



## THE EXPEDITION

Since 1969, Outward Bound Canada (OBC) has inspired thousands of people to discover their true potential and contribute to a better, bolder, more compassionate and resilient society. As a registered charity, OBC provides challenging adventures in the outdoors that develop self-respect, awareness of others, interpersonal skills, and a sense of accomplishment. With many Canadian youth struggling to thrive in an unpredictable and changing world, OBC is committed to helping them change the trajectory of their lives.

Outward Bound Canada's Reach Beyond Fundraising Expeditions raise much needed funds to help as many people as possible participate in our transformational outdoor programs. With that, OBC is thrilled to announce the Reach Beyond Fundraising Expedition Haida Gwaii. Navigate the sovereign territory of Haida Gwaii by sea kayak, exploring the waterways and islands of Gwaii Haanas National Park. Haida Gwaii, is your host for this 8-day expedition which includes a visit to the village of Sgang Gwaay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We are currently seeking committed business and community leaders to join this incredible journey. Participants will train for the

expedition, and fundraise or donate in support of Outward Bound Canada's charitable programs which offer funded opportunities for underserved youth, Indigenous youth and adults, women survivors of trauma and military veterans.





## **ITINERARY**

**Day I** (June 19) Arrive in Sandspit. Pre-trip orientation and group dinner.

**Day 2-7** (June 20-26)

The team will start the expedition by honouring National Indigenous Peoples Day by participating in a local celebration along with Haida leaders. From there, we will set off for Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, aiming for the famous UNESCO World Heritage Site Sgang Gwaay. This endeavour brings us to the fringe of the epic west coast of Haida Gwaii – a stunning landscape made all the more dramatic by the steep drop of the continental shelf into the Pacific Ocean, which also attracts a vast array of seabirds and marine mammals. Our return journey takes you east through Houston Stewart Channel and into the Hecate Strait, hugging the shoreline north towards our final destination of Carpenter Bay. Experience a variety of paddling conditions and vistas as we traverse Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve from coast to coast and make camp in pristine old growth forest reaching down to pebble beaches.

**Day 8** (June 27)

Return to Sandspit. Celebration dinner and prepare to depart for home the following day.



# **GENERAL DETAILS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Please note details are subject to change.

- **Fundraising Commitment:** In addition to the tuition, we ask that each team member make a minimum donation of \$1,000 toward OBC's Charitable Programs. Team members may also fundraise this amount.
- **Medical Requirements**: This is a physically demanding experience. Participants must complete a medical screening and sign a waiver in advance of the expedition.

## **TUITION: \$5,000 CAD**

#### **Includes**

- · Experienced guides on the expedition
- All transportation detailed as part of the expedition itinerary
- All meals within the dates of the expedition as identified in the itinerary
- All group gear (kayaks, paddles, cooking gear, etc.)
- Accommodations throughout the expedition including in Sandspit on the nights of June 19 and 27
- Team welcome dinner and completion celebration

### **Does not include**

- Round-trip airfare from Toronto to Sandspit
- Personal expedition clothing and personal specialized gear
- Personal items
- Medical and evacuation insurance (required for each member)
- Immunizations and medication(s) (if required)
- Trip cancellation insurance (if desired)
- Alternative food and beverages throughout the expedition
- All expenses incurred in the event of early departure or significant delay before, during or after the expedition (evacuation fees, transportation, extra hotel nights, etc.)

### **REGISTER TODAY!**

Spaces are limited! To reserve your spot, please contact: rbexpeditions@outwardbound.ca



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