



PHOTOS FROM TOP: CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN, FIFE SWIM CENTER,  
TACOMA RAINIERS

## TRAVEL

**TACOMA +**  
**PIERCE COUNTY, WA**

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# RECREATION

Get ready for some indoor and outdoor fun! Find ample opportunities to camp, boat, golf or catch a ball game in Tacoma + Pierce County, Wash. There are adventures to be had by all—from experienced hikers, mountaineers and boaters, to novice kayakers, bicyclists and campers – and everything in between!

### OUTDOOR RECREATION

#### Mount Rainier National Park

Explore 210 miles of hiking trails, 34 waterfalls, 62 lakes and 26 glaciers. Mount Rainier offers everything from hiking and fishing to scenic drives. Mount Rainier is an all-seasons destination with year-round activities.

#### Lee's Standup Paddleboards

Get out on Gig Harbor's calm and wildlife-filled waters in a kayak or paddleboard. Lee's offers boats and expert advice on how to best see the area, and is appropriate for all experience levels.

#### Destiny Harbor Tours

Get a close-up tour of the Puget Sound. There are plenty of opportunities for sightseeing on the chartered boats and eco tours.

#### Ruston Way

A picturesque waterfront trail dotted with small parks and tiny beachfronts, Ruston Way is where locals take their strolls, runs and rides.

#### Point Defiance Park

Amble along Five-Mile Drive, an old-growth forest with tremendous views. The park is among the top-20 largest urban parks in the U.S. and includes a combination zoo and aquarium.

#### Northwest Trek Wildlife Park

Ride a tram through the 635-acre free-roaming sanctuary, home to native moose, elk, bison and other indigenous wildlife.

#### Sequalitchew Creek Trail

Within only 3 miles (round trip), this historic trail will have you transition from urban to forest and back again, and traverse an old railway tunnel.

#### Tacoma Nature Center

This 71-acre nature preserve features massive tracts of land dedicated to wooded trails, wetlands, wildlife observation points and an interpretive center.

#### Foothills Trail

Bike, hike, walk, skate or horseback ride more than 25 miles of trail that occupy a former railroad bed that offers stunning views of Mount Rainier as it extends from Buckley through South Prairie, Orting and into Puyallup.

#### Crystal Mountain

The largest and highest destination resort in Washington, with a ski area at 7,012 feet. Ride the gondola to the summit then hike, bike, ski or snowshoe back. An outdoor enthusiast's dream come true: a perfect summer oasis and a winter wonderland.

### SPORTING ACTIVITIES

#### Golf Courses

Tacoma + Pierce County is home to championship golf, with more than 20 private + public golf courses, including Chambers Bay, the host of the 2015 U.S. Open Golf Championship. Whether you're a pro or an amateur, Pierce County has a course to suit you.

#### Fife Swim Center

Fife Swim Center features a state-of-the-art saltwater system. Enjoy a dip in the indoor saltwater pool, sit in the spa or wade in the kiddie pool. This unique aquatic experience is ideal for swimmers, families and children.

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**SPECTATOR SPORTS**

**Tacoma Rainiers**  
**professional baseball club**

America's pastime is a Tacoma tradition at Cheney Stadium where the Tacoma Rainiers [the Triple-A affiliate of the Seattle Mariners] take the field every year. Nearly all of the homegrown Seattle Mariners' players have passed through Tacoma. Watch the stars of tomorrow play in the historic backdrop of Cheney Stadium – home of the 2017 Triple-A All-Star Game – and where every seat is close to the action!

**Emerald Downs**

Emerald Downs has established itself as the premier thoroughbred racing venue in the Pacific Northwest. The six-level stadium has commanding views of the entire one-mile racing oval, with trackside spots or luxurious suites that sit high atop the grandstand.

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