



AHOY! A HOUSEBOATING ADVENTURE AWAITS ON SHUSWAP LAKE.

YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN NOW -AND THERE'S NARY A PIRATE IN SIGHT!

The weather's warm, the water's high, and the Shuswap is in full swing. With over 600 km of shoreline, what better way to explore the area than on a houseboat?

Here's a little description of what a fun-filled, four-day adventure exploring Shuswap Lake by houseboat could look like!

Day 1: Before hitting the gangplank, hit the local stores to stock up on food, drinks, and any other provisions you'll need on your epic voyage. Then hoist anchor, and set sail!

While you're getting your sea legs under you, set your course for Marble Point, a pristine beach situated in Shuswap Lake Marine Park that is only accessible by boat. Once there you can stroll the beach, swim, paddle or, if you're a wakeboarder or surfer, take advantage of the evening calm.

Of course, when you're hungry, eat, eat and eat. Houseboats have full-sized kitchens, fridges and BBQs, and there's nothing crankier than a hungry sailor.

In the evening, enjoy the sunset from your rooftop hot tub, or build a fire on the beach and pull out the guitar.

Day 2: Set your course for Herald Park, where an easy 1 km hike through a magical forest with huge trees and stunning cliffs takes you to Margaret Falls. Remember, you won't see any mythical creatures unless you look for them!

If you'd like to burn off more of last night's supper, bring your mountain



bike and test your mettle on the Reinecker Creek trail, 14 km of challenging, technical single-track riding. By the time you're finished, a plunge into Shuswap Lake might seem like a good idea!

Motor a bit further on the lake and tie up in front of Sunnybrae Winery, the only Shuswap winery accessible by boat! Sail, sip, sunset, sleep!

If you're in the area, remember that The Salmon Arm Wharf is a great place do a bit of shopping. If you're there on a Wednesday evening, you can catch live music with their Wednesday on the Wharf concert series. Tie up for the night just north of Herald Park.

Day 3: Chart a course for the Narrows, where you can visit one of the floating stores, and then claim a spot on the beach. Swim, paddle, read, play volleyball, fish, rent a Sea-Doo or surf, courtesy of one of the local adventure companies.

Toast your final evening on board with a glass of local wine. Take a moment to smell the meat grilling on the BBQ, listen to the kids laughing in the water, and soak up the warmth as the sky turns pink. Ahh . . .

does it get any better than this?

Day 4: Set out early so you're in time for the train bridge to open, allowing you to slip back into anchorage. Sip your coffee and eat your breakfast en route as you sit on the roof and enjoy the early morning light, already planning your next voyage!

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