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**Friday Harbor House, on San Juan Island, Offers
Perfect Romantic Getaway for Valentine's Day**
Guests Can Travel by Plane to the Spectacular San Juans

FRIDAY HARBOR, Wash. – Feb. 5, 2007 – Friday Harbor House, a boutique inn on picturesque San Juan Island, is offering one of the Seattle area's most enticing Valentine's Day packages.

The romance begins with a Kenmore Air flight from one of three Seattle-area locations – Lake Union, Boeing Field or The Air Harbor on Lake Washington in Kenmore – to Friday Harbor. Guests will be greeted with flowers or a gift basket in their room or suite at Friday Harbor House, which is perched on a bluff overlooking the harbor.

Each room and suite has a fireplace plus an oversized whirl bath, and many offer private views of the harbor and lush surrounding landscape. Couples can enjoy the island's many activities – from hiking and horseback riding to shopping for arts and antiques – before returning to the privacy of their room to enjoy a relaxing soak in the tub.

The Valentine's package includes a \$75 dining credit for dinner at Friday Harbor House's Harbor View Dining Room, which overlooks San Juan Channel and has a view of Mount Constitution on nearby Orcas Island. Executive Chef Matt Colony and his kitchen staff craft memorable dishes using fish, mussels, oysters, cheeses, meats and produce largely from the San Juan Islands. Also included in the package is the inn's signature breakfast in the Harbor View Dining Room or a private breakfast in the guestroom or suite.

"If you are seeking a Valentine's outing that is as adventurous as it is intimate, this is the package for you," says Linda Hersey, innkeeper and general manager of Friday Harbor House. "The gorgeous flight, either by float- or wheeled-plane, adds an intriguing dimension to a mid-week outing to the beautiful San Juans." In November 2006, *Condè Nast Traveler* ranked the San Juan Islands as the fourth-best island getaway in North America.

Colony will be preparing a \$45 three-course prix fixe menu as well as an à la carte menu. "Friday Harbor House is an idyllic setting, and it is a wonderful feeling to create one of the essential elements – sensuous food – to a romantic evening," he said.

The Valentine's Package with a two-night stay starts at \$820 per couple plus tax and is available Feb. 1-28. With a single-night stay, the per-couple cost is \$630. Rates include round-trip tickets aboard Kenmore Air. Reservations are available by calling Friday Harbor House at 1 (866) 722-7356 or (360) 378-8455.

Langdon and Anne Simons are the general partners and owners of Friday Harbor House, which Seattle-based Columbia Hospitality operates and manages.

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About Friday Harbor House

Friday Harbor House is a 23-room, contemporary, waterfront inn located on San Juan Island, the second largest island in the 743-island archipelago in the northernmost stretch of Washington's salt waters.

Friday Harbor House is owned by Langdon and Anne Simons and is managed by Columbia Hospitality Inc. Opened in 1994, the inn features spectacular views of the marina, San Juan Channel and Mount Constitution on neighboring Orcas Island.

Seasonal San Juan Island specialties are featured in the Harbor View Dining Room. Dinner is served seven nights a week during peak season and Thursday through Monday during the quiet season. In addition to regular nightly dinners, Chef Matt Colony hosts Wine Dinners by teaming up with regional wineries to create four- or five-course meals. The inn's signature breakfast is served daily.

About Columbia Hospitality Inc.

Seattle-based Columbia Hospitality Inc., a leading hospitality management and consulting firm, operates and manages Friday Harbor House. Founded in 1995 by John Oppenheimer, Columbia Hospitality creates exceptional experiences for guests and employees while achieving phenomenal results for its property owners.

Specializing in luxury hotel and resort management, Columbia Hospitality expertly transforms each vision for a unique property into an enduring and profitable business. Columbia Hospitality's premier properties include boutique hotels and secluded resorts, such as the following:

- Kenwood Inn and Spa in Sonoma's Valley of the Moon in Kenwood, Calif.
- The Inn at Langley on Whidbey Island, Wash.
- Lakedale Resort at Three Lakes, also on San Juan Island
- Darnell's Lake Resort on Lake Chelan, Wash.

The company also manages a portfolio of conference centers and event venues in Washington state, including the following:

- Bell Harbor International Conference Center in Seattle
- World Trade Center Seattle
- Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center in Seattle (catering and events only)
- Pier 30 Event Center in Seattle
- Talaris Conference Center in Seattle
- Kitsap Conference Center at Bremerton Harborside in Bremerton
- Washington Mutual Leadership Center at Cedarbrook in SeaTac

The company additionally supports an active consulting division that has worked on more than 50 hospitality development projects in five western U.S. states and Canada. Columbia Hospitality was named to the *Puget Sound Business Journal*'s list of the "Fastest Growing Private Companies in Washington State" four times in the past seven years.