# **LONG BEACH**

Welcome to Pacific Rim National Park Reserve and the traditional territory of the Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations. This special place is part of a network of Canada's national treasures protected on your behalf by Parks Canada.



**SERVICES** 

experience. If you have questions or need advice, please stop by one of these locations:

Pacific Rim Visitor Centre (Year round. Parks Canada staff present seasonally) Stop here to obtain information about the national park reserve and surrounding region. Discovery passes available.

#### **Kwisitis Visitor Centre**

(Year round, Fri/Sat/Sun in winter) Learn about the natural and cultural history of the region at this one-ofa-kind interpretive centre.

### **Green Point Campground** (May to October) All sites reservable Situated on a forested terrace above

Long Beach. 94 drive-in sites, 20 walkin tent sites and 1 group campsite.

### **National Park Reserve Administration**

(Year round, 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday) Stop here to obtain information about the national park reserve. Discovery passes

### **Tofino Visitor Centre** (Year round, Parks Canada staff present seasonally)

**Green Point Theatre Programs** (Seasonally)

Bring your family and hear stories about Pacific Rim inside this heated

### **Guided Walks and Talks** (Seasonally)

Learn from a knowledgeable guide about the natural and cultural history of the national park reserve.

National Park Reserve Administration T: 250-726-3500 E: pc.pacrim.info.pc@pc.gc.ca 2040 Pacific Rim Highway, PO Box 280 Ucluelet, BC VOR 3A0

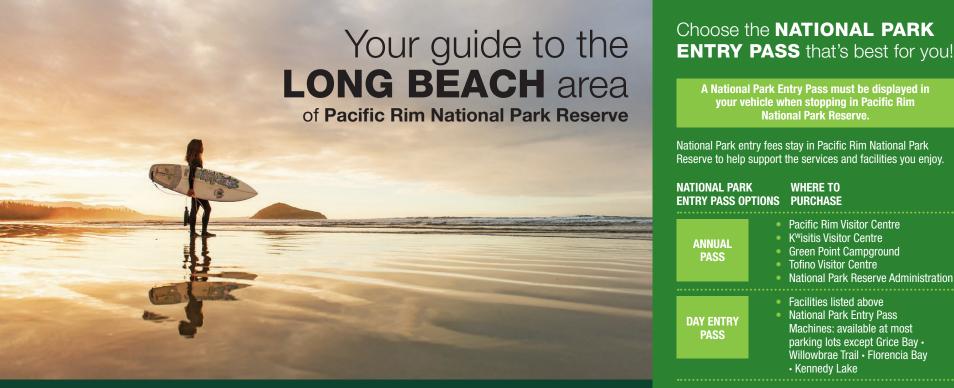
Green Point Campground Reservations www.reservation.pc.gc.ca 1-877-RESERVE (737-3783)(within NA) 1-519-826-5391(outside NA)











# **ACTIVITIES** and Attractions



### Make your visit to Long Beach a SAFE one!

ALL BEACHES UNSUPERVISED

A National Park Entry Pass must be displayed in your vehicle when stopping in Pacific Rim National Park Reserve.

WHERE TO

ANNUAL

PASS

**DAY ENTRY** 

PASS

Pacific Rim Visitor Centre Kwisitis Visitor Centre

Green Point Campground

National Park Reserve Administration

**Tofino Visitor Centre** 

Facilities listed above National Park Entry Pass

Kennedy Lake

For other National Park Entry Pass options,

please visit a national park facility.

Machines: available at most

parking lots except Grice Bay . Willowbrae Trail • Florencia Bay

National parks are wild places. Some simple precautions will ensure a safe and enjoyable visit.

### **Safety In the Forest**

- Wear appropriate footwear for slippery boardwalks and muddy uneven ground.
- Avoid the rainforest during high winds.

#### **Bears, Cougars and Wolves**

- Frequent the intertidal zone as well as the rainforest.
- If you encounter a bear, cougar or wolf:
- Pick up small children and pets and stay in a group.
- Back away slowly to give it an escape route.
- If the animal approaches, do all you can to appear threatening: shout, wave your arms and throw objects.
- Never feed or approach wildlife.

- Generally, there are two high and two low tides each day. During high tides, creeks and shoreline routes may become impassable.
- Make note of water safety signage and avoid areas with rip currents.

### **Break the Grip of the Rip!** ESCAPE ESCAPE ESCAPE RIP CURRENT

**RIP CURRENTS** 

## Go **EXPLORE** the trails!

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	Willowbrae Trail (1.4km one way) LOCATION: Willowbrae Road intersects Highway 4, 2km south of the Ucluelet-Tofino junction. Trail access is not signed from the highway. Turn west onto Willowbrae Road to the trailhead parking lot. OF INTEREST: This historic trail formed part of a two-day travel route between Ucluelet and Tofino prior to the establishment of a road in 1942.	Long flights of stairs
2	Halfmoon Bay Trail (1.8 km one way, including Willowbrae Trail) LOCATION: The Halfmoon Bay Trail branches from the Willowbrae Trail 1.3 km from the Willowbrae parking lot. OF INTEREST: The trail winds through old growth cedar and hemlock forest before giving way to the spruce fringe and sandy beach of Halfmoon Bay.	Steep sections and long flights of stairs
3	South Beach Trail (800 m one way) LOCATION: South Beach Trail branches from the Nuu-chah-nulth Trail. OF INTEREST: South Beach offers spectacular, but potentially dangerous, wave watching. Very large waves and strong currents form at this pebble beach; water activities not recommended.	Some stairs
4	Nuu-chah-nulth Trail (2.5 km one way) LOCATION: Trailheads are located at Florencia Bay and behind the K <sup>w</sup> isitis Visitor Centre OF INTEREST: A glimpse into the Nuu-chah-nulth culture. Learn what "Hishuk ish ts'awalk" means and how this belief influences the lives of the Nuu-chah-nulth-aht.	Some stairs
5	Shorepine Bog Trail (800 m loop) LOCATION: Along Wick Road. OF INTEREST: This is old growth coastal temperate rainforest with a twist. Search for the plant that kills small and unwary insects and learn what kind of an environment might lead a plant to such deeds.	Boardwalk
6	Rainforest Trails A and B (Each loop 1 km) LOCATION: Trail A is located on the opposite side of Highway 4 from the parking lot. Trail B starts from the parking lot.  OF INTEREST: Gigantic western red cedar and western hemlock reach up to the sunlight, their boughs thickly carpeted with hanging gardens of moss. On Trail A interpretive signs emphasize the forest cycles and on Trail B the signs emphasize the structure and inhabitants of the forest.	Many short flights of stairs

**Combers Beach Trail** (500 m one way)

**LOCATION:** Along Highway 4. **OF INTEREST:** Combers Beach Trail leads from the parking lot down to Combers Beach. Beach access is dependent on tides, currents and erosion.

**Schooner Cove Trail** (1 km one way) **LOCATION:** Along Highway 4.

**OF INTEREST:** The trail descends through young and old stands of cedar/hemlock forest, gradually giving way to the Sitka spruce fringe. Coming to the beach, you will catch glimpses of the village of Esowista, belonging to the Tla-o-qui-aht, who have lived along this shore for centuries.

**To Identify Rip Currents, Look For:** 

- · A narrow stream of water moving away from shore, often perpendicular to the shoreline.
- · Waves breaking on both sides of the rip, but not inside the rip.

Steep slope

Long flights

of stairs

If you get caught in a rip... do not swim against it. Stay calm and swim parallel to the shore, then swim back to shore, If you cannot escape, float or tread water and signal for help.

**RIP CURRENTS ARE POWERFUL CURRENTS OF WATER THAT** CAN SWEEP EVEN THE STRONGEST SWIMMER OUT TO SEA.

- Shorelines are dynamic places. Large waves can unexpectedly sweep over beaches and rocky outcrops.
- Avoid being trapped or crushed by floating and rolling drift logs.
- Water temperatures are low (7-14°C). Wear a wetsuit in the water.