

The Bay News

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SAFETY CORNER

Halloween Safety amid Covid-19 Pandemic. Is it safe? A pediatrician weighs in.

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Dates to Remember

October 9-11	Thanksgiving Long Weekend
October 1	We close for the season
Sunday, October 31	Halloween
Thursday, November 11	Remembrance Day
December	MeetMeAtDeepBay Reopens
December 18 – Jan 2	School Winter Break
January	MeetMeAtDeepBay Closes Until Spring
Monday, February 21	Family Day
March 12 – 27, 2022	School Spring Break



Welcome to our First Edition of The Bay News!

Welcome everyone, to the premier edition of our **MeetMeAtDeepBay** newsletter, The Bay News!

Those of you who knew me prior to us moving to Deep Bay, know that I had put together a monthly newsletter in which I not only aimed to have fun, but bring some information and just plain enjoyment to our readers. It is my hope that I can continue the tradition in our new setting!

As always, I deeply value reader participation, so if you have any ideas or suggestions you'd like to see explored here, please contact me at info@MeetMeAtDeepBay.com.

Once again, welcome everyone, and let the journey begin. 😊

Thank You, and a Temporary Seasonal Close

MeetMeAtDeepBay vacation home rentals opened officially when our [website](#) went live the first week of July 2021. It took about a week for people to find us and from then on, we were almost completely booked for July, August and into September!

Ken and I also have our Facebook and Instagram accounts, but for the most part, we believe it was the word of mouth of our friends and customers that led to such a successful season. It is indeed humbling to be a part of a community of such wonderful people, and for that we give a hearty THANK YOU!

We will be closing temporarily to take a much-anticipated camping vacation of our own. But don't worry, we have access to the emails and are currently taking reservations for the Christmas and 2022 season.

Should you require anything else, ever, please don't hesitate to contact us at the phone numbers and email address on page 4.

Thank you, peeps, family and new friends for the wonderful welcome our business has received, and the warmth we will remember always.

Chat any time

Susan and Ken



Fall in love with Deep Bay

Sunset from the house
August 26, 2020

Is it any wonder we bought here?

Adventures with Sherlock



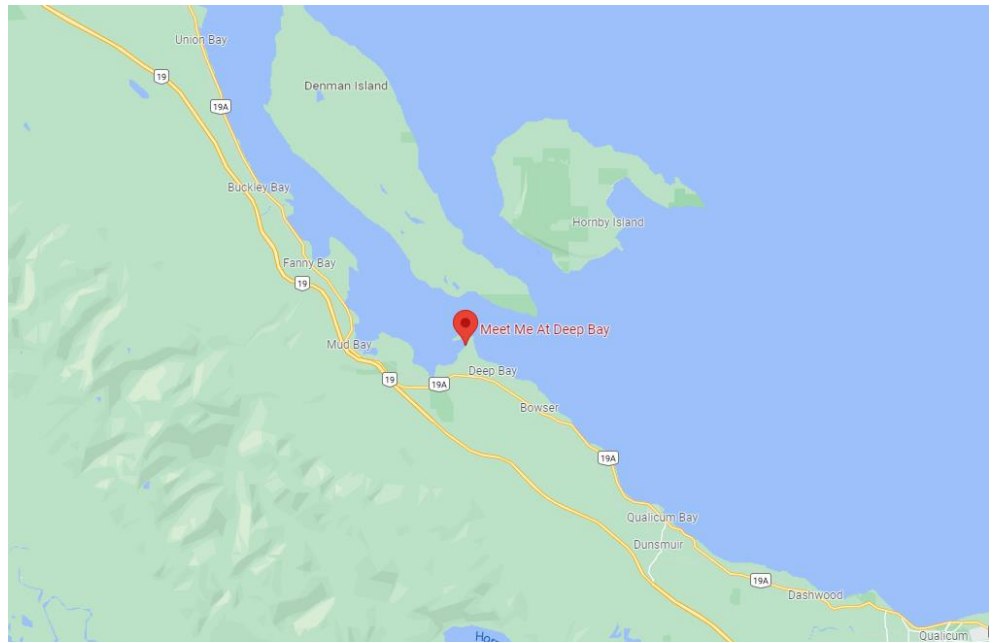
Be it the beach, the spit, or the woods, your dog will love it here!

Where Are We Located?

Meet Me At Deep Bay vacation home rentals is located on Vancouver Island, in the [Central Region](#). This area includes Nanaimo, Parksville, Qualicum Beach, Deep Bay and Port Alberni. It is known to be a place to take young families since the warm weather, beaches, shorts walks and slow pace make it an ideal vacation spot.

Situated in Lighthouse Country, Deep Bay is a short 10 minute drive to the Denman and Hornby Island ferry, and 15-40 minutes to Parksville, Courtenay, Coombs (Goats on the Roof), Qualicum Beach, Port Alberni and the passenger ferry to Lasqueti Island. If the mountains are in your itinerary, Mount Washington is an hour's drive and has some of the best snow I've ever skied on.

Whatever your taste in vacation is, we've got you covered!



Sea Stars Anyone?

Did you know some species of Sea Star in the Pacific Northwest are on the critically endangered list? You wouldn't know it from a walk on Deep Bay's beach but please remember to admire with a camera 😊



Living in Harmony with the Visitors

We have quickly learned that Islanders have a love/hate relationship with all the deer.

We can't help but love them, and our guests adore seeing them all around!

It just means that you'll likely see nibbled plant tips everywhere, and we ask that you keep the gates closed so the upper garden is safe 😊



Doe and fawn in the back yard

Safety Awareness Corner

Awareness without action is worthless.

Keep your kids safe this Halloween! [Pediatrician Dr. Jean Moorjani](#) weighs in.

1. The most important thing is that families decide together what level of risk they're ok with. For example, are you ok with people you don't know knocking on your door?
2. As much as you may want to, handing out treats wasn't recommended last year. The CDC (Centre for Disease Control) considers this to be a high-risk activity. If you want to go door to door, avoid homes where someone is handing candy directly to trick-or-treaters.
3. What about leaving a bowl of candy out? If everyone would like to see the trick-or-treaters, perhaps put lawn chairs out at a distance from the candy bowl, and ensure every treat is individually wrapped.
4. Should the children wear gloves? Well, unless they're changing and washing their gloves between contact, "they're really just moving germs around". It's not recommended in this setting.
5. Should parents sanitize their children's candy? Since the transmission of the coronavirus on surfaces is low, this may not be necessary. However, each parent is different and if you want to, go for it!
6. Parents, what to bring? Hand sanitizer and maybe have the kids decorate one of their masks as part of their costume.
7. Have a fun and spooky Halloween everyone!

Love Fishing?

Situated immediately beside the Deep Bay Marina, and the launch ramp, we offer you a perfect location to begin your fishing expedition.

Just ensure you don't drop your catch overboard....



Deep Bay Beaches

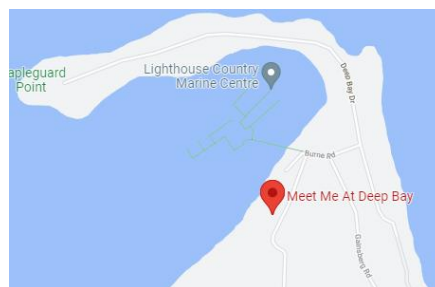
The beaches at Deep Bay vary, depending on where you are.

Across the bay from us is the "Spit", which separates the bay from Baynes Sound, and it has deep water and sandy beaches. Perfect for swimming.

Our property is a living beach. If you're into admiring shells, sand dollars, oysters, star fish and all manner of beach life, this is place for you!

Don't forget your aqua shoes or rubber boots.

If you'd like to bring home your treasures, please ensure there aren't any residents in them first.



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The Ever-Changing View from the Grounds



Have Fur Babies? Us Too!

It is our firm belief that no family should have to travel without a family member (unless you want to... believe me, that we get).

This is our Great Dane Sherlock. He's a little bit broken, but he's here to tell you that we welcome your dogs too. One time \$50 additional cleaning fee will apply.



How Do You Get Here?

If you're at all familiar with Vancouver Island, you will know there are many ways to reach us. Directly to the left are a few of the links to help you. Click into any to find your information.

Driving is always a good one. It's handy to have a car here as we are located in a quiet neighbourhood. If you want to head out to restaurants and various attractions, you'll likely want your own transportation.

BC Ferries' closest terminal (from Vancouver) is Departure Bay in Nanaimo. We're about an hour from the terminal and a good rule of thumb is that if you're leaving from Horseshoe Bay in West Vancouver, and plan to come directly here, you can expect to arrive in 3 hours.

IskwewAir is a brand-new airline offering Vancouver to Qualicum Beach flights at very reasonable prices. At the time of this writing, the all-in cost for a flight from the south terminal at YVR is \$145.95. Comox Airport also serves the Vancouver to Comox valley area.

And finally, if you choose to boat in, we're located directly beside the Deep Bay Marina. It really can't get much closer than that. Also, if it's during their limited operating hours, there's also a yummy pub there (shout out to Mel and Bruce at the [Ship and Shore](#)).

If you have any further questions, don't hesitate to ask us when you call to book.

"B.E.A.C.H: Best Escape Anyone Can Have."

- Parents everywhere

We're on the Web!



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