

## Kayak Destinations

# Broken Group National Park

West Coast of Vancouver Island, BC

### Paddling Notes

- Exposed and sheltered paddling options.
- Wilderness camping on 7 Islands in archipelago. No potable water;
- Most crowded paddling destination in BC in high season;
- First Nation Reserves and Archaeological sites on some islands.
- Frequent Whale sighting; Sea Lions on exposed outer islands

### Trip Basics

No. of Days	3-7 days
Paddle Distance	20-50 nm.
<a href="#">SKGBC Water Class. Map (I-IV)</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Class II</li><li>• Class III in Outer Islands</li></ul>
Recommended Launch Site:	Toquaht Bay - Secret Beach
	Landing Comments: Kayak launch with 10 parking spaces; 20 dollar launch fees and 10 dollars a night for overnight parking fees.
	From Highway 4 take Toquaht Bay Road. Follow signs for visitors. Both the new site (anticipated July 1, 2014) and the temporary site are on the Macoah Reserve. Ref. <a href="#">BC Marine Trails Map 2014.01.23</a>

### Getting There

Driving Directions	<a href="#">Google Maps</a>	
Travel Distance - Total	Drive 259 km	5 h 37 min
- Ferry	57.8 km	2 h 11 min
- Gravel	12 km	30 min
Ferry Info	<a href="#">Horseshoe Bay to Departure Bay</a>	
Paddle to nearest campsite	Hand I. is 1nm from the Macoah Reserve, and 5nm from Toquaht Bay*.	

### Planning

Nautical Charts	<b>3670</b> 1:20,000 <a href="#">Broken Group</a>
	<b>3671</b> 1:40,000 <a href="#">Barkley Sound</a>
Marine Trail	<a href="#">BC Marine Trails West Coast Vancouver Island</a>
Trip Planning Maps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Barkley Sound and The Broken Group Islands, Wavelength Publications</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Barkley Sound (B&amp;W), Coastal Waters Recreation</a></li></ul>
Suggested Guide Books	<a href="#">The BC Coast Explorer and Marine Trail Guide Vol. 1, West Coast Vancouver Island North (Formerly: Wild Coast Vol. 1, pp. 285-334)</a>
Park & Camping Info.	<a href="#">Parks Canada Broken Group</a> ; Camping fees charged at the 6 island campsites. See <a href="#">BC Marine Trails Map</a>
Tide Station	<a href="#">Effingham Bay</a>
Marine Weather	VHF radio: <a href="#">West Coast Vancouver Island South report</a>
Water Taxi	<a href="#">Lady Rose Marine Services</a> +1 250-723-8313

NOTE: All information must be confirmed by kayakers before departing, and is provided without warrantee