

# Recreation Opportunity Guide



## BLACK BEAR LAKE CABIN

**DESCRIPTION:** The 12' x 12' [Pan-Abode](#) cedar log cabin was built in 1963 at the north end of the lake and was relocated to this site in 1979. The cabin has sleeping space for four to six people. The stove uses #1 diesel fuel, NOT supplied by the Forest Service. Please remember to take your fuel container with you when you leave.



**LOCATION:** The cabin lies at 1,700 feet in elevation, approximately 20 yards from the shoreline of Black Bear Lake. It is located on the central portion of Prince of Wales Island, 50 air-miles from Ketchikan. Refer to USGS topo map Craig C-3. Longitude: -132.855; Latitude: 55.53972222

**ACCESS:** The cabin is accessed by floatplane. The lake is usually ice-free (suitable for landing a floatplane) from mid-June through September.

**TERRAIN:** Black Bear Lake is a clear, cold lake amid rugged mountain peaks. The mountains rise to nearly 4,000 feet in elevation.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** Black Bear Lake offers spectacular scenery, as well as an array of recreation opportunities such as hiking, fishing, hunting, and photography. Wildflowers are abundant in mid-late summer. The lake was stocked with rainbow trout many years ago, and now has a resident population. Fishing is fair. Black bear and deer hunting is popular in the fall.

A hydroelectric project was constructed at the north end of the lake in 1995. The project now provides power to several communities on the island. The lake level varies, but is still an attractive destination.

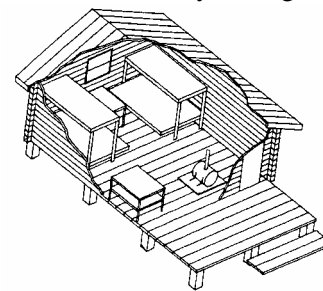
### FACILITIES:

- Two single and two double-size sleeping spaces
- Fuel oil stove (requires #1 diesel fuel – NOT PROVIDED), highest setting = 0.2 gallons/hour
- Cooking counter, table, shelves, and cupboard space
- Broom
- 14' aluminum skiff with oars - floatation devices NOT provided
- A natural water source is Black Bear Lake

\*TREAT OR BOIL WATER BEFORE DRINKING.

\*BRING YOUR OWN – stove fuel, sleeping bags, sleeping pads, cooking stove, lantern, pots, pans, plates, utensils, food, toilet paper, and garbage bags.

**CABIN LAYOUT:** There may be slight variations.



### RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED



Rental Fee: \$25/night year round



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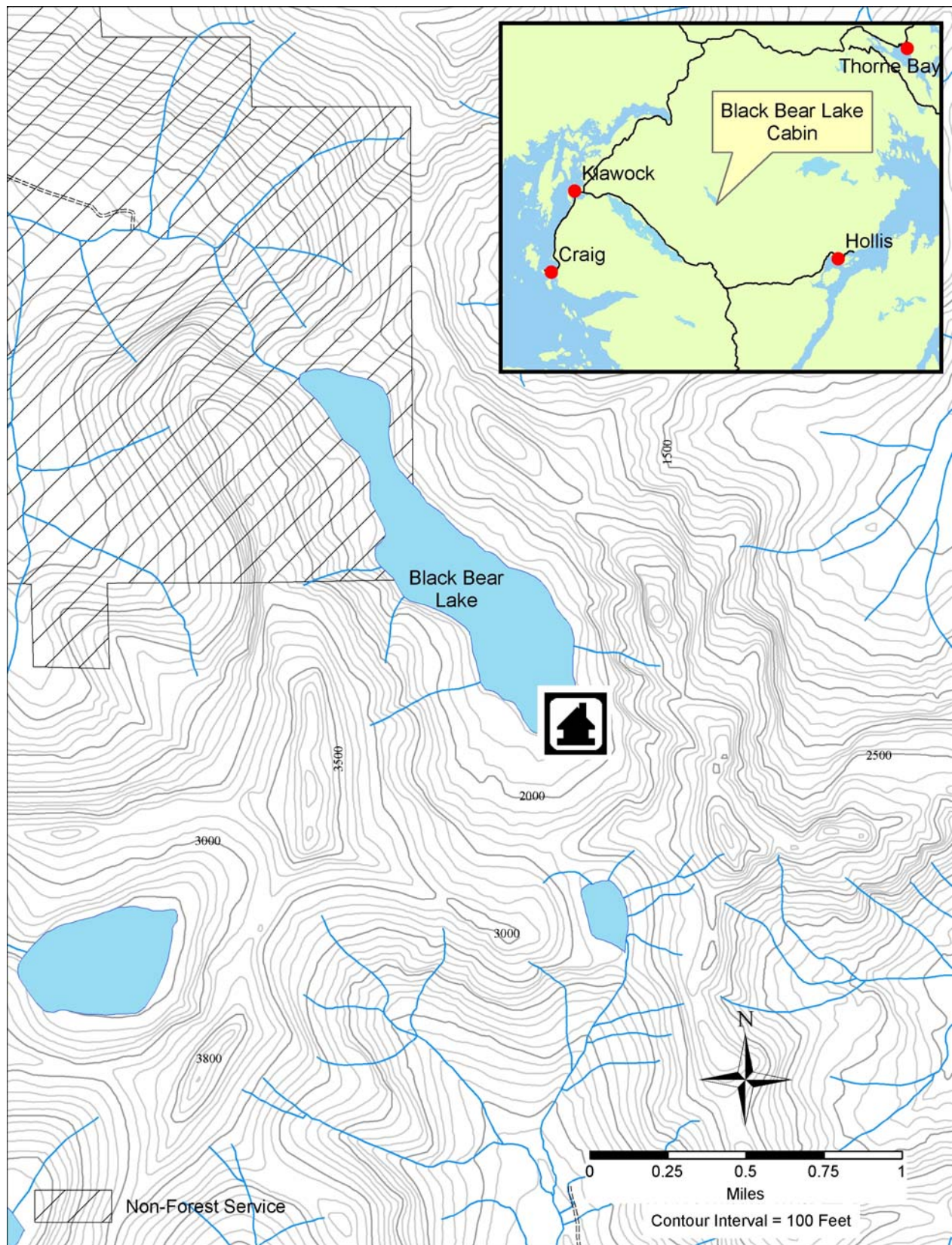


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**Plan ahead and prepare**  
**Pack it in, pack it out**  
**Leave what you find**



**Minimize campfire impacts**  
**Be considerate of others**  
**Respect wildlife**