## Oregon and Washington Halibut Trips www.abproguides.com

We offer halibut trips off the coasts of Oregon and Washington May through August as well as limited halibut trips into Canadian waters launching from Neah Bay.



The halibut season is managed on a quota bases. Halibut fishing is typically the best early, during the spring season, May through June. There is sometimes a late summer season in early August.

Oregon seasons/updates: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/MRP/finfish/halibut/index.asp

Washington seasons/updates: http://wdfw.wa.gov/fish/creel/halibut/

We will insure you are fishing on the safest and most successful boats that consistently experience the highest catch rates year after year. We keep all sport catch records for the past 10 years for all Oregon and Washington ports. This, along with helpful client feedback, allows us to provide our clients with the highest quality trip possible.

Pacific Halibut boats out of Newport run out about 18-20 miles and are 10 to 12 hours in duration. Fishing in over 600 feet of water for these giant flatfish, often over 100 pounds, they also pick up Lingcod, Black Cod, and Chinook.

Pacific Halibut boats out of Astoria and Ilwaco run about 20-25 miles out and are 12 hours in duration. These are physically demanding trips, but extremely popular with the adventurous. Boats typically depart by 5:00 AM sharp and return back to port about 5:00 PM.

Regulations restrict Halibut fishing to certain days each week until the quota is reached. Bag limit is one fish no minimum length as of 2012. Season is typically open Sunday through Thursday. Check current regulations for latest updates.

Rockfish and or Ling Cod will also be pursued as a secondary target when time, weather, and water currents permit. These additional fish make a great Bonus to an already exciting trip.

## For more information or to book a trip please call 503-720-9033



We have experienced an awesome Halibut season for the past five years now. Success rates are 90-100 percent. Oregon halibut average 30-50 pounds with occasional fish in the 60s.

Remember, space is limited, to avoid disappointment book early. Seats do fill quickly and quotas tend to fill early in the season due to the popularity of this fishery and high catch rates. Bad weather can impact catch rates and lengthen the season.

The north coast (Astoria) halibut fishery is typically open seven days a week until the quota is met. The central coast (Newport) halibut season is a bit more restricted. See <u>2014 Halibut Map</u> for more information.

Additional fishing days are sometimes added if anglers don't reach the spring quota.

Potential open dates for the current season will be announced on the National Marine Fisheries Service hotline (1-800-662-9825) and posted on the ODFW Marine Resources Program Web site at: <a href="http://hmsc.oregonstate.edu/odfw">http://hmsc.oregonstate.edu/odfw</a> Typically in mid-March or April.

This should be another fantastic year for halibut in both Oregon and Washington.

Prices for 12 hour halibut trips vary depending on the port. Call 503-720-9033 for latest prices.

Halibut trips into Canadian waters for larger, 60 to 100 pound fish, are also available out of Neah Bay, Washington. Bag limit in Canadian waters is two Pacific Halibut per person. Anglers can now purchase their licenses/tag online.

All halibut trips depart from Neah Bay marina and are available in May, June, and July. Daily departure time is 5:45 AM sharp. Check in aboard the Advantage at 5:15 AM or the evening before.

**U.S. Trips:** There is a 1 fish limit. Bottom fish are sometimes pursued after the halibut limit is reached depending on time remaining and weather conditions.

**Canadian Trips:** 2 fish limit - Canadian license required. Passenger is responsible for obtaining a Canadian license issued in Canada, and online, and dated for scheduled fishing date. Call for pricing.

Canadian Licenses: www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/recfish/

All equipment is provided on all trips. You will need to bring something to eat and drink (coffee is available on most boats). Fishing licenses are available at the charter office. Information on nearby lodging and fish processing can also be provided by request.

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