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Dear Sea Wolf Adventurer's,

We are thrilled you are going to be joining us and the other Sea Wolf Adventurer's. We promise you an adventure of a lifetime. Enclosed in this package is

- Packing List
- Suggested Reading List
- Forms that each person in your party need to fill out (please make a copy for each person). Please return these as soon as possible to help us to plan your adventure.
- Itinerary

PLEASE fill out attached paper work and email or mail as soon as possible-especially the Passport information and a copy of your passport. We need to file 96 hours ahead of entering Canada

Travel Suggestions:

Poulsbo is the start of your Inside Passage exploration from Poulsbo, WA-Juneau, Alaska.

Getting to the Sea Wolf in Poulsbo from Seattle:

The Sea Wolf is berthed at Liberty Bay Marina -17791 Fjord Dr. NE, Poulsbo, WA.

Please call 907/957-1438 or text this number for us to meet you at the gate.

- **From Downtown Seattle:** You will catch the Bainbridge Ferry from Seattle to Bainbridge Island (30-minute ferry) then a 20-minute taxi to Poulsbo.
- **From Sea Tac Airport** we suggest the Kitsap Airporter. Contact them by website or phone 360-876-1737. They will bring you from Sea-Tac airport to Keyport. Ask the driver to call a taxi for you to your final destination-be it the Sea Wolf or other lodging.
- **There is also Rocket Transportation** who can pick you up from the Sea Tac airport and deliver you straight to Liberty Bay Marina where we are docked.

Poulsbo is a small Norwegian town located on the Olympic Peninsula on Liberty Bay. There are several B&B's if you choose to stay a few days and explore the peninsula. Shopping, antique stores and art galleries abound. There are several good restaurants, one of my favorites is Sogno Di Vino.

April 14: 8:00 AM is our boarding time if you are not already aboard. We will be departing as soon as we complete our introductions and orientation.

April 28th: We will be docked by 10:00 AM in Auke Bay. Taxi arrangements will be made for your transportation to the airport or hotel.

If you are staying on to enjoy Juneau there is an extensive trail system for outdoor recreation around the Mendenhall Glacier. My favorite hotels in Juneau are the Travel lodge by Airport or the Prospector, Silver Bow or Baranof that are located downtown. Downtown The Salt or the Twisted Fish feature good Alaskan seafood while the Hanger is a fun local place with good fish taco's, salmon burgers and a variety of local foods. Ask in town as new places open all the time. There is a great local co-op art gallery in the Senate building as well as the Raven bookstore for natural history books. Here is the link to the Juneau visitor center. [Visitor Center](#)

On Board Beverages: The MV Sea Wolf has a variety of non-alcoholic beverages on board. However we do not stock commercial soda pops or mixers. If you wish us to add these items please request this at least 3 weeks ahead of your departure. We DO serve complimentary beer and wine from happy hour through dinner hour.

Electrical:

We have hair dryers on board and electrical outlets in each room or you to plug in your battery chargers. For Digital cameras we recommend you bring an extra battery so one can be charging during the day as after 10 pm we close down all generator produced electrical systems. Each bunk has a reading light that will work on our nighttime inverter. We have flashlights in all rooms and deck lighting for ease of movement.

Emergency Contacts:

Shore staff is available to answer questions or communicate with the Sea Wolf by email at kimber@seawolfadventures.net. There is rarely cell phone range on the MV Sea Wolf. We do carry a SAT phone onboard for outgoing emergency communications.

Gratuities

Our guests often inquire about gratuities to express their appreciation. All tips are given at the total discretion of the guests and are greatly appreciated by the crew. As a general guideline current standards suggest 15% of the cost of the trip. Tips are given to the Captain preferably in cash and divided equally amongst the 6 crew. An envelope will be provided. If you prefer to use a personal check, please write one to each crewmember.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions, as we want this experience to be an adventure of a lifetime. We are looking forward to sharing with you our beautiful wilderness.

Thank You for Choosing Sea Wolf Adventures

Kimber Owen

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15 Day Inside Passage Exploration Adventure 2017

April 14: 8:00 AM boarding and 9:00 AM departure from the Poulsbo dock. Our adventure begins by an early departure under Agate pass and as soon as we are in open water our eyes should be scanning for Orca's, Gray and Humpback Whales, Porpoises and Sea Birds of many types. Liberty Bay has an amazing number of Seabirds and ducks as well. We will be cruising to the San Juan Islands via Whidbey Island (whales). Our island destination will depend on wind, currents and weather. We will have a pre dinner or post dinner activity at our anchorage. BLD

April 15-16: We will be exploring the San Juan Islands with stops at Stuart, Sucia and perhaps Matia. The limestone and sandstone geology of these areas offer wonderful photographic opportunities while paddling or cruising. This area is rich with seabirds, Harlequin ducks, River Otters and marine mammals. BLD

April 17-18: We will be clearing Customs and doing a little shopping in Nanaimo, British Columbia. Then we are underway to explore the Gulf Islands including Jedidiah Marine Park. There are many directions to take on this leg so weather, wildlife, currents and whim will dictate our passage. BLD

April 19: 6-hour cruise across the Charlotte Sound to cross over into the Great Bear Rainforest of British Columbia. Our anchorage will be in a beautiful Marine park on Calvert Island- perhaps a beach bonfire dinner this night. BLD

April 20-22: Weather permitting we will follow the outside coast and explore the Goose Islands by Kayak and foot. Then we will cruise deeper into the Great Bear Rainforest looking for wildlife along the streams and beaches. Depending of which route we take among the many, we may stop at a village long house where we will hear the stories of the local first nation. BLD

April 23: We will be cruising across Dixon Entrance (3-4 hours) and check in at Ketchikan, Alaska. Here we will have a short visit where you can have a walk about while we provision. We will get underway and find an anchorage where we can explore the beautiful Alaskan Wilderness by foot or kayak. BLD

April 24: We will have a wonderful cruising day navigating the 67 Navigation markers of Wrangle Narrows passing by the scenic town of Petersburg AK. Our destination is Scenery Cove. Once here we will go for a walk on the Baird Glacier. BLD

April 25: We will be underway in the early am for the Brothers Islands, a beautiful place to see marine life, bird life and epic hiking and paddling vista's. This is our evening anchorage. BLD

April 26: We will have breakfast underway as we cross Stephen's Passage on our way to Endicott Arm for an epic paddle in front of Dawes Glacier. We will then anchor inside of a cove outside the entrance to Fjords Terror. Here we will have an pre or post dinner hike above the Terror. BLD

April 27: Underway after breakfast to Taku Harbor scanning the shores for bears coming down to feed on the tidal flats. Once at Taku harbor there is a beautiful hike up to Taku Lake or those who wish to paddle one last time it is a pretty shore to explore. This is our anchorage. BLD

April 28: We will be underway early and docked in Juneau by 10:30 AM. We will send you underway with a packed lunch to tide you over. BL

This itinerary is very flexible depending on weather, wildlife and whim. The Inside passage offers over 1,000 miles of beautiful coastline to explore by boat, paddling or hiking.

Suggested Reading List

Books on the San Juan Islands

- The Natural History of Puget Sound Country by Arthur R. Kruckeberg
- Rain Shadow World: A Naturalist's Year in the San Juan Islands by Susan Vernon
- Day Hiking San Juan & Gulf Islands: National Parks by Craig Romano
- Kayaking Puget Sound & the San Juan Islands: 60 Trips in Northwest Inland Waters,
- Natural Areas of the San Juan Islands by Terry Domico,
- San Juan Island (Images of America Series)
- Pacific Feast & Spirited Waters by Jenny Hahn (your Sea Wolf Naturalist)

Books on British Columbia

- British Columbia: A Natural History by Richard Cannings
- Spirited Waters: by Jennifer Hahn: an inspirational solo Kayaking journey through the inside passage

Books on Alaska

- National Geographic Destinations: Treasures of Alaska, Last Great American Wilderness
- The Island Within by Richard Nelson: a spiritual Natural History Book
- A Naturalists Guide to Southeast Alaska.
- The Alaska Travel Journal of Archibald Menzies 1793-1794 by Olsen:
- Travels in Alaska by John Muir: Printed by the Sierra Club
- Spirited Waters: by Jennifer Hahn: an inspirational solo Kayaking journey through the inside passage
- The Tlinget: a reference guide to our indigenous people culture and history.

For Bird Lovers we suggest the Sibley Books:

- Sibley Field Guide to Birds of Western North America by David Allen Sibley
- Sibley Field Guide to Bird Life & Behavior by David Allen Sibley

For Botanists enthusiasts we recommend:

- Discovering Wild Plants, Alaska, Western Canada, The Northwest by Janice J. Schofield

- Plants of Western British Columbia including Washington, Oregon and Alaska by Pojar & Mackinnon

Great informational websites are:

Glacier Bay National Park: <http://www.nps.gov/glba/index.htm>

The Alaska Geographic Bookstore online is a wonderful source of books, maps and charts. <http://www.alaskageographic.org/store>

Geology & Glaciology: <http://www2.nature.nps.gov/geology/parks/glba/>

NOAA Marine Mammals: <http://nmml.afsc.noaa.gov/>:

Once on board we provide you with Birding lists, Plant literature and a wealth of knowledge on our wildlife both marine and land based.

PACKING LIST

Because you are traveling in small planes and staterooms we suggest you pack lightly using a soft-sided duffle type luggage. **The most important clothing you can bring is good raingear, over the calf rubber boots and comfy clothes to wear.** All of our landings are wet landings. A few hikes can be dry once on the land. There is never bad weather in Alaska only bad gear ☺ so bring the best you can obtain.

	Rain jacket, Good quality! Everyone should bring these!
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	Rubber boots (over the calf)
	Warm jacket or good heavy Fleece for under rain coat
	Clothing: Warm, fast drying and a layering system. (I.e.: Wicking layer, fleece top/comfy pants, raingear)
	Socks: Thin liners plus a thicker type over them is best for hiking.
	Onboard shoes: comfortable, rubber-soled like tennis shoes, Keens, or Texas.
	Sun hat (one with a rim) waterproof would be good, too!
	Warm hat & warm gloves or ear covers (if you prone to being cold). Liners for our rubber kayaking gloves are great.
	Day Pack to carry your gear for longer hikes or kayaks.
	Water Bottle
	Camera, Extra batteries, storage devices and cables. You will take a lot of pictures.
	Waterproof camera bag, or plastic zip lock bag, not Velcro as the noise scares the bears!
	Binoculars: Waterproof and fog proof. Nikon Monarchs are a great choice for wildlife watching.
	Swim Suit: If you choose to swim in our Glacial waters
	Medications & prescriptions, aspirin, motion sickness tablets if needed, allergy pills. Sunscreen
	Walking Stick if are great for stability walking over moraines and other rocky area's.

We serve complimentary beer and wine with dinner. You are welcome to bring any special wines or liquor on board. We do not carry soda on board but offer more healthy drinks. If pop is a necessary part of your diet please let us know several weeks a head of time. This is not a complete list for packing! If you do forget something, there are stores in Juneau and Ketchikan but only one in Gustavus. Bring everything you need!