Three Years of Fishing in Alaska by John Dieckman

Details in pictures and provide a commentary of SIR fishing trips to Alaska in 2018, 2019, and 2020. These trips were organized by Heber Slusser, but John is the only Sir that went on all three fishing trips. John has been a member of Branch 62 for 14 years and was Big Sir in 2019

4 Members of SIR Branch 62 and one son went fishing at Sitka Point Lodge in Alaska from Tuesday June 11 through Saturday June 15, 2019.

We each caught salmon, halibut, and rock fish.

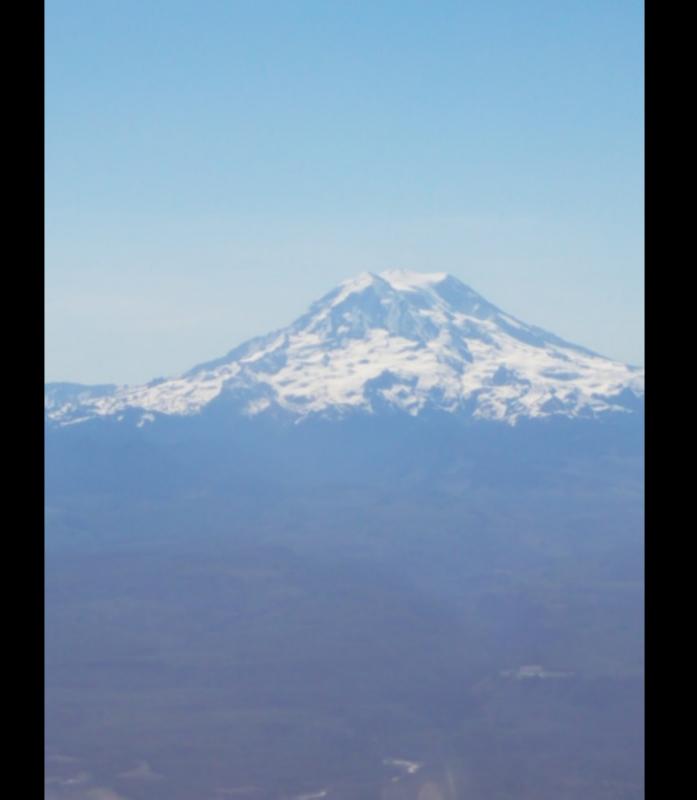
We had a great time and enjoyed good weather. The day that we arrived it was windy and raining and the day we left it was raining, but the days we were fishing it was mostly overcast with little wind and almost no rain. We even experienced some sun.

The lodge food was very good, produced on site by a qualified chef. The accommodations were adequate.

This trip generated the seeds for many future fishing stories.

Participants:

Heber Slusser
Mel Waldman
Mark Waldman (Son of Mel)
Bob Cheney
John Dieckman























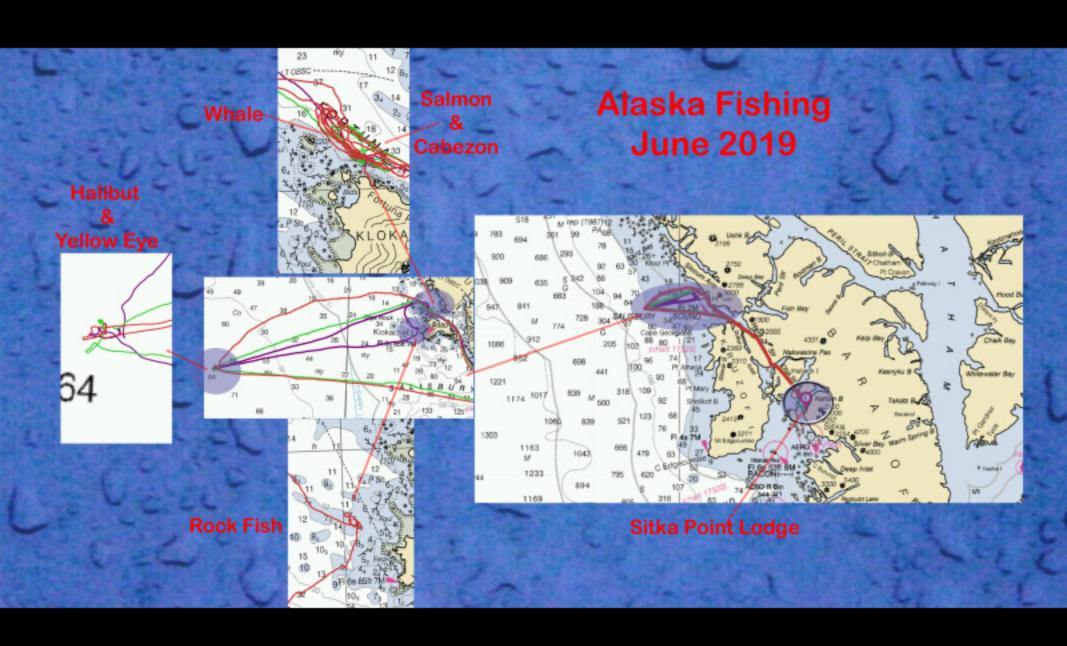














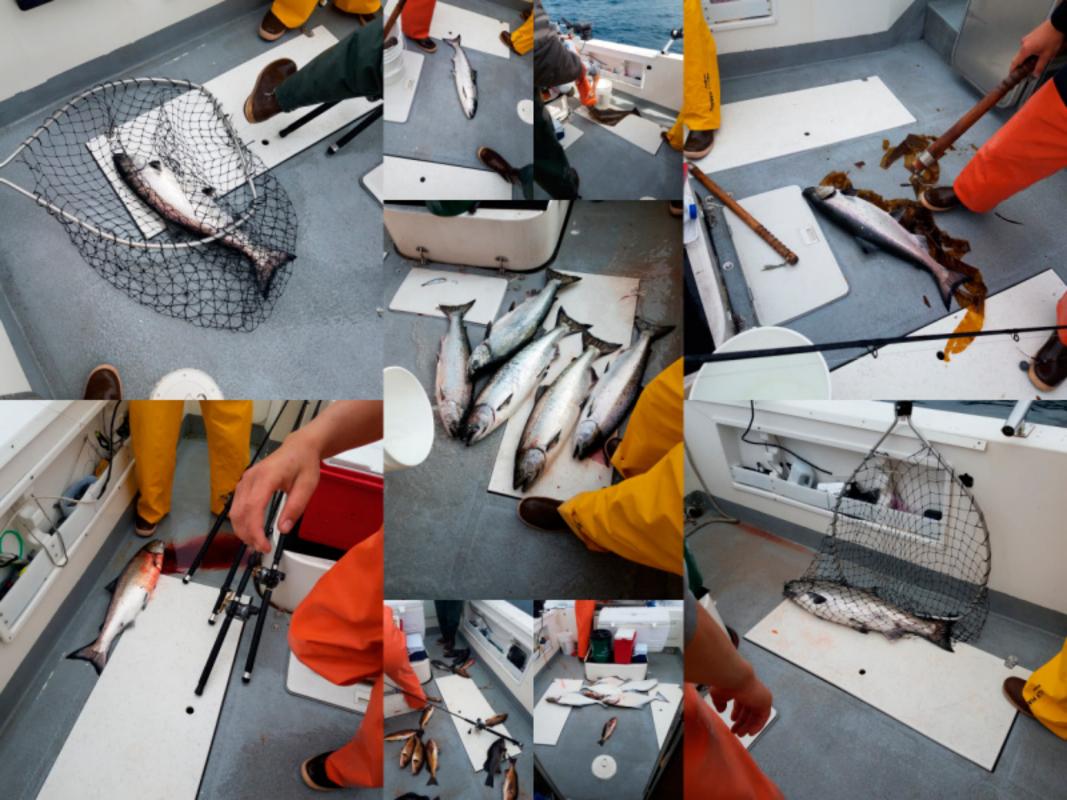








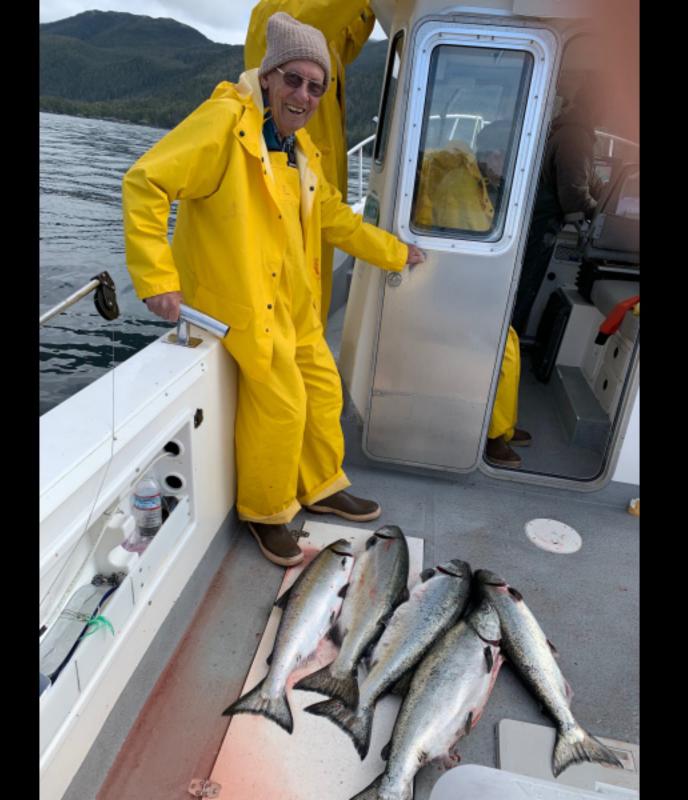




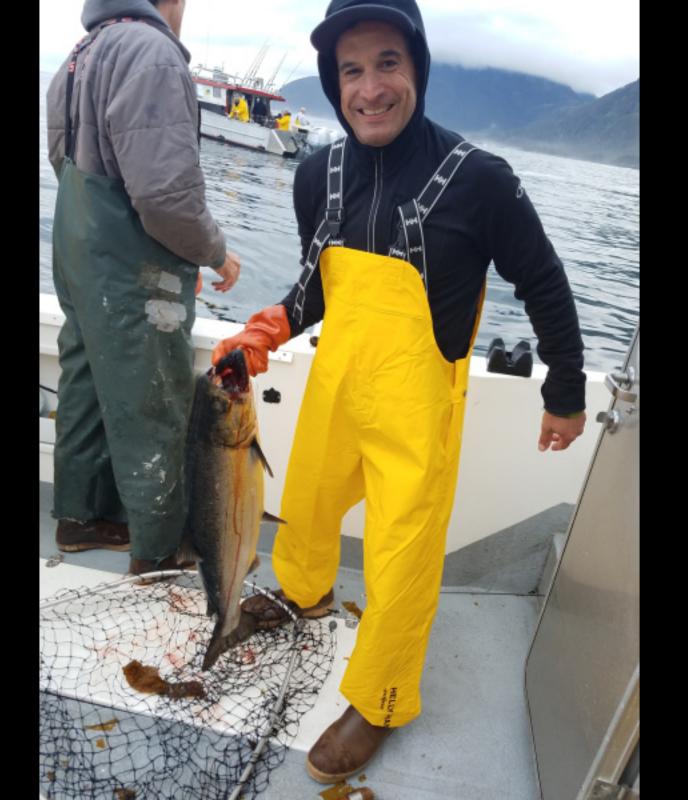






















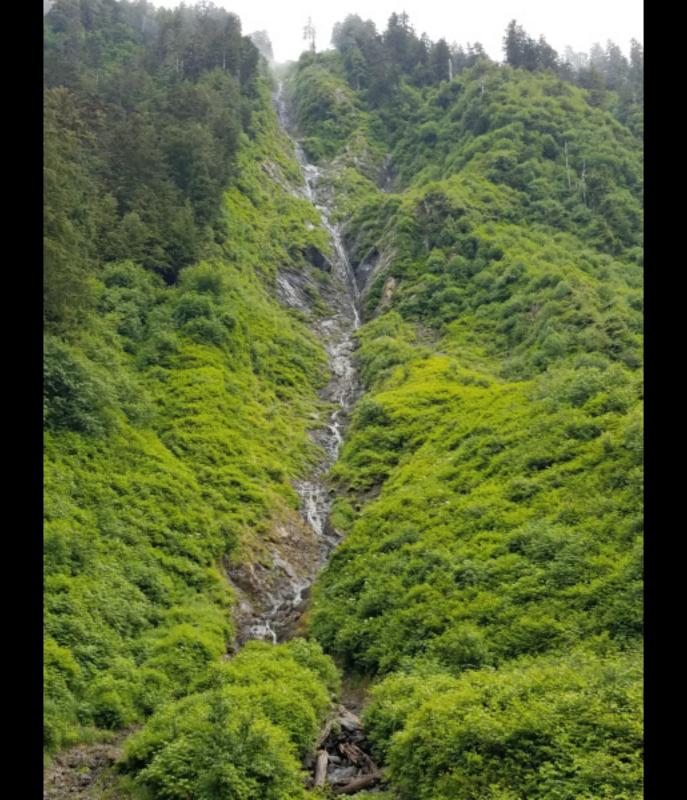


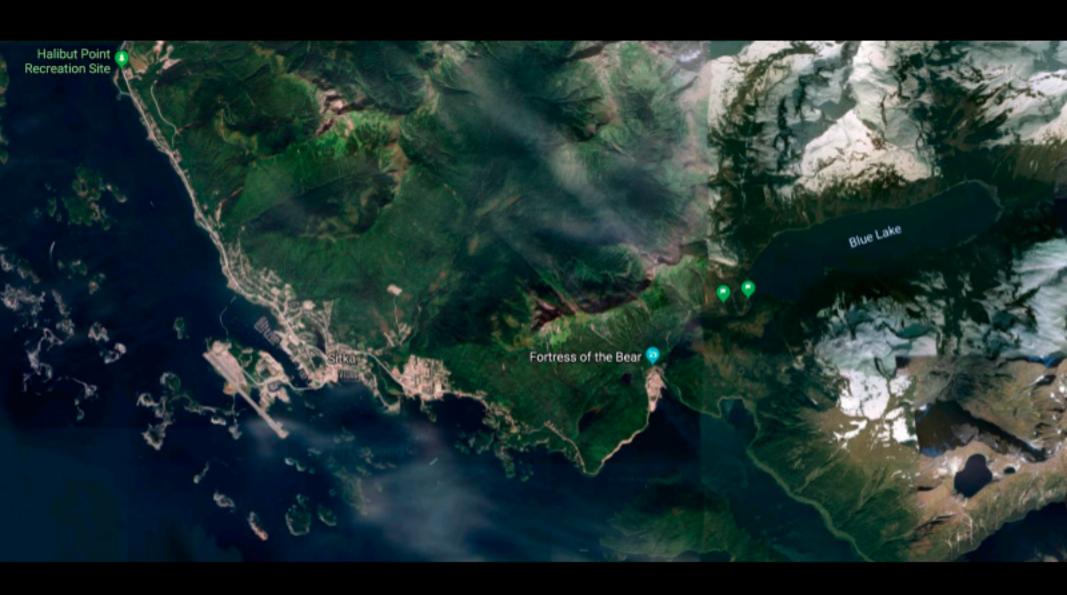






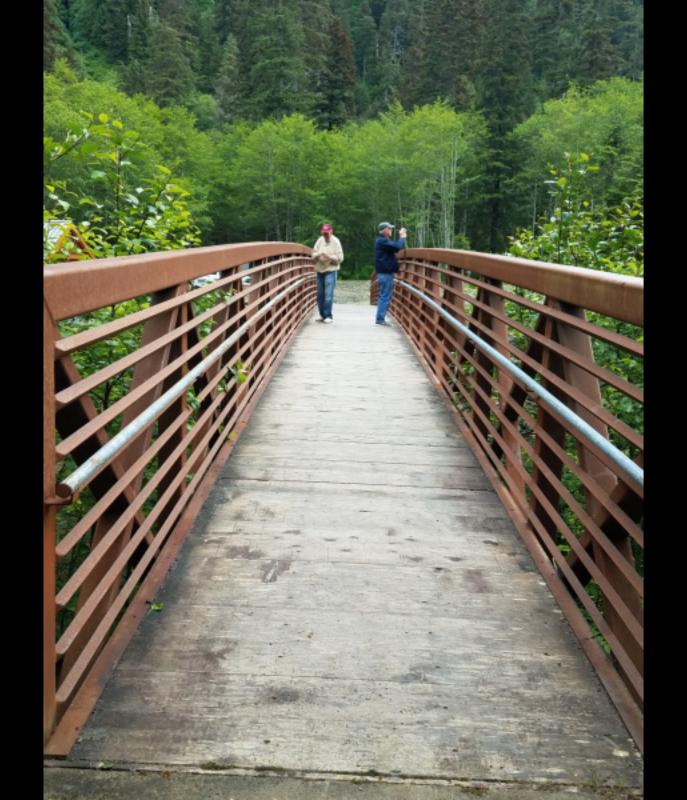


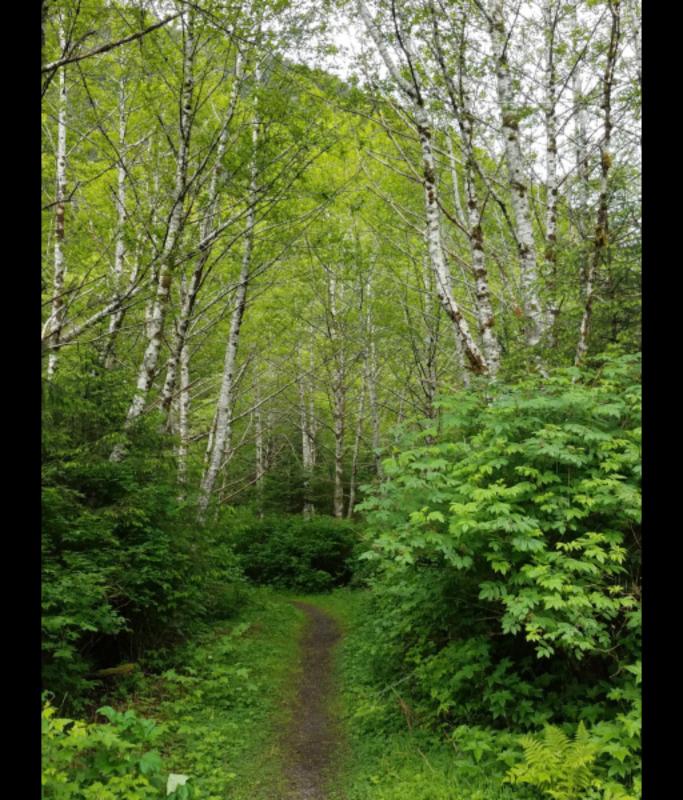








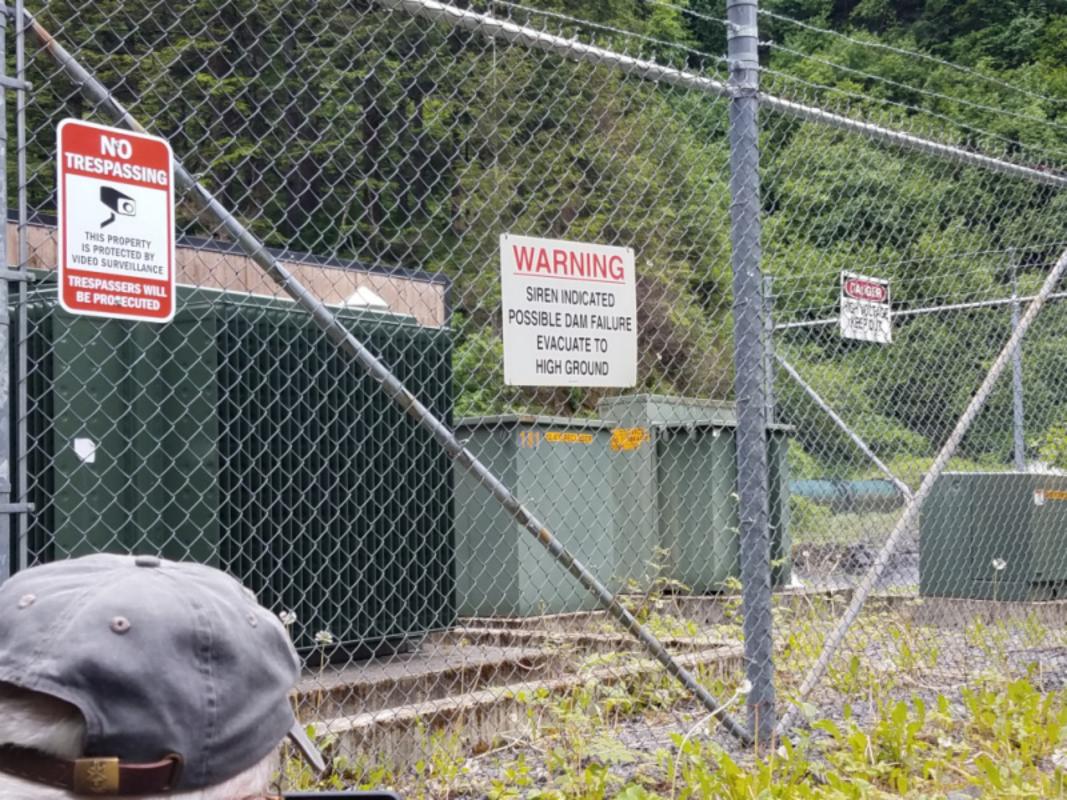


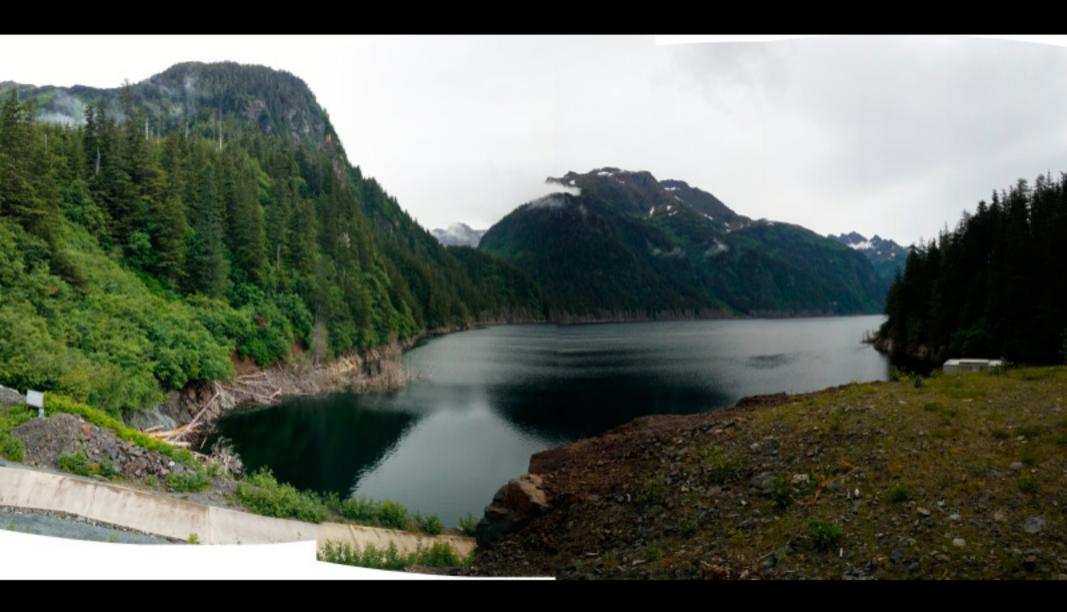


















2020 Fishing in Alaska

Participants: John Dieckman Mike Dieckman (son)







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No. of Street, or other Persons

































June 15 - June 19, 2021 Sitka Alaska Ocean Fishing Four Sirs, two sons, and two friends descended upon Sitka Point Lodge in the middle of June and spent three days fishing, eating, drinking, telling stories, and a little sleep. We caught our limits of King Salmon, halibut, and rock fish most days and returned with healthy sized boxes weighing nearly 50 pounds of flash frozen fish each. There were no injuries, fist fights, or illnesses among us. We made new friends and got along very well. Many of the discussions were about planning for the 2022 adventure.

John Dieckman caught the largest fish, a halibut, which was in the "slot" so it had to be returned to the sea (halibut longer than 50"" and shorter than 72" are in the 2021 "slot""). Mel Waldman caught the largest "keeper" halibut on his Birthday (49 7/8 " long) and Heber Slusser caught the biggest King Salmon. There were a lot of runners-up.

Participants:
Heber Slusser
Mel Waldman
Mark Waldman (Mel's son)
Paul Sidenbald (guest
Hal Millering (guest)
John Dieckman
Mike Dieckman (John's son)



























































































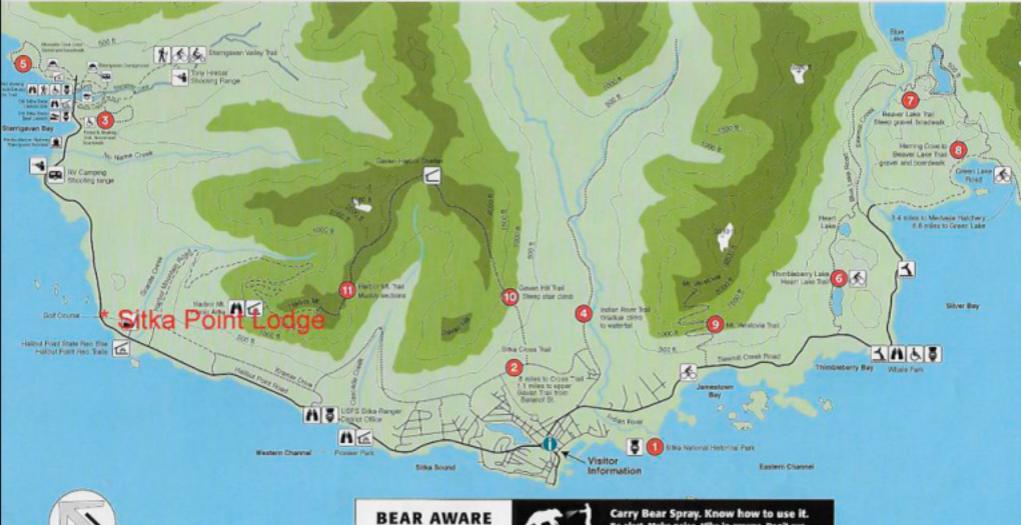














distance=1 mile

TRAIL LEGEND

...... Hiking Trail

Unimproved Road (Not suitable for RVs)

Maintained Roadway

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Be alert. Make noise. Hike in groups. Don't run.

Sitka is located on Baranof Island where the brown bear population is about one bear per 1.5 square miles. Although bear activity in Sitks is highest between spring and fall, bears are present in the area year-round. While walking and hiking in bear country, you should always:

- Let someone know where you're going and how long you'll be gone.
- Make noise to announce your presence.
- Hike in groups if possible, with dogs on leashes.
- Carry bear spray with you, especially if you are hiking alone. Keep it in an area where it is easily accessible and know how to use it beforehand.
- Stay alert on the trail. Approach blind corners with caution.
- Throw trash away in bear-resistant dumpsters and pack all food and trash off trails with you.

If you encounter a bear, DO NOT RUN. If you are with others, group together and back away slowly while facing the bear. Make noise and try to look as large and imposing as possible. Do not feed the bear. Use bear spray if necessary.