Guide to sport fishing opportunities in the Sitka, Alaska area

The Sitka, Alaska area (Baranof Island, Yakobi Island, and western Chicagof Island) offers a wide variety of sport fishing opportunities—anglers can fish for all five salmon species, as well as for Dolly Varden, brook trout, rainbow/steelhead trout, cutthroat trout, grayling, halibut and lingcod.

The information in this guide covers fish species and fishing gear, timing of fish availability, transportation and access, U.S. Forest Service cabin reservations, and safety tips to help you plan your fishing trip. Please don’t hesitate to call us for more information if you need it.

The city of Sitka, with around 8,500 residents, is the area’s major population center. You can’t drive to Sitka, but Alaska Airlines provides year-round service from Juneau and Anchorage, and the Alaska Marine Highway has a regular ferry schedule in and out of Sitka from Juneau. A local road system (map on page 4) extends north and south of town about 15 miles, furnishing access to the shoreline and some lakes on Baranof Island.

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