

The Tall Ships are coming! VICTORIA TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL

Join a world-class summer event featuring the Victoria Tall Ships Festival

...and enjoy preferred accommodation at the Queen Victoria Hotel, conveniently located in the inner harbour. See and touch these magnificent historic ships as approximately 25 traditionally-rigged sailing vessels, travelling the world's oceans powered by the wind, gather in Canada's most British city, Victoria.

8-DAY MOTORCOACH – Highlighting the beautiful Canadian Rockies!

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1 EDMONTON to CALGARY to SALMON ARM: *Tuesday.* Your Victoria Spring Getaway begins as you are welcomed aboard your deluxe coach in Edmonton. Travel south via Red Deer to Calgary meeting additional travelling companions enroute. Sit back, relax and enjoy the incredible scenery of the Canadian Rocky Mountains. Cross the border into British Columbia and continue to Salmon Arm, the "Gem of the Shuswap". Overnight at the Prestige Harbourfront Resort located on the shores of Shuswap Lake adjacent to City Park.

2 SALMON ARM to VICTORIA: (4 nights) *Wednesday.* Enjoy the scenery as you travel the Coquihalla Highway. Motor through Surrey to Tsawwassen and board a B.C. FERRY for a scenic sailing to Vancouver Island. Continue to the retirement paradise of Victoria for a five-night stay at the Queen Victoria Hotel. This lovely property is conveniently located in the heart of downtown, one block from the Inner Harbour.

3 VICTORIA: *Thursday.* Join us this morning for a TOUR with a local guide to familiarize you with the area. Then enjoy your first thrilling sight of the magnificent Tall Ships as they arrive and berth in the Inner Harbour! The opening ceremonies are followed by the many ongoing activities of the TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL. Visitors gather from near and far to celebrate maritime history and seafaring life. A wide variety of vessels from around the world, ranging in length from 40 feet to over 300 feet will include schooners, barques, brigantines, brigs and sloops, each type distinguished by the number of masts and the shape of its sails. Experience the festival site with its live music, food, displays and demonstrations.

4 VICTORIA: *Friday.* Enjoy a visit to BUTCHART GARDENS, as well as the many ongoing activities of the TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL. Your MULTI-DAY FESTIVAL PASS will provide the opportunity to experience history firsthand when you see and touch these magnificent historic ships as you walk their decks.

INCLUDED IN YOUR HOLIDAY: •First class transportation on an air-conditioned, washroom-equipped motorcoach _Standard accommodations and taxes •Services of an experienced Tour Director and Driver _Baggage handling, one average piece per person •Name Badge •Travel Bag •Sightseeing and admissions as outlined in the itinerary •Ferry Crossings as indicated •Guided tour of Victoria •Butchart Gardens •Festival Multi-Day Pass •Chemainus •Vancouver area tour •Rogers Pass •Farewell Dinner •Driving Tour of Banff.



Tall Ships Parade: Victoria, BC, 2005.



5 VICTORIA: *Saturday.* A free day to enjoy the ongoing festival activities on your own.

6 VICTORIA to ABBOTSFORD: *Sunday.* Bid farewell to Victoria. Drive up the island and travel to the picturesque coastal village of CHEMAINUS where numerous murals depicting the history and industry of the area cover entire walls of downtown buildings. Continue to Nanaimo to take the FERRY to Horseshu Bay. Arrive early afternoon in Vancouver and enjoy a SIGHTSEEING EXCURSION prior to arriving at your hotel in Abbotsford for overnight.

7 ABBOTSFORD to GOLDEN: *Monday.* Today's travel provides a variety of unforgettable scenery. Enjoy the spectacular scenery as you wind your way over the majestic ROGERS PASS. Continue to Golden for your last evening together. Join your travelling companions for a hosted FAREWELL DINNER.

8 GOLDEN to CALGARY to EDMONTON: *Tuesday.* Arrive in Banff for a short DRIVING TOUR prior to lunch enroute. Make a mid-afternoon stop in Calgary and then continue to Edmonton

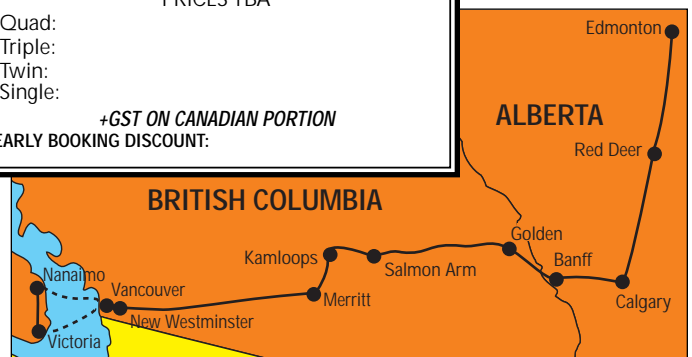


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COST PER PERSON – CANADIAN FUNDS
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Quad:
Triple:
Twin:
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+GST ON CANADIAN PORTION
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