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1/14-15 HURRICANE RIDGE

It has been many years since we have skied in the Olympic Mountains. The expanse of Puget Sound and the ferry ride always seem a bit of a barrier to reaching this famous mountain range. This glistening wall of mountains crowned by Mt. Olympus at nearly 8,000' high, dramatically affects our weather here in Washington. These mountains are the reason for the rain shadow often seen in the San Juan Islands, and also provides the convergence zone effect that often augments our winter storms in the Stevens Pass or Snoqualmie Pass areas during the winter. In doing this however the mountains rake from the clouds the brunt of the storms coming out of the Pacific. This creates some record snow accumulations on these summits. The most popular ski destination in the park is Hurricane Ridge on the north side of the park. This is one of the few access points plowed and kept open during the winter and provides some of the prettiest views of the park in any season. One of my favorite winter snowshoeing photos comes from this location. If we are blessed with clear weather the views of this park are incomparable. On our first day of this short visit to the park we will glide down the abandoned access road from Hurricane Ridge to Whiskey Bend or tour east out toward Obstruction Point. The tour down to Whiskey Bend leads past the gleaming slopes and stunning scenery that in 1982 led the United Nations to designate Olympic National Park as a World Heritage Park. On the second day if the snow levels are right we can tour up toward Dear Park or into Olympic Hot Springs for a mid winter soak. We will overnight in the historic town of Port Angeles, founded in 1862 by Victor Smith. In June of that same year President Abraham Lincoln signed a decree establishing the five square mile town site, and proposed a naval-military reservation, using the street plan of Cincinnati as a guide. Port Angeles was the summer base of the Pacific Fleet from 1887-1935. Provided: transit, lodging, ferry fare, maps. Date 1/14 Cost \$227



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