



FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

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Staying in Anchorage

We partner with the Coast International Inn Anchorage, located on Lake Hood near the airport, to provide a special rate for clients of Nushagak River Adventures Lodge, just mention Fish The Nush to receive that rate. Additional details will be provided in the Travel Information document we send once you book your trip.

Getting Here

Fly to Dillingham, Alaska from Anchorage via Alaska Airlines. If you can plan to arrive the evening before, please overnight at one of the local hotels/B&B's. Try Beaver Creek B&B (907) 842-7335, Bristol Inn (907) 842-2240, or Northern Lights B&B (907) 842-2950. Each will offer a free airport shuttle when you arrive. Tikchik Air picks up your party up at your respective Dillingham lodging and transports you to the float plane the next morning. If you cannot be in Dillingham the evening before, book your flight on the very first flight from ANC to DLG on Alaska Airlines which has previously departed from Anchorage at 07:10 AM arriving in Dillingham at 08:20 AM. Upon arriving at Dillingham Regional Airport that morning, Tikchik Air will meet you and transport you to their float planes and fly you to the lodge. The cost of the floatplane ride is included in your trip price. On our 4 day schedule, guests arrive in camp beginning at 8:30 AM their first day, receive the safety briefing and orientation and are out on the water fishing until 6 PM. The next three days you fish from 8 AM to 6 PM. On the last day float planes fly guests back to Dillingham from 9 to 10 AM. Plan to depart Dillingham for Anchorage no earlier than 2 PM on the last day of your trip. Please make sure to provide your flight itinerary to fishthenush@gmail.com.

Fishing License

Anglers must purchase Alaska fishing licenses online prior to your trip and print them at home. Make sure to purchase a king salmon stamp if you are coming during king season in June or July and purchase the license for at least as long as you'll be fishing. Please make sure to purchase your license ahead as they are not available in camp. Anglers must have a "paper" copy of their Alaska fishing license in their possession at all times when fishing. Purchase them online at <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/Store/>.

Alcohol Policy

You are welcome to bring alcohol, beer or wine. Alcohol is not allowed on the boats and may be consumed in camp only, in a responsible manner, and at your own risk. We do not have a liquor license and do not sell or provide alcohol at the lodge.

Food Allergies/Restrictions

If you have any food allergies or dietary restrictions please send an email to fishthenush@gmail.com with your specific needs at least two weeks prior to your trip—the sooner the better. We will work with you to accommodate your needs.

Camp Facilities

Nushagak River Adventures Lodge has recently rebuilt their bathhouse to provide separate men's and ladies' facilities. Everything is brand new and spotless.

Fish Processing

Your fishing guide will fillet and vacuum seal your salmon with our commercial-grade, air-chambered vacuum sealer. It gets placed in our freezer immediately. On the day of your departure we'll add your salmon to a 50-pound, airline-approved transporting box to accompany you on your flight. If guests are staying overnight in Anchorage before departing for home, the hotel we recommend in Anchorage has freezer storage for guests. There is also freezer storage at the Ted Stevens International Airport you can use for a fee.

Weather

Throughout the summer guests can expect an average of 40 to 70° F with a likely chance of rain daily. Temperatures drop in August while rain fall increases. Plan to bring quality rain gear and multiple warm layers. We recommend Gore Tex® for maximum weather protection. Please refer to our packing list for your convenience.

Emergency/Medical

All of our fishing guides are Red Cross certified first responders with their certifications kept up to date. We have an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in camp as well as surgical supplies and several first-aid bags. There are first-aid bags on every boat. In an extreme emergency we have contact with a helicopter for transport to the Dillingham Regional Hospital. It is a smart idea to think about travel insurance. Please remember to pack any personal medications you may require.

Payment

We accept payment in three installments with the final sum due by March 31 of the year of your trip. Reservations not paid in full by April 30th will be forfeited and subject to our cancellation policy.

Trip Cancellations

Rarely guests need to cancel due to unforeseen circumstances. Our policy is cancellations after January 1 the year of your trip are subject to 100% of your payment forfeited unless the space can be rebooked. If the space can be rebooked you may transfer your deposit or payments to another available date the same year or during the following 2 years based on availability. We are not responsible for loss of fishing time, lodging, flight delays or any changes because of weather, actions of third parties, and acts of God. You may want to consider obtaining travel insurance. We partner with Ripcord Rescue Travel Insurance to provide options for Nushagak River Adventures Lodge guests.

Gratuities

Our team appreciates any tip you want to bestow on them. The industry average for guides is \$50-100 per angler per day. When asked, we recommend between 10-15% of the value of your trip for the Executive Chef who will share tips among the chefs, kitchen staff, housekeeping, and maintenance team. Guests should feel free to tip more or less congruent with the level of service you received, we encourage you to offer what feels good to you. Please feel free to use the envelopes provided in your cabin. Please hand the envelopes to the camp manager. Guests commonly tip at the end of their stay, not daily, and never on the boat.