

Thank you for choosing Baranof Fishing Excursions as your private charter provider.

The following information will allow us to continue our discussion with you on how to best meet your expectations.



DESIGNING YOUR DAY

The Alaskan fishing environment is constantly changing. Our guides are out on the water every day discovering what tackle, fishing depths, and locations are proving most productive for bottom fish and Pacific salmon fishing at any given time. We strongly urge you to check out our monthly [Captain's Report](#) for up-to-date conditions and trends, as well as any regulatory changes or limitations that may affect your fishing expectations. As we continue our conversation, your trip will inevitably evolve as we customize your itinerary to best meet your family's expectations.

Seasickness

Fewer than 1% of our guests experience seasickness. The protected waters we typically fish, along with the custom designed vessels we fish from, ensure that motion sickness isn't a common occurrence. However, should you or a family member have cause for concern, we've included the following information:

Dramamine - This OTC antihistamine is designed to combat the negative effects of motion sickness. You've probably already heard of it, but if you'd like to further educate yourself on the product you can check out WebMD's synopsis [here](#). This or any other medication will need to be purchased beforehand, as we find that some natural remedies are just as effective.

Keep your eyes on the shore or horizon - Motion sickness is caused when the signals from your inner-ear and eyes don't jive. Staring at the inside of the boat will tell your brain you're not moving in relation to your surroundings, when in fact you are. So, eyes on the shore or horizon, and embrace the motion of the ocean.

Don't close your eyes - As stated above, you need to feed your brain the right signals visually. Closing your eyes provides no visual input to your brain and can worsen motion sickness. Don't send a motion sick kid to lie down on a bench in the cabin; have him sit next to an open window and see if he can spot bears on shore or a similar activity that keeps their eyes open.

What if I'm sick and can't continue the excursion? - Although it is rare, we have on occasion had a client that was too ill to stay out on the water. When this is the case, your captain will coordinate a pick-up with our dispatcher that will see the client safely to our marina.





Allergies/Food Requests

Do you have any allergy or dietary concerns you'd like us to prepare for? We provide snacks and beverages on all charters, either of a culinary focus or not, but may not have specialty items on hand. Whether kosher, vegetarian, allergic to peanuts, or paleo, just let us know beforehand of any preferences or limitations.



Outfitting

Dress for the temperature, we have everything else you'll need. Most days around here you can plan on getting rained on a little, so we're well prepared to outfit our clients with anything they need outside of a jacket and jeans. We have the socks, boots, full raingear and watchman caps, just bring a sweater or light jacket for an extra layer.

Common Questions

- **Is the fishing license fee included in what I've already paid?**

No, you'll need to bring \$25.00 for a one-day license. If you plan on fishing more than one day while in Alaska, multi-day options are available that will save you a couple bucks. You can order them ahead of time online [here](#).

- **How far out do we fish? Will we go into open water?**

Our vessels are designed for open water, though most of our fishing is done in the protected inter-island waters that make Southeast such a popular fishing destination. If you and your party want to get out into bigger water, that's a discussion to have with your guide.

- **How many people per boat?**

We can legally accommodate 6 passengers per boat, but if you have specific questions on how many lines will be in the water depending on the species you are targeting, give us a call and we'll have our lead guide spend some time with you.

- **How do we get the fish we catch shipped home?**

Baranof, as with most companies in town, refers their clients to a processing outfit. We use Cedars Lodge. Their full-time fish processors know what they're doing and won't leave any meat on the fish you worked so hard to catch. Processing and shipping fees are handled through Cedars; if you have any questions on their current prices you can contact them at (888) 564-4525.

- **What are my restroom options?**

Depending on the size of the vessel you've booked, there are several different options for answering the call of nature. On our larger boats, a private head can be found in the cabin. On our 24 ft. cabin cruisers we have a privacy curtain, or can put in for a shore stop. If you've chartered one of our skiffs a shore stop is standard. Our captains are well versed at providing the privacy necessary for their guests' comfort. This is one of our most common questions, but never really an issue.

In our experience, our happiest customers are those that have an open dialogue concerning every aspect of the excursion they're paying for. Get a hold of **Bonnie** at **(877) 732-9453** (ext 1) to get the conversation started. Whether it's a special request, fishing question, or planning a private meal with your fresh catch, she'll be able to help you customize your day or have someone call you that can.

