

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE PACIFIC RIM NATIONAL PARK, BRITISH COLUMBIA

LOCATION: Pacific Rim National Park is located along the southwest coast of Vancouver Island in British Columbia. The Park is broken into three sections: Long Beach (south of Tofino and north of Ucluelet), the Broken Group Islands (in Barkley Sound), and the West Coast Trail (Bamfield south to Port Renfrew). Elevations are everywhere close to sea level, although portions of the Park are quite steep and hilly.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	8:46	10:08	11:52	13:41	15:15	16:07	15:45	14:23	12:40	10:52	9:15	8:21
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	2:17	3:33	4:45	6:01	7:10	7:15	7:24	6:11	6:05	4:14	2:30	1:55
AREA OF BLUE SKY	21%	25%	27%	27%	28%	28%	31%	29%	36%	30%	20%	20%
LOW FOR MONTH	19°	24°	28°	32°	36°	41°	44°	45°	39°	33°	24°	23°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	34°	35°	36°	39°	43°	47°	50°	51°	48°	43°	38°	36°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	45°	47°	49°	52°	57°	61°	64°	65°	62°	56°	50°	46°
HIGH FOR MONTH	56°	56°	58°	63°	69°	75°	78°	78°	74°	65°	60°	53°
FROSTY MORNINGS	44%	38%	31%	12%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	22%	40%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	77%	75%	74%	73%	72%	73%	75%	76%	74%	78%	80%	81%
NEARBY WATERS	46°	46°	46°	48°	52°	58°	56°	59°	55°	52°	49°	48°
DRY DAYS	33%	33%	35%	40%	55%	60%	67%	65%	58%	40%	25%	27%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	33%	34%	45%	60%	72%	75%	81%	80%	72%	50%	36%	32%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	2.48	2.47	2.00	1.36	0.84	0.70	0.49	0.51	0.88	2.21	2.62	2.66
LIKELY SNOWFALL	6.3"	2.7"	2.1"	0.5"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.8"	4.0"
SNOWY DAYS	9%	7%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	9%
THUNDER DAYS	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%
FOGGY DAYS	4%	5%	3%	6%	11%	17%	36%	52%	39%	20%	5%	3%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 40% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 23% in December, to a high of 48% in September. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 17°, and the highest should be near 80°. Sensible summer afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be a degree or two cooler than actual ones. The prevailing winds off the Pacific keep summer and daytime temperatures lower and winter and nighttime temperatures higher than locations at the same latitude farther inland. They also bring considerable rain, most of it from late September through the end of April. When it isn't raining, it is likely to be foggy. Summer afternoons are likely to be long, moderately cloudy, very humid, and mild far more often than warm. Winter afternoons will be short, quite cloudy, very humid, and chilly more often than cold. Snow flurries are common, often mixed with rain.