

Shuyak Island



Trail Conditions Report : 01/23/2026

Cabins	Conditions
Mulcahy View Cabin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cabin is in good condition -Seasoned rounds can be found in the woodshed
Eagles Nest Cabin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cabin is in good condition -Seasoned rounds can be found underneath the cabin, please leave enough for the next party -Sluice box is located down the trail past the cabin and the outhouse
Salmon Cove Cabin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cabin is in good condition -Tree was cleared from ramp up to the cabin, ramp is in fine condition -Seasoned rounds can be found in the woodshed, please leave enough for the next party
Deer Haven Cabin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Cabin is in good condition, squirrels have gotten in, repairs are underway -Seasoned rounds can be found in the woodshed, please leave enough for the next party

Trails	Conditions
Eagle Cape Trail	-Cleared 07/06/2025
Lagoon Loop Trail	-Cleared 06/20/2025
Neketa Cape Trail	-Cleared 06/17/2025, except for one large tree at the cape trail end
Neketa Hump Trail	-Cleared 06/12/2025

508 Trail	-Cleared 07/10/2025
Deer Haven Trail	-Cleared 07/12/2025
Portages	-Western Inlet cleared 07/01/2025 -Dead Bird Beach cleared 07/01/2025 -Carshan Portage cleared 07/07/2025 New Portage Sings installed at Big Bay to Western Inlet and Carry Inlet to Shangin Bay
Skiff Passage	-08/21/2025: The large tree that has fallen over the passage ¼ from Big Bay to Carry Inlet has been limbed and naturally sinking down -Kayaks and rafts can portage over

General Information:

Shuyak Island is a pristine, remote, wilderness haven. Big Bay boasts sheltered waters, ideal for kayaking or packrafting, while the park's maintained trails provide fantastic hiking opportunities. Shuyak Island is a top destination for hiking, kayaking, birding, fishing, and hunting.

The Big Bay Ranger Station is manned from June through August by parks staff and volunteers. You may see them working on the trails or making repairs to cabins. Feel free to stop by the ranger station during your visit!

Shuyak Island can be subject to unpredictable weather. Poor weather can delay flights to and from the park so all visitors are encouraged to pack extra food and supplies in case they get weathered in. It is recommended to have at least one electronic communication device such as a satellite phone or portable satellite communication system.

Be prepared for bear encounters during any season. Use caution, avoid surprise encounters, and follow all bear safety etiquette. Do not leave any food items or trash outside of cabins. Discard all fish and animal entrails in the ocean.

Leave no trace, or better yet, better than you found it!

We want to keep Shuyak Island a beautiful and wild place to visit.

Please **pack out everything you pack in** to the cabins.

Public Use Cabin reservations can be made at:

Alaskastateparks.org

Please report issues with cabins, wildlife, or trail obstructions at the Big Bay Ranger Station or by calling and leaving a message at **907-486-6339**