

AMAZING BEAR VIEWING

“It was a top trip - great wilderness area. We saw 13 individual grizzlies and had about 25 separate sightings. In the zodiac we got within 15 feet of ‘Lucy’ - a mother with her 2 cubs - the cover girl of the Khutzeymateen”.

Stephen Cameron, NFS Managing Director.

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Khutzeymateen - Hitching a ride

KHUTZEYMAATEEN GRIZZLY SANCTUARY

From 4 days/3 nights
Yacht

Departs ex Prince Rupert

Sun Chaser Departures: Tour cost
4D/3N - 09, 12, 15, 18, 23, 26 & 29 May
 01, 07, 15, 18, 21 & 26 Jun, 10 Jul,
 15, 18, 26 & 29 Aug, 01, 04, 12 & 15 Sep \$2063

6D/5N - 10 Jun \$3094
10D/9N - 01 & 10 Jul \$5156

Price per person includes: Float plane or boat transfers Prince Rupert to the yacht (return), all meals on yacht. Services of yacht skipper, guide and all park fees.

TIP: This is one of the most remarkable Grizzly Bear trips in Canada. Due to limited availability you must book early to avoid disappointment.

Beautiful and remote Khutzeymateen Valley (KOOT-suh-mah-teen) is the perfect habitat for the Grizzly (or Brown) Bear and is Canada’s first Grizzly Bear sanctuary. During the months of May to July, many bears are found on the inlet and estuary as this is when they descend from their winter dens to mate and eat the sedge grasses. Often mothers with cubs can be seen teaching their young survival techniques. During August and September bears gorge on migrating salmon. There are only two licenced operators allowed to operate inside the sanctuary’s boundaries and less than 200 people per year undertake the trips provided. Be one of the privileged few to experience this area.

Days 1-3 Khutzeymateen

Depart Prince Rupert either on board your yacht or fly by float plane into the Khutzeymateen. Your experienced skipper and guide will lead you on an unforgettable safari deep into the Khutzeymateen Valley to view and photograph Grizzly Bears at close range. Sightings of course cannot be guaranteed, however excellent opportunities exist with peak viewing in May through to mid July and again in August and September when the salmon spawn. Viewing of the bears is from the boat, zodiac and sometimes on foot within close proximity.

The scenery in this area is awe inspiring with lush green mountains sweeping down into the sea. Encounter old growth forests, eagles, Grizzly Bear trails, seals, otters, Black Bears and porcupines to name a few. Pass through some of the best salmon fishing areas in the world where you will often see the grizzlies catching fish along the shore.

Day 4 Tour ends Prince Rupert

Sail or fly by float plane back to Prince Rupert arriving by mid-afternoon.



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Khutzeymateen grizzly

SUN CHASER

Sun Chaser, hand built by skipper **Dan Wakeman**, is a fully equipped 40 foot motor sail boat. Accommodation is semi-private and shower and toilet facilities are shared. Whilst space is tight, the boat seems to grow as the trip progresses. Dan normally takes just 4 guests making for a very intimate trip, but he can accommodate up to 6 people.



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Khutzeymateen - Serenely beautiful