



# Clallam County SALMON VIEWING

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Salmon are deeply woven into the culture and ecosystems of the Pacific Northwest. As a keystone species, at least 137 different species are dependent on salmon. While salmon can be viewed in many local waterways at the right time of year, this self-guided 'tour' details a few of our favorite spots in Clallam County.

You have the opportunity to view coho, Chinook, chum, and pink salmon in this area. In Clallam County, the Salmon Coalition currently supports healthy spawning and rearing habitat for salmon by removing invasive vegetation along the Dungeness River and improving fish passage in the Hoko Watershed.

## General Guidelines for Salmon Viewing

- Leave dogs at home. *Spawning is a stressful time for salmon, and the presence of dogs in or near the stream can further stress fish.*
- Be a silent observer and keep your distance. *This will also reduce salmon stress, and the fish may be more active if you're quiet and still.*
- Stay out of the water. *Redds (nests) can be hard to spot, and salmon eggs are fragile!*
- Practice Leave No Trace principles. *Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints.*
- Respect private property. *Stay on public land!*
- Visit during daylight hours.



## Sol Duc Salmon Cascades

Olympic National Park

**Time:** Late September - Early November

**Species:** Coho

**Directions:** From Hwy 101, drive ~ 6 miles up Sol Duc Rd.

*Note: Olympic Natl Park entrance fee or America the Beautiful federal lands pass required.*





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## Hoko Falls

**Time:** Late September - Early November

**Species:** Coho & Chinook

**Directions:** From Hwy 112 near Seiku, drive a bit less than 7 miles south on Hoko-Ozette Rd. Once you pass the Hoko Fish Hatchery you will cross the Hoko River on a bridge. Within a couple hundred feet there is a pull off and driveway on the left. Park here and follow path to river. Trail to falls is short, but steep and can be slippery. Viewing salmon from the Hoko River Bridge is also possible.

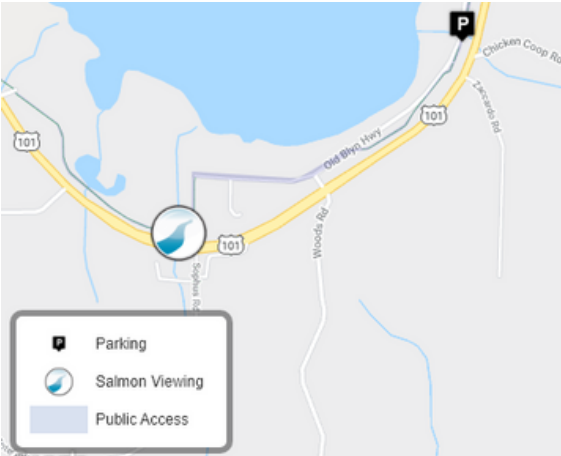


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## Jimmycomelately Creek

Olympic Discovery Trail

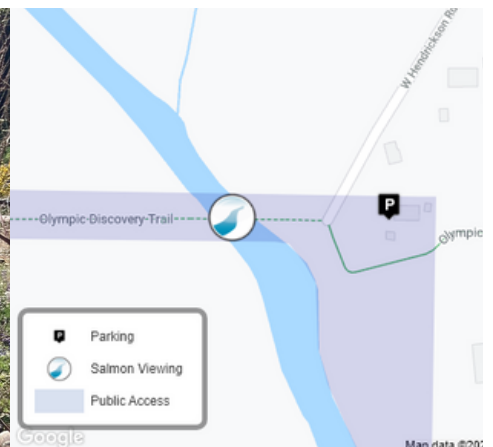
**Time:** Late August - December

**Species:** Chum & Coho

**Directions:** Park at the Jamestown Tribal Library on the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's campus in Blyn, then walk west on Old Blyn Hwy until it turns into the Olympic Discovery Trail. Take the trail to where it crosses the creek.



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## Railroad Bridge Park

Dungeness River Audubon Center

**Time & Species:** Late Sept – Nov (Coho) & Aug – Sept (Pink Salmon - odd years)  
**Directions:** Park at the Dungeness River Audubon Center, 2151 W. Hendrickson Rd., and follow path to bridge.