

LOCAL BOATING DESTINATIONS

Following, are a few local cruising destinations that Jeremy Milsom of Salt Spring Inn and I have compiled for members who are looking for places to explore. This list, while a good start, is by no means complete so, if anyone would like to submit their favourite anchorage or destination, I will be happy to 'grow' the list!

Additionally, for reciprocal clubs/marinas to visit, be sure to review the list in our yearbook or [website](#) that we have agreements with.

And finally, whenever boating, ensure that you always adhere to safe boating practices and familiarize yourself with your route and destination, and carry the appropriate navigation charts etc.

Happy cruising!

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Genoa Bay Marina, Vancouver Island: 800-572-6481,
<http://www.genoabaymarina.com/>

- Docks, well sheltered, reservations essential
- Bathrooms, showers, shore power
- Artisans' floating studios, scenic, dog friendly
- Pub-restaurant, dock-store with snacks, coffee, breakfast items
- Walking trails and road to Maple Bay - 5km

Ladysmith Community Marina, Vancouver Island: 250-245-1146,
<https://www.lmsmarina.ca/>

- Welcome centre, fireside lounge, café, showers, washrooms
- Reservable covered group BBQ area
- floating Maritime Museum
- Sea Life Centre with underwater viewing port
- Various events throughout the summer
- Close to town

Maple Bay Marina, Vancouver Island: 866-746-8482,
<http://www.maplebaymarina.com/>

- Docks, fuel, sheltered, reservations suggested
- Bathrooms, showers, shore power, laundry
- floating homes, scenic, dog friendly
- Pub-restaurant and dock-store, Harbour Air stop

- Exactly halfway around Salt Spring from Ganges

Montague Marina, Galiano Island: 250-539-5733,
<https://montagueharbour.com/>

- Dock, fuel, sheltered, shore power, reservations essential
- Bathrooms, no showers
- Restaurant on-site, store may be open
- Walk to the marine park and general area
- Hummingbird Pub bus in Summer (lots of fun)
- Scooter rentals

Otter Bay Marina, Pender Island: 250-629-3579,
<http://www.otterbaymarina.ca/>

- Docks and mooring buoys, sheltered, reservations essential.
- Bathrooms, showers
- Store, snack bar, possible breakfast and lunch services
- Pool and kids area, dog friendly
- Walking trails and roads

Poets Cove Marina, Bedwell Bay, South Pender Island: 888-870-8889,
<https://www.poetscove.com/the-marina>

- Docks, fuel, sheltered, reservations, Customs Port of Entry check-in
- Bathrooms, showers, shore power
- Store, pub and snack bar, refreshments
- Pool, hot tub, kids' area, dog-friendly, scenic views
- Walking trails and roads

Port Browning Marina Resort, Pender Isl.: 250-629-3493,
<https://www.portbrowning.ca/>

- Docks, sheltered, reservations suggested
- Canal to Bedwell Harbour/Poets Cove
- Bathrooms, showers, shore power
- Scenic, local shopping mall .5km, dog friendly
- Pub, restaurant, coffee, breakfasts

Port Sidney Marina, Vancouver Island: 250-655-3711,
<https://www.portsidney.com/>

- Docks, sheltered, reservations essential.
- Bathrooms, showers, shore power
- Downtown Sidney very close

- Pubs, restaurants, and stores
- Dog friendly

Telegraph Harbour Marina, Thetis Island: 800-246-6011,
<https://www.telegraphharbour.com/>

- Docks, sheltered, reservations suggested
- Bathrooms, showers, laundry, store, walk to the nearby pub
- Scenic and dog-friendly area

Other Islands/anchorages, some designated as a BC Marine Park or the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve:

- Cabbage Island Gulf Islands National Park Reserve – mooring buoys, toilets, camping, popular
- Clam Bay, Thetis/Penelakut (Kuper) Islands – good stop-over anchorage on the way to Nanaimo
- Conover Cove, Wallace Island Marine Park – dock, toilets, trails camping, popular
- D'Arcy Island Gulf Islands National Park Reserve – trails, historic sights, toilets, camping
- Montague Marine Park, Galiano Island – dock, mooring buoys & anchorage on the inner side, anchorage on the beach side, toilets, trails, water, popular
- Narvaez Bay, Saturna Island – toilet, trails, camping
- Pirate's Cove, DeCourcy Island – dinghy dock, mostly stern-tie, trails
- Glenthorne Passage and Annette Inlet, Prevost Island -- sheltered, peaceful anchorage, popular
- Princess Cove, Wallace Island Marine Park – anchoring and stern tie, trails, popular
- Princess Margaret Marine Park, Portland Island – dinghy dock, mostly stern-tie, trails, toilets, camping
- Russell Island Gulf Islands National Park Reserve – dinghy dock, toilet, trails, historic sights
- Selby Cove and James Bay Gulf Islands National Park Reserve, Prevost Island – toilet, trails, camping, can be busy
- Sidney Spit Marine Park, Sidney Island – mooring buoys, dinghy dock, trails, toilets, camping, historic sights
- Winter Cove Marine Park, Saturna Island – scenic, popular