# A Taste of Oregon: Seafood & Wine



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Enjoy Oregon wines at **The Cellar**, where you will learn about using your senses to understand wine tasting. Oregon's northern latitude brings long hours of summer sunshine to its vineyards to fully ripen grapes for excellent wine. Occasional marine breezes breach the Coastal range, and help moderate the conditions, encouraging complex fruit flavors, aromas and nuances. Pinot Gris, Riesling, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir are the top varietals.

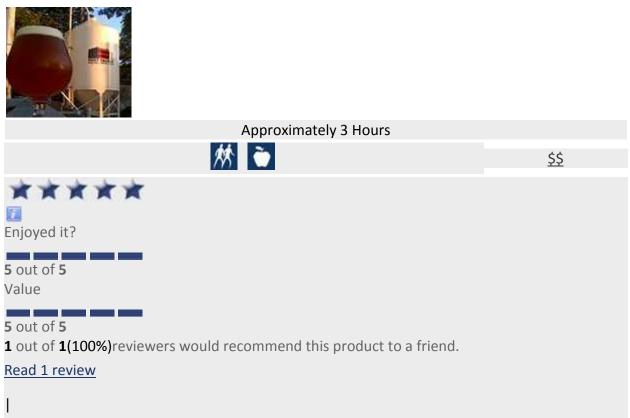
Join **Chef Christopher Holen**, from Baked Alaska Restaurant, at the **Oregon State University Seafood Consumer Center exhibition kitchen**. Here, you will immerse yourself in the flavors of the Pacific Northwest. Chef Holen will filet a **fresh salmon** while discussing the various salmon species of the region. He will then demonstrate the proper way to cook salmon and make a sauce to complement it. The chef always comes up with something special for each group to truly showcase Northwest ingredients.

A **sample** will be served up for you to try and you may even have the chance to volunteer to help. Chef Holen will also bring along some secret ingredients and tools from Astoria's premier kitchenware shop—Mise en Place—to demonstrate for the group. Items will be available for purchase.

This is more than just a cooking demonstration—the chef will entertain, educate and inspire you to try a recipe or two when you get home. Notes:

Venue may vary. Minimum age to participate in the wine tasting is 21 years. Corkage policy: The on-board corkage fee is waived for one bottle of wine per person per tour for wine purchased during a Holland America Line shore excursion.

# Astoria Ale Trail



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Sit back, relax and take in the stunning views of the Columbia River as you pass through the town of Astoria on your way to **sampling Oregon's finest ales**.

You're headed to **Fort George Brewery & Public House**, established in 2007 and specializing in innovative and exciting flavors such as coffee stout and wasabi-flavored ginger ale. During your visit, you might want to try the Quick Wit—a Belgian-style ale that's made with organic pale and wheat malts, ground coriander and lemongrass.

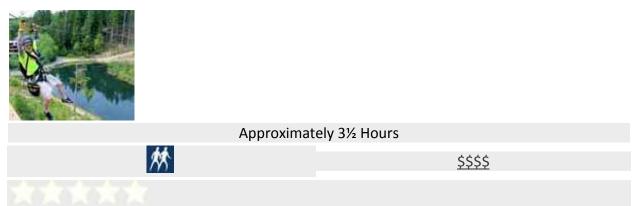
Next, you're off to **Rogue Ales**, occupying a former Bumble Bee tuna cannery. Rogue sits on the Astoria River walk, a five-mile river trail that's lined with hotels, restaurants, parks and a nearly 100-year-old restored trolley train. Made with the finest hops and barley malt, Rogue Ales are bottled using an oxygen-absorbing cap and brown glass for better shelf life. Some of the barrel-aged beers and ales you might want to try include Chipotle Ale, which is a golden ale made with roasted chipotle peppers. It produces an eye-opening chili flavor with a malty, smoky aroma and smooth, crisp flavor. Double dare you!

Your last stop is at the **Wet Dog**, where a variety of beers are handcrafted using a wide range of hops and grains to create unique flavors. The pub's riverfront deck is open during the summer and offers a fantastic view of the Columbia River. Here you might try Strawberry Blonde—a beer that attributes its light pink to golden opaque hue to the barley, wheat and 90 pounds of strawberries used in the brewing process.

Notes:

Minimum age is 21 years.

# **Coastal Forest Zip-Line**



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Take in a beautiful natural setting, complete with seasoned timber, ponds and a seven-acre private lake on this introduction to **zip-lining**.

Challenge a friend or a family member and race down on the Willow & Spruce line. Zip down the Maple line and take an optional **swim** in the lake.

The eight-line zip line circuit and the beautiful surroundings offer just the right amount of adrenaline high and serene relaxation.

Notes:

Minimum age is 6 years. Minimum weight is 60 lbs; maximum weight is 300 lbs. Participants must be physically fit with no medical problems. Waiver must be signed and medical conditions disclosed.

# **Fort Stevens Biking**



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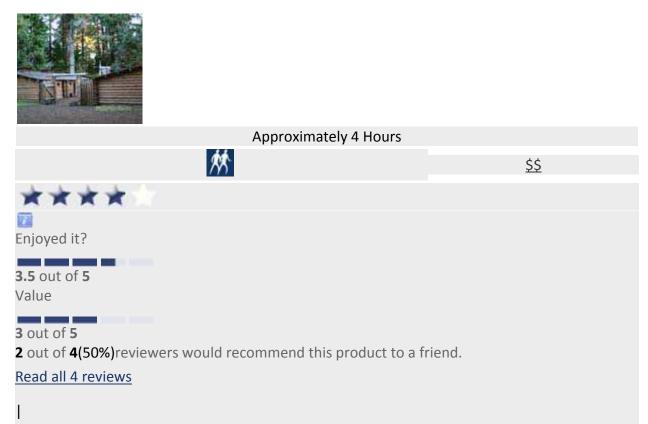
**Fort Stevens** was the primary military defense installation in the Three Fort Harbor Defense System at the mouth of the Columbia River. The triumvirate is completed by Forts Canby and Columbia on the Washington State side. Fort Stevens served for 84 years and is now retired. The **Fort Stevens State Park** of today contains an eight-mile network of paved, mostly level bike paths.

This **guided bike ride** focuses on the historical and geographical attractions of the nation's largest State Park, set along the Columbia River. This adventure includes Battery Russell, dating back to the early 20th century, and a viewing station that provides great panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean and the Cape Disappointment Light House along Washington's shoreline. Another attraction you'll view is the wreck of the English ship *Peter Iredale*, which ran aground in 1906. Afterwards, enjoy some refreshments.

Notes:

Minimum height is 4 feet. Minimum age is 10 years.

# **Historic Astoria & Fort Clatsop**



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Travel a short distance from the pier to the **Astoria Column**. Built in 1926, this 125-foot-tall concrete-and-steel structure features a cast-iron 164-step staircase that leads to an observation deck. If you decide to climb to the top, you'll be rewarded with majestic views of Astoria, the Pacific Ocean, and the snow-capped volcanoes of the Cascade Range.

Head towards Lewis & Clark National Historic Park for a tour of **Fort Clatsop**. Here, you'll take a step back in time to the cold and wet winter of 1805. The structure here is a replica of the seven-room fort built by members of the Lewis & Clark expedition after realizing their goal of reaching the Pacific. Named after the friendly local Native American tribe, Fort Clatsop was the explorers' home for three months. Rangers and re-enactors are on hand to answers any questions.

The **Columbia River Maritime Museum**, located on Astoria's historic waterfront, features one of the most extensive collections of nautical artifacts on the West Coast, including the lightship, *Columbia*. Lightships served as floating lighthouses, providing a beacon for ships at sea when a beam from a traditional coastal lighthouse was insufficient.

After your tour, you'll return to your ship with a scenic drive through Astoria—the oldest American settlement west of the Rockies. Established as a fur trading post in 1811, today Astoria boasts a rich heritage of charm and natural beauty.

Watch for Victorian- and Queen Anne-style homes and churches, Uniontown, and the Doughboy monument, dedicated to the soldiers from Astoria who gave their lives during World War I.

Notes:

Not advisable for guests with mobility limitations due to steep access ladders and elevated thresholds.

# Seaside & Cannon Beach



Cannon Beach—Oregon's coastal icon—was originally named for a cannon that was discovered on the beach in 1846. To reach your destination, you'll travel through Astoria, passing stunning examples of Victorian architecture before crossing Young's Bay Bridge. Sit back and marvel at the impressive views of Saddle Mountain—one of Oregon's highest peaks—and the Astoria-Megler Bridge. This is the world's longest continuous truss bridge.

You'll travel through the Oregon Coastal Range—a natural wonderland of Sitka spruce, western red cedar, Douglas fir and hemlock trees.

At **Cannon Beach**, you'll discover an idyllic enclave that is home to photographers, artists and writers. You're free to **explore on your own** the town's colorful courtyards and streets or shop for souvenirs. In addition to its pristine beaches and fresh sea air, Cannon Beach is also famous for the natural phenomenon known as Haystack Rock, which lies just south of the town. Composed of basalt, this 235 foot tall rock formation rises up out of the ocean and is the third-largest coastal monolith in the world. Protected as part of the Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Haystack Rock is home to puffins, seagulls and cormorants.

Continue to **Seaside**—a charming coastal village at the end of the Lewis & Clark Trail. This charming resort town offers boutiques, art galleries, miles of beach and not a single parking meter! A guide from the Chamber of Commerce will introduce you to the town and its many wonderful charms; then, you have **free time** to stroll the boardwalk and buy some of Seaside's famous saltwater taffy, enjoy a cup of coffee (at your own expense), look for souvenirs or take a ride on the carousel in the heart of downtown.



# **Ultimate Oregon Coast**

Approximately 6½-7 hours

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As you travel the **Oregon coastline**, keep an eye out for wildlife such as elk, bears, rabbits, eagles and blue herons. Your journey crosses the Young's Bay Bridge and gives you the chance to take in the impressive views of Saddle Mountain—one of Oregon's highest peaks—and the Astoria-Megler Bridge. This is the world's longest continuous truss bridge. Passing through the Oregon Coastal Range—a natural wonderland of Sitka spruce, western red cedar, Douglas fir

and hemlock trees—you'll reach Seaside. This charming resort town offers boutiques, art galleries, miles of beach and not a single parking meter.

Continuing south, you'll pass Cannon Beach, famous for the natural phenomenon known as Haystack Rock. This 235-foot-tall rock formation is composed of basalt and is the home to puffins, seagulls and cormorants.

Drive over Neahkahnie Mountain at 1,590 feet and stop at the **Tillamook Air Museum**, housed in a rare World War II-era blimp hanger. At 15 stories tall and spanning more than seven acres, this is the world's largest wooden structure. See numerous US warplanes and climb into a jet simulator; then, explore the exhibit hall that features historical wartime and aviation artifacts. During your visit, enjoy a buffet **lunch**.

The legendary **Tillamook Ice Creamery & Cheese Factory** offers a chance to watch the cheesemakers at work, enjoy a **sample** or two and indulge in ice cream and fudge treats.

En route back to the ship, you'll stop briefly at **Cannon Beach**. Immerse yourself in this quaint coastal town that is dubbed a photographers' paradise. Take a quick stroll on the beach or opt for some shopping in the small downtown area.