

Gawga Kwaan Gawga

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

Haida Gwaii is an inspiring and beautiful place to visit. *Please note, some businesses have changed since Covid-19, and some may be experiencing staff shortages, so for the most current information contact:* The Daajing Giids Visitor Information Centre (<u>http://www.dginfo.ca/</u>; 250-559-8316) and GoHaidaGwaii website (<u>http://www.gohaidagwaii.ca/</u>) are excellent resources for current travel information, accommodations, attractions, etc.

# HOW TO GET TO HAIDA GWAII

Travel to Haida Gwaii is expensive and space is limited. Book as far in advance as possible. Allow extra time for delays, bad weather and making (or missing) other transportation connections.

- <u>Air Canada</u> (1-888-247-2262 <u>http://www.aircanada.com</u>) offers daily flights from Vancouver to Sandspit;
- <u>Inland Air</u> (1-888-624-2577 <u>http://www.inlandair.bc.ca/</u>) has float plane service between Prince Rupert and Masset and service between Prince Rupert and Sandspit/Daajing Giids (*formerly known as Queen Charlotte*);
- <u>Pacific Coastal Airlines</u> (1-800-663-2872; <u>http://www.pacific-coastal.com/</u>) provides daily service from Vancouver's South Terminal to Masset during the summer and service three times a week during the shoulder and winter season;
- <u>BC Ferries</u> (1-888-223-3779 <u>http://www.bcferries.com/</u>) crosses from Prince Rupert to Daajing Giids, a six hour ferry trip, three times per week. Reservations are required;

# Please note that sometimes weather and sea conditions inhibit your return from East Limestone Island on schedule, so give yourself <u>at least</u> 1 day leeway when booking travel plans.

# **ON ISLAND TRAVEL**

There is no local public transit on Haida Gwaii. Taxi companies may be found in the local phone book and through the Daajing Giids Visitor Information Centre.

- Gwaii Taxi & Tours, run a bus shuttle service from Sandspit Airport to the Village of Daajing Giids. Call for schedule and reservations are required (250) 876-1866 <u>https://www.gwaiitaxiandtours.ca/</u>
- Budget Rent-A-Car; 1-800-557-3228 or 250-637-5688, has offices in Sandspit Airport and Daajing Giids.
- Island Auto Rentals; 250-559-8415, Daajing Giids.
- Thrifty Car Rental; 1-800-847-4389 or 250-637-2212, has an office in the Sandspit Airport.
- Rustic Rentals; 1-877-559-4641 or 250-559-4641, rents cars from the gas station in Daajing Giids.
- National Car & Truck Rental; 1-800-227-7368 or 250-626-3833, has an office in Masset.

## PLACES TO STAY

PO Box 867, Daajing Giids, BC V0T 1S0 (250) 800-0563



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You can stay on Moresby Island (in Sandspit) or on Graham Island (Daajing Giids or Skidegate) before and after your scheduled departure to East Limestone Island. Moresby Explorers in Sandspit offers basic camping space for individuals with their own gear, and there are several Air BnB options. Those staying on Graham Island will be picked up by Laskeek staff to catch the 7:30 or 8:30am ferry from Skidegate to Alliford Bay, (departure times to be confirmed the day before) and on to pick up Sandspit people, and then on to Moresby Camp for the boat trip down to East Limestone Island. Please remember to pack water and snacks on this day as you will not be arriving in field camp until late afternoon. There is no dock at East Limestone Island and we travel in open boats, so dress accordingly, and wear waterproof footwear or beach sandals, for the short wade to shore.

## Hotels

- Hecate Inn: 1-800-665-3350, 250-559-4543
- Premier Creek Lodging: 1-888-322-3388, 250-559-8415
- Sea Raven Motel: 1-800-665-9606, 250-559-4423
- Moresby Island Guest House: 250-637-5300
- Bayview Gardens: 250-637-5749
- Moresby Explorers: 1-800-806-7633, 250-637-2215
- The Sandspit Inn (250) 637-5377

#### Camping

- Haydn Turner Park Campground
- Kagan Bay Campground (free first come first serve camping)

#### Bed & Breakfast

• Spruce Point Lodge: 250-559-8234

# Hostels

Premier Creek Hostel: 250-559-8415

## Other

• Airbnb <u>www.airbnb.ca</u>

## FOOD AND OTHER ESSENTIAL SERVICES

- Local restaurants have varied hours. Most are closed at least one day a week, generally Sunday/Monday. Phone or google to confirm hours ahead of time.
- There is a laundromat at the City Centre mini-mall in Daajing Giids.
- The Northern Savings Credit Union has an ATM in Daajing Giids and there is an ATM at the Gwaii Co-op in Skidegate, and at Causeway Convenience Store in Daajing Giids.
- Stores and gas stations tend to close earlier and open later than you might anticipate. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Saturday are general business hours. Some stores are closed Sunday/Monday. There is a grocery store, natural food store, hardware store, and other small businesses, in Daajing Giids.

## **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

Haida Gwaii is <u>NOT</u> on the 911 system. Emergency numbers are listed on the inside front page of local phone books.

- Ambulance 1-800-461-9911
- Police 250-559-4421
- Fire 250-559-4488

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact the Visitor Information Centre at 250-559-8316 or <u>http://www.dginfo.ca</u>, or check <u>http://www.gohaidagwaii.ca/</u> for a full list of accommodations, taxis, restaurants and services on Haida Gwaii.