

Day 1

Arrival in Vancouver

Following your arrival at Vancouver International Airport, transfer independently to your downtown hotel. The Roadbook you received has all the information needed for your holiday/trip/journey. Enjoy the rest of your day exploring the city's vibrant nightlife in neighborhoods such as Yaletown or Gastown, venture along the meandering pathways along the ocean, visit a gallery, or indulge in some shopping on Robson Street.

Overnight Vancouver

Duration 2 Nights

Day 2

Vancouver

Today take some time to independently explore this vibrant city, offering many attractions such as Canada Place, the dynamic Robson Street, Chinatown and historic Gastown. Perhaps visit Stanley Park en route to Cleveland Dam and the Capilano Suspension Bridge in the North Shore rainforest. Here you can cross the 137m-long bridge over a spectacular canyon to the Treetops Adventure observation structure for even more incredible views of this old growth forest.

Overnight Vancouver

Day 3

Vancouver to Whistler (125 km / 78 miles)

Today you depart on your journey to the fabulous, world-famous, four-season resort of Whistler. Travelling along the scenic Sea-to-Sky Highway, you traverse five distinct climatic zones from rainforest to semi-arid alpine forest. The road also crosses the historic Pemberton Trail and Gold Rush Trail, used by prospectors in the 18th century. Travelling through small towns such as Squamish and skirting the shores of Daisy Lake, you arrive in picturesque Whistler Village set at the base of Whistler and Blackcomb mountains. Whistler village is in many ways down-to-earth but offers everything from outstanding dining to a wide array of boutiques, shops, museums, galleries, and entertainment galore.

Overnight Whistler

Duration 2 Nights

Day 4

Whistler

A day to discover the many charms of Whistler. The cafes, restaurants, and shops of the village, together with pedestrian walkways and town squares are perfect for leisurely walks of discovery. Woodland trails surround the village, as does a well-developed network of biking and hiking trails for outdoor enthusiasts of all abilities.

Overnight Whistler

Day 5

Whistler to Sunshine Coast / Painted Boat Resort Spa & Marina, Madeira Park (188 km / 117 miles – Land Only)

Driving back on the Sea-to-Sky Highway, once more enjoying the scenery, it's time to head up the stunning coastline en route to your first overnight resort. Crossing the pleasant waters of Horseshoe Bay on a BC Ferries vessel, disembark in Langdale and travel northward through such small, seaside communities as Davis Bay, and past the headwaters of the stunning Sechelt Inlet. Arriving at Painted Boat Resort, check in to this idyllic retreat for your 2-night stay.

Overnight Sunshine Coast

Duration 2 Nights

Day 6

Painted Boat Resort Spa & Marina, Madeira Park

Enjoy a full day at leisure, especially as the amenities of the resort will enhance your stay in this outdoor paradise. Relax on your private balcony or walk the docks along the waterfront. The infinity pool and hot tubs entice guests to relax, and canoe and kayak rentals (at additional cost, onsite) allow you to explore the local waterways.

Overnight Sunshine Coast

Day 7

Painted Boat Resort Spa & Marina, Madeira Park to Courtenay (113 km / 70 miles – Land Only)

Today you enjoy the view as much from the water as you would from the road. Not long after departing the resort, you board a BC Ferries vessel crossing from Earls Cove to Saltery Bay. A short drive along the coast, and soon you are boarding your second ferry, crossing the deep blue waters of the Strait of Georgia. Arriving in the small town of Comox, it is a quick drive to Courtney leaving plenty of time to check in, relax and explore the local area and beachfront.

Overnight Courtenay.

Duration 1 Night

Day 8

Courtenay to Victoria (220 km / 137 miles)

Departing Courtenay, today's journey takes you southward along the east coast of Victoria. Beautiful towns that celebrate their island lifestyles such as Parksville and Nanaimo offer the perfect place to stop for lunch and indulge in some local delicacies. If time permits, the murals at Chemainus are a draw for artists and visitors alike, depicting First Nations culture and the history of the area. Your final destination of the day is Victoria, a splendid city that celebrates its British heritage with marvelous public and private gardens.

Overnight Victoria

Duration 2 Nights

Day 9

Victoria

Enjoy a full day to explore this elegant capital city. We suggest a visit to Beacon Hill Park and the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria. You may decide to drop in for afternoon tea at the Fairmont Empress Hotel and experience a taste of British charm. No stay in the city is complete without a tour of the world-famous Butchart Gardens, a brilliant collection of thousands of plants, exploding in lush colors and textures.

Overnight Victoria

Day 10

Victoria to Salt Spring Island (52 km / 32 miles – Land Only)

Today's short travel time is highlighted by a scenic crossing to Salt Spring Island, a small community that lives life at a more relaxed pace. After checking into your hotel, take some time to independently explore the surrounding area and its magnificent views of water.

Overnight Salt Spring Island

Duration 2 Nights

Day 11

Salt Spring Island

We suggest checking with the front desk of your hotel about any available activities such as cycling or canoeing, or any local markets or festivals. The locals often celebrate the long days of summer with gatherings and local events that welcome all guests to their small communities.

Overnight Salt Spring Island

Day 12

Salt Spring Island to Galiano Island (38 km / 24 miles – Land Only)

Today is a day of true island hopping enroute to Galiano Island! Two ferries that navigate the local islands reveal the stunning majesty of the inlets, sounds and bays of these quiet waters. Arriving on Galiano Island, check into your hotel, then drive up Mount Galiano for mesmerizing views, or hike uncrowded trails in blissful solitude.

Overnight Galiano Island

Duration 1 Night

Day 13

Galiano Island to Richmond / Vancouver Airport (50 km / 31 miles – Land Only)

One last ferry crossing of your vacation takes you to Richmond. Once known as only a stopover for the airport, Richmond has developed over the last several years into a vibrant tourist center, offering a wide variety of Asian inspired authentic restaurants, attractions, and venues.

Overnight Richmond

Day 14

Vancouver Airport

Today is the end of your program. Make your way to check in at Vancouver International Airport for your departure flight or continue your trip if you have other plans.