



## **Bear & Whale Watching Interpretive Guide – Full-time (Seasonal)**

**Location:** Glendale Cove, Knight Inlet, BC

### **Company Background:**

Knight Inlet Lodge is a world-renowned grizzly bear viewing lodge situated in the southern portion of the Great Bear Rainforest. Since 1996 Knight Inlet Lodge has facilitated wildlife viewing experiences and eco-adventures for discerning individuals, couples and families.

### **Duties & Responsibilities:**

We are seeking highly motivated individuals with exceptional wilderness guiding, natural history interpretation, and communication skills to become a key part of the team in delivering world-class wildlife viewing experiences at Knight Inlet Lodge.

The Guide's primary objective is in providing our guests the opportunity to view and photograph wildlife, with an emphasis on safety, and natural history interpretation.

You will be responsible for a range of guiding duties integral to delivering guest experiences, including:

- care for guest safety and comfort, including the aesthetic, safety and function of lodge infrastructure and equipment;
- maintaining positive interactions with guests and co-workers throughout the day, including at meal times and during unscheduled periods;
- supporting other staff in their job responsibilities when required;
- participation in on-going grizzly bear research projects sponsored by Knight Inlet Lodge.

### **Required Skills, Certifications & Personality Characteristics**

Preference will be given to experienced guides able to commit to the entire season (mid-May to mid-October) and are interested in working multiple seasons.

## **Required Certifications;**

- Current Wilderness First Aid with Level C CPR & AED certification or equivalent;
- Commercial Small Vessel Operator's Proficiency certificate (SVOP);
- Marine Emergency Duties A3 (MED A3);
- Restricted Operators Certificate Marine(ROC-M);
- Sea Kayak Day Guide and/or Instructor Certification;

**Note:** Candidates with some of the above noted and or other relevant certifications as well as the appropriate wilderness leadership and interpersonal skills who are willing to get the required certification may be considered.

A background in biology is always an asset. You will be expected to learn and retain pertinent background material provided for presentation to guests. Public speaking experience is helpful, you need to effectively communicate with guests and provide engaging evening presentations. Second language skills are also an asset.

You should be;

- familiar with outdoor adventure settings (including guest and staff needs);
- be comfortable in a dynamic team environment with frequent guest interactions;
- be well groomed, courteous, honest, and most important, reliable;
- flexible and accommodating with your approach to interacting with others;
- solution-oriented with a collaborative approach to tasks and relationships.

## **Salary - Benefits:**

- Daily wage negotiable based on skills, experience & qualifications;
- Gratuity sharing opportunity;
- Float plane transportation between Campbell River and the lodge.
- Accommodation and all meals while at the lodge.
- Commercial Bear Viewing Association assistant bear guide certification.

## **Realities of Work:**

This is a full-time seasonal position, employment term runs from late May through to mid-October, and begins with up to 7 days of on-site training, interpretation skill development, program content familiarization, and bear guide certification training.

Preference will be given to candidates who are available to work through the entire season without interruption. Once the guiding season commences guides are scheduled for 10 days on, 4 days off rotations.

Please apply with cover letter, resume, and at least three references to; Brian Collen, General Manager: [brian@grizzlytours.com](mailto:brian@grizzlytours.com). This posting is open until the position is filled with a suitable candidate.