



Boaters vote: Ganges Harbour, Salt Spring Island named 'Top Boating Destination in British Columbia' for Summer 2017

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Vancouver, B.C. – British Columbians have voted and the results are in. Over the summer, hundreds of recreational boaters across the province cast votes for their favourite boating locations. Ganges Harbour, Salt Spring Island, was voted as the top location, followed by Desolation Sound, Shuswap Lake, Princess Louisa Inlet, Sunshine Coast and Gwaii Haanas National Park, Haida Gwaii.

With its tranquil waters and close proximity to the charming seaside hamlet of Ganges, B.C., Ganges Harbour is a popular destination for recreational boaters from all over the Pacific Northwest and the world. One of the most accessible of the Gulf Islands, Ganges is located in the middle of Salt Spring Island and is known for its sheltered waters and laid-back communities.

In honour of Canada's 150th birthday, Boating BC provided a list of 150 boating destinations across British Columbia. The list was narrowed to 10, and boaters voted their top destination on social media.

"It's no surprise why British Columbians and visitors from all around the world are flocking to Ganges Harbour," says Don Prittie, President of Boating BC. "Every location on our list is an amazing representation of what British Columbia has to offer in terms of recreational boating, but Ganges Harbour is a special place and top destination for many boaters. We are fortunate in British Columbia to have great boating destinations in every corner of the province."

Top 5 Boating Destinations in B.C.:

1. Ganges Harbour, Salt Spring Island – 24.2%
2. Desolation Sound – 22.1%
3. Shuswap Lake – 18.4%
4. Princess Louisa Inlet, Sunshine Coast – 12.1%
5. Gwaii Haanas National Park, Haida Gwaii – 6.3%

Boasting an astounding 27,000 kilometers of coastlines and thousands of lakes and rivers across the province, British Columbia is one of the best boating destinations not only in Canada, but in the world.

To learn more about recreational boating and great locations to boat near you, visit: www.boatingbc.ca.

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About Boating BC Association: Boating BC Association, the voice of recreational boating in BC, is comprised of 320 member companies that represent all aspects of the boating industry. As owners of the Vancouver International Boat Show, the Association strives to ensure the industry remains strong –working closely with all levels of government, cultivating marine career opportunities and promoting safe, responsible boating.

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