#### **Marine Hot Springs Location Map**





Shearwater Hot Springs





**Bishop Bay Hot Springs** 



Klekane Hot Springs

Weewanie Hot Spring

Eucott Bay Hot Springs

# 8. Weewanie Hot Springs

Location: East side of Devastation Channel, in small bay 700 m north of Weewanie Creek, about 40 km south of Kitimat. GPS: Lat. 53° 41′ 49″ North; Long. 128° 47′ 21″ West Park Name: Weewanie Hot Springs Park Pool Water Temperature: 39°C

**Facilities:** Wood frame and concrete block bathhouse (8' x 15') just above high tide line. The concrete block soaking pool inside is about  $8' \times 8' \times 3'$  deep. Also has change room in bathhouse, mooring buoy, pit toilet and picnic site/campsite with picnic table & fire ring.

**Comments:** The waters are odorless. Short 300 m trail from the bathhouse SE to the picnic site/campsite.

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**Location:** East side of Moresby Island and between Murchison Island and Ramsay Island, about 80 km SE of Sandspit.

**GPS:** Lat. 52° 34' 32" North; Long. 131° 26' 32" West **Park Name:** Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, National Marine Conservation Area Reserve, and Haida Heritage Site. **Pool Water Temperature:** 60°C (before 2012 earthquake) **Facilities:** Several rock & mortar pools near sea level; change rooms; showers; boardwalk. Camping is not allowed on the Island or on nearby House Island.

**Comments:** Administered jointly by the Government of Canada and the Council of the Haida Nation. Hot water flow on the island temporarily stopped after a 7.8 magnitude earthquake rattled the west coast of Moresby Island on October 27, 2012. The pools dried up but have since started to refill, though the water temperature remains too cool for bathing. The Haida Gwaii Watchmen have created a temporary intertidal pool that collects hotter seeps and can be used at lower tides. Call 1-877-559-8818 to get a permit or list of licensed tour operators.

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Marine Hot Springs of Coastal British Columbia

#### **Hot Spring Information Guide**



British Columbia lies overtop where the Pacific Plate is being subducted under the North America Plate. This geologic activity creates mountains, faults, earthquakes and volcanoes. It also creates an abundance of hot springs across our Province, many of which are accessible by boat along our marine coastline. The majority of these unique places are protected within a Park, Protected Area or Conservancy and are free to visit.

This brochure was created as a handy reference for all boaters travelling and exploring the beautiful coastline of British Columbia. It lists all the known hot springs which can be easily visited by boat and a short walk. Nascall Hot Springs was not included because it is located on developed Private Property.



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#### **1. Hot Springs Cove**

Location: West coast of Vancouver Island, in Clayoquot Sound, about 35 km NW of Tofino, on west side of Sharp Point. GPS: Lat. 49° 20′ 59″ North; Long. 126° 15′ 34″ West Park Name: Maquinna Marine Park

Pool Water Temperature: 50°C

**Facilities:** Boat dock; 2 km boardwalk trail with stairs and viewing platform; change house; picnic shelter; composting pit toilets.

**Comments:** Also known as Ramsay Hot Springs. The hot springs have a faint sulphur smell. They flow down a waterfall and into 6 rocky natural intertidal pools, flowing from one level to the next and becoming progressively cooler towards the ocean. It's about a 40 minute walk (2 km) from the Maquinna dock at Hot Springs Cove and through the oldgrowth rain forest. The following are NOT ALLOWED at the hot springs: dogs, pets, camping, campfires, glass containers, soaps and shampoos. There is a \$3.00 user fee, per person, per day for the hot springs and an overnight moorage fee of \$2.00 per metre, per night for overnight boaters using the dock.

#### 2. Tallheo Hot Springs

**Location:** West side of South Bentinck Arm, SW of Bensins Island, 400 m NNW of Hot Springs Creek and about 23 km SW of Bella Coola.

**GPS:** Lat. 52° 12′ 19″ North; Long. 126° 56′ 15″ West **Park Name:** Hotsprings-No Name Creek Conservancy **Pool Water Temperature:** 57°C

**Facilities:** Concrete and rock pool about 2 m in size and about 1 m deep; tucked into a little rocky grotto about 2 m above high tide line. Approx. 100 m trail from the main soaking pool to a cabin in the forest north of the hot springs. **Comments:** The waters are odorless. Other hot springs vent about another 400 m north, just above the high tide line, but there are no soaking pools.

## **3. Eucott Bay Hot Springs**

**Location:** North side of Dean Channel, near north end of King Island, about 40 km NW of Bella Coola.

GPS: Lat. 52° 27' 20" North; Long. 127° 18' 46" West

Park Name: Cascade-Sutslem Conservancy

**Pool Water Temperature:** 55°C

**Facilities:** Concrete and rock pool about 2 m above the high tide line.

**Comments:** Soaking pool on the east side of the bay near its head and near a row of 6 old wood pilings. The water has a weak sulphur smell. Eucott Bay offers good anchorage and shelter for small boats.

#### 4. Klekane Hot Springs

**Location:** North end of Klekane Inlet, east side of estuary, about 10 km north of Butedale.

**GPS:** Lat. 53° 14′ 46″ North; Long. 128° 40′ 50″ West

Park Name: K'lgaan/Klekane Conservancy

**Pool Water Temperature:** 41°C

**Facilities:** Cedar building  $(8' \times 12')$  with green metal roof and a concrete block pool  $(8' \times 8' \times 3' \text{deep})$ .

**Comments:** The waters are odorless. About a 5 minute walk in at high tide at the NE end of the estuary and about 20 m from a small side stream. Source of the hot springs is at 53° 14' 50" North; 128° 40' 50" West (53° C). Be aware of bears in the area.





Brim River

#### **5. Bishop Bay Hot Springs**

Location: Ursula Channel, east end of Bishop Bay on the north side, about 65 km south of Kitimat. GPS: Lat. 53° 28' 14" North; Long. 128° 50' 12" West Park Name: Bishop Bay-Monkey Beach Conservancy Pool Water Temperature: 40°C

**Facilities:** Wood frame and concrete block bathhouse (8' x 16') just above high tide line with two soaking pools. Overflow water from the larger covered inside pool feeds a smaller pool outside. Bathhouse has a change room with bench and coat hooks. Facilities also include a deck, dock, mooring buoys, composting pit toilet, boardwalk trail, 3 tent platforms and information shelter.

**Comments:** The waters are odorless. Boats over 30 ft. are requested to anchor offshore and not tie up to the small dock. Use soap and shampoo only in the outer pool.

#### **6. Shearwater Hot Springs**

**Location:** North side of Alan Reach in Gardner Canal, in small bay between Shearwater Point and Europa Point, about 65 km south of Kitimat.

**GPS:** Lat. 53° 27′ 01″ North; Long. 128° 33′ 37″ West **Park Name:** Shearwater Hot Springs Conservancy **Pool Water Temperature:** 42°C

**Facilities:** Two rock & mortar pools just above high tide line; larger one inside, smaller one outside. Wood frame bathhouse (13 'x 14') over the large pool with covered upper level (12' x 12') change area, picnic table, bench and coat hooks. There are also 2 mooring buoys in the bay.

**Comments:** Also known as Europa Hot Springs. The waters are odorless. Bathhouse was rebuilt in 2008.

#### 7. Brim River Hot Springs

Location: Gardner Canal, north end of Owyacumish Bay, east side of Brim River, about 63 km south of Kitimat. GPS: Lat. 53° 30′ 57″ North; Long. 128° 21′ 37″ West Park Name: Brim River Hot Springs Protected Area Pool Water Temperature: 56°C Facilities: None.

**Comments:** Undeveloped. Hot springs come out of small stream bed gravel about 600 m up the east side of Brim River. Be aware of bears in the area.

Tallheo Hot Springs