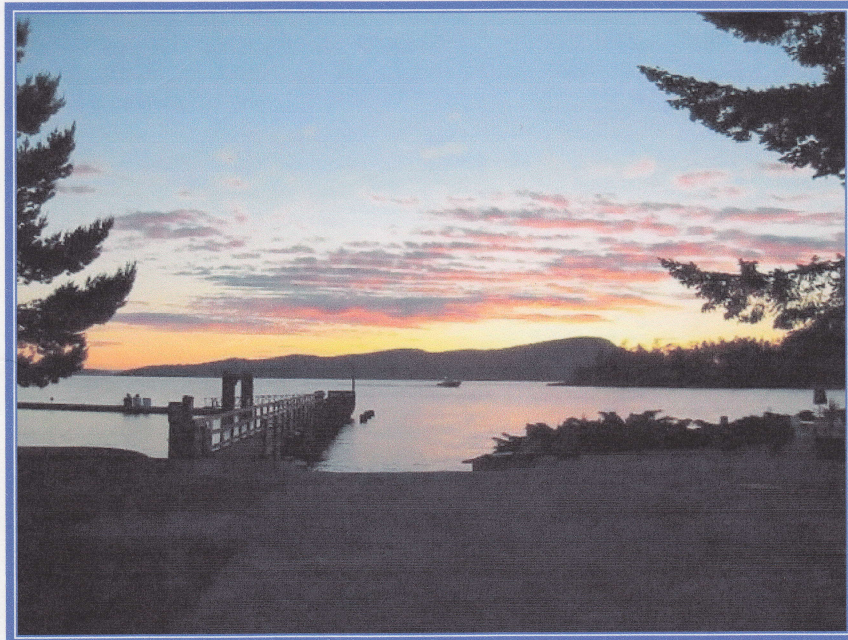


**THE THIRD ANNUAL
GREAT POTTER YACHTER
NORTHWEST ESCAPE
AND
MESSABOUT**



May 2005

*“There is nothing – absolutely nothing –
half so much worth doing
as simply messing about in boats.”*

**Kenneth Grahame
“The Wind in the Willows”**

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission,

should you choose to accept it, is to once again trailer our intrepid sailing vessels to the wilds of the Pacific Northwest to advance the cause of Potterdom and civilization.

To that end,

the Commodore of the Potter Yachters, Bruce Hood, has commanded, ***“Remember, it’s not how fast you get there but how much fun you have along the way.”***

NOTE

While we sail with friends, we sail alone. The enclosed information and chart are for planning and reference. The listed GPS coordinates have not been verified and the magnetic headings are just to get you pointed in the approximate direction. Use a chart such as Waterproof Chart # 86 available from Waterproof Charts, Inc.

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San Juan & Gulf Islands



- Limited Guest Moorage**
Overnight space as available.

- Fuel Dock** Call ahead for hours.

- Pumpout**

- Customs**

- State or Provincial Marine Park**
With mooring buoys or dock space

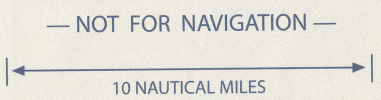
- Cascadia Marine Trail**

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TRAVEL & SAIL PLAN

Day 1: Wednesday, May 11. Rendezvous at Redding, CA. Depart around 8 A.M. Stay overnight someplace between Salem, OR (distance 375 miles, driving time approx. 6+30 hours) and Vancouver, WA (distance 425 miles, driving time approx 7+30).

Day 2: Thursday, May 12. Depart for Port Angeles, WA, early enough to catch the 1:45 P.M. ferry at Port Angeles for Victoria, BC (cost one-way, for car, trailer and driver is \$90-\$95). Distance to Port Angeles from Salem is 275 miles, driving time approx 5+00, from Vancouver distance is 220 miles, driving time approx 4+00 hours. Van Isle Marina is 17 miles north of Victoria ferry terminal.

Day 3: Friday, May 13. Depart Van Isle Marina for Maple Bay. Distance: 14.7 nm.
Time: 5+00. This is the longest day we spend on the water.

Day 4: Saturday, May 14. Layover at Maple Bay.

Day 5: Sunday, May 15. Depart for Telegraph Harbour. Distance: 12.2 nm. Time: 4+00.

Day 6: Monday, May 16. Layover at Telegraph Harbour.

Day 7: Tuesday, May 17. Depart for Montague Harbour. Distance: 13.1 nm. Time: 4+20.

Day 8: Wednesday, May 18. Layover at Montague Harbour.

Day 9: Thursday, May 19. Depart for Ganges. Distance: 7.5 nm. Time: 2+30.

Day 10: Friday, May 20. Layover at Ganges.

Day 11: Saturday, May 21. Depart for Otter Bay. Distance: 8.3 nm. Time: 2+45.

Day 12: Sunday, May 22. Depart for Poets Cove at Bedwell Harbour. Distance: 7.1 nm.
Time: 2+20.

Day 13: Monday, May 23. Layover at Poets Cove or head for Van Isle Marina for an early departure south.

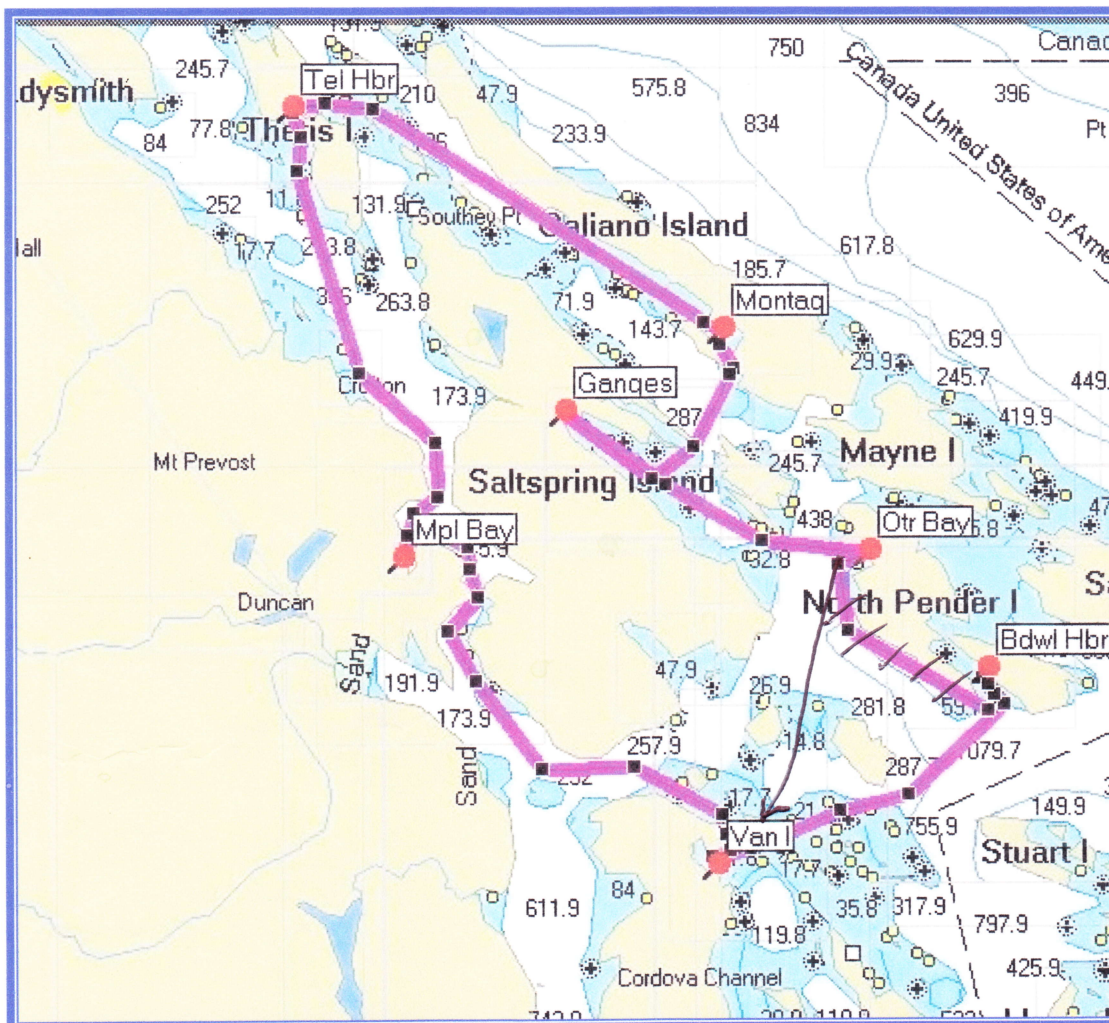
Day 14: Tuesday, May 24. Depart for Van Isle Marina. Distance: 9.0 nm. Time: 3+00.

Day 15: Wednesday, May 25. Load boats and depart for Victoria to catch the 10:30 A.M. ferry to Port Angeles.

Day 16: Thursday, May 26. Arrive home or remain overnight for one last night on the road.

Day 17: Friday, May 27. Arrive home in time for Memorial Day weekend.

SAIL PLAN



Map courtesy of Dave Lawson

DISTANCES

Van Isle Marina to Maple Bay	14.7 nm
Maple Bay to Telegraph Hbr	12.2 nm
Telegraph Hbr to Montague Hbr	13.1 nm
Montague Hbr to Ganges	7.5 nm
Ganges to Otter Bay	8.3 nm
Otter Bay to Bedwell Hbr	7.1 nm
Bedwell Hbr to Van Isle Marina	9.0 nm

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

REDDING, CA TO SIDNEY, BC

Via

PORT ANGELES, WA

1. Take **I-5 NORTH** – go 403 mi to southern edge of Portland, OR
2. Take the **I-205 NORTH** exit – go 36.6 mi
3. Take the **I-5 NORTH** exit – go 96 mi
4. Take the **104 exit** towards Port Angeles/Aberdeen
5. Follow signs to **US-101 NORTH** – go 118 mi to Port Angeles
6. In Port Angeles, follow the signs to ferry.

Total distance: 654 miles. Approx. driving time 12 hours.

Remain over night:

Between Salem, OR (with 275 mi, 5 hrs drive, remaining to Port Angeles), or Vancouver, WA (with 220 mi, 4 hrs drive, remaining to Port Angeles). By leaving Salem no later than 6:00 A.M., we should be able to make the 1:45 P.M. ferry departure at Port Angeles.

7. Take the **M.V. Coho ferry** (Black Ball Transport) to Victoria
8. From ferry, turn left onto **Bellevue St.** – go $\frac{1}{4}$ mi
9. Turn left onto **Blanshard St. (Hwy 17)** – go 16 mi (25 km)
10. Take **Beacon Ave** exit and follow attached map to Van Isle Marina.

FERRY INFORMATION

Departure times:

From Port Angeles: 8:20 A.M. and 1:45 P.M.

From Victoria: 10:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

Cost (one way):

Vehicle (up to 18 feet) and driver: \$35.50

Trailer: \$2.75 per foot.

Total \$93.25 (with a 21 foot trailer).

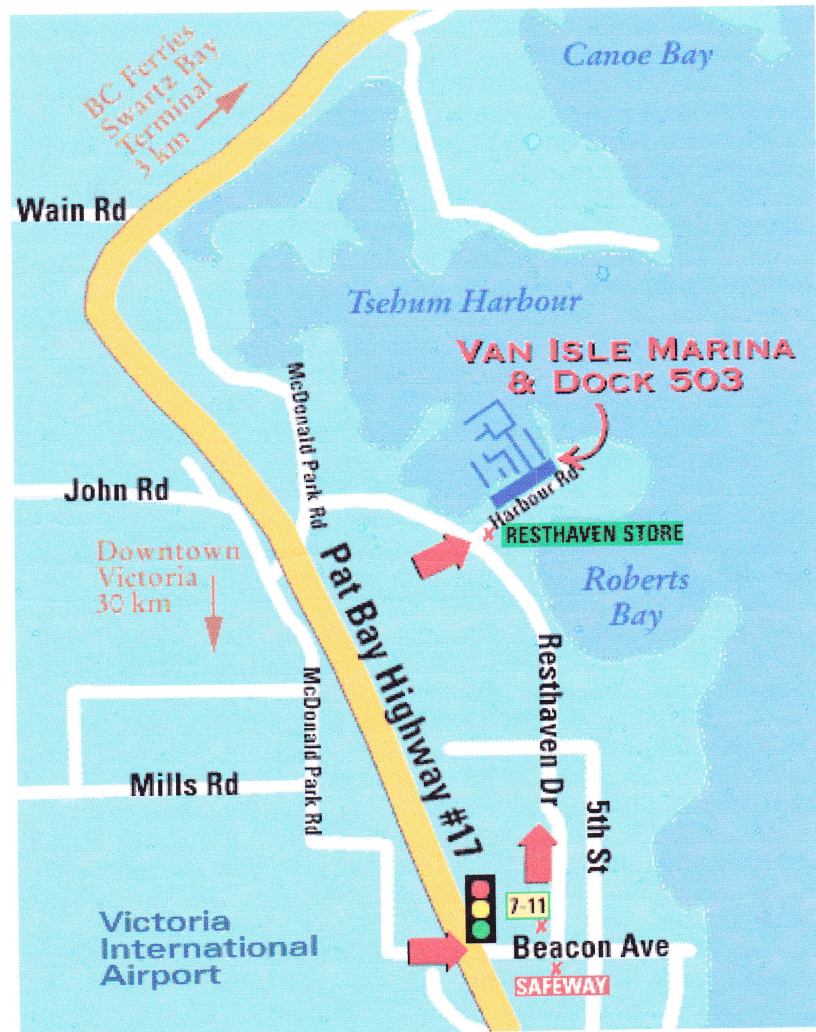
General:

No reservations or personal checks. Proof of citizenship required. A current valid driver's license is acceptable. Be sure to have current registration for vehicle, boat and trailer. Handguns are a big no-no with the Canadians.

Tel: 360-457-4491

DIRECTIONS TO VAN ISLE MARINA

Van Isle Marina is located in Tsehum Harbour in Sidney, B.C. on Harbour Road. Van Isle Marina is a five minute drive from the Beacon Avenue exit of HWY 17, the Pat Bay Highway.



**VAN ISLE MARINA
Tsehum Harbor
Vancouver Island**

Van Isle Marina: 2320 Harbour Road, Sidney, British Columbia, V8L 2P6, Tel: 250-656-1138. Full-service marina with parking, restrooms, showers, chandlery, fuel, and restaurant. Harbormaster CH 68.

Fees: mooring \$1.15/foot.

Navigation To: Maple Bay Marina, Bird's Eye Cove, Maple Bay

Clear Van Isle Marina and sail north for Swartz Head. Sail westerly to enter Sansum Narrows (south end). Sail northerly until rounding Octopus Point. Sail westerly into Maple Bay then south to marina.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
040	.5	+10	
330	1.0	+20	Ferry traffic into Swartz Bay
265	4.5	1+30	
290	2.3	+46	
315	1.8	+36	Avoid Musgrave Rock
020	1.0	+20	
330	1.3	+26	
280	1.3	+26	
190	<u>1.0</u>	<u>+20</u>	
	14.7	4+54	

Navigation To: Poets Cove, Bedwell Harbour

Clear Van Isle Marina and steer NE for Point Fairfax (south end of Moresby Island). Steer NNE for Wallace Point (southwest end of North Pender Island). Sail NW into Bedwell Harbour.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
045	4.6	1+32	Rocks south of track, strong currents around Pt. Fairfax
030	3.6	1+12	
320	<u>.8</u>	<u>+16</u>	
	9.0	3+00	

MAPLE BAY MARINA
Bird's Eye Cove
Maple Bay

Maple Bay Marina, Tel: 250-746-8482. Full-service marina with restrooms, showers, fuel, and restaurant. Look for blue roofed gas dock. Harbormaster on Ch 66A.

Fees: mooring \$.95/foot.

Navigation To: Telegraph Harbor Marina, Telegraph Harbour

Clear Maple Bay and steer north towards Grave Pt. When clear of Sansum Narrows steer NW for Telegraph Harbour.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
360	2.0	+40	
330	1.5	+30	
310	7.0	2+20	
330	<u>1.7</u>	<u>+34</u>	
	12.2	4+04	

Navigation To: Van Isle Marina, Tsehum Harbour

Clear marina and sail north out of Maple Bay, then easterly to Octopus Pt. Enter Sansum Narrows and sail south. Clear Sansum Narrows and sail easterly to Swartz Head. Sail south to Tsehum Harbour.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
010	1.0	+20	
100	1.3	+26	
150	1.3	+26	
020	1.0	+20	
135	1.8	+36	Avoid Musgrave Rock
110	2.3	+46	
085	4.5	1+30	
150	1.0	+20	Ferry traffic into Swartz Bay
220	<u>.5</u>	<u>+10</u>	
	14.7	4+54	

TELEGRAPH HARBOUR MARINA
Telegraph Harbour
Thetis Island

Telegraph Harbour Marina, Tel: 250-246-9511. Full-service marina with restrooms, showers, fuel, and restaurant. Harbormaster on Ch 68.

Fees: mooring \$.75 /foot.

Navigation To: Montague Harbour Marina, Montague Harbour

Clear marina and sail NE through The Gut into Clam Bay. Once clear of Clam Bay and approaching Reid Island, sail ESE down Trincomali Channel to abeam Wise Island. Steer ENE to Parker Island. Round the northern end of Parker Island and sail E to enter Montague Harbour. Marina is on northern end of harbor.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
045	1.6	+32	Boat passage at high water thru The Gut Turn ENE when abeam Wise Island
105	9.3	3+06	
065	1.2	+24	
100	.7	+14	
360	<u>0.3</u>	<u>+06</u>	
	13.1	4+22	

Navigation To: Maple Bay Marina

Sail SSE to Stuart Channel, then SE to Sansum Narrows. Enter the Narrows and sail SSE to Maple Bay. Enter Maple Bay and steer S to southern end.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
150	1.7	+34	
130	7.0	2+20	
150	1.5	+30	
180	<u>2.0</u>	<u>+40</u>	
	12.2	4+04	

MONTAGUE HARBOUR MARINA
Montague Harbour
Galiano Island

Montague Harbour Marina, Tel: 250-539-5733. Full-service marina with restrooms, showers, fuel, and restaurant. Harbormaster on Ch 68.

Fees: unknown. Marina is closed until May 1.

Navigation To: Ganges

Steer SSE to clear harbor. Steer S to cross Trincomali Channel and enter Captain Passage. Steer WSW to enter Ganges Harbour. Sail westerly up Ganges Harbour. Marina is at far end.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
145	1.5	+30	
185	2.4	+48	
240	1.4	+28	
285	<u>2.2</u>	<u>+44</u>	
	7.5	2+30	

Navigation To: Telegraph Harbour Marina, Telegraph Harbour

Clear marina and sail out of harbor to west. Steer WSW into Trincomali Channel and turn to WNW when abeam Wise Island. Steer WNW to abeam Reid Island. Steer SW into Clam Bay and enter The Gut. The marina is at the western end of The Gut.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
180	0.3	+06	
280	0.7	+14	
245	1.2	+24	Turn WNW abeam Wise Island
285	9.3	3+06	Turn SW abeam Reid Island
225	<u>1.6</u>	<u>+32</u>	Boat passage at high water thru The Gut
	13.1	4+22	

GANGES MARINA
Ganges Harbour
Salt Spring Island

Ganges Marina, Tel: 250-537-5242. Full-service marina next to town with restrooms, showers, fuel, and restaurant. Harbormaster on Ch 68.

Fees: mooring \$1.20/foot.

Note: Monday, May 23 is Victoria Day, a Canadian holiday. We may have to anchor over that weekend.

Navigation To: Otter Bay

Sail easterly down Ganges Harbour, into Captain Passage, across Swanson Channel, and into Otter Bay on North Pender Island. The marina is east of ferry terminal.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
100	5.0	1+40	
080	<u>3.3</u>	<u>1+06</u>	
	8.3	2+46	

Navigation To: Montague Harbour Marina

Sail ESE to clear harbor. Steer ENE into Captain Passage then turn N to cross Trincomali Channel. Round the southern end of Parker Island. Sail NW into Montague Harbour.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
105	2.2	+44	
060	1.4	+28	
005	2.4	+48	
325	<u>1.5</u>	<u>+30</u>	
	7.5	2+30	

OTTER BAY MARINA
Otter Bay Harbour
North Pender Island

Otter Bay Marina, Tel: 250-629-3579. Moorage, provisions, restrooms, and showers.
Harbormaster on Ch 68.

Fees: unknown.

Note: Monday, May 23 is Victoria Day, a Canadian Holiday. We may have to anchor over that weekend.

Navigation To: Bedwell Harbour

This is an easy one, folks. Start sailing SSW, keep the island on your left until you reach Wallace Point. Turn left to NW and enter Bedwell Harbor. The marina will be on your right, on South Pender Island.

<u>Approx</u> <u>Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
200	.8	+16	
150	1.5	+30	
100	4.0	1+20	
320	<u>.8</u>	<u>+16</u>	
	7.1	2+22	

Navigation To: Ganges

This is a straight shot. Sail westerly out of Otter Bay, across Swanson Channel, into Captain Passage, and up Ganges Harbour to the marina.

<u>Approx</u> <u>Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
260	3.3	1+06	
280	<u>5.0</u>	<u>1+40</u>	
	8.3	2+46	

**POETS COVE
Bedwell Harbour
South Pender Island**

Poets Cove, Tel: 250-629-2111. This is just your normal, full service marina with moorage, provisions, restrooms, showers, luxury suites, and expensive restaurant. Harbormaster on Ch 66A.

Fees: mooring \$.75 /foot.

Note: Monday, May 23, is Victoria Day, a Canadian Holiday. We may have to anchor over that weekend.

Navigation To: Van Isle Marina

Sail SE out the harbor, round Wallace Point and head SSW to Point Fairfax. Then steer SW for Tsehum Harbour.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
140	.8	+16	
210	3.6	1+12	Strong currents around Pt. Fairfax
225	<u>4.6</u>	<u>1+32</u>	Rocks & small islands south of track
	9.0	3+00	

Navigation To: Otter Bay

This is an easy one, folks. Clear the marina and sail SE out of the harbor. Round Wallace point, turn right, and keep North Pender Island on your right until you reach Otter Bay. You should see the ferry dock, which is west of the marina.

<u>Approx Mag Hdg</u>	<u>Dist (nm)</u>	<u>Time (at 3 kts)</u>	<u>Notes</u>
140	.8	+16	
280	4.0	1+20	
330	1.5	+30	
020	<u>.8</u>	<u>+16</u>	
	7.1	2+22	

GPS COORDINATES

Note: The three to six letter identifier is the name I loaded into my GPS. The coordinates are given in *ddd-mm-ss* (degrees-minutes-seconds).

BEDWEL

Bedwell Harbour
48-44-54N
123-13-42W

CAPPAS

Captain Passage
48-50-18N
123-25-00W

FAIRFX

Point Fairfax
48-41-48N
123-17-42W

GANGES

Ganges Marina
48-51-19N
123-30-00W

MAPBAY

Maple Bay Marina
48-47-42N
123-35-55W

MONHRB

Montague Harbour Marina
48-53-50N
123-24-00W

OCTOPT

Octopus Point
48-48-00N
123-33-40W

OTTER

Otter Bay Marina
48-48-00N
123-18-30W

REID

Reid Island Way Point
48-59-30N
123-38-00W

SANSUM

Sansum Narrows
(south end)
48-44-35N
123-33-30W

SWTZHD

Swartz Head
48-41-21N
123-24-04W

TELHRB

Telegraph Harbour
48-58-58N
123-40-10W

VIM

Van Isle Marina
48-40-01N
123-24-22W

WALPT

Wallace Point
48-44-10N
123-13-36W

WISE

Wise Island Way Point
48-53-52N
123-26-48W

TIDES

May 2005

FULFORD HARBOUR Salt Spring Island

Day	Time	Feet	Metres	jour	heure	pieds	metres	
1	0015	11.2	3.4	16	0005	10.5	3.2	
	1630	2.3	0.7		1610	3.9	1.2	
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DI				LU				
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	0750	7.5	2.3		0805	6.6	2.0	
	MO	1000	7.9	2.4	TU	1040	6.9	2.1
	LU	1735	3.0	0.9	MA	1710	4.6	1.4
3	0135	10.8	3.3	18	0100	10.2	3.1	
	0815	6.6	2.0		0810	5.9	1.8	
	TU	1225	7.5	2.3	WE	1300	6.9	2.1
	MA	1840	3.9	1.2	ME	1810	5.6	1.7
4	0205	10.8	3.3	19	0120	10.2	3.1	
	0845	5.2	1.6		0825	4.9	1.5	
	WE	1415	7.9	2.4	TH	1440	7.5	2.3
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	TH	1540	8.5	2.6	FR	1550	8.5	2.6
	JE	2035	5.9	1.8	VE	2005	7.2	2.2
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	WE	1235	1.3	0.4	TH	1225	-0.3	-0.1
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	VE				SA	2245	11.5	3.5
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