

SKAGIT VALLEY

Washington's backyard.



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Skagit Valley Tulip Festival



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Whale Watching in Anacortes



Sedro-Woolley Loggerodeo



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Flocks of Geese on the Skagit Flats



Skagit Speedway in Burlington



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Skagit Farm Tour – Festival of Family Farms



The Cascade Mountains



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Bald Eagle Festival

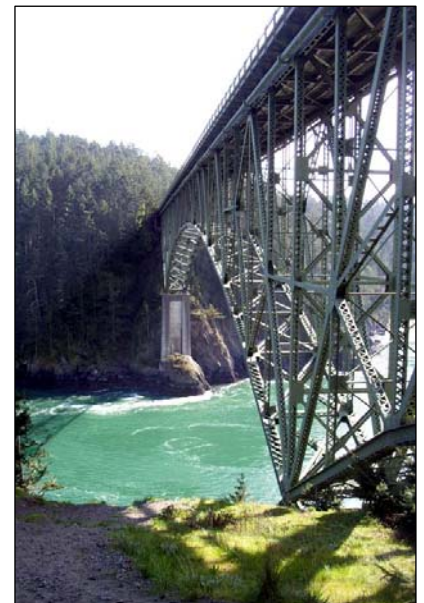


Rainbow Bridge in LaConner



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Painting the Tulips



Deception Pass Bridge

Skagit Valley – Washington's Backyard

Historic waterfront communities, farms, wildlife, winery and brewery tours and tulip fields exploding with color welcome you to experience an inviting adventure here in the Skagit Valley. On the eastern edge of the county along a magnificent stretch of highway are the North Cascade Mountains where you can view mating pairs of eagles on the Skagit River or take a hike on trails that have amazing views that no other can match.

Ecotourism is something that you can experience to a great degree here in the Skagit Valley. Enjoy some of the best local and organic grown produce from any one of the 15 farms in our area, taste fresh Pacific oysters, sample wines from your choice of 6 wineries, tour one of the 4 local breweries and discover something new – maybe even how to make your own brew! Visit an Alpaca farm, discover new bird watching trails, tour Deception Pass Bridge or kayak in the San Juan Islands amongst the sea wildlife. Come discover nature's bounty here in the Skagit Valley.

Spring

Skagit Valley Tulip Festival • April 1-30 • Valley-wide • More than 40 fun family events, food, music, art, tours and more to celebrate over 1,000 acres of spring flowers. www.tulipfestival.org

Tulip Festival Street Fair • April • Mount Vernon • Juried arts & crafts show by Northwest artisans, food and entertainment. www.downtownmountvernon.com

Anacortes Waterfront Festival • May • Anacortes • Family festival featuring boats, kid's activities, food, music, car show, sea kayak race and regatta. www.anacortes.org

Summer

Berry Dairy Days • June • Burlington • Celebrating two of Burlington's important farm industries with a parade, arts & crafts, music, carnival and more. www.burlington-chamber.com

Loggerodeo • July • Sedro-Woolley • Enjoy this traditional logging town's community picnic and parade, chainsaw competition, hand-made wooden carvings, fireworks, carnival and more. www.loggerodeo.com

Highland Games & Celtic Festival • July • Mount Vernon • Scottish Highland dancing, piping, drumming and pipe band competition. Food faire, special animal and performance exhibits and vendors. www.celticarts.org

Skagit River Shakespeare Festival • August • Mount Vernon • Outdoor theater on the Banks of the Skagit River. www.shakesnw.org

Anacortes Arts Festival • August • Crafts Festival • Juried fine arts show featuring over 250 exhibitors, kids stage and vintage vehicles. www.anacortes.com

Skagit County Fair • August • Mount Vernon • Reminiscent of the traditional county fair, featuring animals, exhibits, food, carnival, entertainment and vendors. www.skagitcounty.net/fairgrounds

Fall

Jazz Festival • September • Anacortes • Enjoy an outstanding lineup of top performers while sipping fine wine, snacking on seafood, and taking in an unsurpassed view. www.anacortes.org

Harvest Festival • September • Burlington • Northwest pumpkin launching competition, mule wagon rides, kids activities, entertainment, food and more. www.burlington-chamber.com

Festival of Family Farms • October • Valley-wide • Skagit Valley's annual farm tour offers acres of fun for everyone! Enjoy self-guided tours of up to 15 working family farms featuring kid's activities, hayrides, farm stands, pumpkin patches, food, hands-on fun and more. www.farmtour.com

Winter

Arts Alive! • November • La Conner • Watch artists work in a variety of media throughout the quaint town of La Conner. www.laconnerchamber.com

Upper Skagit Bald Eagle Festival • February • Concrete, Rockport, & Marblemount • Eagle watching, natural history, art, Native-American & local history exhibits and programs. www.skagiteagle.org

For more information go to www.visitskagitvalley.com or email karenm@mountvernonchamber.com