

## PACIFIC YELLOWFIN



### Great Bear Rainforest One Week Sample Itinerary

#### Day 1

Vancouver - Bella Bella - Fjordland Conservancy

Arrive in Bella Bella airport and transfer to the Pacific Yellowfin. The first destination, Fjordland Provincial Park, is a wonderful place to explore by boat and kayak with some of the most sensational scenery on the coast. Mussel Inlet is the major estuary here. It's a 14 km fjord with stunning waterfalls and sheer granite cliffs, with huge numbers of spawning salmon and high concentrations of Grizzly and Black Bears. This area is also home to the Kitasoo First Nations. Choose a guided kayaking trip or an easy hike to introduce yourself to this magnificent part of the world.





## **Day 2**

### **Fjordland - Queen Charlotte Sound**

Travel through Queen Charlotte Sound to the river estuary, a major salmon river and estuary for grizzly and waterfowl. Explore this area and a nearby waterfall and undeveloped hot spring by kayak or zodiac. Across the sound is another river with an impressive waterfall that drops into the channel. The Kitasoo consider this river one of the most important fish habitats in the area. This is a great place to view bears and is one of the better spots to wait for the Spirit Bear to appear. Enjoy guided Bear viewing by boat and excellent seas kayaking in the Inlet.

## **Day 3**

### **Queen Charlotte Sound -Bishop Bay**

From Queen Charlotte Sound we will journey north to Bishop Bay. Bishop Bay in the fall is a congregating area for feeding humpback whales. Visit a well-developed hot spring set in spectacular scenery. At a nearby river there is some of the best Spirit Bear viewing in the area. A local Gitgaat Guide will take us into the river to search for these special mammals with thousands of spawning salmon running the river below. Other wildlife to be encountered are otters, wolf, deer and the ubiquitous Bald Eagles.

## **Days 4 and 5**

### **Bishop Bay - Princess Royal Island**

Explore Princess Royal Island the fourth largest island on the BC Coast. From Bishop Bay travel west to begin your exploration of this incredible island rich in wildlife and adventure.



### **Day 6**

Hartley Bay and Barnard Harbour

From Hartley Bay travel south to Barnard Harbour, a beautiful protected anchorage which will be the base for a variety of adventures and tours. This area is also home to the Spirit Bear and a very rich marine environment.

### **Day 7**

Hartley Bay

Additional Spirit Bear viewing can be done here. Tour the village of Hartley Bay and experience the rich culture of this special community. We will have a traditional dinner, village tour and time spent with close friends.

### **Day 8**

Hartley Bay – Bella Bella – Vancouver

Say farewell to the North Coast as the seaplane arrives to take you back to Bella Bella and Vancouver.