



Welcome

Winter storm at Cape Disappointment

Pacific County - Nature's Best

We invite you to explore the best of nature in Pacific County. Nestled in the southwest corner of Washington State, Pacific County is a scenic land of ocean, rivers and bay, lush forests and streams, with isolated beaches and always opulent, magnificent skies. For over a century, Pacific County has been lauded for its rich harvest of oysters, clams and salmon. But for all of its treasure, nothing exceeds its natural beauty.

This is an Invitation

Come walk our beaches. Visit our state and federal parks. Drive our scenic byways. View our wildlife. Dine at nationally acclaimed restaurants featuring indigenous seafoods and cuisine. Relax at our cozy inns, bed and breakfasts and resorts. Explore our museums. Step back into yesterday and experience a land of repose.

Please use this guide to explore our stunning natural environment. We'll treat you to breathtaking vistas and views along with unique natural experiences.



Swans on Loomis Lake

Pacific County Economic Development Council

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Visitor Information Centers

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1-800-481-2562, Fax: 360-642-3190
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Ocean Park Area Chamber of Commerce

Ocean Park, WA
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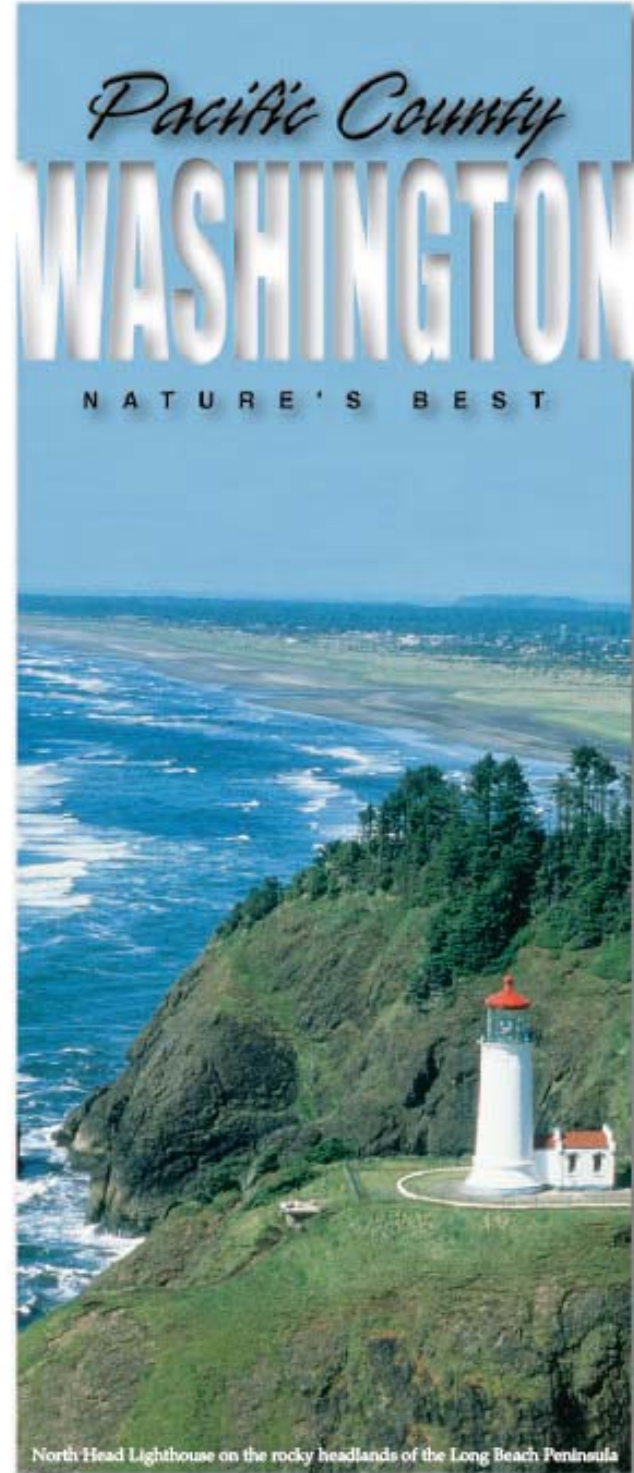
Pacific County Historical Museum

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Willinga Harbor Chamber of Commerce

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North Head Lighthouse on the rocky headlands of the Long Beach Peninsula

Nature

The natural forces that have shaped Pacific County over time continue to exert their power. The mighty ocean, wild rivers, expansive bay and marshes, gentle rolling mists, and nourishing rains of Pacific County support a verdant environment of forest and seashore. Willapa Bay is recognized as the cleanest estuary in the nation. The vast wetlands sustain a wide variety of birds and other estuarine wildlife. Deer, elk and native fauna thrive in the temperate rain forests. View nature at its best at Long Island and Leadbetter Point National Wildlife Refuges. Come watch our storms, hike our forest paths and beaches, canoe our rivers, photograph

and appreciate the majesty of our county all year long.



Elk near Naselle



Brant on Willapa Bay

Public Moorage

Port of Willapa Harbor, Tokeland (360) 267-2888
Port of Willapa Harbor, Raymond (360) 942-3422
City of South Bend (360) 875-5571
Port of Chinook (360) 777-8797
Port of Ilwaco (360) 642-3143
Port of Peninsula (360) 665-4547

Hiking through the rain forest

Heritage

The hard working and fun loving people of Pacific County will proudly share their heritage with you.

You can discover this heritage through the historical murals that are located along the coast from Raymond to Ocean Park. Colorful traditions can be experienced in the variety of festivals staged year round. Interpretive centers and museums highlight early river life and pioneer days. Historic architecture can be seen on walking tours available in many of our communities.

Exploring on your own, visit the waterfronts and observe oystermen and fishermen at work. Discover one of the many cranberry and dairy farms located throughout Pacific County. We invite you to come during any of the four seasons to experience our heritage. **Pacific County shines even when the sun doesn't!**



Mural on Pacific County Historical Society Museum, South Bend

Museums/Interpretive Centers

Cranberry Museum, Long Beach
Shellfish Interpretive Center, Nahcotta
World Kite Museum & Hall of Fame, Long Beach
Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, Cape Disappointment, Ilwaco
Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum, Ilwaco
Fort Columbia National Historic Site, Chinook
Pacific County Historical Society and Museum, South Bend
Willapa Seaport Museum, Raymond
Northwest Carriage Museum, Raymond



Historic mural in Long Beach

Discovery

"This I could plainly see would be the extent of our journey by water...in full view of the Ocean from Point Adams...to Cape Disappointment"
William Clark, Nov. 15, 1805

Written upon arrival at the Corps of Discovery's final camp of their westward expedition, located in present-day Pacific County.

Discover our History

Stand where Lewis and Clark stood in November 1805 "in full view of the Ocean" and capture the spirit and adventure of discovery. The Corps of Discovery explored Pacific County for 18 days at the conclusion of their mission set for them by President Thomas Jefferson. View this spectacular region, little-changed from the way Lewis and Clark experienced it nearly 200 years ago.

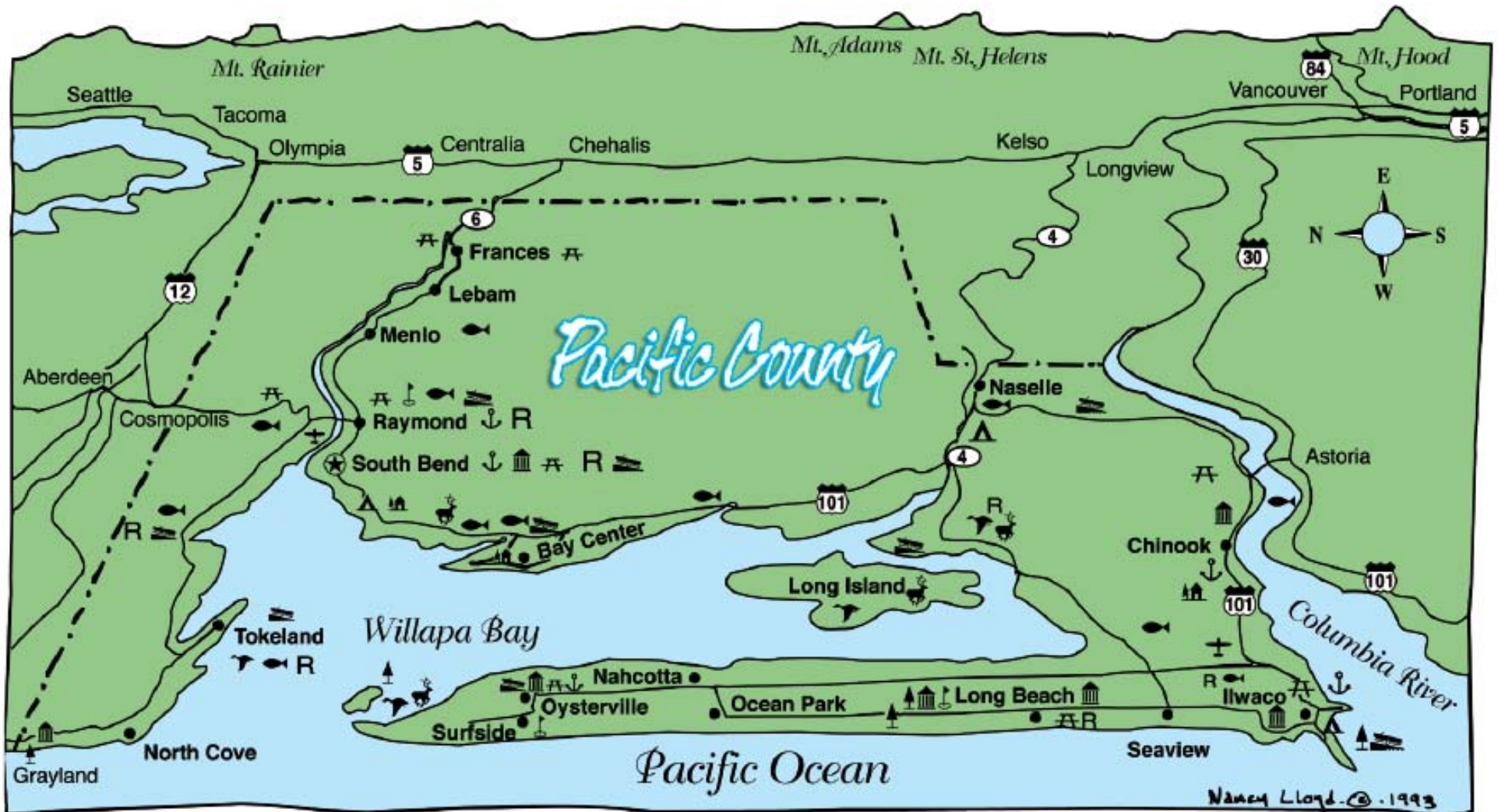


Lewis and Clark Square in Long Beach

Visit the Lewis and Clark Square in Long Beach. The bronze statue here depicts the scene on November 19, 1805 when Captain William Clark and party traveled from their camp at Chinook, WA, up the peninsula where Clark cut his initials, the day and year on a small pine near the ocean beach. This was the most westerly point reached by the Expedition.

For more information on Lewis and Clark's 18 days in Pacific County, contact the Long Beach Visitors Bureau, 1-800-451-2542 or visit www.lewisandclarkwa.com

Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center



MILEAGES (approx.) TO RAYMOND-SOUTH BEND

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| SEATTLE | 130 miles |
| SPOKANE | 384 miles |
| TOKELAND | 19 miles |
| LONG BEACH | 45 miles |
| OCEAN PARK | 53 miles |
| ASTORIA, OR | 60 miles |
| PORTLAND, OR | 134 miles |
| TRI-CITIES | 280 miles |
| PORT ANGELES | 163 miles |
| VANCOUVER, B.C. | 244 miles |

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| PICNICKING | COUNTY PARK | GOLF COURSE | CAMPING | COUNTY SEAT | WILDLIFE REFUGE | BIRD WATCHING |
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| FISHING | MUSEUM | AIRPORTS | MOORAGE | BOAT RAMP | STATE PARK | REST ROOMS |

MILEAGES (approx.) TO LONG BEACH PENINSULA

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| SEATTLE | 170 miles |
| SPOKANE | 439 miles |
| RAYMOND | 47 miles |
| LONGVIEW | 80 miles |
| OLYMPIA | 110 miles |
| ASTORIA, OR | 20 miles |
| PORTLAND, OR | 125 miles |
| SAN FRANCISCO | 763 miles |
| TRI-CITIES | 325 miles |
| VANCOUVER, B.C. | 288 miles |

Pacific County Communities



Historic Tokeland Hotel

North Cove/Tokeland

Fishing and seaside communities. View historic and always changing Wash-Away Beach. Experience fishing and crabbing at Tokeland dock. Cranberry bogs. Native American culture. Enjoy Vegas style gambling at Shoalwater Bay Casino. Beachcombing. Bird watching.



County Farmlands

Menlo/Lebam/Frances

Quaint farming communities nestled in the rolling Willapa Hills. View local talent at the quintessential fair grounds. Visit historic Willie Keil's grave. Historic Holy Family Catholic Church at Frances.

Raymond

Historic logging town and gateway to the beautiful Willapa River and Bay. Access the river and wetlands at the boat ramp and docks. Golf at the picturesque golf course. Library and theater on the National Register of Historic Places. Antique logging equipment. Wildlife and heritage sculptures. Fishing. Canoeing. Seaport and carriage museums.



Steel Sculptures in Raymond

South Bend

Riverside fishing village with a rich architectural and cultural heritage. Access water, shops and restaurants near the city dock and boardwalk. Historic Pacific County Courthouse retains original fixtures and lighted Tiffany glass dome 29 feet in diameter. Walking tour of historic buildings. Pacific County Historical Museum. 1890 logging "Steam Donkey." Fishing. Canoeing.

Historical Pacific County Courthouse, South Bend



Bay Center

Historic fishing village and home of huge oyster beds. Site of oldest settlement in county at nearby Bruceport. Magnificent views of Willapa Bay. County park. Birdwatching. Camping. Beachcombing.



Bay Center oyster barge

Naselle

Finnish heritage farming community. Walk the beautiful grounds at the Naselle State Salmon Hatchery. Salmon Creek roadside park. Boat ramp. Fishing. Hiking.



St. Mary's Church near Chinook

Chinook

Home of Fort Columbia Historical State Park featuring restored classic military architecture. Vista of the Columbia River. Historic St. Mary's Catholic Church. Fishing. Boating. Camping.

Ilwaco

Home to charter, sports and commercial fishing. View exhibits of local history at the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum. From Cape Disappointment State Park, hike a short steep trail to



Gillnet boat at Ilwaco

Cape Disappointment Lighthouse or a long gentle trail to North Head Lighthouse. The Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center offers a pictorial exhibit of the famous expedition. Black Lake hiking trail. Tourist amenities. Fishing. Camping. Hiking.



Cranberry harvest near Seaview

Seaview

Quaint resort village. Take the back roads to view turn-of-the-century guest cottages. Paths over the dunes to the beach. Country Inns. Award winning cuisine. Hiking. Beachcombing.



Birdwatching at Leadbetter Point

Ocean Park/Klipsan/Surfside

Early day resort area complete with old style country store. Stroll through town to view circa 1890's cottages. Remote beaches, wind and grass. Clam digging. Storm watching. Beachcombing.



Historic Espy House in Oysterville

Oysterville

Entire village on the National Register of Historic Places. View oldest operating oyster business. Buildings date from the 1860's. Pioneer cemetery. Walking tours.

Nahcotta

Resort town destination of the historic "Clamshell" railroad. Observe lively businesses harvesting oysters from the bay. Interpretive displays. Historic train depot. Bed and Breakfasts.



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Long Beach

Turn-of-the-century lively seashore resort featuring 28 miles of uninterrupted beach. Visit the boardwalk, specialty shops, resorts and restaurants. Wood carvings. Jogging. Sunbathing. Horseback riding. Surf fishing. Storm watching. Kite flying. Lewis and Clark Square.

Annual Sandcastle Festival in Long Beach

