



Holiday Shopping Corner



Best Fish Co. has gift appeal

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Gourmet gift ideas abound at the Pacific Northwest Best Fish Company in Ridgefield.

The company, known for fresh fish is located at 24415 NE 10th Ave., Ridgefield, and offers gift boxes filled with a variety of smoked fish, cheese, crackers or other goodies.

Gift boxes are named for area fishing waters.

A White Salmon River box priced at \$24.99 contains choices of freshly prepared alder-smoked salmon spread or smoked halibut spread, Partners crackers, and choice of Svenska Dill Sauce or Quinn's Pepper Jelly.

A Buoy Ten box sells for \$34.99 and is packed with one pound of king salmon or Alaskan halibut fillet, a package of Ankeny Lakes Wild Rice and Rub With Love Seafood Rub.

A Washougal River offering sells for \$34.99 and contains about eight ounces of alder-smoked chinook salmon, a block of Tillamook cheese and one box of Partners Crackers.

A Kalama River box offered at \$49.99 contains about 2.5 pounds of smoked salmon fillet with two blocks of Tillamook cheese and a box of Partners Crackers.

The Lewis River gift selection sells for \$89.99 and contains about 2.5 pounds of alder-smoked salmon fillet, two blocks of Tillamook cheddar cheese, a jar of Copper River Smoked Salmon, one eight ounce bag of Columbia River coffee, Vinta Crackers, Chukar Cherries, Hogue Farms Spicy Pickled Asparagus, Quinn's Peach Salsa and one jar of Northwest Fine Jams.

A Berry Sampler priced at \$54.99 contains 14 pounds of four varieties of quick frozen northwest berries.

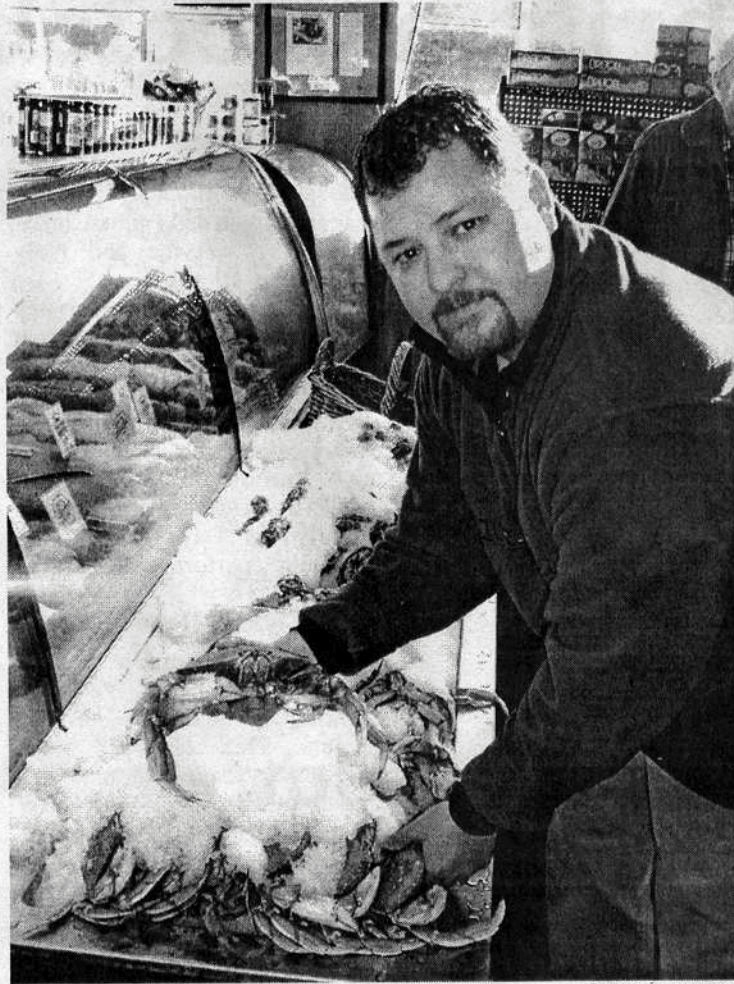


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KELLY BECKWITH, manager at Pacific Northwest Best Fish Co., displays a new arrival from the Pacific Ocean.

Other gift boxes offer larger combinations of seafood temptations or cans of fish alder-smoked in Company smokers.

Shipping by next day air may be arranged at the store. All major credit cards are accepted.

Store manager Kelly Beckwith said customers are also able to customize their own gift boxes or African baskets.

The retail store offers freshly-made crab, halibut and salmon dips and spreads, and selections of alder-smoked

salmon, sturgeon, albacore tuna.

Jars of Garlic Lady pickled garlic, stuffed olives, Habanero Onions and Crunchy Asparagus can enhance meal

and snacking pleasures.

Shelves at the Pacific Northwest Best Fish Company retail outlet are loaded with selections of gourmet crackers, spices, sauces, rubs and marinades.

Cracker choices include Olde Cape Cod, Breton, Dare and Blue Diamond brands.

Gourmet brands to enhance flavors include McDermott's, Secret Aardvark, Johny's, Zararains, Captain Toady's, Tom Douglas, John Sarich's, Maurer's, and Quinn's.

Indonesian stir fries and sauce selections are available. Choices of Dulcet mustard are also on store shelves.

Flavorings are designed to accompany ocean-fresh seafood, chicken, meats and vegetables.

The Company is well-stocked with freshly-caught, in-season, salmon, razor clams, cod, sole, Dungeness crab and other shell fish.

The Pacific Northwest Best Fish Company retail store is open every day 9 a.m.- 7 p.m., and can be reached at (360) 887-4268.

Fresh clam chowder and smokey salmon chowder are popular favorites at the nearby Fish Company restaurant. The restaurant, with a drive-up window, is also noted for outstanding coffee drinks, fish tacos and fish and chips. Hours are Mon.-Sat., 7 a.m.-7 p.m.