



Tikchik Narrows

Lodge, Alaska

2021
Rates &
Information



LOCATION

Tikchik Narrows Lodge is located in Southwest Alaska in the 1.5 million acre Wood-Tikchik State Park. Bordering the park to the west is the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge which encompasses 4.7 million acres of land. The Wood-Tikchik area contains 13 major lakes which stack one above the other. The western edge of the lakes extend, in beautiful fjords, into the rugged Kilbuck Mountains. Togiak Wildlife Refuge contains 3 major river systems draining the Kilbuck Mountains to the southwest.

This area of Alaska is only accessible by float plane and is over 300 miles from the nearest connecting road system. Tikchik Narrows Lodge is totally isolated. We are not located in a town or village like most other lodges in Southwest Alaska. Our neighbors are the undisturbed fish and wildlife which abound in this area.



Photograph: Kevin Smith

LODGE

The Main Lodge is elevated on natural rock base on the tip of a narrow peninsula which separates Tikchik and Nuyukuk Lakes (Tikchik Narrows).

The Main Lodge has large comfortable lounging areas with a natural stone fireplace and a unique circular dining room which is suspended above the lake. Both the Main Lodge and dining room are enclosed by large picture windows, which offer a spectacular panoramic view to take in while enjoying our gourmet meals.

The Main Lodge has a full service bar and a large deck overlooking the Narrows where you can fish right in front of the lodge. The lodge is only 310 feet above sea level and Nuyukuk Lake is 24 miles long and over 900 feet in depth.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Our guests are accommodated in separate cabins located on the lakeshore with a spectacular view of the Kilbuck Mountains.

Each cabin has two separate large comfortable guest rooms, each with a private modern bathroom. Each room has an independent hot water heater and a thermostatically controlled heater. Our cabins are fully carpeted and have queen and single beds.

In room amenities include-

- Coffee maker, featuring Gourmet Coffee
- Eco friendly Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Lotion, Soap, eye masks
- Large sauna towels
- Complimentary laundry service
- Daily maid service
- Hair dryer (upon request)
- Alarm Clock
- Flashlight
- Ice delivery prior to returning from fishing
- 24-hour electricity
- Complimentary snack basket, with a variety of chips, nutrition bars, candy-bars and crackers etc.
- Complimentary non – alcoholic drinks, sodas, juices etc.
- Cocktail / Drink delivered to your room upon arrival after a day's fishing. (Your pilot radios ahead your drink orders.)



MEALS

Meals at Tikchik reflect the best of Pacific Northwest cuisine with an Alaskan flare. Our gourmet dinners feature Alaska King Crab, filet mignon, halibut, a selection of fresh fish and shell fish, New York steaks and lamb. We serve freshly baked breads, pastries and desserts.

Our produce is flown in weekly and is supplemented by our own greenhouse to provide fresh, crisp salads, herbs and vegetables. Dining at Tikchik is far and above what most anglers would associate with any fishing lodge, let alone a lodge as remote as ours.

Our guests start off each day with a hearty breakfast or enjoy our bar of fresh fruits and cereals. Lunches are packed picnic style for a stream side meal and include the option to have your guide prepare a “shore lunch” of freshly caught salmon. Our shore lunches have quite a reputation and are definitely a pleasure you won't want to miss.

Our hors d'oeuvres will delight you with local delicacies of smoked salmon, reindeer sausage, salmon caviar and other delicious food. Complimentary wine is always served with dinner.

If you have any special dietary needs, please let us know. Our chefs will gladly accommodate any request.



THE FISHING

Nowhere else in the world will you find a greater variety and volume of sportfish than in Bristol Bay, Alaska. Called the “Salmon factory of the world” Bristol Bay offers five species of Salmon: King, Sockeye, Chum, Pink and Silver salmon and 6 species of fresh water fish: Rainbow Trout, Arctic Grayling, Arctic Char, Dolly Varden, Lake Trout and Northern Pike.

We fish the entire western half of Bristol Bay which includes the Nushagak Drainage, Wood River Lakes, Tikchik Lakes, Togiak River Drainage, Kvichak River and other smaller rivers.

The waters we fish vary in size from very large rivers to tiny streams and everything in between. We also fish the lake and the interconnecting shorter rivers between the lakes. The rivers that we fish in the western half of Bristol Bay produce about 75 percent of the King Salmon, Silver Salmon and Chum Salmon caught in the entire Bristol Bay drainage.

With our unique variety of water to fish, both spin and fly fishermen will find our waters challenging for the advanced anglers yet accommodating for novice anglers. Above all... our fishermen catch fish, lots of fish and enjoy the sport of doing so.



FISHING FROM THE LODGE

Tikchik Narrows Lodge offers great fishing right in front of the Lodge. It is not uncommon to see salmon from the deck of the Lodge. Rainbow Trout, Lake Trout, Arctic Char, Arctic Grayling, Northern Pike, Sockeye Salmon and Pink Salmon can all be caught in the narrows in front of the Lodge.

We have excellent fishing available from the Lodge by boat. Nuyukuk, Tikchik and Chauekuktuli Lakes offer great fishing along the numerous rivers and streams nearby. Usually the largest Rainbow Trout, Arctic Grayling, Northern Pike and Arctic Char are taken in the local waters near the Lodge by our guests.



DAILY SCHEDULE

Each day’s fishing assignments are scheduled the evening before. Where we fish each day will depend on each fisherman’s preference. Each evening our guests will know where they are going, who their pilot is and who their guide will be. The pilots and guides meet with our guests after dinner to suggest which tackle to take and to let the fishermen know how to prepare for the next day’s fishing adventure.

Breakfast is served at 6:45 a.m. The airplanes and guides are ready to depart shortly after breakfast. We return to the Lodge each evening between 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Dinner is served at approximately 7:00 p.m.

CATCH AND RELEASE

In the spirit and necessity of conservation and preserving historical size, abundance and distribution we adhere to strict catch and release policies with all Rainbow Trout and we do not harvest any of our other fresh water species. We do on occasion keep a lake trout or dolly varden for a shore lunch. Our guides are trained to release fish unharmed.



EXPERIENCED ALASKAN FISHING GUIDES

Each day's fishing is fully guided. We employ 14 guides to ensure that our guests receive tailored, personal attention and service. Tikchik has the most experienced guiding staff in Alaska. We staff veteran guides who have decades of experience and are dedicated to their profession. Our guides are mature, friendly and knowledgeable. They will not only provide the best fishing, but are able and willing to help with technique if need be.

Our guides are safety conscious and understand that all our guests are not expert anglers. Whether you are a novice or an expert, our guides will be accommodating to your needs.

Veteran Guides at the lodge have decades of experience. While other Alaskan lodges and guides take you fishing, here at Tikchik Narrows Lodge we take you to catch fish and experience the difference!

FLYFISHING



Many of our guides are expert fly fishermen. A week at Tikchik Narrows Lodge can be equal to a week at a professional flyfishing school. Whether you want to learn fly tying, casting, presentation or how to fight a big fish, you can be assured that our guides have the skill and patience to teach you.

TAKING SALMON HOME

We allow and promote our anglers to keep their legal limit of Salmon to take home. We will fillet, vacuum pack, freeze your catch and package them for travel home. This service is complementary and are pleased to send you home with quality fish to enjoy. Bristol Bay's Salmon resources are healthy and plentiful. Every year we are fortunate to have an overabundance of salmon to allow our anglers to take fresh Alaska salmon home to enjoy.



RATES

The 2021 package price is \$9,200 per person per week based on double occupancy. Single occupancy is \$9,600 for private accommodations. (Space Available). Trips start on Saturday and end the following Saturday.

The package price *includes* all meals, lodging, fully guided daily fly out fishing excursions (weather permitting), all tackle and fishing equipment (rods, reels, lures, flies and waders) and transportation between Dillingham, AK and the Lodge.

Our package price *does not include* fishing licenses, liquor or gratuities.

RESERVATION REQUIREMENTS

We require a \$4000 deposit per person to confirm a reservation. Full payment is due 60 days prior to arrival.

Payments are refundable only if the cancelled space in question can be fully rebooked. Cancellations which are received less than 60 days prior to arrival, or cancellations not rebooked within 60 days prior to arrival will be offered for sale at the canceling party's remaining balance price. The original deposit of the canceling party will be forfeited.

GETTING TO THE LODGE

You should plan on arriving in Anchorage on Friday before your Saturday arrival to Tikchik.

On Saturday you will fly to Dillingham, Alaska. We will plan on chartering a DHC-8-100 from Anchorage to Dillingham with Tikchik anglers. The round trip airfare between Anchorage and Dillingham will be approximately \$600.

These charters are for the exclusive use of Tikchik anglers and eliminate lost luggage and excess luggage fees.

We will be in Dillingham to meet Tikchik guests when the flight arrives. From Dillingham we will transport you to our float planes for the 40 minute flight to the lodge.

TACKLE

Tikchik Narrows Lodge provides all of the conventional fishing gear, spinning and fly rods, reels, flies, lures, leaders, and tippets that you will need for each day's fishing as part of the package price. We have a full-time tackle shop manager to ensure that all of the tackle is well-maintained and supplies of flies, lures and accessories are available.

Each day your guides will have rods and equipment available for your use. Our guides will meet with the anglers the evening before and ask each angler's preference and will have the rods ready to fish for the next day.

We pride ourselves on having excellent fishing equipment and an extensive selection of tackle, flies, lures, leaders, etc. Tikchik guides want each angler to be successful. They are creative and demanding of themselves and Tikchik to provide the necessary equipment and tackle to be fully prepared for each day's fishing. Anglers are welcome to bring their "favorite rod" or all of their own equipment and we will provide a "what to bring" list for those choosing to do so.

We now provide waders and wading boots for all of our anglers. Make sure you send in your wader request form with sizing information from your pre-trip planner.





EQUIPMENT

Airplanes – Tikchik owns and operates 4 float equipped aircraft. We have three 6 – passenger DeHavilland Beavers, along with one 4 – passenger Cessna 206. Our aircraft are in excellent condition and are well maintained throughout the season. We have a full time aircraft mechanic on staff at the Lodge throughout the summer.

Boats – Tikchik owns over 40 boats which are located throughout the region for access to our extensive fishing program. We have boats on 6 different watersheds in Bristol Bay. The use of these boats allows our guides the mobility to provide our anglers with the best fishing each day. Many of our boats are equipped with jets, which allows our anglers access to the shallow headwaters of many rivers for better fishing.

Safety – Our number one priority is safety. Above all else our goal is to ensure each day’s adventures are safe.

Pilots – Our pilot’s are all veteran pilots with many years of flying bush planes in Alaska. Tikchik is a FAA certificated Air Charter service. Our Pilots have training each year, both ground school refresher courses along with recurring flight training and FAA check rides. Our pilots adhere to drug and alcohol testing as required by the FAA.

Tikchik’s aircraft are maintained according to FAA guidelines for commercial carriers. As a commercial Air-Carrier Tikchik is required to have 100 hour inspections, all parts must be approved for commercial carriers and must comply with all of our operation specifications which have been approved by the FAA.

Guides – Tikchik guides all hold United States Coast Guard Licenses and are required to adhere to drug testing. They are well trained in boating operations and safety standards and requirements. Tikchik has recurring training each spring for their guides on boat handling and safety.



OUR PHILOSOPHY

Our guests come to Alaska to experience the finest fishery in the world. We are in the sportfishing business to provide that service, and we've been told that no other operator in Alaska out-fishes us. But we do not want your Alaskan adventure to stop with merely great fishing. We are committed to all of the extras that will add that special touch to your stay with us. Whether it means flying extra miles to show you a grizzly bear and cub or having our chef cook your fish just the way you like it, we are here to make your trip memorable.

Your smallest needs are important to us. Our goal is to have every guest leave Tikchik totally satisfied with the desire to return to our very special angling paradise.

DAILY FISHING SCHEDULE

Each day's fishing assignments are scheduled the evening before. Head Guide "Chip King" will review your days fishing and discuss the many options with each angler. Where we fish will depend on our angler's preferences. After dinner each angler will know where they will be fishing, who their pilot is and who their guide will be for the next day.

The guides will then meet with each angler to let them know how to prepare for the next day's fishing adventure. If you are using your own equipment, the guides will recommend what rods to take. The guides will also discuss lunch options and beverages.

Breakfast to order is served between 6:45 AM and 7:15 AM. The airplanes, boats and guides are ready to depart shortly after breakfast. We return to the Lodge each evening between 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM. Cocktails are delivered to your room upon request. The pilots call in your drink orders ahead of time, so they can be in your room upon arrival.

Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails are served from 6:00 PM until dinner at approximately 7:00 PM.



YOUR HOST

***Bud Hodson** has been in the sportfishing business for 45 years in Western Alaska. He started out as a fishing guide before advancing to pilot/guide and purchasing Tikchik 34 years ago. Bud has built a reputation for developing one of the finest sportfishing operations in the world and stays "hands on" to ensure that Tikchik continues to improve and provide an extraordinary level of service and fishing.*



Special Weeks at Special Prices

FATHER/MOTHER and SON/DAUGHTER WEEK 2021 'A LIFETIME OF MEMORIES'

DATES..... June 19-26, 2021. This will be our 30th annual Father/Mother and Son/Daughter Week, and is the first operating week of our season. The temperatures are usually warm - 60° to 70° during the day...and the days are endless in the Land of the Midnight Sun.

PRICE Our regular package price of \$9,200 for the paying party, 1/2 price (\$4,600) for the son or daughter and for a party of 3 the 3rd person would pay 2/3 price (\$6,130).

FISHING.... We have very good fishing for all of our fresh water species at this time. In fact, this week offers some of our best Char, Lake Trout, Northern Pike, Grayling and Rainbow Trout fishing. It has been our experience that the fishing is fast enough to keep the younger angler from getting “bored,” or the novice frustrated.

We will also be fishing for King Salmon. Every year we have some of our best days of King Salmon fishing during this week. **Why wait!**

JUNE 2021						
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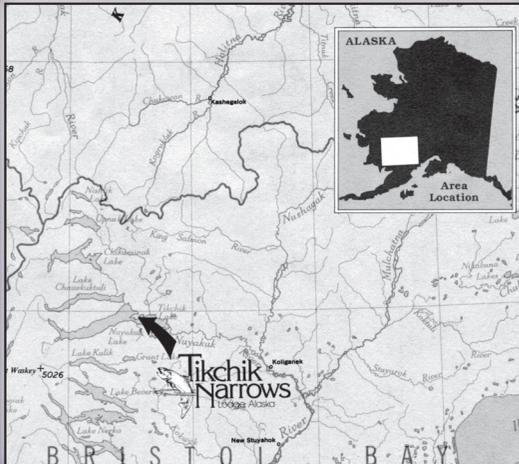
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WHEN TO COME - WEEKLY FISHING CHART

	JUNE				JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER			
King Salmon																
Sockeye Salmon																
Chum Salmon																
Pink Salmon																
Silver Salmon																
Rainbow Trout																
Arctic Char																
Dolly Varden																
Arctic Grayling																
Northern Pike																
Lake Trout																

The fishing chart shows when the different salmon species are available. The fresh water species are always available.



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