Kodiak Island, Alaska

Welcome to Kodiak Island, a paradise for bushflying addicts!

BushflyingDelight is offering you adventures that can be experienced within Microsoft® FlightSimulator® (MSFS 2020).

All you need is to add the corresponding scenery package into your community folder and there you go…

Part # 1: Very difficult landing - visit me at my hideaway

Start on a parking position at Larson Bay Airport (PALB). Check my hangar and the billboard, you'll see if the scenery has been loaded correctly and in the right version, (compare version number in the header of this document).

After take-off you'll have to cross the Uyak Bay heading east towards Amook Island. Coming in from the north and after about two thirds of the islands length you'll find the lake 2472 on the opposite eastern side of Uyak Bay.

You will need to have an appropriate altitude, fly along the mountain side on your left and then at the last moment turn right heading 170° to land on the airstrip. Beware of the pond just before the landing strip (I already ruined my brand new XCub liveries in that water ;-) and also of the two

very dangerous rocks, one on each side of the airstrip. Don't forget that the "runway" is only 400 meters long, so fly in very slow and ready to land under STOL circumstances. There's a forest at the end of the landing strip!

After a hopefully successful landing you will find a footpath about in the middle of the airstrip. Get out of your plane (use your drone camera for that, see under "Technical Instructions") and follow that path into the forest. It will bring you to the shore of Lake 2472 where I have my hideaway. You're welcome! Find out what my surname is…

Part # 2: SAR - look out for Crazy Vince (and his beer bottle)

A week ago I met Vincenzo Scappalorso – better known as Crazy Vince – in Monk's Rock Coffee House in Kodiak. His Beneteau 55 was waiting for him in Saint Paul Harbour and he told me that he'd leave for an adventure somewhere around Uyak Bay.

Crazy Vince is the son of a rich Italian fabricant of leather goods and spends most of his time with what he calls sensational seeking; he seems to need that to feel alive.

As a wealthy man he supports bird watchers associations financing the construction of observation posts (often build as log houses). He is on Kodiak Island to supervise one of those projects.

He loves fishing salmon and moving around completely alone in Mother Nature, with nothing as fishing equipment, a few clothes, his old tent and some matchsticks and, of course, a few bottles of his favourite beer (which is my favourite beer too!).

He promised to contact me after seven days from his CB radio equipped sailboat, but I heard nothing and now I am in worry. But I have no time to check what's going on and so it's up to you, my fellow bush pilot, to find out what is going on.

Yesterday a friend of mine, a CB equipped fisher, contacted me and remembered having seen his Beneteau 55 cruising between Amook Island and the east side of the bay.

Now get in your plane and look out for that sail boat, I assume, he landed at an appropriate place to proceed on foot. He certainly followed water (rivers and/or lakes) and looked out for a nice little place to build his camp and have an eye on his log house project.

When you find the camp, try to land somewhere near that and get off your aircraft (use the drone…) to check out what happened. Is Crazy Vince around somewhere? What could have happened? And… what is my favourite beer? You will notice that it's a perfect brand for good old bush pilots ;-)

Have fun!

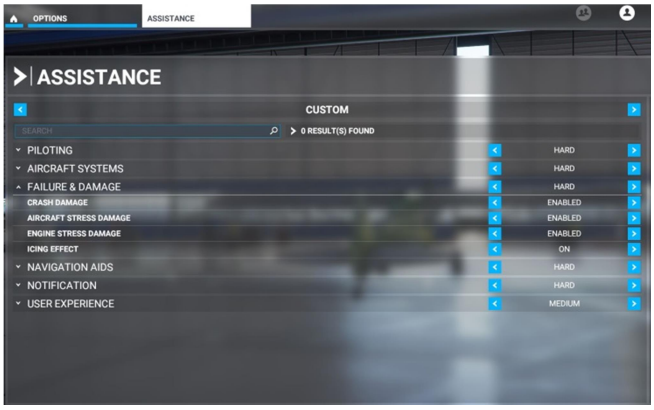
Technical Instructions

Downloading the Scenery:
You will find BushflyingDelight scenery packages download links on several homepages for MSFS 2020 addons. The most actual version can be found here:

http://www.ghosting.ch/BfDelight/bfdelight-adv-kodiak-01-00.zip

Installing the scenery:
Download and unzip the file "bfdelight-adv-kodiak-01-00.zip". Copy the whole directory named "bfdelight-adv-kodiak-01-00" (with all its content) into the community folder of MSFS 2020. You can find that folder (depending on installation type; standard or custom, Microsoft® Store or Steam etc.) somewhere like this:
…/FlightSimulator/PACKAGES/Community/…
…/Packages/MicrosoftFlightSimulator_RANDOMLETTERS/LocalCache/Packages/Community/…
…/steamapps/common/Community/…
You find good tutorials about this on YouTube, look for "MSFS find community folder".

Reality settings:
If you really want the full thrill of bushflying, then set all MSFS 2020 settings to a realistic mode. Especially collision detecting and similar things add tension. The manoeuvres you are expected to perform are not really easy flying…



Drone configuration:
To have a more kind of roleplaying feeling set Drone Speed to 0.4% or 1.2% (and Lock Mode to OFF).

ICAO codes:
I define non-existing fantasy ICAO codes for my "airports". If you need help from your Garmin for direct waypoint to my hideaway in the Natural Reserve on the shore of Lake 2472 dial BFD01.

Have fun and enjoy the beauty of this bushflyers paradise; Kodiak Island in Alaska!

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Done how

This scenery has been realized by BushflyingDelight using Microsoft® FlightSimulator® with the corresponding SDK (software development kit).
3D objects have been elaborated using blender and for texture work using Adobe® Photoshop®.

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