

## TOUR AT A GLANCE



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## DISCOVER VANCOUVER ISLAND

Departing September 4, 2018 (12 Days)

## Cost Per Person

Twin – \$2399.00

Triple – \$2109.00

Quad – \$1959.00

Single – \$3499.00

## Your tour includes:

- ✓ Transportation on an air conditioned, washroom equipped motor-coach provided by Golden Arrow
- ✓ Services of an experienced Tour Director and Driver
- ✓ On board entertainment
- ✓ 11 nights accommodation
- ✓ Meals Included: 5 Breakfast, 3 Lunch, 2 Supper
- ✓ Tour of Fort Langley
- ✓ Tour of Krause Farms with lunch
- ✓ Visit to Steveston
- ✓ Ferry crossings as indicated
- ✓ City tour of Victoria
- ✓ Butchart Gardens
- ✓ BBQ dinner and Ghost Town tour
- ✓ Milner Gardens & lunch
- ✓ 3.5 hour ocean adventure in the Whale Watching Capital of BC
- ✓ Lunch in Telegraph Cove
- ✓ Elk Falls
- ✓ Deep Bay Marine Centre
- ✓ Visit to Tofino
- ✓ Coombs Market
- ✓ Cathedral Grove
- ✓ Farewell supper



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## Day 1

Meals Included: Supper

## St. Albert to Three Valley Gap

Welcome aboard your coach as your tour begins in St. Albert. Travel south along Highway 2 through Red Deer, Calgary, then into Canmore for lunch before crossing into beautiful British Columbia. Sit back and enjoy the magnificent ruggedness of mountains, lakes and rivers as you travel through Yoho National Park. After stopping in Golden for coffee, it's over Rogers Pass through Revelstoke & into Three Valley Gap, your overnight destination at the Chateau. Enjoy an included BBQ dinner and ghost town tour.

## Day 3

Meals Included: Lunch

## Harrison Hot Springs

This morning after breakfast we will head to Fort Langley National Historic Site for a visit and tour. Inside the walls, rough-hewn timber buildings recreate the rugged 1800s. See where Hudson's Bay Company fur traders mingled with California gold prospectors. Afterwards we will continue to Krause Berry Farms & Estate Winery for a tour and lunch. The coach will return mid afternoon for you to enjoy the pools before going out for dinner.

## Day 2

Meals Included: Breakfast

## Three Valley Gap to Harrison Hot Springs

This morning after breakfast it's time to board your coach and begin your trek towards Harrison via the Coquihalla Highway. After a lunch stop in Hope, we travel west and arrive at Harrison Hot Springs for a two day stay at the luxurious Resort & Spa. Relax in one of the mineral pools or take a walk and enjoy the beautiful scenery this area has to offer.

## Day 4

Meals Included: None

## Harrison Hot Springs to Victoria

This morning after breakfast, it's off to Victoria. En route we will stop in Steveston for lunch, weather permitting. Discover this alluring seaside mix of historic sites, delicious dining and charming shops that together make up one of British Columbia's most beloved destinations. Then it's on to Tsawwassen where you board a B.C. Ferry for a cruise to Vancouver Island arriving at Swartz Bay, then on to Victoria. After checking into your hotel, relax in the pool or Jacuzzi before having dinner in one of the many restaurants nearby.

## Day 5

Meals Included: None

## Victoria

This morning you will have a guided city tour of Victoria where you will see its lovely homes and gardens with points of historic interest. In the afternoon it's off to Butchart Gardens, where you will see fifty acres of floral wonderland mixed with spacious lawns, streams and lily ponds. We will be back to the hotel in time for supper.

## Day 7

Meals Included: Lunch

## Victoria to Campbell River

Sit back, relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery, as we make our way north to Campbell River. We will have a coffee stop in Duncan before arriving in Qualicum Beach at Milner Gardens for lunch. Experience the magic of 70 acres of unspoiled natural beauty perched on the edge of an oceanside bluff overlooking the Strait of Georgia. This setting is like no other. Afterwards, we will continue to Campbell River for the next 2 evenings.

## Day 9

Meals Included: Breakfast

## Campbell River to Parksville

Today after a leisure breakfast we will head to Elk Falls Suspension Bridge to see the impressive falls before we leave the beautiful area of Campbell River. We will continue south on Highway 19A enjoying the scenic ocean views before stopping in Deep Bay for a visit to the Marine Station. After we will enjoy lunch and a visit to Rathrevor Beach before arriving at our destination of Parksville for the next 2 evenings.

## Day 11

Meals Included: Breakfast, Supper

## Parksville to Salmon Arm

All good things must come to an end, so it's back on the coach for the start of our journey home. We board the ferry in Departure Bay for your sailing to Horseshoe Bay on the mainland and then retrace our steps and head up the Coquihalla Highway to Kamloops. From there we'll head to Salmon Arm and enjoy a farewell supper for our last evening together.

## Day 6

Meals Included: None

## Free Day

Today you are on your own to enjoy all that Victoria has to offer. Check out the beautiful Provincial Museum, walk the waterfront or have tea at the Empress Hotel. Don't forget to check out all the wonderful shops on Government Street. The day is yours to enjoy this beautiful city and all its hidden treasures.

## Day 8

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

## Campbell River

Today after breakfast we will make our way north up the Island to Telegraph Cove Resort. Voted one of the 10 best towns in Canada to visit, this tiny sawmill and cannery community has a rich and colorful history. Take a walk down the wooden boardwalk and enjoy the view. After lunch in the Killer Whale Café, we will enjoy a 3 1/2 hour boat cruise with Stubbs Island Whale Watching, the first whale watching company in B.C. Enjoy your sea adventure aboard their 60ft cruiser in the whale watching capital of B.C. Afterwards, there will be time to explore the shops before we head back to Campbell River for the night.

## Day 10

Meals Included: Breakfast

## Tofino

Today we will continue our journey to the "Wild West" coast of Vancouver Island and visit the town of Tofino. We will stop at Cathedral Grove located in MacMillan Provincial Park and view one of the most accessible stands of giant Douglas firs on Vancouver Island. Then it's on to Tofino, where we will have time to enjoy this coastal town with its unique shops and memorable landscape. After lunch we will stroll on one of the many beautiful beaches and enjoy the magnificent scenery. On our way back to Parksville we will have a coffee stop in Coombs at the Market where hopefully you'll be able to see the goats on the roof.

## Day 12

Meals Included: None

## Salmon Arm to Home Cities

Today we travel back on the Trans Canada to Banff & Calgary enjoying the scenery of the beautiful Rockies. Then it's on to Highway 2 north to St. Albert where you return home with fond memories of your West Coast vacation.



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