

FORKS



Fresh Catch along a Forks River

Forks, the midway point of the Olympic Peninsula, is between the forks of the Calawah and Bogachiel Rivers. It is 56 miles from Port Angeles and 109 miles from Aberdeen. This timber and recreational center lies in the middle of steelhead rivers, close to herds of elk and deer who graze in some of the most rugged hunting country in the Northwest. Forks lies minutes away from great beachcombing areas – Ruby Beach, Mora and La Push.

North of Forks on Hwy. 101 is the regional office for the U.S. Forest Service and National Park Service, a good place to stop for advice on camping and hiking the forest and park trails.

NEAH BAY



Photo courtesy of JoElla Buck

Cape Flattery

At the most northwestern tip of the contiguous United States is Neah Bay, the ancient fishing and whaling village of the Makah Native People. The village is 13 mi. west of Sekiu.

To stand on the most northwestern tip of the lower 48, drive through Neah Bay and head out to the ocean. There is a recently remodeled trail out to Cape Flattery where you will find spectacular views of the crashing surf and you will see Tatoosh Island at the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

The Makah Museum is recognized as the nation's finest tribal museum, welcoming visitors to experience the life of pre-contact Makah people. The permanent exhibits include artifacts from the Ozette collection, uncovered from a Makah village partially buried by a mudslide nearly 500 years ago. Inside the museum you will find a full-size replica long house, and four cedar dug-out canoes. Whaling, sealing, and fishing gear, basketry and other tools are also on display, preserved by the unique conditions created by the mudslide.

The Museum shop contains carvings, basketry, and jewelry made by Makah artists, and a wide selection of prints, books and cards. The Makah Museum is open to the public 7 days a week year round. To hike on some reservation beaches it is necessary to purchase a pass, which can be bought at local stores. Inquire at the museum and cultural center for more information on beach access. Also ask about upcoming events and festivals.

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