

# Wild Rivers Coast Gazette

Showcasing Northern Curry County—Port Orford, Sixes & Langlois

PORT ORFORD \* SIXES \* LANGLOIS

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## **Welcome!**

*We hope you will enjoy the wide variety of activities along this most exciting and ruggedly beautiful section of Oregon's coastline...Port Orford, Sixes, Langlois...*

### **Battle Rock & Battle Rock Beach**

In the heart of old town — always open, always spectacular! Battle Rock, famous for its role in Port Orford's founding history, stands prominently on this beach. Gray whales are often spotted offshore in spring and winter as they move back and forth between their summer and winter habitats. Beachcombing and surfing are just two of the many activities you might pursue on this spectacular section of the coast.

### **Port Orford Art Galleries and Shops**

Beginning at Battle Rock Beach and Hwy 101 through the entire length of town, you will find shops and galleries with selections of unique items ranging from hot java, to fine art and prints, hand made seaweed baskets, pottery, hand-blown glass, myrtlewood and jewelry.

### **Port of Port Orford**

Unique to Port Orford is its open water port. Winter churns up some rough water, while the natural port offers calm water and protection from the summers north wind. The fishing fleet is launched by crane and their "berths" are trailers on the dock. Crab, cod, rock fish, salmon, and sea urchin are often among the catch harvested by fishermen. Perhaps your timing will be lucky and you can view a fishing boat lowered into or hoisted from the water! View point above the port is also a terrific spot for admiring the coastline to the south and whale watching. (Turn south on Harbor)

### **Port Orford Lifeboat Station Museum**

Port Orford Lifeboat Station Museum is located in Port Orford Heads State Park. Photos and artifacts fill the walls and display cases, depicting the life of the Coast Guardsmen that lived there from 1934-1970. The museum is also home to an outstanding collection of scale model Coast Guard vessels by Warren Hulbert. (west at 9th Street follow the road to the left. Hours: 10 AM—3:30 PM Closed Tuesday & Wednesday)

#### **Camp Blanco RV Park**

2011 Oregon Street (Hwy 101) Port Orford, Oregon 97465  
**541 332 6175**  
www.CampBlanco.com

### **Port Orford Heads State Park**

Central to the Park is the museum, however, there are miles of easy hiking trails with spectacular views. One trail leads to the original site of the lookout tower, and a spur trail from it leads past Nellie's Cove, where the Guardsmen launched their search and rescue operations.

### **Tseriadun State Park**

Port Orford's newest Oregon State Park, excellent trail to Agate Beach. Bring your lunch for a picnic overlooking Garrison Lake. (Turn west on 9th Street, follow the road straight to the end.)

### **Wild and Scenic Elk River**

Designated a wild and scenic river, the Elk flows on the south side of the Grassy Knob Wilderness and eventually empties into the ocean on the south side of Cape Blanco. The Elk River offers opportunities for camping, salmon and steelhead fishing, hiking, and afternoon drives. The river is beautiful in spring and early summer when waterfalls cascade down the hillsides. You need only drive or bike 3 or 4 miles past the hatchery to enjoy the spectacular Elk River canyon. Don't forget to visit the hatchery. The nearby gravel bar is a lovely spot for an afternoon picnic. (N Hwy 101-East Elk River Rd)

### **Hughes House**

Cape Blanco State Park encompasses nearly 2000 acres of land, formerly known as the Hughes Ranch. Perched on the hillside above the Sixes, near the mouth the river is the **Historic Hughes House** with its breath-taking view of the river and ocean. (N on Hwy 101—W on Cape Blanco Rd. Hours: 10 AM to 3:30 PM Closed Monday's, except Monday holidays)

**Cape Blanco Lighthouse** constructed in 1870. The only Oregon lighthouse you can actually get close up and personal with an operational Fresnel Lens... Don't miss the opportunity! The cape is a great spot for camping, riding your horse, strolling the beach, investigating tide pools and just plain relaxing. (N on Hwy 101—W on Cape Blanco Rd. Hours 10 AM—3:30 PM Closed Monday's, except Monday holidays)

### **Floras Lake**

Windsurfers love Floras Lake, the best kept wind-surfing secret! It is also access to miles of quiet beach. (N Hwy 101 to Floras Lake Loop and follow signs)

### **Langlois**

Stroll art galleries, antique shops and feast on world famous **Langlois Market** hot dogs! (or maybe a deli sandwich followed by an ice cream cone?) (Hwy 101 MP 187.5)

#### **The Compass Rose, a Bed & Breakfast**

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