Mayne Island

Find a map inside!

Getting Here

By ferry ~ Sailing from Tsawwassen (Vancouver), it takes around 1.5 hours to reach Mayne; from Swartz Bay (Victoria) a direct sailing will take around an hour. Reservations are highly recommended for travel from Tsawwassen; however they are not available from Swartz Bay on Vancouver Island.
For ferry schedules: bcferries.com or call 1-888-223-3779.

By float plane ~ From Vancouver: www.sairseaplanes.com
Vancouver Island (charter): www.harbourair.com

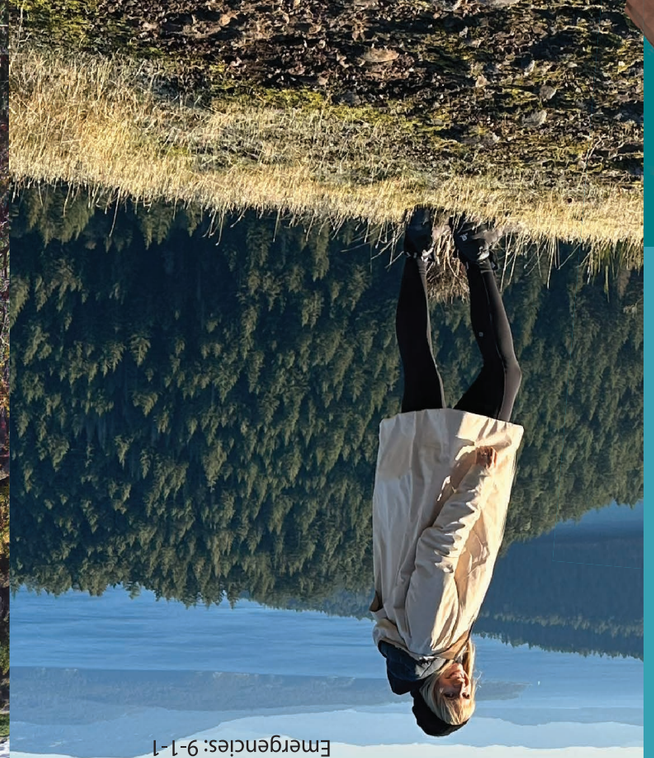
Once on island ~
Mayne Island Community Bus: call or text 250-539-0851
E-Bike Rental from Mayne Island Building Centre: 250-539-2929
Car Stops are also located around the island

Welcome

Mayne Island, also known as S,ḴƛAḴ in SENĆOŦEN, is within the traditional territories of the Stz'uminus (Chemainus First) and Snuneymuxw First Nations. S,ḴƛAḴ is the Tsartlip Reserve #6, which gives our community a special relationship with the Tsartlip (W̱JOLELP) village near Brentwood Bay, who are part of the W̱SÁNEĆ First Nations. These are SENĆOŦEN speaking people who have been here for millennia and who have rich heritage and traditional culture connected to S,ḴƛAḴ . We extend our gratitude and thanks to the W̱SÁNEĆ First Nations and acknowledge the privilege of enjoying this beautiful place in their territory.

Mayne Island is home to over 1000 people year-round, and is located within a sensitive ecosystem. We ask that you tread lightly and conserve water, because drought and wells running dry are serious concerns. Fires are also strictly regulated. Please respect fire regulations, and contact Mayne Island Fire Rescue if unsure.

@mayneislandlife
mayneislandchamber.ca



Gulf Islands Southern

Saturday: 10am-4pm

Bank Machines
Active Pass Auto & Marine
Miners Bay Trading Post
Tru Value Foods

Recycling Services
Mayne Island Recycling
maynerecycles.ca
Wednesday: 10am-2pm
Saturday: 10am-4pm

Automated External Defibrillators (AED)
Available for public use throughout the island

Mayne Island Fire Rescue
520 Felix Jack Rd.
T: 250-539-5156
mayneislandfire.com

Mayne Island Health Centre
526 Felix Jack Rd.
T:250-539-2312
mayneislandhealth.ca
Please note that walk-in clinic services are not available

Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
T: 250-629-6171
Emergencies: 9-1-1

We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of Southern Gulf Islands Tourism

Festivals & Events

Mayne Island hosts a variety of annual events throughout the year. From holiday celebrations and artist studio tours to lively festivals and community fairs, there's always something to enjoy. Visit our website for dates and details on these and other upcoming events.

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Nature

Whether exploring Mayne Island or the surrounding waters, you'll be immersed in the beauty of our coastal environment. A wide range of experiences awaits in our community, regional, and national parks. Hike to the island's highest point at Mount Parke Regional Park, stroll along the coastal bluffs of St. John Point Regional Park, or relax with a picnic while watching for whales at Active Pass Lighthouse and Georgina Point.

Fresh ocean breezes spark a sense of discovery, while waves rolling over smooth pebbles invite calm and reflection. Wherever you are on Mayne Island, a beach or park is always close by. Set out on a journey that engages your senses and discover the unique experiences waiting for visitors and islanders alike.

Activities

Hiking: Island trails provide the opportunity to go for short strolls as well as heart-pounding hikes; almost all will bring you to a breathtaking view.

Birding: Mayne Island is home to the Active Pass Important Bird Area, a haven for birdlife and nature lovers alike. Prime viewing spots such as Georgina Point and Miners Bay invite you to set up your binoculars and witness the diversity of bird life in this area.

Shopping

Explore local shops, markets, and artist studios, where you'll discover goods created with care by members of our local community. Most of our businesses are locally owned and operated, and you'll be greeted by knowledgeable shopkeepers who take pride in sharing their knowledge behind products.

From original artwork to apparel, body care, books, and home décor, your shopping journey is sure to uncover treasures you won't find anywhere else, or to help find the perfect replacement for that item that didn't quite make it into your luggage.

Artists and artisans showcase their work during on-island showcases and a variety of events. At any time of year, there are studios and galleries to explore.

Watersports: Kayaking and paddleboarding are popular activities here. Campbell, VIllage, Dinner, and Bennett Bays all provide great locations for launching.

Biking: Mayne Island's shape leads to the opportunity for a variety of bicycling loops. Please be aware that Mayne Island has many hills as well as narrow, winding roads.

Food

Local farm stands offer fresh, seasonal ingredients straight from the field or barn, while our grocery stores provide the ingredients you need to create a memorable meal.

Prefer to leave the cooking to someone else? From food trucks to welcoming restaurants, you'll find delicious options that delight your taste buds.

Cronuts

A visit to the Saturday Market is a must, where there's something for everyone. Just across the street, the Thrift Store and Store Next Door invite you to browse for hidden treasurers, be sure to make them part of your Mayne Island experience.

Beaches: Enjoy exploring our various shorelines, intertidal zones and swimming holes. Be sure to watch for bioluminescence in the hot months!

Dinner Bay Park: Find the peace of the Japanese Memorial Garden here, as well as a disc golf course, mini putt, playground, and picnic areas.