

# Featured boat: Amanda C works Bristol Bay

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**Vessel:** *Amanda C*

**Homeport:** Ilwaco

**Skipper:** Paul Blaylock, with three or four crew, depending on season

**Engine:** 8V-71 Detroit Diesel Series, 9.3L (568 cubic inch) V-8 318 horsepower

John Deere 40445 65kw marine auxiliary engine

**Cruising speed:** 8 knots

**Fuel:** 2,000 gallons diesel

**Year Built:** 1979, in Tacoma

**Length:** 52 ft.

**Beam:** 18 ft.

**Weight:** 71 tons

**Draft:** 10 ft.

**Designer:** Marine Technical Service (MTS)

**Use:** Commercial crabber and tender in Bristol Bay, AK.

**Hold capacity:** 90,000 pounds of fish

**Refrigeration:** 25 ton

The *Amanda C* is commercial fishing vessel home ported in Ilwaco. The vessel is operated by skipper Paul Blaylock of Naselle, a commercial fisherman with more than 25 years experience. The vessel is named after the niece of the owner.

"They were built to seine, but this is one the few boats that never seined in its life," Blaylock said.



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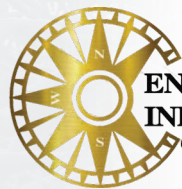
The F/V *Amanda C* is home ported at the Port of Ilwaco. The vessel, named after the niece of the owner, is used seasonally as a tender in Bristol Bay, Alaska.



Skipper Paul Blaylock stands in the wheelhouse of the F/V *Amanda C* at the Port of Ilwaco. Blaylock has been a commercial fisherman more than 25 years.

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