



Program Information Package

Private Kayak Fishing Guided Day Trip

Program Description

Our guided kayak fishing daytrip takes place in either Barkley or Clayoquot Sound. Each location is a kayak angler's paradise, famous for its world-class fishing and abundant wildlife. The temperate coastal rainforest provides an important refuge and habitat for a significant number of animals including numerous species of fish. On this expedition we will focus mainly on catching Coho Salmon, Chinook Salmon, Lingcod and Rockfish. Develop and refine your kayak angling skills in class two and three waters with personal instruction from experienced instructor and first class equipment.



Our program will begin either in Ucluelet or Tofino depending on which Sound we plan to explore. The duration of the day trip depends group expectations and local conditions (tides, currents and weather).

Paperwork Checklist

Please use the following checklist to ensure you have received and reviewed all the required documentation prior to the program start date:

- ✓ Kayak Fishing Private Guided Day Trip Information Package – please review
- ❑ SKILS Waiver – please sign with your instructor at the beginning of the program
- ❑ SKILS Medical Form – please bring a completed copy to your program
- ❑ Policy and Procedures Document – please review

Program Logistics

Who Should Take This Course

This course is designed for:

- Anglers seeking to become more proficient in fishing from a kayak,
- Anglers and kayakers seeking to develop skills and knowledge for kayak fishing while touring in class two and three waters,
- Kayakers seeking to become more proficient in fishing from their kayak.



Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for this program. The program will be designed around your experience and interests.

Location and Timing

The evening prior to the expedition, the instructor(s) will meet with the participants in Ucluelet to go over the program logistic. On the morning of the program, at an agreed upon time, instructor(s) and participants will meet at a kayak launch site in Ucluelet or Tofino. The duration of the day trip depends group expectations and local conditions (tides, currents and weather).

What is Included

The cost of the program includes the following:

- Instruction
- Kayaks
- Kayak equipment
- Lures
- Fishing equipment
- Immersion gear
- Safety equipment
- Drybags
- Advanced wilderness first aid kit

SKILS will provide you with all the needed equipment. We have a selection of open and closed deck kayaks for you to try, as well as a wide variety of kayaking and fishing equipment. (Participants will be charged for lost or damaged equipment). We do, however, encourage you to bring the kayaking and fishing equipment that you normally use. If you have a kayak that you are currently using for fishing (or plan to use in the future) bring it to the program; your instructor will work with you to rig it properly and help you learn to use your own gear. We work with a small ratio of 1 instructor for every 3 participants to ensure a great experience, optimum learning, and increased safety.

What you are Responsible For

Fishing License

- Federal saltwater fishing license for yourself with your salmon stamp. Fishing licenses can be purchased online at www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/rec/licence-permis/indexeng.

Meals

- Participants are responsible for their own lunch and snacks for the day trip. Please keep in mind that we will be packing our food into our kayaks.

Personal Clothing

Here are some guidelines to assist you with your packing. Feel free to bring more or less as you feel necessary.

- Hat or baseball cap
- Shoes or sandals that you can get wet or rubber boots
- Rain gear and rain pants, no matter the forecast, just in case you need them
- Extra clothing in a waterproof bag

Please do not wear cotton clothing; cotton takes a long time to dry once wet and will drain the heat away from your body very quickly. We suggest wool or synthetic fibers such as polyester and fleece. If you do not have the proper clothing, please let us know, as we should be able to help you.

Miscellaneous Gear

- Notebook with pencils and/or pens
- Water bottle
- Pocket Knife
- Sunglasses with good UV protection and a retaining strap
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera



Thank you for enrolling in our Kayak Fishing program. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact us at info@skils.ca. We look forward to playing on the water with you!