

# Coastal properties

## Gearhart

If you're seeking a quintessential coastal village that reflects all that's great about the north Oregon coast, Gearhart is for you. It's just a short walk from any home to the beach and village shops, grocery, bakery and restaurant. Follow the recently expanded historic Ridge Path that winds through the trees from the south end of town to the north, or try out the Gearhart Golf Links, the oldest 18-hole golf course west of the Mississippi River. Homes range from quaint cottages nestled in trees to Cape Cod-style residences on the ocean shore.

## Highlands at Gearhart

Although the Highlands at Gearhart is situated on a ridge overlooking the Pacific Ocean, the homes along the wide, winding roads in the gated community are reminiscent of Cape Cod on the Atlantic coast. Spend quiet time gazing at the ocean from your deck or stay active strolling along the beach or practicing your backswing on the new tennis courts. The year-round nine-hole "ocean view" Highlands Golf Course is owned by the Highlands Homeowners Association and operated by an independent golf pro. Rumor has it that homeowners won't have to pay the \$500 annual homeowners association fee in 2016.

## Surf Pines

Enjoy "Sunriver at the beach." There's room to roam in this expansive community, where lots are at least one acre large, and there's plenty of space for walking or riding bicycles throughout the area. Stroll along the beach, launch a canoe or kayak onto Sunset Lake or take a picnic to the local park. Wildlife is abundant, so bring binoculars. This peaceful, gated beach neighborhood of spacious, well-maintained homes – most with ocean or wetlands views – has a mixture of permanent residents and second-home owners.

## Whispering Pines

From the hilltop in Seaside's Whispering Pines neighborhood, watch the changing sky and revel in the glorious sunsets over the ocean, all without leaving your home. While surrounding trees attract songbirds and offer privacy, Whispering Pines is still close to downtown restaurants, shops and activities for the entire family, including Broadway Park and the Sunset pool and recreation center.

## Pinehurst

Behind the gate in the Pinehurst community north of Gearhart lies what homeowners call a "sanctuary" in the truest sense: a refuge where the coastal environment is celebrated. The one-acre lots offer spectacular views of the ocean and mountains. From a walk along the boardwalk to the ocean, a swim in the community pool, or friendly matches on the tennis and basketball courts, there's always something to do. In its 36 acres of undeveloped common space, Pinehurst also provides a paradise of fields of dune grass and meadows where elk, bald eagles, deer and other wildlife also find refuge.

## Vacant land in Gearhart

Build the beach home of your dreams in Gearhart and enjoy the perfect house in a friendly village on the beautiful north Oregon coast. Our area boasts a selection of experienced builders who can work with you to fulfill your dream of living at the beach!

## Melissa Eddy

A Gearhart native, Melissa came to appreciate the area's homes as a child while accompanying her older brother, Bill Eddy (now Gearhart's fire chief) as he mowed lawns to earn spending money. Her love for the north Oregon coast brought her back after attending Southern University where she received a business and marketing degree. Her knowledge of the region and her lifelong local connections enable Melissa, who has been a real estate broker for 14 years – all with Windermere Stellar in Gearhart – to answer her clients' needs.

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*Whether it's a beach cottage or an ocean lot, we have many choices to talk about*