

Lincoln Park

Land acknowledgement: Duwamish, Tulalip, Muckleshoot, Suquamish, Umatilla, Walla Walla and Cayuse territories

About the beach:

This is a large park located in the West Seattle neighborhood. The park has several amenities such as bathrooms, playgrounds, hiking trails and picnic areas to choose from. There are two large parking lots and a parking lot reserved for people with disability placards next the paved path that runs along the beachfront. This beach is great for watching megafaunas like sea lions, harbor seals, harbor porpoises and orcas.

Parking:

The parking here is free; however, the lots may fill up quickly on weekends and sunny days. The parking lot closest to the beach is located at the cross section of Fauntleroy Way SW and SW Cloverdale Street. At the south end of the parking lot, there is a small access road to a lower lot that is only for cars with disability placards, since it is easier to access the beach and running path from there. Large school buses wouldn't be able to access this area. If parking in the nearby neighborhood, please be mindful of the ferry lane along Fauntleroy Way SW.

Bathrooms:

The closest bathrooms to the beach are located to the right of Beach Shelter No. 3. These gendered restrooms have a large and small stall. The doorframe to enter the bathrooms is only 36 inches wide, which can be difficult to enter if someone uses a larger wheelchair.

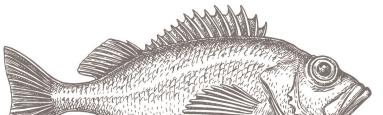
Accessibility:

There are many reservable shelters located in the park and along the beach pathway. Tall trees and the picnic shelters provide ample space for getting out of the elements, however there is no shade on the beach itself. Potable water can be found at the drinking fountain by the restrooms. There is also a foot bath and pet water station. The pathways at this park are flat, paved and well maintained. The route down to the beach from the parking lot is steep, so someone with limited mobility might encounter difficulties. We recommend accessing the beach from the small access road at the far end of the parking lot. There is a paved path that follows the road down. The substrate on the beach itself is comprised of both sand and cobble. There is some algae on the rocks which can be slippery, so wearing appropriate footwear is important.

Best tide level:

This beach is best for tide pooling at levels lower than 1 foot. Fun can still be had at the beach even if the tide isn't super low by looking out for megafaunas such as sea lions, harbor seals and harbor porpoises swimming by. Don't forget to bring binoculars!





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Animals you might meet:

Aggregating anemones, shore crabs, hermit crabs, barnacles, sea stars, sand dollars

Address:

8011 Fauntleroy Way SW

Seattle, WA 98136

Park hours:

Mon-Sun 4am to 11:30pm