

*Dear Friends,*

*Wavecatcher is a very special place. Once you share our home by the sea, we think of you as friends. We view ourselves as stewards more than owners. There is only so much beachfront in the whole world, and we believe that the opportunity to wake up with the ocean right there is sacred, precious, and should not be exclusively held. So, we share Wavecatcher intentionally, joyfully, and with glad hearts.*

*In August 1990, Mer tore down the sinking, rotting log predecessor to Wavecatcher and started to build, keeping only the chimney. With the help of many friends (and their friends too) we built this house. Our gratitude is unending. Seven years, two weeks and many days later, the county agreed it was "finished". Mer, with delight, and Jesse, with resignation, agree it will probably never be finished!*

*Please tell tales of your stay in the guest book to share with other guests! We've learned about local dragonfly migrations, phosphorescence, bald eagles on the beach, many different kinds of sunsets, what the full eclipse looked like at Ona Beach, and many other things from those who have written in the guest book. Please do!*

*We could not have built this house without friends. We could not not steward it if we did not share it, nor could we share it if we did not steward it. So, welcome Friends, new and old, and thanks to you!*

*Mer and Jesse*