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## **Style, Sensations, and Self: How to Plan a Spectacular San Juan Islands Vacation**

*Save the Date for National Plan Your Vacation Day this January*

Friday Harbor, WA... Searching for the secret to a better balanced New Year? Use your vacation time! Letting 768 million vacation days go unused is just absurd. 46% of Americans skip the one step that could help them vacation: planning. January 28<sup>th</sup> is National Plan for Vacation Day. Whether it's a long weekend with your pals or spring break with the family, there's no better place for a getaway than the San Juan Islands of Washington State. Whether by ferry or floatplane, getting here is half the fun.

So save the date and join [Project: Time Off](#) on January 28<sup>th</sup> and start planning your San Juan Islands getaway!

**Style.** Whether fine art, crafts, theatre, or other performance art, the Islands attract an accomplished and diverse [community of artists](#) who share their work in many different venues. Browse galleries and outdoor markets offering colorful paintings, fiber art and jewelry. Go behind studio doors during an island studio tour for an intimate look at the creative process. Listen to world-class musicians during the Orcas Island Chamber Music Festival. Enjoy moving performances at Island Stage Left's Shakespeare Under the Stars.

**Sensations.** Experience Washington's coastal wildlife and scenery from a stunning sea-level perspective. World-class landscapes and a tranquil inland sea make the San Juans a prime kayaking spot for adventure seekers. Majestic orca (or killer) whales live in the San Juan Islands year round, and this is one of the best places in the world to see them, along with their cousins, the humpback and minke whales. Whether watching from shore or by boat, discover the true meaning of awe.

**Self.** At its best, vacation is about taking care of yourself. Quiet island [winters](#) are made for respite and rejuvenation. [Create your own retreat](#) by taking a yoga class, scheduling a massage or soaking in a hot tub. There are small yoga studios throughout the islands where you can find classes, or you can practice on your own anywhere from the beach to the top of Mt. Constitution. Relax your mind and pamper your skin with body wraps, fruit peels, or a facial at one of the spas. Then you'll be rested and ready to take on all kinds of adventure.

For more ideas to help you plan a trip to the San Juans: [www.visitsanjuans.com](http://www.visitsanjuans.com)

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