

Directions to The Old Consulate Inn, Port Townsend

From Tacoma, I-5, and south

Travel time from WA-16 @ I-5: 1hr 32min / 78 miles

Arguably the easiest way to get to Port Townsend from anywhere. No scenic ferry rides or chainsaw sculpture, just woods, highway, and Bremerton. But it's faster?

1. Choose your point of origin:
 - o **From SeaTac Airport/points north:** Follow signs for I-5 South. Yes, you're driving south to go north. Did we mention it's faster?
 - o **From points south:** Follow I-5 north. If you see the Tacoma Dome you've gone too far.
2. Take WA-16 West towards Gig Harbor / Bremerton. Frequently under construction and prone to chaos, this is good place to keep your wits about you. From here on it's pretty simple. Set your trip-o-meter here now.
3. The highway turns into WA-3 West as you curve around the bay. Steady on.
4. Follow WA-3. As the trip-o-meter will approach 53 miles watch for WA-104. If you failed to set your trip-o-meter you can either go back to #2 and start over or watch for the big signs for the Hood Canal Bridge and WA-104.
5. Cross the bridge and continue on WA-104.
6. Turn right onto WA-19 / Beaver Valley Rd. Watch for horses, llamas, goats, and bison. Beavers, not so much.
7. Highway 19 becomes Highway 20 without much fanfare. Carry on.
8. Highway 20 curves a bit and changes names to Glen Cove and the W. Sims Way. You enter the greater Port Townsend metropolitan area.
9. Go "straight" through two round-abouts. These provide fair warning that you are approaching your destination.
10. Just past Kearny St on Sims Way is a second light with a left turn lane. Get in the left lane and head uphill on Washington St. (Port Townsend loves its presidents.) towards the white lighthouse. Almost there.
11. At the top of the hill, turn left onto Walker St. and park. On street parking is quite safe. You have arrived.