

WORK OPPORTUNITY: Camp Assistant (Seasonal)

COMPANY: West Coast Expeditions

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ADDRESS: PO Box 3537, Courtenay, BC, V9N 6Z8

WORK LOCATION: Spring Island, Kyuquot, BC

COMPANY BACKGROUND: founded in 1972, incorporated in 2007, sea kayaking and ecotourism industry leaders with a strong history, reputation, and professional standard; approx. 7-8 full-time seasonal employees; office administration primarily in Courtenay; educational sea kayaking tours in Kyuquot Sound area, northwest Vancouver Island; tour season from mid-June to mid-September; in a growth phase with increasing opportunities.

DESCRIPTION OF THE POSITION

Become a key part of the team delivering world-class sea kayaking vacations on Spring Island, Kyuquot, British Columbia. Our remote Wilderness Sea Kayaking Retreat requires an Camp Assistant for full-time/part-time work from mid-June to early September. Preference for someone interested in working for multiple summers, familiar with outdoor adventure settings, comfortable in multi-faceted team environment with frequent guest interactions, and living/camping in the outdoors on a remote small island in the Pacific, with limited access to phone and internet.

ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assisting our camp chef, management and guiding staff with meal preparation, presentation, and packing for day trips and multi-day expeditions
- Dish cleaning and maintaining sanitary surfaces for food preparation, storage, and waste
- Cleaning and preparing guest tents during trip "changeover" days, and outhouses on a daily basis
- Daily camp care for guest safety and comfort, including the aesthetic, safety and function of camp infrastructure and systems, e.g., shower area, wash up area, rain water collection, drinking water, trails, tent paths, beach access paths, fire ring, meadow, outhouses, drying shelter, etc.
- Cleaning, rinsing and drying kayaking and camping equipment associated with day trips and at the end of multi-day expeditions
- Maintaining positive interactions with guests and co-workers throughout the day, including at meal times and during unscheduled periods
- Will also learn from and work with local Aboriginal friends and family from the Kyuquot-Checleset First Nation, including some combined meal prep each week.

REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ FoodSafe Level 1 preferred
- ✓ First Aid training considered an asset
- √ Flexible and accommodating approach to interacting with others; solution-oriented
- ✓ Independent work ethic (self-starter) showing initiative balanced with ability to work as a team



- ✓ Depending on the applicant's experience, certifications, and interests, this position could be expanded to also include camp maintenance (including solar/electrical systems), boat operations, kayak guiding/assisting, and other aspects of managing operations and/or logistics
- ✓ Experience working and living in a remote location; familiar with wilderness camping and some sea kayaking experience preferred
- ✓ Strong personal hygiene and attention to detail
- ✓ WorldHost (formerly SuperHost), First Host, or similar customer service training considered an asset

Salary: Daily wage negotiable depending on availability, skills, experience & qualifications; share in gratuities. Meals provided, including use of consumables at camp (e.g., propane, firewood, water, etc.); few/minimal living expenses while with us; may need to provide own tent.

Perks: Opportunity to accompany some kayak outings and trail hikes together with guides and guests, plus exploring on your own using kayaks, paddle boards, or canoe; opportunity for ongoing professional development and other responsibilities as appropriate/desired; daily free time as appropriate relative to primary responsibilities.

Hours/ Realities of Work: full-time from late June to early September; schedule includes flexibility for time off each day, and throughout the summer, and can be adjusted to fit the needs of the successful applicant. When on scheduled days off, the Camp Assistant will be expected to find suitable accommodations elsewhere on Vancouver Island.

Please apply with cover letter, resume and references attn. David Pinel, Managing Owner: dave@westcoastexpeditions.com

This posting is open until the position is filled with a suitable candidate.