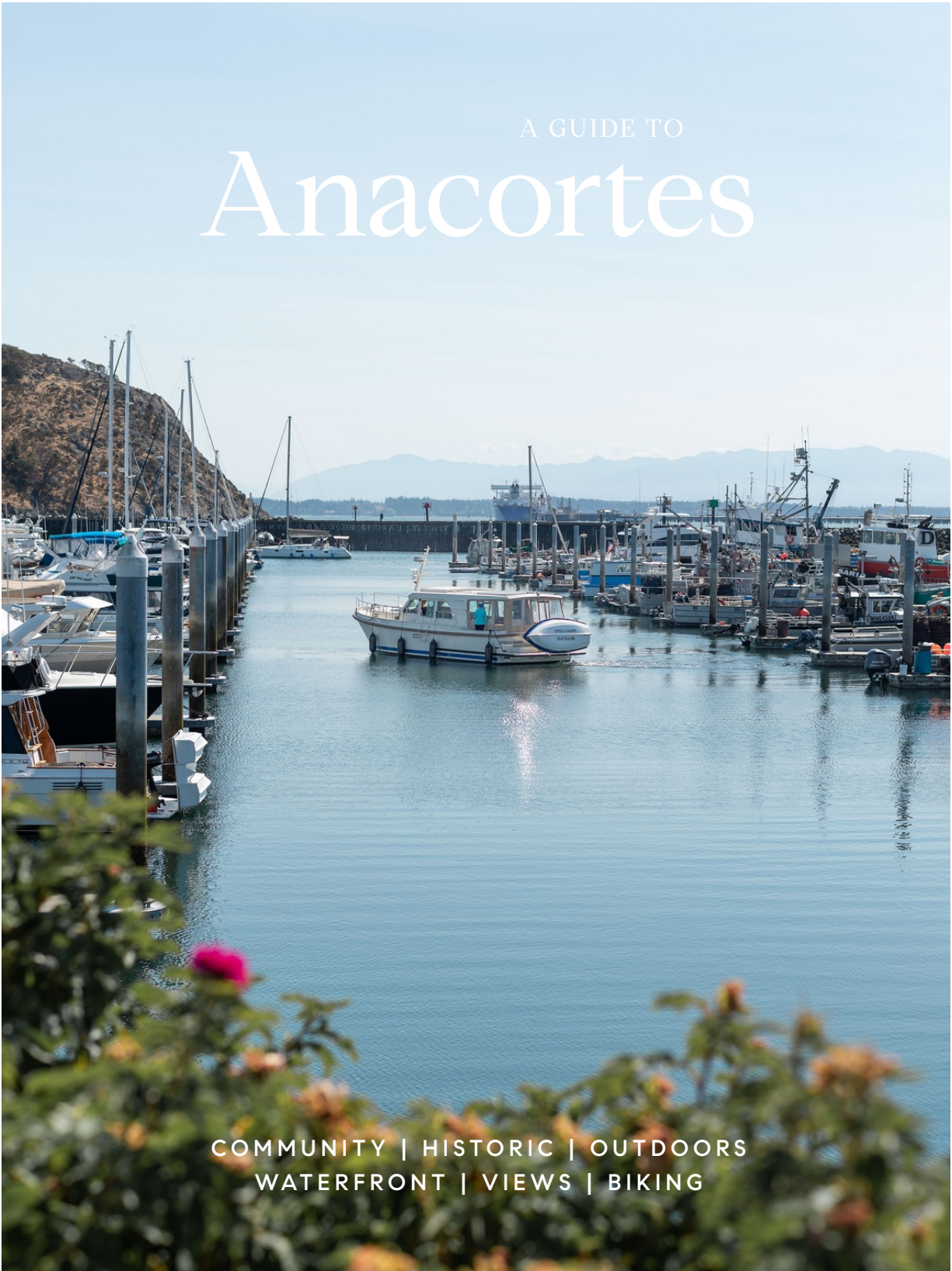


A GUIDE TO  
**Anacortes**



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## WELCOME TO ANACORTES

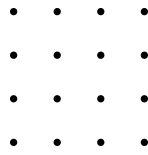
Located on the northwesternmost point of Fidalgo Island sits the quaint and cozy beach town of Anacortes. Home of the Samish Indian Nation, the area spans just over 15 square miles and with waterfront access on all sides, it's no wonder that it is known for

its connection to the boating industry. First coined 'Ship Harbor,' Anacortes has historically been a hub for the fishing and lumber industries and today, is best known for the Anacortes Ferry Terminal with service to the San Juan Islands. While the island access brings in plenty of

tourism, Anacortes at its core is a tight-knit community with appreciation for the area's history, waterfront access, and unparalleled views.



*Summer months are a popular time to visit Anacortes.*



## WHAT TO EXPECT

Whether you're brand new to Anacortes or a lifelong resident, you'll always feel at home. This welcoming community treats everyone like a local and appreciates all that island life has to offer. Enjoy whale watching one of the three resident Orca pods in the area, rock climbing in Mount Erie Park, hiking and biking on more than 50 miles of trails in the Anacortes Community Forest Lands, and more.

## UNEXPECTED APPEAL

Anacortes and Fidalgo Island are in the Olympic Mountain Rain Shadow that provides milder weather year-round. You get the best of Pacific Northwest scenery and lifestyle with half the rain of Seattle.



### SHOPPING & DINING

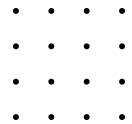
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Anthony's At Cap  
Sante Marina  
The Business  
Dad's Diner  
Haven Kitchen & Bar  
Home Sweet Home  
Antiques  
Mad Hatter's Ice Cream  
Nonna Luisa Ristorante  
The Old Edison  
Real Tequila Bar &  
Restaurant  
Red Door Thrift Shop  
Secret Cove  
Tides of Anacortes  
Ursa Minor

### THINGS TO DO

Anacortes Arts Festival  
Anacortes Farmers Market  
Blackfish Tours by Outer  
Island Expeditions  
Cap Sante Park  
The Oyster Run  
Seafarers Memorial Park  
Shipwreck Day  
Tugboat Beach  
Washington Park  
What the Heck Fest

*Enjoy the variety of activities Anacortes has to offer.*

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## SPOTLIGHT

Anacortes is named for Anna Curtis Bowman, the wife of Fidalgo Island settler Amos Bowman. Bowman first became acquainted with the area in the late 1800s, advocating for the town to be a stop on the Northern Pacific Railway with the hope of establishing it as the 'New York of the West.' After the railroad industry crash, the city became a hub for the fishing and lumber industries.

