts for up to 10 hours. In September, we add the humpback whale to our list of marine mammals as they start to arrive from Alaska on their way to Hawaii. The viewing of these gentle giants is infrequent, but when it does happen, it is spectacular. In addition, we offer estuary tours, Knight Inlet boat tours, excursions to the upper reaches of Knight Inlet, and day trips to the Thompson and Bond Sounds. We offer great photographic opportunities on all of our tours, whether the viewing is of birds, bears, other wildlife or scenics. As well, we have day-hiking tours and our guided kayaking tours in the estuary. These tours are great for the novice as we have doubles and singles and excellent guides to take you through the brief lesson and then get you on the water. In past years this has been one of our most popular ways to view wildlife.

Please find below our complete program. We hope it is self-explanatory but please call if you have questions.

# 2012 SEASONS

Low Season Summer June 25 -July 24 inclusive

Shoulder Season Spring May 17 - June 24 inclusive

Summer July 31 - August 24 inclusive

High Season (platform viewing) Fall August 25 - October 15 inclusive

WE WILL BE CLOSED FROM JULY 25TH TO 31st INCLUSIVE

#### ALL OF OUR TOURS CAN DEPART ON ANY DAY

AS WE INCLUDE TRANSFERS IN ALL OF OUR PROGRAMS YOU MUST ADVISE US OF YOUR ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES AND THE METHOD OF ARRIVAL 14 DAYS PRIOR TO REACHING CAMPBELL RIVER (OR AT TIME OF BOOKING). FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN UNNECESSARY DELAYS UPON YOUR ARRIVAL AND/OR PROBLEMS WITH YOUR CONNECTING FLIGHTS FOLLOWING YOUR TOUR. IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING BY CAR, PARKING IS AVAILABLE AT THE THE FLOAT PLANE DOCK FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

# KILGB2 / 3 TOUR INCLUSIONS (Knight Inlet Lodge Grizzly Bear 2 or 3 night package)

- return airfare from Campbell River Float Plane dock to Knight Inlet Lodge
- transfers from the airport to the hotel and from the hotel to the float plane as well as return to the airport
- one nights accommodation in Campbell River at the Heron's Landing Hotel
- one or two nights accommodation at Knight Inlet Lodge in a deluxe room with private bathroom and shower
- welcome orientation for wildlife viewing
- all meals and snacks while at the lodge(breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- complimentary house wine with dinner
- all transportation to the bear viewing stands and boats
- bear viewing tour
- scenic boat ride of Glendale Cove
  - two night guests at the lodge will be offered the following extra tours
    - extra bear viewing trips
    - interpretive hike of the Kwalate River valley
    - wildlife tracking to make plaster casts of animal prints
    - excursions for Bald Eagle viewing and other bird life
- Knight Inlet sightseeing cruise (weather permitting, no substitutes)
- use of kayaks on organized estuary tours
- interpretive guide on all tours
- rain gear if required
- evening interpretive programs
- B.C. Provincial Hotel Tax
- B.C. Back Country Permit Fee
- First Nations User Fee
- Wilderness Tourism Association Habitat Conservation Fee

# KILGB 4/5/6 TOUR INCLUSIONS (Knight Inlet Lodge Grizzly Bear 4 – 6 night package)

- return airfare from the Campbell River Float Plane basin to Knight Inlet Lodge
- transfers from the airport to the hotel and the hotel to the float plane and return to the airport
- one nights accommodation in Campbell River at the Heron's Landing Hotel
- three, four or five nights accommodation at Knight Inlet Lodge in a deluxe room with private bathroom and shower
- welcome wildlife orientation
- all meals and snacks while at Knight Inlet Lodge(breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- complimentary wine with dinner
- services of all lodge staff including naturalists and photography leaders
- evening interpretive programs
- all transportation to all of the tour programs
- your choice of the following:
  - excursions to Johnstone Strait for marine wildlife viewing weather permitting - on the two night program this tour is difficult to fit in

- excursions for Bald Eagle viewing and other bird life
- excursions to the upper reaches of Knight inlet for scenic viewing.
- excursions to see the grizzly bears from the platforms or boats
- excursions for other wildlife viewing depending on location and availability
- scenic cruise of Knight inlet
- excursions to Thompson Sound and Bond Sound for bear and wildlife viewing
- jet boat tours of the Klinaklini River subject to water levels in the river
- wildlife tracking to make plaster casts of animal prints
- Interpretive forest walk in the Kwalate Valley
- use of kayaks on organized tours
- \*\*\*AS SOME OF OUR TOURS ARE MARINE BASED THEY ARE STRONGLY WEATHER DEPENDENT. ON A SHORT DURATION TOUR IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO FIT THEM IN\*\*\*
- rain gear when required
- B.C. Provincial Hotel Tax
- B.C. Back Country permit fee
- First Nations User Fee
- Wilderness Tourism Association Habitat Conservation Fee

# **PRICING** (per person in Canadian dollars; HST is not included)

All packages start with a night in Campbell River so for example a KILGB3 package is one night in Campbell River and 2 at Knight Inlet Lodge. Children's rates are based on the child staying in a room with 2 full adult rate guests and do not count towards a triple or quad rate.

#### Low Season-2012

June 25 - July 24	KILGB2	KILGB3	KILGB4	KILGB5	KILGB6
Double	990	1685	2380	3080	3640
Single	1605	2710	3810	4905	5575
Triple	885	1520	2165	2790	3240
Quad	795	1365	1950	2510	2850
Child (8-16)	605	1000	1430	1835	2115
Shoulder Season-20	)12				
May 17 - June 24, Aug. 1 - 24					
Double	1120	1915	2765	3505	4110
Single	1860	3025	4215	5440	6140
Triple	1030	1730	2465	3170	3660
Quad	935	1560	2205	2845	3255
Child (8-16)	690	1145	1605	2070	2335
High Season-2012					
Aug. 25 - Oct. 15					
Platform viewing					
Double	1295	2170	3095	3910	4560
Single	2110	3425	4765	6080	6855
Triple	1180	1970	2750	3550	4080
Quad	1050	1770	2475	3180	3660

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#### NOT INCLUDED IN PRICING

- Harmonized Sales Tax (HST)
- Items of a personal nature (telephone, laundry, alcoholic beverages except wine with dinner etc.) while at the lodge
- Gratuity for staff (recommended \$20.00 per day per guest for duration of stay. All of our leaders are included in the general gratuity pool so we discourage direct tipping)

#### FLIGHT INFORMATION

Departure 0930 (check in at 0900)

Arrival Glendale Cove 1000 Arrive Campbell River 1100

Departures originate from the Vancouver Island Air Float Plane dock on Spit Road. Please make sure that you call (250) 287-2433 the day prior to confirm the exact departure point and time. Departure and arrival times can vary due to weather conditions so please make sure that you have sufficient connecting time for departure flights following your tour.

## **BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE**

#### 14kg (30lbs) per person plus a small carry on.

Any excess baggage could be subject to a service charge or a later arrival if space is limited. For couples 2 smaller individual bags are better than 1 large bag.

#### VANCOUVER ADD - ON

We offer a Vancouver – Campbell River air transfer add-on for any package. The rate for this is \$350.00 per person inclusive of all taxes (rates subject to airline tariff changes). Cancellation of, or schedule changes to, confirmed flight bookings are subject to a change fee of \$50 per person.

## BOOKING AND CANCELLATION POLICY

When making your booking please inform us of any health concerns or special dietary needs. As well if you have any allergies we must be notified prior to arrival.

- \$400.00 CDN deposit per person at time of booking
- balance due 45 days prior to arrival
- cancellation prior to 90 days no charge
- 45 90 days prior to arrival \$400.00 per person cancellation fee
- 30 44 days prior to arrival 60% of package price per person cancellation fee
- 0 29 days prior to arrival no refund

We strongly recommend that all of our guests purchase cancellation insurance.

#### **BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION**

To make a booking please get in touch with our reservations office.

Knight Inlet Lodge Reservations

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We can secure the booking with a \$400 per person deposit which is payable by Visa/MasterCard (sent by fax/post or email), cheque or wire transfer. Once your space is confirmed we will send you confirmation details by email or post.

#### **BOOK ONLINE!**

Once you have confirmed availability you can book securely online by going to the Book Now link on our <u>website</u>. Once we have received your booking information, we will send you a confirmation form. We recommend purchasing <u>trip cancellation</u> insurance.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. Why do I have to stay the first night in Campbell River?

  The departure by floatplane at 9:30 AM is too early in the morning for you to arrive on the day of departure.
- 2. What is there for me to do in Campbell River?

  Campbell River is an Oceanside city of approximately 30,000 people that has a lot to offer. From an excellent local museum featuring First Nation and Pioneer history to kilometres of paved Oceanside walking trails there is an activity for everyone. Please see the links below.
- 3. Can I do whale watching while at Knight Inlet Lodge? Yes you can, this all day adventure is possible on a KILGB4 or longer package.

www.destinyriver.com River rafting company that offers the very unique Campbell River salmon float where you can snorkel with the salmon during the late summer and fall. They also offer a variety of day long white water rafting trips on Vancouver Island.

<u>www.seabeyond.ca</u> Local salmon fishing guide who is a former Knight Inlet Lodge employee.

<u>www.stubbs-island.com</u> Telegraph Cove whale watching company that is one of the oldest whale watching companies in B.C.

www.crmuseum.ca An excellent spot to spend an afternoon exploring our history and culture.