# Gone Fishin LODGE on the Kenai River

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Welcome to Alaska and the Kenai Peninsula. You will be staying with Great Land Adventures at the Gone Fishin' Lodge located in Soldotna just 3 hours south of Anchorage. We are right on the World Famous Kenai river where we fish for trophy King, Silver and Sockeye Salmon. The lodge will accommodate 40 guests with rooms for 2 and 4, or up to 6 per room.

The rooms are furnished with kitchenettes, microwave ovens, refrigerators and a full private bath. In our main lodge we have a large fully furnished kitchen, laundry and freezer room, along with gas barbecues on the back 2000 sq. ft. of deck, all for your personal use. Our comfortable recreation room and lobby have a TV and VCR to view the days fishing or just relax with a good movie. We have the facilities on site to vacuum pack, freeze and box your fish. After spending your day fishing or sightseeing you may choose to eat at one of many restaurants in town or you may prepare your own meal right at the lodge. Great Land Adventures will book your lodging, fishing and sightseeing charters for your vacation.

Our standard fishing trips include 7 days and 7 nights with 5 or 6 days of fully guided fishing. We fish for Kings, Silvers, Sockeye, Rainbows, Dolly Varden, Halibut, Ling Cod and Rockfish. Our float plane fly-out trips will take you into wilderness areas with spectacular scenery where you often see Moose, Bear, Bald Eagles and more while enjoying a day of Alaska's best fishing. A dream come true! Imagine fighting a 50 lb. King Salmon or reeling in a 100 lb. + Halibut! Witness the spectacular scenery that is uniquely Alaska. It's not a dream, it's the real thing with Great Land Adventures at the Gone Fishin' Lodge.

## Fishing Trips on the Kenai River

#### **King Salmon**

The first run of King Salmon start to return to the Kenai River in May and continue through June. The world record King Salmon was caught on May 17th, 1985 that weighed in at 97 lbs. 4 oz. These fish average 30-60 pounds! By July the second run is well underway. Each year many fish are caught well over 60 pounds, some in the 70-90 pound range. The Kenai Kings' are the world's largest Salmon. On this river you are only one "takedown" from a possible new world record! You are definitely "trophy" fishing for these "hawgs"! The limit is one keeper per day and two keepers per year. King Salmon season ends July 31st.

#### Sockeye Salmon

There are also two runs of Sockeye Salmon or "Reds" that run simultaneously with the Kings on the Kenai river starting in June and tailing off in mid August. The fishing is fast and furious as these fish are pound for pound one of the toughest and most exciting fish to hook into. Many people acquire what is known as "Red Fever" during these runs.

#### Silver Salmon

By late July and early August the feisty Silvers are returning to both the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers. These fish range from 8-20 lbs. and are hard-fighting acrobatic fish that are fun and exciting on light tackle. There are two separate runs that extend well into September. On even numbered years over a million Pink Salmon enter the river creating lots of action. The Rainbow Trout and Dolly Varden fishery below Skilak Lake really takes off during this time and is great for both spinning and fly fisherman.





#### **Kasilof River**

This is another good King fishery with the first run beginning in mid May which stays consistently good through June 20th. Kings on this river average 10-40 pounds and all fishing is done from drift boats. It is located 12 miles south of our lodge. The second run begins in early July and is excellent through July 31st. Sockeye's and Silvers also return to these glacial waters each year. This is a fun and exciting river to fish yet very relaxing and serene.

#### Halibut

The world's richest Halibut grounds are found just off the Kenai Peninsula in the Cook Inlet, Kachemak Bay in Homer and Resurrection Bay in Seward. Halibut are the largest flat fish as well as one of the best eating. May through September these fish will challenge your skills and strength. They average 20-50 pounds but quite often our guests catch fish up to 100 pounds or more. Each year many fish are weighed in at between 100-300 pounds and occasionally more. In the Cook Inlet you will be fishing in sight of the majestic Alaskan Mountain Range. Whales are often sighted. It is truly spectacular! Fishing is done in boats that are U.S. Coast Guard approved, which accommodate a maximum of six guests.

#### Seward

You will be fishing in the midst of pristine glaciers and dazzling scenery often while experiencing some of the most awesome fishing for Halibut, Ling Cod, King Salmon, Silver Salmon, Yellow eye rockfish and Black Bass.

May-June: Multiple Species Full Day Combo trip will give you the opportunity to fish for trophy Pacific Halibut, King Salmon and Black Bass with limits of 2 Halibut and 2 Kings per person. July-Sept: In early July the Silver Salmon arrive and Ling Cod season opens July 1st giving you the opportunity to fish for Halibut, Ling Cod, Silver Salmon, Yellow eye and Black Bass all on one trip with limits of 2 Halibut, 1 Ling Cod and 3 Silvers per person.

Our **Saltwater Silver Salmon trip** has a limit of 6 silvers per person. Plus the added bonus of viewing and photographing Whales, Porpoises, Sea Otters, Puffins, Sea Lions and glaciers.

#### **Upper Kenai River**

The beautiful upper Kenai River is truly one of the world's finest recreational experiences for both the accomplished and the novice angler. You'll have the opportunity to catch Sockeye (Reds), Coho (Silvers), Dolly Varden, Char, and trophy Rainbow Trout. Rainbow Trout are carefully handled, photographed, and then released. Escape the crowds and enjoy world class fishing action amidst dazzling mountain scenery. Fly fishing enthusiasts are welcome.

#### Upper Kenai Canyon

Travel through the awesome Kenai River Canyon. Eight more miles of wilderness river on the Upper Kenai that gets less fishing pressure and provides more frequent wildlife sightings. Lunch in the canyon and wilderness scenery make this one of Alaska's best fishing trips. Spin cast or fly fishing is excellent on this trip for Salmon or Trophy Rainbow Trout.

We look forward to your visit!





#### **Fly-Outs**

We have a wide variety of fly-outs to choose from June through September. **June-July**...A great trip for Sockeye (Red Salmon) and Bear viewing. Don't forget your camera! We also offer a beautiful flyout for Dolly Varden, Lake Trout, Sockeye and in July, King Salmon. **July-August**... Later in July and continuing through August we have two fly-outs for Silver Salmon in two different locations as they begin their first run about the 15th to the 20th of July, continuing through August. There are limits of 3 Silvers on these trips.



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#### May-June Saltwater Combination The Halibut/King Salmon Combo is a

great day of fishing that gives an angler the opportunity to catch King Salmon and Halibut on the same day. This trip takes place on the Cook Inlet. We'll start the day close in to shore trolling for Kings. When the tide gets right we'll head out for deeper waters in search of some great Halibut fishing. It's a great way to get **2 trips for the price of 1**.

# Photography and Sightseeing Tours

**Harding Ice Field Tour**...Enjoy the Kenai Peninsula's magnificent alpine glaciers and breathtaking mountain scenery from a plane. Expect to see and photograph Rocky Mountain Goats, Dall Sheep and other wildlife, one hour tour.

#### Wolverine Creek Brown Bear Tour

How's close and cozy in the viewfinder sound. Fly across Cook Inlet and land on a small lake, viewing Brown Bears from a boat.

#### Kenai Canyon Scenic Float

A leisurely 7 hour float on the upper river. Eagles, Dall Sheep, Salmon and occasionally Moose and Bear are observed in their natural habitat.

#### Kenai Fjords National Park Tour

This tour is a 6 or 81/2 hour wildlife and glacier cruise giving passengers a chance to view an active tidewater glacier. You will also see a variety of wildlife such as Whales, Porpoise, Sea Lions, Sea Otters and an abundance of outstanding scenery.

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