

WELCOME TO WASHINGTON STATE

State of Washington Tourism (SWT) is the official Destination Marketing and Management Organization for the State of Washington. Known as the Evergreen State, Washington has a diverse landscape. The west side provides spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean, lush rainforests in Olympic National Park, towering mountains in North Cascades National Park and Mount Rainier National Park, and an active maritime adventure and sustainable aquaculture in Puget Sound. The east side boasts an arid climate and the ideal terroir for growing fruit, wheat, hops and grapes. Washington State is the second largest wine producer in the USA. Travel along scenic byways from urban centers to rural communities that provide farm-to-table menus, vibrant art and culture, family-friendly museums, Native American heritage and lots of year-round outdoor adventures.

Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) is the ideal starting point for travel to the Pacific Northwest with more than 120 direct, non-stop flights each week from SEA to locations throughout Europe, including London, Dublin, Paris, Iceland, Frankfurt, Munich, Amsterdam, and Istanbul. Connect seamlessly to three conveniently located downtown cruise berths owned by the Port of Seattle providing nearly 280 round-trip sailings to Alaska with 11 major cruise lines. The Port of Seattle's traveler-friendly programs such as baggage storage, Port Valet, and SEA security "Spot Saver," make it easier than ever to explore Seattle, Washington and beyond.



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The State of Washington, located in the Pacific Northwest, offers dramatically diverse landscapes where ocean coastlines lead to enchanting islands, temperate rain forests and active volcanoes. World-class vineyards and craft breweries, along with bountiful farm-to-table menus can be enjoyed in rural communities to vibrant cities.



SALISH SEA

The fertile Skagit Valley is famous for spring tulips and fresh, yearround produce. Bellingham is a port town known for breweries and dining. Mt. Baker offers all-season outdoor recreation.



PENINSULAS

Home of Olympic National Park, adventures are endless in this temperate rainforest. Hike along dramatic ridges and follow the wild coastline. Port Townsend is a vibrant small town with a Victorian feel.



BEACHES

The Long Beach Peninsula is the perfect place to unwind, and go beach combing along the longest contiguous beach in the US. Aberdeen is the home of grunge band Nirvana, and Ocean Shores is a charming beach town.



METRO PUGET SOUND

The cities of Seattle, Edmonds, Everett, Woodinville, and Tacoma offer an active lifestyle within cities filled with vibrant music, art and food scene with the distinct NW vibe surrounded by nature.



ISLANDS

Located in the Northwest corner of the State of Washington, the scenic San Juan Islands are accessed by the state ferry system where quiet island living, outdoor experiences and abundant marine life viewing thrive.



VOLCANOES

The State of Washington is home to 10 volcanoes, five of which are active, including Mount Saint Helens and Mount Rainier. The volcanoes region is great for hiking, climbing and sightseeing.



THE GORGE

The Columbia River Gorge Scenic Byway and Lewis & Clark trail follow the WA side of the Columbia River. This area is popular for local beer and wine, and is the windsurfing capital of the world.







TOP 5 CITIES BY POPULATION

Seattle 784,754 Spokane 231.132 226,142 Tacoma Vancouver 198.018 Bellevue 158,719

COMING SOON

- FIFA World Cup 2026
- · New Int'l Arrivals Area at SEA
- EV Route on North Cascades
- · Flights & Flight Seeing
- Updated Seattle Waterfront

TOP THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT WA

- 29 federally recognized tribes
- · WA produces more apples than any other state
- · 1050+ Wineries
- Over 75% of the country's hops are grown in the Yakima Valley
- · 157 miles of Pacific Ocean coastline
- Year-round outdoor recreation
- 4000+ hikes
- · Largest ferry fleet in the US
- · 3 National Parks
- · 3000+ alpine glaciers

BY AIR

Wherever you are, it is easy to get here. The State of Washington is served by thirty-one airlines with 91 non-stop domestic and 38 international destinations including Canada and Mexico.

GETTING HERE

SEA: SEA is the largest airport in the Pacific Northwest region of the U.S. and is a hub for Alaska Airlines and Delta Airlines. SEA has European carriers with direct connections, and is the primary hub for quick access to inland cities and wine regions.

GEG: Spokane International Airport is located five miles west of downtown Spokane and is the primary airport of the inland Northwest.

Combine the Cascades Loop and the Coulee Corridor National Scenic Byways for year-round recreation. Visit Leavenworth, a quaint, Bavarian-style village, or Lake Chelan for wine and water sports.

PONDEROSA

Spokane the largest city in eastern Washington, celebrates the 50-yr anniversary of the World's Fair in 2024. In summer, river rafting, ziplines, and fishing lines are popular while the winter offers skiing or snowboarding.



WINE COUNTRY

An established wine region. Walla Walla and Tri-Cities are growing destinations for wine travelers. Yakima also grows 75% of the nation's hops.



PALOUSE

The Palouse Scenic Byway takes you through serene, pastoral regions, to the quartzite rock of the Steptoe Butte Carved by glaciers where you can view the popular Palouse Falls (198 ft / 60 m).

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BY LAND

The State of Washington offers breath-taking, diverse terrain that can be explored by car, motorcoach or train.

I-5 & I-405: Travel north and south to discover big cities and small coastal towns, beaches, rain forests, National Parks and

I-90: Explore east and west over the Cascade Mountains on scenic byways. Follow the craft beer trail or visit wine country, hike trails, and more!

BY SEA

Washington boasts miles of coastline along the Pacific Ocean, extensive rivers, and mountain lakes statewide.

Ferry: Find ferry routes to the San Juan Islands and small communities of Puget Sound.

River Cruise: Riverboats navigate the Columbia River and Puget Sound for multi-day cruises.

Cruise Ship: Port of Seattle cruise travelers can explore Washington and Alaska in one trip. All major cruise lines currently operate from the Bell Street Terminal at Pier 66 and Smith Cove Terminal at Pier 91 offering nearly 280 sailings.

