



Cascadia Water Trail Campsites

Ala Spit *The North Sound Area*

A popular pink salmon fishing and clamming area. You can catch your own dinner, if properly equipped with your pole, bucket and fishing license. Nearby attractions include Skagit Island and Hope Island North, as well as Deception Pass with its turbulent tidal currents. Stroll north along the spit and enjoy Puget Sound's bird life.

Natural History.

Ala Spit is also known as Ben Ure Spit, after an Anacortes man who pirated and smuggled here in the late 1800's, living on an island (also named after him) in Deception Pass. He would sneak into the Pass and maneuver with the tides so successfully that he could evade the authorities that came after him. He was notorious for stealing rum from British ships and smuggling liquor to the Americans and British on San Juan Island.

Trailheads:

Cornet Bay Ramp	2.3 nms
Dugualla Bay	2.7 nms
Snee-Oosh Beach	2.0 nms

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Adjacent Sites:

Skagit Island	1.6 nms
Deception Pass SP	3.9 nms
Saddleback Island SP	14.4

Coordinates: N 48° 23.522' W 122° 35.165'

Charts: NOAA Chart 18427 SeaTrails Chart WA 101

Beach Approach:

The campsite is south of the spit itself. Look for the rock jetty at the south end of the bulkhead. At high tide you can paddle almost up to the site. Best landing is north of the jetty.

For the most current information, visit the website of the Washington Water Trails Association generally

www.wwta.org

Report your adventures at this campsite to the webmaster (PapaOtter@SeaOtters.US)