

#### **Winner Takes All!**



Every guest joining us in the 2015 season has the opportunity to enter in the excitement of our Tyee Season.

Peregrine Lodge is committed to ensuring the excitement of your trip will last forever. After enjoying an exciting day on the water and a delicious meal prepared by our red seal chefs, the tradition of the Peregrine Lodge awards ceremony commences to honour the grand catches of the day.

This year we are adding a new bonus pool for our anglers, "the largest salmon released of the 2015 Season." Simply sign up with Lexi at the dining room bar on the day of your arrival. Entry is \$50.00 and the winner will be announced at the end of the season earning the entire pool. As a bonus to the draw, Peregrine Lodge is pleased to offer the winning angler a free trip for the 2016 fishing season!

# FISHLINES LATE SPRING 2015



## **Corporate News**

Peregrine Lodge is proud to introduce our new Assistant Lodge Manager, Chris Dunn. A familiar face, Chris guided with Peregrine Lodge for 6 years before venturing off further north to another premier fishing lodge. Chris writes, "Coming back home to Peregrine is the icing on the cake for me in my guiding career and look forward to taking on other roles to help make the Peregrine Lodge experience the best it can be for our customers!! My passion runs deep when it comes to our very special fishing grounds and I respect the Peregrine Lodge philosophy of sustainability, while enabling that our guests depart with their limits."





### Catch on the Fly

We often relate "Fly Fishing" to freshwater lakes... standing in a small rowboat at dusk with just a few loons floating on the water's perfectly smooth surface. For some of us, however, there is no greater thrill than casting and retrieving a well-designed fly, then feeling the strike of a Pacific Coast Salmon.

This great sport of saltwater flyfishing normally takes place between mid-July and late August, before the fish head off to distant streams to carry out nature's cycle.

Eight and ten-weight rods combined with strong disc-drag reels and sinking lines to take your silver bodied fly or bucktails down into the current are definitely the equipment order of the day.

Catch on the Fly is technically demanding, but you will be guaranteed the best action-packed fish play in the Haida Gwaii.





# **Q & A with Peregrine's Professional Guide Steve Shwarz**

# What is your greatest asset as a guide?

I have been guiding with Peregrine Lodge for the last 15 years. I think that my greatest asset is my experience on the water, but I also pride myself in the ability of coaching guests the steps to landing their very own salmon. I like to think that there are 3 elements to a great experience:



- a) The initial hook up
- b) The fight
- c) Finally landing and or releasing the salmon

# Can you tell us why having a guide is the preference for anglers in the Haida Gwaii?

Visiting the Haida Gwaii is a once in a lifetime experience. By utilizing a professional guide, guests have a better opportunity to catch their quota of salmon if they are not familiar with the area, fishing techniques or boat handling skills. This also allows the guests to relax on the water knowing that each guide is professionally certified with their Marine First Aid, Small Vessel Operator Proficiency and Radio Operators Certificate.

#### Why do you prefer fresh bait to artificial lures?

Trolling artificial gear requires less skill, while using fresh bait is more of an art for the true fisherman. In my personal experience, I find that the cutplug herring is more effective for catching trophysized salmon.

#### What is you favourite fishing spot?

Parker Point is definitely my favorite, because the current works incredibly well here. I keep an eye on the ebb and flood times when targeting the larger salmon.

## We often hear of great fish stories, do you have a memorable one to share with us?

While fishing Parker Point one day, I could see another boat had a fish on at Snake Rock. While battling this salmon, they ended up losing their rod and reel overboard! Approximately twenty minutes later, we got tangled in some line. After pulling in this snagged line, we realized that we had caught the lost rod and reel. Once we had the reel in hand, we battled for a further twenty minutes until we landed the same 25-pound salmon that the other boat had lost. Funny, we didn't even need bait for that one!

## 2015 Salmon Conservation Stamp



Peregrine Lodge is proud to provide each guest with their B.C. Tidal Waters Sports Fishing License during their stay. Each license must have a conservation stamp attached to the top right corner in order to retain any salmon species.

All funding generated from the Salmon Conservation Stamp sales go to the Pacific Salmon Foundation, a non-profit, charitable organization committed to supporting salmon restoration, stewardship and enhancement projects in British Columbia.

Each year, artists all over British Columbia submit their work to be featured on the Salmon Stamp. Pictured below is the 2015 winner designed by April White of the Yahgu'jaanaas Raven Clan. Born in the Haida Gwaii, White is the first artist of aboriginal descent to win the competition.



### The Myth, Magic & the Haida

The mythology surrounding the Haida people lives on in the ancient sites scattered throughout the Haida Gwaii; and in the wonderful, magical tales descendants weave for visitors today. For possibly 10,000 years these islands have been home to the Haida, considered one of the most powerful and enduring of Northwest Native Tribes. Famous for their warrior culture (once referred to as the *Vikings of the Northwest Pacific*) and their myths and totem carvings, the Haida are as much as integral part of Haida Gwaii's distinct spirit as are the glaciated landscape, rugged seascape and diverse animal species.

It is estimated that at one time there were up to fifty or sixty villages on the islands. On the Haida Gwaii today, there are two main Haida villages that are inhibited- Skidgate Reserve and Old Masset. There are approximately 1,500 Haida living on the islands, and many of the abandoned villages are now important cultural sites.

Haida artists have much to boast about as their carving skills are unmatched- from the construction of their immense cedar houses and canoes to their unparalleled argillite and cedar carvings. Visitors to Haida Gwaii today make the trip by land or air to view living graveyards, which were once thriving villages.

Guests at Peregrine Lodge have the unique opportunity to visit Kung Village. Located at the mouth of Naden Harbor, Kung once housed over 300 people in 15 lodges. The village was abandoned around 1880.





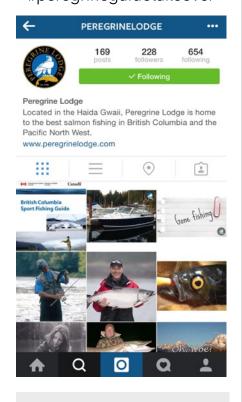


# **@peregrinelodge on Instagram**

This season, the guides of Peregrine Lodge will be taking over our Instagram account posting their experiences out on the water.

Search the hashtag:

#peregrineguidetakeover



Limited space is still available for the 2015 Fishing Season. This is a year not to be missed!!

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## The Upside Down Martini

- 1 oz. Tequila of your choice
- ½ oz. Triple Sec
- 1 Lime
  - 1) Fill your martini shaker half full with ice.
  - 2) Pour in tequila, triple sec and lime juice.
  - 3) Shake rapidly for 30 seconds.
  - 4) Strain into refrigerated martini glass and garnish with a lime.

Enjoy this martini in the summer heat with your friends and prepare to get Upside Down at Peregrine Lodge this summer as we ring in a new season with a some exciting new surprises...

#### **BC Salmon Facts**

- Chinook salmon is the only salmon species to have two different genetic strains, which means they can have either pink or white meat, both delicious in taste!
- The largest Chinook on record in BC weighed 57 kilos or 125 lbs, while the World Record Chinook was a whopping 126 lbs.
- Chinook are piscivorous, which means that they eat other fish.
- Chum migrate to saltwater immediately, unlike other species that take up to a year. For this reason, they spawn in streams close to the ocean.
- Young coho are aggressive, territorial, and vibrantly coloured.
- Pink salmon are the smallest of pacific salmon species averaging between 3-11 lbs.
- Pink are the only salmon species with a fixed, two-year lifespan. They spend 18 months in the ocean and then return to the rivers where they were born to spawn and die where their fry are born and immediately begin the move.

