



Sunshine Coast Voyageur Journey

Journey Update

Registration is coming along nicely, we currently have 8 canoes registered, and 14 unattached paddlers. Over half these paddlers have been assigned to canoes, and we are hoping to place the remainder soon.

Our daily itinerary plan is still in development as we are adding special events as we go. We hope to share this with you over the next 4 weeks.

We do need the captains to contact the campgrounds located at Egmont BC for your first night accommodation needs.

Please email Christine at events@backeddy.ca with the following information.

- 1) Would any of your crew be interested in upgrading to a room or cabin?
- 2) Size and number of tents your crew will be setting up. (2 person/4 person)
- 3) The names of each crew member.
- 4) Whether you require additional meal tickets for support crew not registered

BC Ferries is very busy during summer months. Please check the Horseshoe Bay to Langdale Schedule for June 13th (or earlier if you wish) We highly recommend you make a reservation. www.bcferrries.com



A Night at the Longhouse

On Thursday, June 15 we portage the canoes across town and launch them from the Sechelt First Nation's land into the Salish Sea (Strait of Georgia). After a short paddle and lunch at a local beach we return to the First Nation's lands where we receive a formal Coast Salish welcome and permission to come ashore. With our canoes safely stored we head to the Longhouse where we'll have dinner and experience an evening of Coast Salish drumming, singing, dancing and storytelling before bussing back to camp for the night.

THE SHÍSHÁLH PEOPLE

The Shíshálh people are a member of the Coast Salish alliance, a collective of tribes within Southern BC who share cultural-linguistic connections and more importantly social, cultural and political ties that have existed for hundred of years. As a result of the long-standing relationships between Coast Salish tribes, it was common for people, including the Shíshálh, to speak 3-5 Coast Salish languages. Within the Shíshálh tribe, there are 4 main clans: wolf, grizzly bear, killer whale and the frog clan. Today, the clan organizations are still practiced and a part of Shíshálh (Sechelt) peoples' social and cultural identity

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The Voyageur Brigade Society was established in 2009 to ensure the enthusiasm of the canoe culture that help build and join Canada from coast to coast.

To find out more about all the canoe brigades happening from June to August go to voyageurbrigade.org

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