



Fact Sheet:

Grindall Island

State Park Public Use Cabin



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Captain Vancouver named the point and passage on Kasaan Peninsula Grindall Point and Grindall Passage after his friend Captain Richard Grindall who had sailed with him in earlier years. The state of Alaska later gave Grindall Island its name to go along with the point and passage. Grindall Island was homesteaded and became a fox farm between 1922 and the 1950's.

The Grindall Island Public Use Cabin is located 18 air miles from Ketchikan and 40 air miles from Craig on a bluff with hemlock, cedar, and spruce nearby. Grindall Island offers a variety of recreational opportunities, including excellent whale watching, and is known for its salmon and halibut fishing. An unmaintained trail traverses the forest from the cabin site to a lake in the middle of the island. There is a Sea Lion haul out just east of Grindall Island at Approach Rock. There is a mooring buoy for boats in the north harbor.

How do I get to the cabin?

The Grindall Island cabin is located approximately 18 air miles from Ketchikan and 40 air miles from Craig.

What is the cost to rent the cabin?

The fee is \$35 per night peak and \$25 non-peak.

Where can I make cabin reservations?

Reservations can be made on line at www.alaskastateparks.org, in person at our Public Information Center offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau or at the Totem Bight ranger station in Ketchikan, Ketchikan Alaska residents can make reservations 7 months to the day in advance of the first night stay and non-residents 6 months to the day in advance, Monday through Friday beginning at 10:00 a.m. Alaska time. Advance reservations cannot be made on weekends or State holidays, but can be made the next business day. All other cabin reservations can be made 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Reservation requests can also be mailed or faxed. Credit cards (MasterCard or Visa) are accepted for payment when making reservations on line, mailing or faxing reservation requests or when paying in person at our Anchorage or Fairbanks offices. Reservations are not accepted over the phone. There is a \$10 service charge for changes or cancellations, which must be made 7 days in advance of the first night. A cabin credit less the \$10 service charge will be issued for reservations that are cancelled. A cabin credit is valid for one year from date of issue.

Changing dates or cabins may be done, **one time only**, subject to availability.

Cancellations must also be done seven days or more in advance. Cabin fees are not refundable. You will be issued a credit, less the \$10 service charge. To receive a cabin credit, you **must** present your original reservation in person. If you are unable to appear in person, you may mail the original reservation, but it **must** reach the office seven days in advance. This credit is good for one year from date of issue and may be used **one time only**.

How long may I rent a cabin?

The cabins may be rented for 7 consecutive nights.

How many people may stay in the cabin?

The Grindall Island Cabin sleeps 6 (Maximum 8).

After I make reservations, can I add more people?

Yes. You can add people to your existing reservation as long as you do not exceed the maximum capacity allowed for the cabin.

Can I exceed maximum capacity if the extra people camp in a tent outside the cabin?

A single tent, associated with the cabin renting party may be placed nearby.

What is check-in and check-out?

Cabin reservations are from noon to noon.

What facilities will there be at the cabins?

The cabins are rustic, with wooden sleeping platforms, a wood stove, table and chairs or benches. There is no electricity or running water. Water availability is sporadic, so bring your own water. Each cabin has an outhouse nearby. Dead and down wood may be collected.

What should I bring to wear?

The average temperatures in this area are 55° to 70° during the summer and spring. High humidity and a high average rainfall make for a wet environment. Bring an extra set of dry clothes to change into in case you get to wet.

May I bring my pet?

Yes, however, pets must be under control at all times, and you are responsible for cleaning up your pet's waste.



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NOTE: Cabin renters are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. Please pack out what you pack in as trash attracts animals and insects.

GPS Coordinates: GPS 055° 26' 53.03"N, 132° 08' 25.09"W

