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Valdez is the activity center for Prince William Sound; a mix of tidewater glaciers, rainforests, and mountains. The growth and settlement of Valdez can be attributed to fur trading, salmon canning, and gold and copper mining. During the Klondike Gold Rush of 1897-98, prospectors came to Valdez believing the Copper River and Valdez Glacier to be the entry to the Interior gold fields. From 1910 to 1916, copper and gold mining flourished in the area. In the early 1970’s, Valdez became the staging area for work on the lower portion of the trans-Alaska Pipeline. Today, Valdez hosts the Valdez Marine Terminal, which is the southernmost end of the 800-mile oil pipeline.

Valdez and vicinity is abundant in marine and land wildlife. The seawaters near Valdez abound with sea otters, Dall porpoise, harbor seals, Steller sea lions, and humpback and orca whales. Coastal mountain cliffs are home to mountain goats, and the surrounding landscape boasts black and brown bears in addition to many other smaller animal species. Valdez takes flight with area bird viewing opportunities. Bald eagles are abundant and scores of ducks and shorebirds can be identified through most of summer and fall. Please be sure to observe wildlife and their dens, rookeries, and nests with respect.

Unparalleled natural scenery is matched only by the abundant activities offered throughout the year. Valdez is home to five glaciers that can be accessed by cruising, flying, walking, driving, or enjoy glacier trekking, exploration and even ice repelling. See the beautiful Columbia, Meares, Worthington, Shoup, or Valdez glaciers. You can raft nearby rivers floating through magnificent canyons and underneath towering waterfalls. Kayaking is another way to explore the region up close and personal. Hike or bike historic Gold Rush trails. Watch the past come alive before you while visiting the local museums and collections displaying Alaska Native artifacts and area history from early to recent days of the previous century.

Valdez’s Prince William Sound is a premier fishing destination, offering all species of salmon and some of the most accessible big halibut in Alaska. Don’t forget the growing excitement of big game salmon shark fishing. Valdez is home to the oldest fish derbies in Alaska, awarding thousands of dollars in prizemoney each year. You can fish from shore or take a charter from the Valdez small boat harbor.

Valdez is a clear choice for winter adventures in Alaska. The surrounding Chugach Mountains receive over 600 inches of fresh powder each year. Helicopter and snowcat skiing and snowboarding is the best in the world, ranging from intermediate to extreme. Backcountry, telemark and cross-country skiing provide more options. Snowmobiling near Valdez is also a world class experience with endless peaks, valleys and glaciers to explore. Cold temperatures serve to freeze waterfalls around Valdez, providing unparalleled ice climbing opportunities. Traveling to Valdez adds more fun to any Alaskan vacation. Several intermodal options are available: Drive the Richardson, Alaska’s first highway, past the Wrangell-St. Elias and Chugach mountains; fly to Valdez on a state regional airline with regularly scheduled service; cruise to Valdez from Whittier or Cordova on the Alaska Marine Highway or a private charter service.

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Valdez has amazingly rich history that has shaped the community that exists today as well as played an important role in the development of the state of Alaska.

Valdez’s humble beginnings laid the foundation for transportation within the state. Valdez has been integral to transportation development within the state and has served as the gateway to Prince William Sound and the Interior.

Everything, including the layout of our streets and the look of our buildings, reminds us of events from our past. With the destruction of our community after the 1964 Earthquake, Valdez had the opportunity to plan the layout of streets and buildings which was unheard of at that time. Most communities simply take shape as they grow. Fires and snow removal and storage had a big impact on the outcome, which is no surprise considering over 300 inches fall on the city annually.

The 1960-70’s architecture reminds us that we are a new, rebuilt community. The terminus of the 800 mile trans-Alaska pipeline rests on the south side of the Port of Valdez and can be viewed from any shoreside point in the city. Many residents remember the construction and people today can watch tankers coming and going, transporting oil to the Lower 48. The oil spill of 1989 caused an influx of people to Valdez to help with the cleanup efforts. During this time new buildings were erected. The building that housed the command center is now one of our seven hotels. All of these aspects are constant reminders to residents and visitors of how much we have overcome.

Prior to 1778

The territory south of Valdez belonged to the Chugach (pronounced “chew-gach”) Eskimo, a maritime hunting people and the land to the north is that of the Ahtna. The Chugach and Ahtna used the area around Valdez for fishing and trading copper, jade, hides and other furs.

1778

Captain Cook sailed into the Sound in 1778, naming it Sandwich Sound after his patron, the Earl of Sandwich. The editors of Cook’s maps renamed the sound after Prince William IV.

1790

Spanish cartographer Lt. Salvador Fidalgo was sent to Alaska to investigate Russian involvement and to establish the Spanish claim in the area. The exploratory party was the first to approach Columbia Glacier and then ventured down the Valdez Arm.

1800

Russians, during their ownership did little exploring of the Sound; they were primarily interested in amassing sea otter pelts. Nuchek, on Hinchinbrook Island, became the center for trade in the Prince William Sound area, between Russians and the Alaskan Natives.
2011 Calendar

JANUARY
- New Years Fireworks

FEBRUARY
- Ice Climbing Festival
- Prince William Sound Community College Fundraiser
- Valdez Arts Council Presents Solas

MARCH
- Tailgate Alaska
- WESC (World Extreme Skiing Championships)
- King of the Hill
- Frosty Fever Winter Carnival
- Valdez Snow Machine Club “Mayors Cup Race”
- Kite Boarding Festival

APRIL
- Mountain Man Hill Climb

MAY
- May Day Fly In
- Valdez Halibut Derby Begins
- Valdez Arts Council Annual Picnic featuring Burnable Art

JUNE
- Last Frontier Theatre Conference
- Military Appreciation Day

JULY
- Pink Salmon Festival / 4th of July

AUGUST
- Gold Rush Days
- Women’s Silver Salmon Derby
- Richardson Highway Rendezvous

SEPTEMBER
- Fish Derby Banquet & Awards
- Labor Day Fun Run

OCTOBER
- Valdez Museum Road House Dinner
- Business Trick or Treat & Parks and Recreation Annual Halloween Carnival

NOVEMBER
- Ducks Unlimited
- Annual Patricia Haltness Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony & Festivities

DECEMBER
- Emblem Clubs “Annual Christmas Bazaar”
- Ladies Christmas Tea
- Annual Community Christmas Show

For more information on upcoming events in Valdez, please visit www.valdezalaska.org.

1900-1920
Once the rush to the Klondike subsided, prospectors concentrated on gold, copper and silver deposits on the islands and shores of Prince William Sound. The most profitable mines near Valdez were the Cliff Gold Mine, about five miles east of Valdez, and the Midas Mine, in nearby Solomon Gulch.

1919
The Keystone Canyon Trail became the Richardson Highway, Alaska’s first highway and served as the only viable inland route to Fairbanks. Valdez became the coastal port for the majority of traffic going into and out of the interior.

1923-1929
Fort Liscum closed and was obtained in 1929 by the Day family, who renamed it Dayville. The Days prospected the land, ran a cannery, a sawmill, a school and a store at the old military site.

1940
Valdez was a major port for military freight during World War II.

1964
On March 27, 1964 at 5:36 pm, a 9.2 earthquake lasting over four minutes struck 45 miles west of Valdez. The quake triggered an underwater landslide creating tremendous waves that washed away the Valdez waterfront, drowning 30 people on the dock and three men on the steamer “Chena.”

1967
Town of Valdez condemned when it was discovered it was built on unstable ground. Town was relocated to present site. Fifty-two buildings were moved 4 four miles west.

1973
Congress approved the plans for the trans-Alaska oil pipeline with its southern terminus at Valdez. The town’s population soared.

1989
March 24 (Good Friday), the tanker Exxon Valdez struck Bligh reef, approximately 25 miles outside of Valdez causing the largest oil spill in North American history.
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Exploring on your own

Exploring downtown Valdez and the surrounding areas on your own can be spectacular. Several locations around town showcase Valdez facts and history.

Stop by the Alyeska Pipeline Interpretive signs, a short walk from downtown Valdez and located next to the city dock. You will also see an amazing view from across the bay to the Alyeska Marine Terminal, which is where the pipeline concludes its 800-mile journey from Prudhoe Bay.

Visit one or all of the Valdez pocket plazas. Here you will find interpretive signs covering random Valdez facts and history. Also take advantage of beautiful flowers and benches for sitting and taking in the views.

At the heart of Valdez are three of Alaska’s greatest museums. The Valdez Historical Museum and Old Town Exhibit walk you through Valdez’s incredible history and give you a look at what life before the 1964 Good Friday earthquake was like. The Maxine and Jesse Whitney Museum holds a rare collection of Alaska Native artifacts, clothing and animal mounts, and is located at the campus of Prince William Sound Community College right at the center of town.

Explore Keystone Canyon with 20-plus beautiful waterfalls. Then head up to Thompson Pass and stop at Worthington Glacier and experience alpine Alaska. Valdez also has taxi service available for transportation and short Valdez tours.

Explore Prince William Sound. Excursion vessels, rental boats, charters and kayak excursions depart daily from the small boat harbor in downtown Valdez. Enjoy all that the Sound has to offer, see the abundant wildlife; the towering Chugach Mountains; the pristine blue glacier and icebergs. Enjoy a chance at catching a few of Alaska’s finest salmon, with millions of salmon entering the Port of Valdez; an angler can catch their limit of salmon in no time at all.

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Nature and Wildlife

Valdez is a wildlife viewer’s joy. It has an abundance of most everything, from birding to bear watching and many others in between. One of the most popular wildlife viewing in Valdez is bear watching. From May, when you can see the bears grazing high up the mountainside when they first awaken, until late October, the bear watching is great. They are most often seen on Dayville Road after the salmon begin their runs in late July. Check with the visitor’s center for information about where the latest viewings have been.

Also seen in abundance in the summers in Valdez are eagles, and many kinds of ducks. Valdez is a bird watchers paradise. Eagles are prominent year round as are the mallards, harlequin ducks, kitiwakes, terns and ptarmigan, just to name a few. There are also many species of birds that stop at the Valdez duck flats on their way north and again as they return south. The opportunities to observe nesting birds is tremendous.

At different times the fjord that makes Port Valdez has many kinds of wildlife. Most commonly seen are the seals, sea lions and sea otters. In June, when the hatchery releases the fry, Dall porpoise and humpback whales are spotted in the area feeding. Both black and brown bears can be seen feeding along the sides of the bay at low tide as well as the eagles and several kinds of gulls when the salmon runs begin.

In winter, bird viewing is the dominant wildlife watching activity. Eagles will line the rivers looking for fish and the roads looking for mice and rabbits. Also seen in the winter is an occasional moose. While moose do not heavily populate the area, they are becoming more frequent and have been seen along the Lowe River, in the Robe Lake area and, rarely, on the Valdez duck flats. Also more easily seen in the winter, are the mountain goats which are pushed down the mountain in their search for food. Their long shaggy coats have a yellow tinge to them against the white snow of the mountainside and they do not seem to fear people while they are at the lower elevation.

Bring your camera to Valdez and experience some wonderful wildlife viewing.
Whether you are spending your days on water or land, Valdez has a glacier that will fit into your vacation.

COLUMBIA GLACIER is the second largest tidewater glacier in America and the largest in Prince William Sound. This glacier can be accessed daily by taking a wildlife cruise. You can also take a day tour and paddle the calm waters of Columbia Glacier, which is teeming with wildlife in a maze of icebergs, then enjoy a walk on the moraine.

MEARES GLACIER will blow you away as it calves, sending huge chunks of ice into the water below and incredible sounds into the air. Meares is the only tidewater glacier, at the head of the Unakwik inlet that is currently advancing. Day cruises will take you a quarter mile from the face.

SHOUP GLACIER is tucked away in Shoup Bay and can be accessed by boat, kayak, helicopter or on foot. Kayak companies offer day trips that allow you to explore the icebergs, marine wildlife and more. More experienced hikers, meanwhile, can take the 8.5-mile hike to Shoup Bay for fabulous views and an amazing kittiwake rookery.

VALDEZ GLACIER is located on the outskirts of the town of Valdez and is full of amazing history. It was known as the All American Route by gold seekers looking to head over the glacier and into the interior of Alaska during the Gold Rush of 1898. It can be accessed by kayak with one of our experienced local adventure companies.

WORTHINGTON GLACIER is a must-visit stop on your way to Valdez (if you’re traveling by road). Worthington Glacier is one of the most accessible glaciers in Alaska, located on the infamous Thompson Pass, just off the Richardson Highway. All you have to do is stop your vehicle and get out for an up close and personal experience. You can also take a half- or full-day hike and ice climbing tour, the guide’s choice for an adventure on the ice.
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Wild berries are an integral part of a hiker’s experience in the Valdez area. From late July until the first snow, one doesn’t have to look far to find them on the trails that surround the town.

Salmonberries and raspberries abound in the undergrowth along paths, while blueberries are generally located higher on hills and around streams or other moist, mossy areas. Lesser-known edibles such as watermelon berries and gooseberries are found scattered throughout the local woods as well. A good book or chart, which can be purchased at local gift shops, can eliminate the risk of ingesting poisonous berries. Finally, keep in mind that after a salmon dinner, bears love nothing more than a belly full of sweet berries for dessert. They are typically afraid of humans and will run away if given the chance, so bells, noisemakers and conversation are good options should you find yourself in the hunt for some sweet Alaskan berries.
Hiking

Valdez boasts some of the most scenic and historic trails in Alaska. Trails in and around Valdez vary in length and difficulty ranging from the easy one-mile round trip Dock Point Trail to the more difficult Shoup Bay Trail. There is certainly something for everyone to enjoy. Dock Point Trail is located next to the small boat harbor and features beautiful south-facing views overlooking Port Valdez.

Mineral Creek Canyon is an extremely popular, six mile gravel road that gradually winds its way through a beautiful mountain canyon, across magnificent waterfalls, and back to an abandoned goldstamp mill.

For more hiking information and trail maps, please visit our website www.valdezalaska.org.

Dining

Offering dining variety, Valdez has that delicious dish to satisfy your hunger. There’s anything from seafood to burgers, diner to restaurant, and seaside view to secluded corner booth.

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By sea: With daily service in the summer, the Alaska Marine Highway is your pathway through Prince William Sound.

For more information on transportation in and to Valdez, please visit our website www.valdezalaska.org or stop in at the visitor center.

Fish Hatchery

Solomon Gulch Hatchery presents a unique opportunity to observe salmon as they return to spawn. The Hatchery is located across the port on Dayville Road en route to Allison Point and was established to ensure sufficient numbers of salmon return and reproduce each year. Completed in February 1983, the facility is licensed to incubate and rear to release size 230 million pink, and two million coho. With a concerted effort with Alaska Department of Fish and Game as well as the City of Valdez, the Solomon Gulch Hatchery annually imprints and releases 105,000 king smolts from the Fish and Game Fort Richardson Hatchery.

Coho (silvers) and pinks fight the odds against predators and the elements to swim up a series of ladders where they spawn. The VFDA (Valdez Fisheries Development Association) goals are to produce an annual return of 10 million pink, 100,000 coho and 10,000 king salmon. The best time to view salmon at the hatchery ranges from July through September.

Bears, eagles, sea gulls and sea otters can be found feeding on the fish. Fishing is prohibited within 300 feet of the premises and please respect all wildlife, especially maintaining a safe distance from any bears in the area. Take the self-guided walking tour along the fish ladder and view how the hatchery spawns the fish. During mid-July and early September visitors have a chance to view the commercial fishing boats haul in their nets from the shores of port Valdez. The self-guided walkway is open daily, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., from May to October.

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For those looking for an opportunity to fish “big game” style, the waters surrounding Valdez offer salmon shark fishing at its finest. These 300-pound-plus sharks will test even the best angler’s abilities and endurance.

During winter, ice fishing in upcountry lakes and ponds is popular. In the warm season, fly fishing in these fresh water bodies excites most anglers in search of trout, grayling, and Dolly Varden.

Valdez is home to the oldest fish derbies in Alaska, awarding thousands of dollars in prize money each year. Young and old, all skill levels, the thrill of reeling in a record-breaking white giant will keep you coming back for more.
The center of Valdez Downtown District is a short ½ mile walk from the dock.
Valdez facts

LOCATION: N.E. section of Prince William Sound, surrounded by the Chugach Mountains, the tallest coastal mountains in North America, rising from sea level to an elevation of 7,000 feet. Also the most heavily glaciated mountains in the Northwest.

MAJOR HISTORIC EVENTS
1898: Gold Rush Stampede
1964: 5 minute, 9.2 measured earthquake
1970’s: Construction of trans-Alaska oil pipeline and Marine Terminal
1989: The Exxon Valdez oil spill and clean-up

ACCESS
Land: Historic Richardson Highway
Air: Valdez is serviced daily, year-round by a regional airline
Water: Day cruise boats, and the Alaska Marine Highway ferry system
Industry: Oil, commercial fishing, seafood processing, shipping, city & state government, tourism, and post-secondary education
Accommodations: Seven full-service hotels, approximately 30 bed & breakfasts, and seven RV parks/campgrounds

ABOUT VALDEZ
- Town covers approx 274 square miles
- Population approx. 4,100
- Average annual precipitation (rain): 64.04 inches
- Average annual snowfall: 325.6 inches
- Record snowfall: 560.7 inches (1989/90)
- Record sun: 33 days above 70° (2004)
- Summer Average: 53.5 High: 60.8, Low: 46.1
- Winter Average: 22.5 High: 27.9, Low: 17.9

HOW TO DRESS
Alaska weather is very unpredictable. One should always dress in layers, and have a good waterproof, or water-resistant jacket. When near the water dress warmly, even in nice weather!
Tours & Attractions

Unparalleled natural scenery is matched only by the abundant activities offered throughout the year. Valdez is home to many glaciers that can be accessed by cruising, flying, walking, driving, or glacier trekking, exploration and even ice repelling. See the beautiful Columbia, Meares, Worthington, Shoup, or Valdez glaciers.

Day-long or extended tours of Prince William Sound will take you to some of the best vantage points for mountains, glaciers, and wildlife. Excursion vessels depart from the small boat Harbor for sightseeing and lodge transport. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy both inland and ocean options in Valdez. Kayaking is another way to explore the Sound up close and personal. Fly-outs and drop-offs are possible to remote locations in the Sound and Chugach Mountains. Tours accommodate all ages and skill levels.
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Five Nights
1 night Fairbanks, 2 nights Copper Valley, 3 nights Valdez

Six Nights
2 nights Fairbanks, 2 nights Copper Valley, 2 nights Valdez

Eight Nights
2 nights North or South Denali
2 nights Fairbanks
2 nights Copper Valley
2 nights Valdez

BEGINNING IN ANCHORAGE:
Day 1 Anchorage
Day 2-3 Kenai Peninsula
Day 4-5 Mat-Su Valley
Day 6-7 Valdez
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Enjoy fishing? You won’t find better opportunities to fish. Combined, Valdez, the Kenai Peninsula, and the Mat-Su Valley offer all species of salmon fishing. Valdez and the Kenai Peninsula also offer some of the best deep sea fishing for halibut and other species. All three areas offer their take on fishing derbies offering thousands of dollars in prizes. The world record king salmon was caught on the Peninsula, while Valdez boasts the largest daily take of silver salmon.

Want to experience culture and sightsee? The Kenai Peninsula boasts several art galleries and Native cultural centers. While in the Mat-Su Valley, take a guided tour of the Musk Ox Farm or visit the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race headquarters. In Valdez, explore the museums and learn how the rich history has shaped the community today. Visit the fjords of Prince William Sound to view Columbia or Meares glaciers and exciting wildlife and bird populations.
Prince William Sound
A Sound You’ll Never Forget

Alaska’s Prince William Sound is ringed by the coastal mountains of the Chugach Range and situated in the midst of the Chugach National Forest. Its 2,700 miles of coastline is home to the towns and villages of Chenega Bay, Cordova, Tatitlek, Whittier and Valdez.

Only 60 miles from Anchorage, Whittier offers wildlife, walking along the harbor or hiking the Portage Pass, Salmon Run, or Horse Tail Falls trails. Take the Alaska Marine Highway from Whittier to Cordova to amble across the Million Dollar Bridge, explore Orca Inlet, or be surrounded by tens of thousands of shorebirds at Hartney Bay. Valdez is a short ferry ride from Whittier or Cordova and offers some of the most stunning scenery in Alaska. This unparalleled natural scenery is matched only by the abundant activities offered throughout the year. Enjoy Valdez’s five accessible glaciers for cruising, hiking, trekking, exploring and even repelling. You can raft nearby rivers, kayak in Prince William Sound, hike, bike and enjoy historical museums. Valdez is also a premier fishing destination, offering all species of salmon and some of the most accessible big halibut in Alaska.

The Marine Highway offers service throughout the year to all three major coastal Prince William Sound communities. With special permission, plan on visiting the unique communities of Tatitlek and Chenega Bay as well.

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Winter Operations

Valdez is a clear choice for winter adventures in Alaska. With a long-standing reputation for great snow, more than 300 inches is measured annually in the city and 600 to 900 inches in nearby Thompson Pass!

As one might expect with this much snow, Valdez celebrates winter with downhill and cross-country skiing, snowboarding, snowmobiling, dog sledding and ice climbing.

Valdez and the surrounding Chugach Mountains define backcountry skiing and boarding. Access the backcountry on foot, by helicopter or snowcat for some of the most amazing big mountain skiing and snowboarding in the world. Local Valdez guides and outfitters help create the dream winter vacation with single- or multi-day packages.

Ice climbers view our beautiful waterfalls and glaciers as pathways to adventure. Whatever challenge you are looking for, whether top-roping or multi-pitch lead climbing, there are dozens of routes around Valdez that will suit your needs.

Valdez offers the ultimate backcountry snowmobiling experience with miles of untracked powder, and riding from beginner to expert, there is something for everyone.
**SERVICE DIRECTORY**

**B&B**

**A PLACE ON COHO**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 1908 • Valdez, AK 99686  
1222 Coho Place  
Phone: (907) 835-2106, (907) 831-1077, (907) 831-0415  
Web Site: www.aplaceoncohobandb.com  
Email: aplaceoncohob@yahoo.com  
Three cozy themed bedrooms with spa robes and slippers. Located minutes from the downtown area, with easy access to trails for hiking and biking. Wireless internet and freezer available.

**ANNAY'S PTARMIGAN B&B**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 1104 • Valdez, AK 99686  
1119 Ptarmigan  
Phone: (907) 835-2202  
Email: annayptarm@gci.net  
Two rooms share bath (one room double twin beds, one room queen bed) and one room with private bath. No animals, freezer space for your Valdez catch, full breakfast. No laundry or cooking facilities on site.

**BLESSING HOUSE B&B**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 3058 • Valdez, AK 99686  
616 Meals (Corner of Meals & Dadina)  
Phone: (907) 835-3135  
Toll-Free: 1-888-853-5333  
Web Site: www.blessinghouse.com  
Email: rhi@go.net, blesshouse.com@gmail.com  
A five bedroom B&B near downtown with three bathrooms and King/Queen beds, rates starting at $79 plus tax. Featuring a self serve continental breakfast with cooking privileges. Wireless Internet, Non-Smoking, No Pets.

**BROOKSIDE INN B&B**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 753 • Valdez, AK 99686  
1465 Richardson Hwy  
Phone: (907) 835-9130  
Toll-Free: 1-866-316-9130  
Web Site: www.brooksideinnbb.com  
Email: brooksidebb@go.net  
Historic Home on Scenic property, lovely clean rooms, all private baths, outside hot tub, full breakfast, smoke free, wireless internet. 5 rooms/1 suite

**CROWN BED AND BREAKFAST**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 33462 • Valdez, AK 99686  
100 Meals Hill Rd. (Private Road)  
Phone: (907) 835-5440  
Web Site: sites.google.com/site/crownbedbreakfast/home  
Email: crownbnb@iol.com  
Panoramic View of the Prince William Sound (Valdez Bay) and City of Valdez and yet just feet from the water front, shopping, charters and local activities, spa, gym, hydro therapy, massage, hearty healthy AM meals.

**DOWNTOWN B&B INN**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 184 • Valdez, AK 99686  
113 Galena Drive  
Phone: (907) 835-2791  
Toll-Free: 1-800-478-2791  
Web Site: www.downtowninn.com  
Email: 1n2rs@gci.net  
31 rooms, private and shared baths, complimentary breakfast, reasonable rates. Near Small Boat Harbor and free Wi-Fi. Airport and Ferry Pickup.

**HAAV AEBIE B&B**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 241 • Valdez, AK 99686  
606 S. Glacier  
Phone: (907) 835-3522  
Email: godhawk6880@yahoo.com  
Two bedrooms, full kitchen, Jacuzzi, phone, dsl, satellite TV. Private entry, private bath and multiple breakfast options. Hawk training demos available.

**HEAD HUNTERS B&B**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 1489 • Valdez, AK 99686  
328 Egan Dr.  
Phone: (907) 835-3818  
Toll-Free: 1-877-835-2800  
Web Site: www.headhuntersinn.com  
Email: hhinn@go.net  
Swiss Chalet style architecture. Friendly staff, comfortable clean smoke free rooms. Providing a full breakfast. Located in downtown Valdez. With in walking distance of all shopping, museums, and small boat harbor.

**HGL’S B&B**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 293 • Valdez, AK 99686  
533 W. Hanagita  
Phone: (907) 835-4447  
Email: mrou@nlalaska.com  
Located in town, 5 spacious non smoking rooms with two beds in each room and shared baths. Serving continental breakfast daily. No Pets, No Cooking.

**SPORTSMAN'S INN B&B**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 2537 • Valdez, AK 99686  
590 W. Hanagita  
Phone: (907) 835-5103  
Email: blyons@valdezak.net  
Two rooms share bath, Dish TV with DVD, refrigerator, and free Wi-Fi. Airport and Ferry Pickup.

**WILD ROSES BY THE SEA B&B**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 3396 • Valdez, AK 99686  
328 Egan Dr.  
Phone: (907) 835-2930  
Email: blyons@valdezak.net  
3 rooms with shared bath, Dish TV with DVD, refrigerator and microwave.

**Vald roses by the Sea B&B**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 3396 • Valdez, AK 99686  
629 Fiddlerhead Lane  
Phone: (907) 835-2930  
Email: bytheseavaldezak@go.net  

**Out of Town B&Bs**

**COOPER MOOSE B&B**  
Season: Year-Round  
HC 60 Box 227H • Copper Center, AK 99573  
MP 5.25 Edgerton Hwy  
Phone: (907) 822-4244  
Toll-Free: 1-866-922-4244  
Web Site: www.coppermoosebb.com  
Email: coopermoose@qwest.net  
Four rooms with three unattached bathrooms. Guest rooms are located on the ground floor with a private entrance. Each room includes wireless DSL, telephone, satellite TV with 120 channels.

**WILLOWLAKE B&B**  
Season: Summer  
HC 60 Box 116 • Copper Center, AK 99573  
88 1/2 Mile Richardson Hwy  
Phone: (907) 822-3961  
Web Site: www.willowlakebb.com  
Email: willowlakebb@valaska.net  
Handmade Log Cabin on the shore of Willow Lake. Private bath and Satellite TV, among the many amenities offered. Your choice of continental or hot breakfast.

**Banks**

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 37 • Valdez, AK 99686  
101 Egan Dr.  
Phone: (907) 834-4800  
Toll-Free: 1-800-865-4362  
Web Site: www.fnbalaska.com  
Full service banking and ATM.

**WELLS FARGO BANK**  
Season: Year-Round  
PO Box 67 • Valdez, AK 99686  
337 Egan Dr.  
Phone: (907) 835-4745  
Toll-Free: 1-800-869-3557  
Web Site: www.wellsfargo.com  
Full service banking and ATM.

**Cabins**

**BEAR CREEK CABINS AND RV PARK**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 122 • Valdez, AK 99686  
3181 Richardson Hwy  
Phone: (907) 835-2723  
Web Site: www.bearcreekcabinsrvpark.com  
Email: bigbear@bearcreekcabinsrvpark.com  
RVing is an unforgettable Alaskan experience at Bear Creek Cabins and RV Park. Bathhouse/Restroom facility available to RVers and Campers. Cabins available by reservation. We are located at Mile Marker 2 on the Richardson Highway.

**EAGLES REST RV PARK - CABINS**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 610 • Valdez, AK 99686  
139 E. Pioneer Dr.  
Phone: (907) 835-2373  
Toll-Free: 1-800-553-7275  
Web Site: www.eaglesrestrv.com  
Email: rvpark@alaska.net  
Fully furnished, cozy, cabins complete with bedding, shower, toilet, sink and refrigerator; coffee pot, microwave, and cable TV.

**Out of Town Cabins**

**SHEEP MOUNTAIN LODGE**  
Season: Year-Round  
Milepost 113.5 Glenn Hwy  
17701 W. Glenn Hwy • Sutton, AK 99674  
Phone: (907) 745-5121  
Email: info@sheepmountain.com  
Web Site: www.sheepmountain.com  
Toll-Free: 1-877-645-5121  
Historic Home on Scenic property, lovely clean rooms, all private baths, outside hot tub, full breakfast, smoke free, wireless internet. 5 rooms/1 suite

**Out of Town B&Bs**

**EAGLES REST RV PARK**  
Season: Summer  
PO Box 610 • Valdez, AK 99686  
139 E. Pioneer Dr.  
Phone: (907) 835-2373  
Toll-Free: 1-800-553-7275  
Web Site: www.eaglesrestrv.com  
Email: rvpark@alaska.net  
Fully furnished, cozy, cabins complete with bedding, shower, toilet, sink and refrigerator; coffee pot, microwave, and cable TV.
Cabin rentals with private bath and shower. Fresh food and home baked goods during the summer season. Cabins with kitchens available year round.

### Dining

**A ROGUES GARDEN**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1489 • Valdez, AK 99686
328 Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-2519
Email: hhn@ci.net
Fast friendly service—seafood, burgers, salad bar.
Senior discounts available! Open for Lunch and Dinner.

**ALASKA HAILBUIT HOUSE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1562 • Valdez, AK 99686
208 Meals Ave.
Phone: (907) 835-2788
Email: compheo@igc.net
Great place to unwind and meet some of Valdez local folks. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**ERNIESTO'S TAQUERIA**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 263 • Valdez, AK 99686
207 Kobuk
Phone: (907) 835-5255
Email: ernie97@alaska.net
Authentic Mexican food, serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Daily specials and Orders to go!

**FU KING CHINESE RESTAURANT**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 472 • Valdez, AK 99686
123 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-9050
Valdez's newest lounge featuring a tropical motif. Great place to unwind and meet some of Valdez local folks. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**LAND SHARKS**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1999 • Valdez, AK 99686
328 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-1999
Website: www.landsharksalaska.com
Friendly Alaskan Restaurant. Doors open at 5.00 AM daily serving breakfast. Lunches include burgers, weekly specials and so much more. Dinners Feature exotic seafood, family favorites and other delicious meals.

**MAI THAI**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 3145 • Valdez, AK 99686
310 Pioneer St.
Phone: (907) 835-5606
Traditional Thai cuisine, offering tempting dishes made with locally caught salmon, shrimp and halibut from Prince William Sound.

**MCCAY FOOD SERVICE (COPPER BLOCK EXPRESS)**
Season: Summer
PO Box 3103 • Valdez, AK 99686
Next to Visitors Center
Phone: (907) 255-2803
Email: cblockexpress@hotmail.com
Deli serving gourmet hot dogs, sandwiches, fresh made soups and salads.

**MIKE'S PALACE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1367 • Valdez, AK 99686
201 N. Harbor Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-2365
Email: okheecheo1@yahoo.com
Mike's Palace by the small boat harbor—Serving Greek, Italian, Mexican, American, seafood & famous pizza plus wine & beer.

**NO NAME PIZZA**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1656 • Valdez, AK 99686
121 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-4419
Email: mmmymza@ci.net
Eat in, take out or delivery. Pizza Sub Sandwiches, Calzone and the best pizza bomb south of Prudhoe Bay. Open for lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and for dinner 4 p.m.-9 p.m. Mon-Thurs and dinner hours Fri and Sat 4 p.m. -10 p.m.

**OLD TOWN BURGERS**
Season: Summer
PO Box 585 • Valdez, AK 99686
Pioneer Dr., Eagles Rest RV Park
Phone: (907) 831-0999
Home to good old fashioned hand patted burger, grilled or deep-fried salmon or halibut sandwiches, brats, mini burgers & sides. Locally owned & operated—Service with a Smile! :)

**PIPELINE INN / CLUB**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 648 • Valdez, AK 99686
112 Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4444
Toll-Free: 1-888-808-4431
Website: www.pipelineinn.com
Email: info@pipelineinn.com
Friendly Alaskan Restaurant. Doors open at 5:00 AM daily serving breakfast. Lunches include burgers, salads, sandwiches and wraps. Open 7 days a week. Catering and large orders welcomed. Breakfast available.

**THE HARBOR CAFE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1183 • Valdez, AK 99686
255 N. Harbor Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4776
Email: thc@ci.net
Serving Breakfast, lunch and dinners. Dine outside, inside or on our covered deck. Fishermen and locals alike love our fresh food and great recipes. Join us at THC year round.

**THE CHOCOLATE GYPSY**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 33 • Delta Junction, AK 99737
Mile 1412.5 Alaska Highway
Phone number: (907) 255-3324
Website: chocolategypsy.com
Email: chocolategypsy@yahoo.com
Speciality chocolates, truffles, chocolate bars, candies, seasonal specialties made right here in Alaska! Free samples and demonstrations at the Delta Junction location. Available now in Valdez at Rogue's Garden, 354 Fairbanks Street. Also providing Private Chef Services and Catering Services for all your wedding, party and conference needs in Valdez or anywhere in the interior of Alaska.

**THE HARBOR INN - RESTAURANT**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 648 • Valdez, AK 99686
144 E. Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4443
Website: www.totemininn.com
Email: info@totemininn.com
Friendly Alaskan Restaurant. Doors open at 5:00 AM daily serving breakfast. Lunches include burgers, salads, sandwiches and wraps. Open 7 days a week. Catering and large orders welcomed. Breakfast available.

**TORTILLA TAQUERIA**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 472 • Valdez, AK 99686
123 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-9050
Valdez's newest lounge featuring a tropical motif. Great place to unwind and meet some of Valdez local folks. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**WALDIE BAKERY**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1367 • Valdez, AK 99686
328 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-9050
Valdez's newest lounge featuring a tropical motif. Great place to unwind and meet some of Valdez local folks. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**WHOLE GROUND CART**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1999 • Valdez, AK 99686
328 Egan St.
Phone: (907) 835-9050
Valdez's newest lounge featuring a tropical motif. Great place to unwind and meet some of Valdez local folks. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**THE BEST WESTERN VALDEZ HARBOR INN**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 468 • Valdez, AK 99686
126 Pioneer
Phone: (907) 835-3103
Sub sandwiches, salads and wraps. Open 7 days a week. Catering and large orders welcomed. Breakfast available.
Phone: (907) 835-3434
Toll-Free: 1-888-222-3440
Web Site: www.valdezharborinn.com
Email: info@valdezharborinn.com
The Best Western Valdez Harbor Inn overlooks the Valdez boat harbor on three sides. 88 clean and comfortable rooms with amenities such as pillow top beds, 32' flat screen TV's, free wireless internet access, microwave, mini fridge, DVD players and FREE deluxe continental breakfast.

**DOWNTOWN B&B INN**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 184 • Valdez, AK 99686
113 Galena Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-2791
Toll-Free: 1-800-478-2791
Web Site: www.valdezdowntowninn.com
Email: 1n2rs@gci.net
31 rooms, private and shared baths, complimentary breakfast, reasonable rates. Near the Small Boat Harbor with free Wi-Fi. Airport and Ferry Pickup.

**GLACIER SOUND INN**
Season: Summer
PO Box 570 • Valdez, AK 99686
210 Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4485
Web Site: www.glaciersoundinnvaldez.com
Email: glaciersoundinn@yahoo.com
40 rooms with restaurant and lounge in the heart of downtown Valdez. Complimentary breakfast. Microwave and refrigerator in each room. Close to ferry.

**KEYSTONE HOTEL**
Season: Summer
PO Box 2148 • Valdez, AK 99686
100 Meals Ave.
Phone: (907) 835-3851
Email: reservations@mountainskyhotel.com
Web Site: www.mountainskyhotel.com
We have a total of 103 rooms available. Standard King or Double Rooms, featuring Spa suites, Family suites and Extended stays rooms. Indoor pool / Spa and free continental breakfast daily. Cable, fridge, microwave, ironing board, coffee maker, and hairdryers in every room. Non smoking and pet free. Cardio vascular center and business center. Conference room available.

**PIPELINE INN / CLUB**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 65 • Valdez, AK 99686
112 Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4444
Email: pipeline@alaska.net
14 room full service Inn with restaurant, lounge, cable, TV, telephone, and wake-up service.

**ROBE LAKE LODGE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 1126 • Valdez, AK 99686
Mile 6 Richardson Hwy, Lake House Rd.
Phone: (907) 831-2339
Web Site: www.robelakelodge.com
Email: info@robelakelodge.com
Beautiful new log lodge on Robe Lake. Valdez's only accommodations accessing the lake. Entire lodge or room rentals. Nightly, weekly, or monthly. Private parties, conventions, weddings, Alaskan Adventures booking service.

**TOTEM INN**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 648 • Valdez, AK 99686
144 E. Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4443
Toll-Free: 1-888-808-4431
Web Site: www.toteminn.com
Email: info@toteminn.com
On the edge of adventure! Reasonable rates on 70 modern rooms. Alaskan Restaurant open breakfast, lunch and dinner. Unique Gift Shop.

### Out of Town Hotels

**CARIBOU HOTEL & RESTAURANT**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 329 • Glennallen, AK 99588
Mile 186.5 Glenn Hwy
Phone: (907) 822-3302
Toll-Free: 1-800-478-3302 AK Only
Web Site: www.caribouhotel.com
Email: info@caribouhotel.com
Over 70 rooms ranging from Alyeska pipeline annex rooms to hot tub rooms. Satellite T.V. and restaurant next door.

**FOUNTAINHEAD HOTELS IN FAIRBANKS**
Season: Year-Round
1501 Queens Way • Fairbanks, AK 99701
Phone: (907) 456-3692
Toll-Free: 1-800-528-4916
Web Site: www.fountainheadhotels.com
Email: hotels@fdirbanks.com
Fountainhead Hotels, Fairbanks’ Premier Hotel Group, locally owned and independent. One phone call to 700+ guest rooms & suites: deluxe accommodations, restaurants, attractions and activities. Wedgewood Resort, Sophie Station Suites and Bridgewater Hotel.

**GLYPATHRO’S HOTEL CHITINA**
Season: Summer
PO Box 2886 • Valdez, AK 99686
Mile 33 of Edgerton Hwy
Phone: (907) 835-5542
Web Site: www.hotelchitina.com
Email: info@hotelchitina.com
Built in 1914. Newly updated rooms have private baths and queen beds. Full service restaurant and saloon. Gateway to Wrangell St. Elias National Park.

### Information

**ANCHOR POINT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 610 • Anchor Point, AK 99566
34175 Sterling Hwy
Phone: (907) 235-2600
Web Site: www.anchorpointchamber.org
Email: apccc@akx.net

**COFFER VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 469 • Glennallen, AK 99588
Phone: (907) 822-5555
Web Site: www.traveltoalaska.com

**CORDOVA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 99 • Cordova, AK 99574
404 First St.
Phone: (907) 424-7260
Web Site: www.cordovachamber.com
Email: visitcordova@ak.net

**FAIRBANKS CVB**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 530 • Haines, AK 99827
122 Second Ave.
Phone: (907) 766-2234
Toll-Free: 1-800-458-3579
Web Site: www.hainesak.us
Email: hcvb@hainesak.us

**HAINES CVB**
Season: Year-Round
101 Egan Dr. • Juneau, AK
Phone: (907) 586-2201
Toll-Free: 1-888-581-2201
Web Site: www.traveljuneau.com
Email: info@traveljuneau.com

**JUNEAU CVB**
Season: Year-Round
131 Front St. • Ketchikan, AK 99901
Phone: (907) 225-6166
Toll-Free: 1-800-770-3300
Web Site: www.visit-ketchikan.com
Email: info@visit-ketchikan.com

**KODIAK ISLAND CVB**
Season: Year-Round
100 Marine Way, Suite 200 • Kodiak, AK 99615
Phone: (907) 486-4782
Toll-Free: 1-800-789-4782
Web Site: www.kodiak.org
Email: visit@kodiak.org

**NORTH COUNTRY COMMUNICATIONS/ BEARFOOT TRAVEL GUIDES**
Season: Year-Round
Mile 128 Richardson Highway, 2440 E. Tudor Rd. #114
gatehouse.
Phone: (907) 224-8051
Toll-Free: 1-800-458-2201
Web Site: www.traveltoalaska.com
Email: info@bearfootguides.com

**SEWARD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 224 • Gakona, AK 99586
2001 Seward Hwy
Phone: (907) 835-3434
Toll-Free: 1-877-327-5774
Web Site: www.seward.com
Email: visitseward@seward.net

**KETCHIKAN VISITORS BUREAU**
Season: Year-Round
131 Front St. • Ketchikan, AK 99901
Phone: (907) 225-6166
Toll-Free: 1-800-770-3300
Web Site: www.visit-ketchikan.com
Email: info@visit-ketchikan.com

**FAIRBANKS CVB**
Season: Year-Round
101 Dunkel St., Ste 111 • Fairbanks, AK 99701
Phone: (907) 224-8051
Toll-Free: 1-800-458-3579
Web Site: www.hainesak.us
Email: hcvb@hainesak.us

**HAINES CVB**
Season: Year-Round
101 Egan Dr. • Juneau, AK
Phone: (907) 586-2201
Toll-Free: 1-888-581-2201
Web Site: www.traveljuneau.com
Email: info@traveljuneau.com

**JUNEAU CVB**
Season: Year-Round
131 Front St. • Ketchikan, AK 99901
Phone: (907) 225-6166
Toll-Free: 1-800-770-3300
Web Site: www.visit-ketchikan.com
Email: info@visit-ketchikan.com

**KODIAK ISLAND CVB**
Season: Year-Round
100 Marine Way, Suite 200 • Kodiak, AK 99615
Phone: (907) 486-4782
Toll-Free: 1-800-789-4782
Web Site: www.kodiak.org
Email: visit@kodiak.org

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Season: Year-Round
Mile 128 Richardson Highway, 2440 E. Tudor Rd. #114
gatehouse.
Phone: (907) 224-8051
Toll-Free: 1-800-458-2201
Web Site: www.traveltoalaska.com
Email: info@bearfootguides.com

Three travel publications covering the road system in full color with maps and photos.

**SEWARD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 749 • Seward, AK 99664
2001 Seward Hwy
Phone: (907) 835-3434
Toll-Free: 1-877-327-5774
Web Site: www.seward.com
Email: visitseward@seward.net

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Other Services

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Season: Year-Round
PO Box 610 • Valdez, AK 99686
131 E. Pioneer Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-2343
24 Hour gas station with convenience store, car wash, laundry and showers.

COPPER VALLEY TELEPHONE
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 337 • Valdez, AK 99686
329 Fairbanks Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-7734
Toll-Free: 1-800-478-6612
Web Site: www.cvtc.org
Providing reliable telecommunication service to our members/owners over 47 years. We are the people you know.

COPPER VALLEY WIRELESS
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 337 • Valdez, AK 99686
329 Fairbanks Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-7734
Toll-Free: 1-800-478-6612
Web Site: www.cvtc.org
Providing reliable telecommunication service to our members/owners for over 47 years. We are the people you know.

CROWN BED AND BREAKFAST
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 33462 • Valdez, AK 99686
100 Meals Hill Rd.
Phone: (907) 835-5440
Email: crownspaandretreat@aol.com
Spa, Gym, Age Reversal, Facials, Body & Mud Wraps, Hydrotherapy, Hot Stone Massage, Day or Weekend, Yoga, Pilates, Weight loss Systems, and Nutritionist.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE WELLNESS CENTER-PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 97 • Valdez, AK 99686
303 S. Meals Ave.
Phone: (907) 835-4930
Email: wcs@kcju.org
We provide local, long distance and cell phone services. Also cable TV and high speed internet.

KVAK 93.3FM & 1230AM
Season: Year-Round
PO Box 367 • Valdez, AK 99686
501 E. Brenner St. #2
Phone: (907) 835-5802
Web Site: www.kvakradio.com
Email: kvak@kvakradio.com

PLANITALASKA
Season: Year-Round
1120 Huffman Rd. STE 24 PMB 502 • Anchorage, AK 99515
Phone: (907) 229-1113
Web Site: www.planitalaska.com
Email: info@planitalaska.com

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RV Parks & Camping

BAYSIDE RV PARK
Season: Summer
PO Box 466 • Valdez, AK 99686
230 E. Egan Dr.
Phone: (907) 835-4425,
Toll-Free: 1-888-835-4425
Web Site: www.baysiderv.com
Email: baysid3@qwestnet.net
Bayside has 95 sites. Amenities include 50 amp full service sites, laundry, showers, propane, cable TV, WiFi, phone, and dump station.

BEAR CREEK CABINS & RV PARK
Season: Summer
PO Box 122 • Valdez, AK 99686
3181 Richardson Hwy, Mile Marker 2
Phone: (907) 835-2723
Web Site: www.bearcreekbearcabinrvpark.com
Email: bigbear@bearcreekbearcabinrvpark.com
Riving is an unforgettable Alaskan experience at Bear Creek Cabins and RV Park with 90 total sites, 68 sites with water and electricity. Bathroom/Restroom facility available to RV’ers and Campers. Cabins available by reservation. We are located at Mile Marker 2 on the Richardson Highway.

BEAR PAW CAMPER PARK
Season: Summer
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