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# SALMON SEASON

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## FALL 2015

See salmon—on your own or with help from naturalists—in the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish and Green/Duwamish watersheds!

### 1 Chittenden Locks, Seattle

Watch salmon migrate up the fish ladder at the Chittenden Locks in Ballard mid-June through October, with the best viewing through September. Professional naturalists provide daily salmon talks at the fish ladder following free one-hour tours. Call 206-783-7059 for current information, visit [www.ballardlocks.org](http://www.ballardlocks.org), or search the Web for “Chittenden Locks.” Special tours can be arranged for school groups.

### 2 Duwamish River, Tukwila

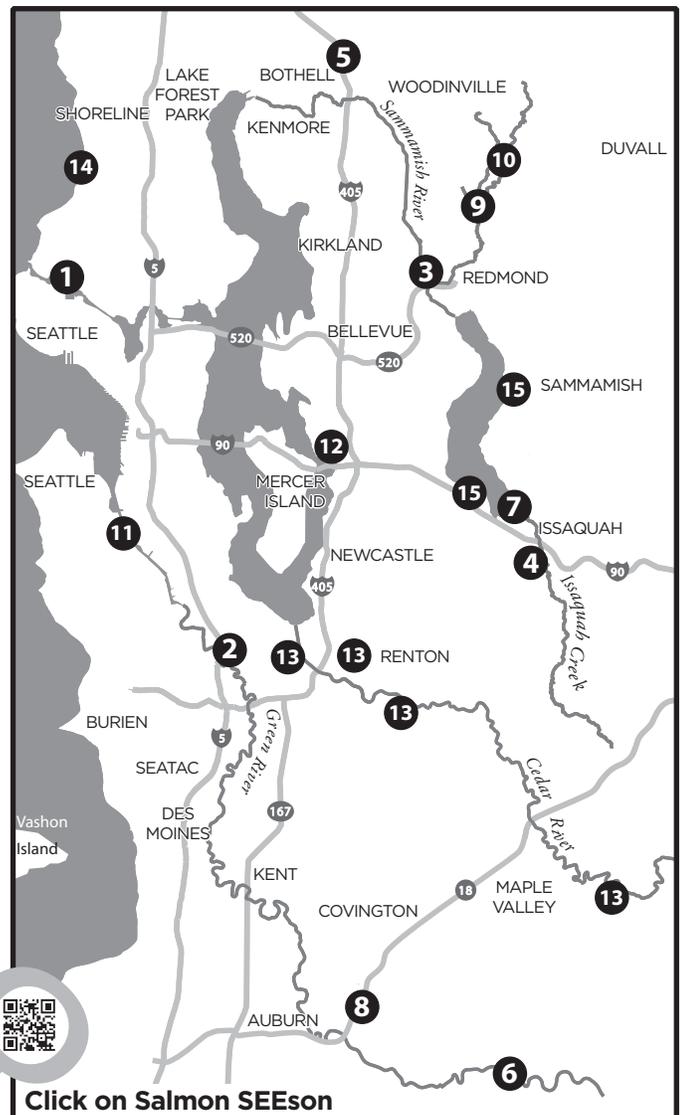
Look for a variety of salmon species migrating up the Green/Duwamish River to spawning beds from late August through the end of November at these two public viewing areas. Eagles, blue herons and osprey can sometimes be seen. Learn more about these sites and their ongoing restoration by emailing [info@duwamishalive.org](mailto:info@duwamishalive.org) or at [www.DuwamishAlive.org](http://www.DuwamishAlive.org). Codiga Park is at 12585 – 50th Pl. S. and North Wind’s Weir at 2914 S. 112th St., both in Tukwila.

### 3 Sammamish River Trail, Redmond

Spot adult coho, sockeye and Chinook salmon in September and October as they migrate up the Sammamish to their spawning grounds in Bear Creek. Contact Peter Holte, Redmond, at 425-556-2822 or [pholte@redmond.gov](mailto:pholte@redmond.gov) for information on where salmon can be seen, and when and where city staff will be available to answer questions. Information is also available at [www.redmond.gov](http://www.redmond.gov).

### 4 Issaquah Salmon Hatchery, Issaquah

See salmon return to Issaquah Creek daily from the bridge or through viewing windows from September through November. Trained docents from Friends of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery (FISH) will lead drop-in tours Saturdays and Sundays from September 12 to November 15, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. Other tours are available by appointment at 425-392-8025 or schedule online at [www.issaquahfish.org](http://www.issaquahfish.org). The hatchery is at 125 W. Sunset Way in Issaquah.



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See back of flyer for more salmon-spotting locations.

## 5 North Creek, Bothell

Watch for Chinook in September, sockeye in October and coho in November as they migrate up North Creek. Walk the paved trail north along the creek, crossing 195th Street, and continue through the North Creek Business Park. Make sure to check under bridges where fish often hide. Start behind the Country Inn and Suites at 19333 North Creek Parkway in Bothell. For more information, contact Janet Geer, Bothell, at 425-486-2768 x4416 or janet.geer@ci.bothell.wa.us

## 6 Whitney Bridge on the Green River, near Auburn

You may see Chinook and pink salmon in September and October, chum October through December, and coho in November and December. Head to SE Green Valley Road and 212th Way SE (east of Auburn) and park in the lot on the west side of 212th Way SE. Best viewing is from the bridge; do not cross the road. For more information, contact Troy Fields at 206-280-9551 or troy@midsoundfisheries.org

## 7 Issaquah Creek, Lake Sammamish State Park

Visit Lake Sammamish State Park and walk the boardwalk to search for salmon migrating up Issaquah Creek from Lake Sammamish. Fish may return as early as mid-September, with the best chance of seeing fish in early October. Use your Discover Pass and park free. Learn more at <http://www.parks.wa.gov/533/Lake-Sammamish> or [www.lakesammamishfriends.org](http://www.lakesammamishfriends.org).

## 8 Soos Creek Salmon Hatchery, near Auburn

Chinook salmon usually begin to return to this 100-year old hatchery in mid-September, with coho beginning to return around mid-October. The hatchery is open every day from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Interpretive signs, fish tanks and viewing pond available; call 253-931-3950 to learn more. The hatchery is at 13030 Auburn-Black Diamond Road, on Soos Creek a mile upstream of the Green River.

## 9 Bear Creek, Redmond

View sockeye and Chinook salmon on Bear Creek from late September to mid-November by visiting the ROSE (Redmond Organization of Shared Environments) <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> mile trail created and maintained by local students. Located behind Redmond's KIS Farm (Keep It Simple, Inc.), the trail is self-guided. For more information, or to schedule a docent-led group tour, contact Linda Hussey at 425-882-1846 or lyhussey@comcast.net. Visit 12526 Avondale Rd NE in Redmond during business hours every day of the week or by appointment.

## 10 Bear Creek, Woodinville

"Meet the salmon" along Bear Creek in Woodinville with help from Water Tenders volunteers on September 30 (3-6 p.m.), October 3 and 4 (1-4 p.m.), October 7 (3-6 p.m.), and October 10 and 11 (1-4 p.m.). Head to the Tolt Pipeline where it crosses Mink Road NE (between NE 148th St and NE 150th Pl) in Woodinville. Park on either side of the road and walk east on the pipeline trail for about 1/2 mile to the kiosk at Bear Creek. For more information, including possible additional dates, contact Gary Smith at gandksmith@hotmail.com or 425-885-1250 or visit [www.watertenders.org](http://www.watertenders.org)

## 11 Longfellow Creek, West Seattle

Watch for coho salmon in October through December and chum in November as they migrate up Longfellow Creek. Start at Dragonfly Garden (corner of 28th Avenue SW and SW Dakota St., Seattle) and walk the trail south along the creek. Street parking is available. Look under bridges where fish often hide. For more information, contact Michelle with Puget Soundkeeper Alliance at 206-297-7002 or michelle@pugetsoundkeeper.org.

## 12 Kelsey and Coal Creeks, Bellevue

Salmon may return to Bellevue streams in October. Call or email for updates at 425-452-5200 or streamteam@bellevuewa.gov or check the Salmon SEEson website.

## 13 Cedar River, near Renton

On October 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25 join the Cedar River Salmon Journey and see spawning salmon at several sites along the Cedar River near Renton. Experienced volunteer naturalists will be available from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at the Renton Library, Cedar River Park, Cavanaugh Pond, and Landsburg Park and Dam. Contact the Seattle Aquarium, at 206-792-5851, salmonjourney@seattleaquarium.org, or visit <http://www.seattleaquarium.org/cedar-river-salmon-journey> for more information.

## 14 Piper's Creek, Seattle

See hundreds of returning chum and coho make their way into Piper's Creek at Carkeek Park in November and December. On weekends during the return (November 7 to December 6, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.), Salmon Stewards greet guests by the creek to explain the salmon's life cycle, habitat and human influence on both. On Friday, November 27, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., all ages are invited for fun activities to welcome the salmon home. For more details, call 206-684-7086, email bill.malatinsky@seattle.gov or visit Facebook: <http://tinyurl.com/3fe6a78>.

## 15 Ebright and Lewis Creeks, near Lake Sammamish

Don't miss this chance to see little red kokanee salmon, a smaller relative of sockeye. Between early November and late January kokanee can sometimes be viewed at Lake Sammamish, the only place to see them within 90 miles of Seattle. Call 206-477-4746 before you go to make sure fish are visible. Self-guided locations are Ebright Creek at the East Lake Sammamish Trail in Sammamish, Lewis Creek at 185th Place SE in Issaquah, and Lake Sammamish State Park.

### More information?

Visit [www.kingcounty.gov/salmon](http://www.kingcounty.gov/salmon) and click on Salmon SEEson. Or call 206-477-4704. Our website also has great links to information on protecting salmon and their habitat.

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