

Glacier Bay National Park **2018 Visitor Survey**

[Backcountry/Wilderness Survey]

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1) In the past 5 years, how many trips have you made to Glacier Bay National Park, **including this trip**?

- Once, this is my first time. 2 3 4-10 > 10

If you answered >10, please specify how many times you have visited. _____
(Numeric value only)

2) Over your lifetime, how many trips have you made to Glacier Bay National Park, **including this trip**?

- Once, this is my first time. 2 3 4-10 > 10

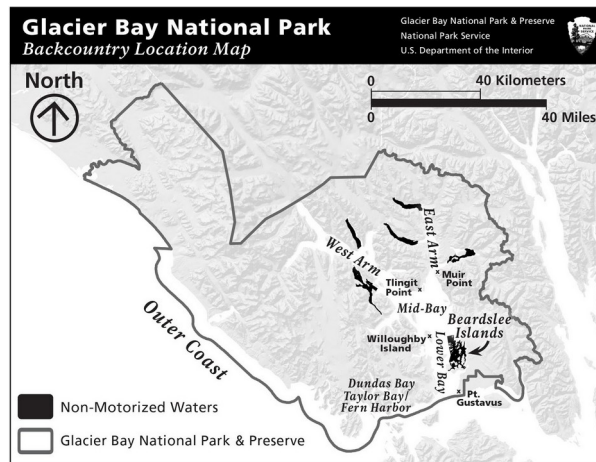
If you answered >10, please specify how many times you have visited. _____
(Numeric value only)

3) During your current visit, did you spend more than one day in the backcountry wilderness of Glacier Bay National Park (GBNP) by foot or vessel (outside of Bartlett Cove)?

NO —If NO, for how long?
Hours _____

YES— If YES, for how long?
Days _____

4) Please indicate the backcountry locations you visited during your trip to GBNP by indicating the location and modes:



<i>Areas Below Correspond to Reference Map Locations</i>	Not Sure	No	Yes
Beardslee Islands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-motorized waters of Glacier Bay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
East Arm Glacier Bay (north of Muir Point)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
West Arm Glacier Bay (northwest of Tlingit Point)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mid Bay (Willoughby Island north to Tlingit Point and Muir Point)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Lower Bay (north of Pt. Gustavus, south of Willoughby Island, and excluding the Beardslee Islands)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inland areas of the park (more than one mile inland from the shoreline)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Icy Strait/Cross Sound (Dundas Bay, Taylor Bay/Fern Harbor)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outer Coast	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other location(s): _____

5) What types of transportation did you **use** while visiting GBNP? (Check all that apply.)

	Check all that apply
Hiking/Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kayaking (personal kayak)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kayaking (rental kayak)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tour Boat/Charter Boat	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pack raft or other non-motorized vessel (besides kayak)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Motor Boat	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Aircraft	<input type="checkbox"/>
Air Taxi/Charter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify): _____	

6) What about your direct interaction with the backcountry wilderness **added most** to your experience?

7) What about your direct interaction with the backcountry wilderness **detracted most** from your experience?

8) What about your Glacier Bay National Park backcountry wilderness experience **added to** your ability to experience adventure?

9) Were you able to experience a connection to nature and a sense of renewal during your backcountry wilderness visit in GBNP?

- NO
If no, why not? _____
- YES
If yes, how? _____

10) Indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with each of the statements.
Please select **only one** response for each item.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
Glacier Bay National Park means a lot to me.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I enjoy [recreating] in Glacier Bay National Park more than in any other park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am very attached to Glacier Bay National Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I wouldn't substitute any other [park, wilderness area] for [what] I do in Glacier Bay National Park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I identify strongly with Glacier Bay National Park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I get more satisfaction out of visiting Glacier Bay National Park than from visiting any other [wilderness] area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A [wilderness experience] in Glacier Bay National Park is more important than a [wilderness experience] in any other place.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No other place can compare to Glacier Bay National Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11) Please rate the quality of your experience in the following areas based on your visit within Glacier Bay National Park (GBNP). Please select only one response for each item.

Quality of....	QUALITY					
	Not Applicable	VERY POOR	POOR	AVERAGE	GOOD	VERY GOOD
Natural Connection & Renewal (e.g., experiencing a spiritual connection with nature; experiencing a positive change in mood)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities for Adventure (e.g., experiencing a sense of challenge; being self-reliant in the wilderness)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Solitude & Natural Sounds (e.g., being away from crowds of people; enjoying the sounds of nature)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Experience Glaciers (e.g., viewing scenic beauty and glaciers; experiencing a recently glaciated, dynamic landscape)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to View Wildlife (e.g., viewing and photographing wildlife in nature)	0	1	2	3	4	5

12) Please indicate whether you **saw** any of the following during your Glacier Bay National Park visit. If you did, please indicate **how many** and if you were **bothered by** what you saw.

			If seen, how much did this bother you?				
	Seen during your trip	Total number seen during trip	Not at All	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely
Cruise ships	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Kayaks	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Tents on the beach	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Motorized boats (other than cruise ships)	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
People on the beach	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
NPS backcountry staff (such as law enforcement and researchers)	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Human waste	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Campfire rings	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Litter	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Cut bushes or trees	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Hiker-made trails	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Hiker-made campsites (e.g. soil compaction, vegetation trampling due to tents, tent rocks)	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Groups you saw who were on land	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Groups you saw who were on the water	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Propeller-driven aircraft	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5

13) Please indicate how the **quantity** of each of the following items during your visit affected the quality of your wilderness experience. Please select **only one** for each item.

	How might it affect the quality of your wilderness experience?					
	Not Applicable	Detracted Greatly	Detract somewhat	Had No	Added somewhat	Added Greatly
Kayaking groups encountered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tents on beaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motorized boats you heard (other than cruise ships)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vessel wakes you saw, heard or felt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cruise ships you saw and/or heard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scientific research signs, including people and equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NPS backcountry staff (law enforcement, researchers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14) Did the actions or behavior of any other group or individual interfere with your enjoyment of the wilderness on this trip?

- NO
- YES

If YES, how did they specifically interfere with your enjoyment of this trip?

15) Did you have difficulty finding a place to camp or anchor based on the number or location of other groups you encountered? **(Check one.)**

- NO
 - YES
- If yes, where? _____
- Not Applicable

16) Please indicate if you heard the following sound during your wilderness trip. If so, how was your backcountry wilderness experience affected, compared to what you expected? Please select **only one** response for each item.

			If seen, how much did this bother you?				
			Not at All	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely
	Seen during your trip						
Sound of generators	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Vessel wake crashing on the beach	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
People shouting or speaking loudly	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Loud music	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Public address system aboard commercial vessels	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Boat motors	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Aircraft	NO	YES →	1	2	3	4	5
Other							

NOTE TO REVIEWER: For Questions 17 and 18 the respondent will be asked to review a series of photographs used to depict various levels of environmental impacts due to recreational activities. Respondents will be shown one photograph at a time in a pre-determined order. For both questions the respondent will be asked to view each photo and indicate their level acceptable for each the condition depicted in each photo. The first photo will be the base photo and we will add an increasing level of impacts totaling 5 photos.

17) Please rate the following images according to how unacceptable or acceptable the **number of tents on the beach** is while in wilderness. Please use the scale below to indicate how unacceptable or acceptable the images are to you.



PHOTO 2

PHOTO 3

PHOTO 4

PHOTO 5

	Highly unacceptable	Unacceptable	Slightly unacceptable	Neutral	Slightly acceptable	Acceptable	Highly acceptable
Photo 1	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
Photo 2	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
Photo 3	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
Photo 4	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
Photo 5	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3

18) Please rate the following images according to how unacceptable or acceptable the **coastal conditions are** while in wilderness. Please use the scale below to indicate how unacceptable or acceptable the images are to you.

		PHOTO 2		Slightly acceptable	PHOTO 3		Highly acceptable
Photo				+			+3
Photo				+			+3
Photo		-1	0	+1	+2	+3	
Photo		PHOTO 4		+	PHOTO 5		+3
Photo			+			+3	

19) While visiting wilderness areas, how **might experiencing** each of the following items affect the quality of your backcountry wilderness experience? Please select **only one** for each item.

	How might it affect the <u>quality</u> of your wilderness experience?				
	Detract Greatly	Detract somewhat	No Effect	Add somewhat	Add Greatly
Encountering NPS backcountry staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Being required to use bear cans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of designated campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of developed facilities (e.g. ...rain shelters, bridges over rivers)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of outhouses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of floating cabins or rafts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presence of developed trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20) How would you describe your current knowledge of “Leave No Trace” practices? Please select only one number.

No Knowledge	Very Limited	Limited	Fair	Above Average	Extensive
0	1	2	3	4	5

21) What, if anything, **prevented** you from following Leave No Trace practices while traveling in the backcountry?

22) How did the amount of information provided by the backcountry orientation video at the Visitor Information Station affect your backcountry wilderness experience?

	Detract Greatly	Detract Somewhat (way too much information)	No Effect	Add Somewhat	Added Greatly (the right amount of information)
Tides	1	2	3	4	5
Routes	1	2	3	4	5
Bears/Food Storage	1	2	3	4	5
Selecting campsites	1	2	3	4	5
NPS regulations on what you can do	1	2	3	4	5
NPS regulations on where you can go	1	2	3	4	5
Day boat transportation	1	2	3	4	5
Potential challenges	1	2	3	4	5
Importance of self-reliance	1	2	3	4	5
Human waste	1	2	3	4	5
Other					

23 a) Are there any gaps in the information provided in the backcountry orientation video and the NPS staff presentation that would have added to your backcountry wilderness experience?

YES

NO

b) What would you [and your personal group] recommend to improve the current backcountry orientation video and the NPS staff presentation provided by GBNP? Please be specific.

24) Please provide the following information:

a) What is your home ZIP code? _____

OR, what country are you from? _____

25) How many people were in your group, **including you**? _____ [Number of people]

26) What is your age? _____

27) What is your gender?

Male

Female

28) Are there any other comments you would like to provide the park regarding your wilderness experience or the way the park manages wilderness in Glacier Bay National Park?
