



Sydney Inlet Biosphere Research Cabin

*Abousabt Traditional Territory
Sydney Inlet Provincial Park*

What is a Biosphere Reserve?

Biosphere Reserves are global laboratories for conservation & sustainable

Why study in the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Reserve?

The largely unspoiled environment of the world's second largest remaining temperate rainforest provides unique opportunities to study functioning ecosystems as well as the impact of human interaction with this environment.

The Sydney Inlet research cabin, opened in 1998, is located in Sydney Inlet at the northwestern extreme of Clayoquot Sound.

Sydney Inlet is 19km long with steep sided mountains covered by old-growth coastal western hemlock forest and leading to a pristine watershed, 5885 ha in size with elevations to 996m. The deep fjord and majestic watersheds were once home to a remnant population of basking sharks. Currently, black bears, bald eagles and marbled murrelets make Sydney

Inlet their home. Chum, coho, sockeye, Chinook, pink and steelhead species of salmon, as well as cut-throat trout inhabit the Sydney River. The undisturbed estuary offers the opportunity to study the

interaction between land and sea communities.



Details:

Research Cabin

- 8+ person capacity
- 6m x 12m cabin
- Kitchen
- Work area
- 2 bedrooms & loft
- Covered porch

Supplies provided

- Woodstove
- Propane lantern & stove
- Running water
- Cooking utensils & supplies
- Outhouse
- Emergency supplies & satellite phone
- Canoe, paddles & life-jackets

Cost

There is no charge for cabin use — instead we ask that groups contribute to the general maintenance and upkeep. For example, we have asked groups to stack firewood, refresh supplies and make small repairs in exchange for their stay.

Expectations of Users:

- Supply own food, clothing (including rain gear), sleeping bags & specialized equipment
- Pay own transportation costs
- Be prepared for rugged conditions and extreme weather
- Complete a waiver form & obtain liability insurance
- Contact CBT staff to book the cabin & make arrangements
- Obtain a BC Parks Research Permit
- Adhere to the Standards of Conduct for Research in Northern Barkley and Clayoquot Sound Communities
- Low impact activities only
- Remove all garbage

This cabin is a part of a network of resources available to visiting researcher and educators that also includes:

- library,
- archive,
- office amenities
- & other facilities.



Please visit www.clayoquotbiosphere.org Science & Research pages for more information.

While studying in Clayoquot Sound it is important to respect the historical connection between the Nuu-chah-nulth people and this land. The Research Cabin lies in the traditional territory of the Ahousaht First Nation. Contact the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council for information on their ethical review process.



For more information or to schedule a time at a research cabin contact:

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Getting There :

Access by boat, water taxi or floatplane from Tofino.



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