



Welcome to Pender Island.
It is good that you are here.

We acknowledge with gratitude that Pender Island (S,ḐÁYES) lies within the traditional, unceded territory of the WŚÁNEĆ People, who have cared for this land and surrounding waters since time immemorial. Whether you live here or you're visiting for a short time, it's up to all of us to continue that care.

We hope you enjoy your stay and embrace our island vibe. Pender is not like the city, so kick back, take it easy, appreciate our rural charm, turn off the lights and enjoy the stars!

Info Centre	Driftwood Centre (across from Tru Value Foods)
Garbage Drop-Off	Medicine Beach Centre, 5827 Schooner Way (Get key & pay at Medicine Beach Liquor Store)
Recycling	Pender Island Recycling Depot, 4400 Otter Bay Rd
Fire Risk Info	Look for fire risk signs around the island or check penderfire.org
Emergency	Call 911

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THE PENDERERS

IN THE HEART OF THE SALISH SEA



TIPS FOR YOUR STAY

TREAD LIGHTLY

Pender is a uniquely special place. Our rural island community has limited infrastructure and sensitive ecosystems. Please help keep it beautiful:

Pack it in, pack it out. There are no garbage bins at beaches, parks or trailheads.

Better than you found it. Pick up litter, report hazards.

Respect private property. Stay on marked trails and beach accesses.

Be water wise. Take short showers, run full loads of laundry and be mindful of your water use.

Services are limited. Cell service is patchy. Public restrooms are scarce. Businesses can be busy. Your patience is appreciated.

SHARING SPACE

Dogs under control. Leashes are required in Gulf Islands National Park. Elsewhere, leash unless under voice recall. Birds, wildlife and livestock aren't toys. And always scoop the poop.

Keep wildlife wild. Don't feed the animals. Admire from afar.

Keep your distance from whales. Some areas are closed to boats. Know before you go or enjoy land-based viewing. Share your sightings on the WhaleReport App or call 1-866-I-SAW-ONE

SUPPORT LOCAL

Shop, eat, explore and stay local. It means a lot here. Pick up a Visitors Guide & Map to learn more about our island businesses, events & activities.

FIRE SAFETY

Know the fire risk. Summers are hot and dry and fire risk can be high to extreme. Check if campfires are allowed before lighting up (penderfire.org) and don't smoke in parks or on trails. To report a fire, call 911.

SHARE THE ROAD

Rural country roads. Our roads are narrow, winding and busy. Top speed limit is 50km/h unless otherwise posted.

Drive with care. Watch for pedestrians, cyclists, deer and the odd escapee farm animal. Only pass when safe to do so. Yield to ferry marshals, farm equipment, the school bus and construction flaggers.

Cyclists. Wear a helmet and ride single file.

Pedestrians. Walk facing traffic, unless it is unsafe to do so. Wear bright clothing.