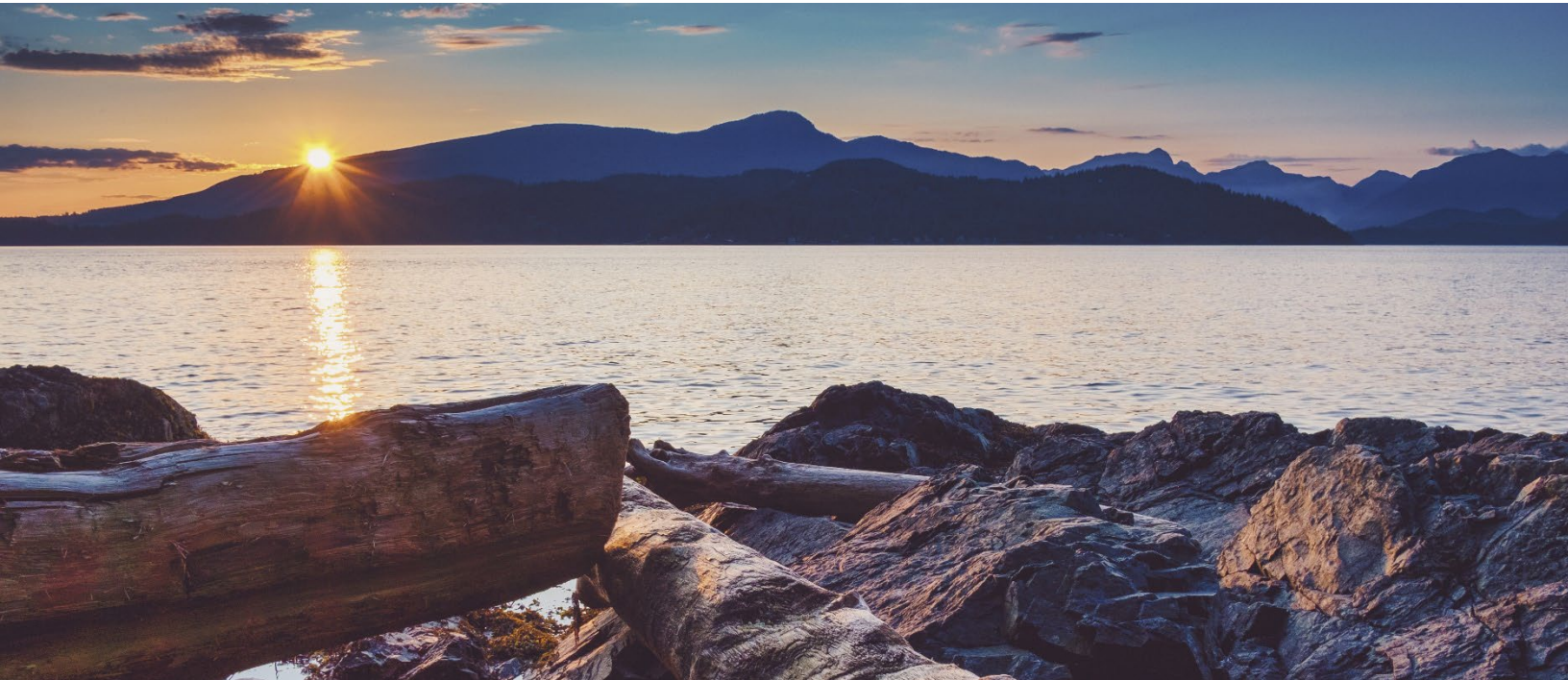


# SAN JUAN ISLANDS

## OLYMPIC PENINSULA & HOOD CANAL



A wild world of natural wonder. Explore islands, hike in rainforests and up mountains, paddle in Puget Sound waterways and the San Juan Islands, and watch for birds, orca, and other marine life.



### ***DATES – Fridays***

**2022** – Apr 8, 15, 22, 29 | May 6, 13  
Sep 16, 23, 30 | Oct 7, 14, 21  
**2023** – Apr 7, 14, 21, 28 | May 5, 12  
Sep 15, 22, 29 | Oct 6, 13, 20

**ROUND TRIP:** Seattle, WA

**DURATION** – 8 days/7 Nights

**SHIP** – Safari Quest

**From** - \$5,195  
(Incl Port Charges \$200)

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- Olympic National Wilderness —UNESCO World Heritage Site, San Juan archipelago, and Deception Pass
- Hike in rainforest, old growth forest, and at Mt. Constitution
- Transit the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks or cruise the Seattle waterfront
- Kayak, paddle board, and skiff in island channels formed by glaciers
- Watch for whales, orcas, seals, and sea lions
- Birding opportunities—eagles, seabirds, and migrating flocks

## ITINERARY:

### DAY 1 - SEATTLE, WASHINGTON – EMBARKATION

In a region renowned as a boaters' paradise, your discovery begins from Fishermen's Terminal. Set sail via the ship canal to Lakes Union and Washington—their glacially formed basins dug more than 12,000 years ago. After dinner, a sunset cruise through the historic Hiram M. Chittenden Locks and into Elliott Bay sets you right for the night. Seattle was founded along these shores and you don't want to miss the skyline!

**We recommend arriving at least one day early to avoid complications associated with air travel, such as delays.**

### DAY 2 – NORTH PUGET SOUND & DECEPTION PASS

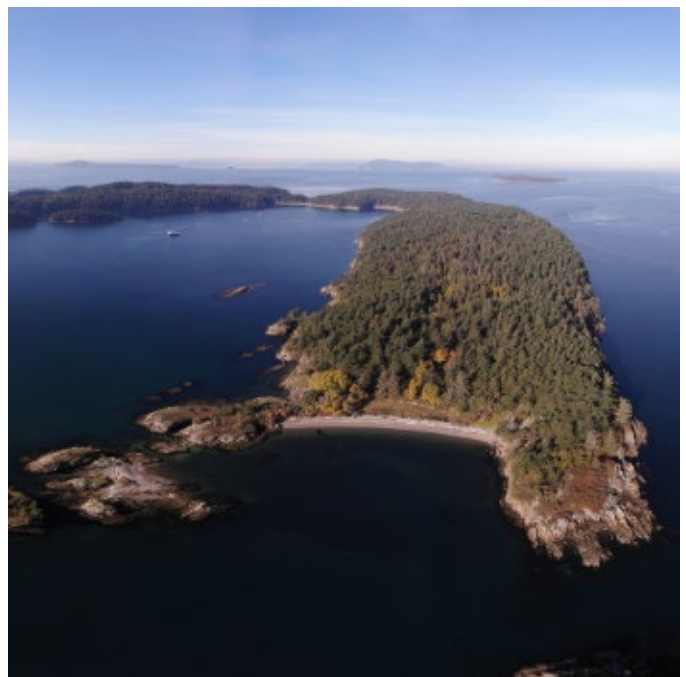
Explore Deception Pass and the inland islands of Hope or Skagit state parks. These parks are only accessible by water. The exact timing of passage thru Deception Pass depends on the slack tide due to the tidal rapids that develop in this famed passage. The day's activities include hiking remote islands, kayaking, skiff riding, and sightseeing. (BLD)

### DAY 3 - San Juan Islands

Wake up surrounded by the wilds of the Salish Sea, a humbling 360 degrees of wilderness. It's the captain's choice where you'll land today, but rest assured, you'll be away from the crowds. There are



unending options for investigating this sea-salty playground. If you're kayaking, keep your eyes



peeled above and below the surface. Rocky outcroppings play host to harbor seals—and it's also orca territory. Ashore, it's one boot in front of the other, hike through the forest or "take the high road" to ridges overlooking the archipelago. Join your expedition team on deck to search for whales, seals, sea lions, and bird rookeries as you cruise through the myriad San Juans—no two islands are the same.

### DAY 4 – ORCAS ISLAND

Your Captain navigates through the islands to your basecamp at Orcas Island—for a day of play where the options are unending. A local favorite, hike Mt.

Constitution--it's the highest peak in the San Juan Islands (2,409 feet high) and has a mind-blowing view of the archipelago. If you're interested in skiff exploration or more paddling, the kayaks and paddle boards are up for grabs. (BLD)

#### **DAY 5 - SUCIA ISLAND**

The treats keep coming! With no paved roads or even ferry access, enjoy your day on picturesque Sucia Island—total year-round population of four—a Washington State Marine Park filled with hidden coves and bays. You feel a million miles away from it all, exploring the intertidal zone with your guides, hiking across the island, and kayaking in a protected bay. It's all up for grabs.

#### **DAY 6 - SAN JUAN ISLANDS / STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA**

Make it an ideal morn by kicking it off with an early soak in the on-deck hot tub, a paddle along the shores of the Olympic Peninsula, or both! Your Captain sets the course today for explorations in the rain shadow of the Salish Sea. You may find yourself hiking deep into the mossy, towering old-growth of the Olympic Peninsula or beachcombing for anemone and hermit crabs along the shores of Puget Sound. Or perhaps, a chance to kayak and paddleboard, investigate bird rookeries, or search for whales in the Sea's rich emerald waters.



#### **DAY 7 - HIKING OLYMPIC WILDERNESS**

Olympic National Wilderness Hike (or snowshoe if the snow is still there!) in Olympic National Wilderness—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—surrounded by rainforest, old-growth forest, and top of the world 360-degree views. This evening wrap it up with a Farewell Dinner and slide show highlighting your week's adventures.



#### **DAY 8 - SEATTLE – DISEMBARK**

This morning, cruise into Seattle either via the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks or at Shilshole Bay. After breakfast, the Captain and crew bid you a fond farewell. Safe travels to all! Stay to see more of Seattle, or transfer to airport.

**PRE- AND POST-CRUISE PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE TO SUIT YOUR INTERESTS.**

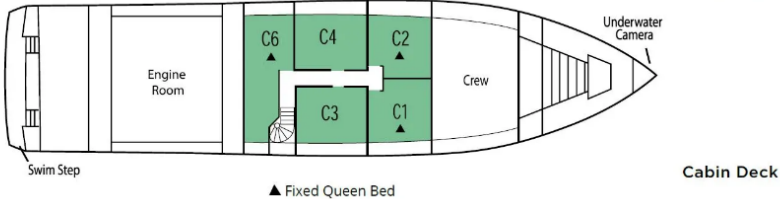
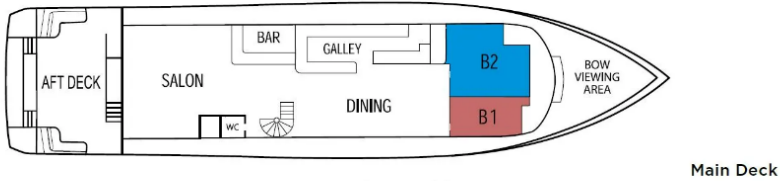
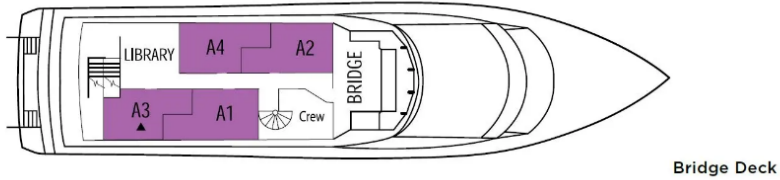
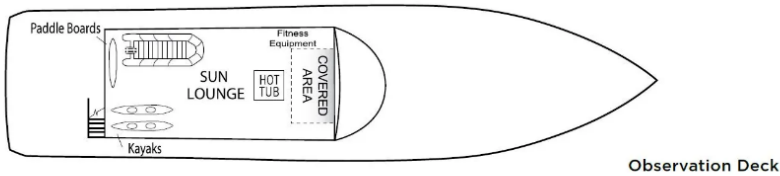


2022 & 23 RATES CABIN CATEGORY	2022	2023
NAVIGATOR	\$ 5,195	\$5,800
TRAILBLAZER	\$ 6,395	\$7,000
ADMIRAL	\$ 7,095	\$7,800
SINGLE	\$6,195	\$6,400

**RATES INCLUDE:**

Port Charge - \$200; Onboard meals; onboard spirits, wine, beer, non-alcoholic beverages; transfers and baggage handling between airport/hotel/vessel on embark/disembark days; entry fees to parks/preserves; all from-the-vessel activities and equipment; Wellness amenities: hot tub, fitness equipment, yoga mats.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare; Gratuities to crew; Travel Insurance.



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