

# VANCOUVER ISLAND, VICTORIA and PACIFIC RIM

8 DAYS – MOTORCOACH

Discover the west coast of Vancouver Island known for its spectacular beaches, scenic wilderness and casual hospitality. A fun whale watching tour will make for an amazing day!

Highlights include the unique charm of Victoria, the floral beauty of Butchart Gardens, themed murals in Chemainus, stately Cathedral Grove and tranquil MacKenzie Beach.

**DEPARTURE:** Edmonton 7:00 a.m., Red Deer 9:00 a.m., Calgary 12:00 p.m.

## DAY

**1 EDMONTON to CALGARY to SALMON ARM:** *Sunday.* Your *Vancouver Island Holiday* begins as you are welcomed aboard your deluxe coach in Edmonton. Travel south via Red Deer to Calgary meeting additional travel companions enroute. Sit back and enjoy the incredible scenery of the Canadian Rockies. Continue to Salmon Arm, the “Gem of the Shuswap”. Upon arrival, join your travel companions for a GET ACQUAINTED PIZZA PARTY.

**2 SALMON ARM to VICTORIA:** (2 nights) *Monday.* Enjoy the scenery as you travel the Coquihalla Highway. Motor through Surrey to Tsawwassen and board a BC FERRY for a scenic sailing to Vancouver Island. Continue to the retirement paradise of Victoria for a two-night stay at the **Huntingdon Manor**. This historic property is conveniently located near the picturesque Inner Harbour just a short walk to downtown. Includes daily breakfast.

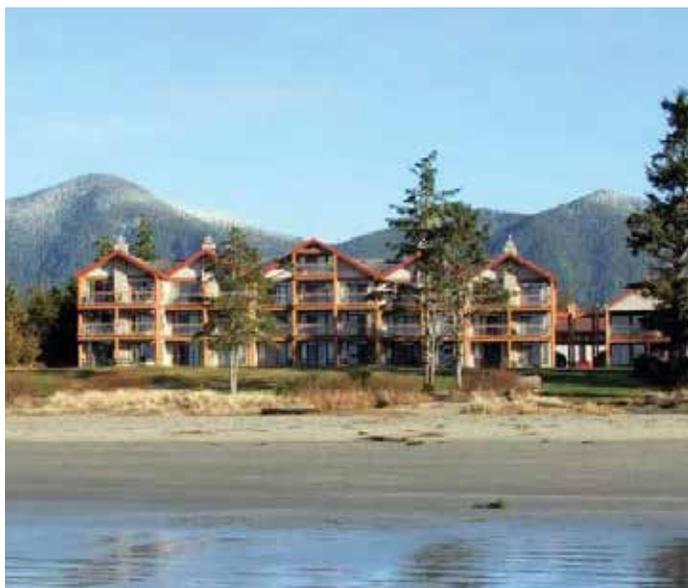
**3 VICTORIA:** *Tuesday.* Take a GUIDED TOUR this morning that combines the best of Victoria’s lovely homes and gardens with points of historic interest. A visit to the beautiful BUTCHART GARDENS will conclude a memorable day. See 50 acres of floral wonderland mixed with spacious lawns, streams and lily ponds.



Whale Watching Excursion

**4 VICTORIA to TOFINO:** (2 nights) *Wednesday.* Bid farewell to Victoria. Travel the Malahat Highway north, make a stop in the picturesque town of CHEMAINUS, travel through Nanaimo and continue to COOMBS COUNTRY MARKET, famous for the goats grazing on its roof. Travel west through CATHEDRAL GROVE, home of 800-year-old Douglas-fir trees. Arrive at the coastal community of Tofino for a two-night stay at the **Best Western Tin Wis Resort** with its oceanfront rooms and landscaped grounds leading down to peaceful sandy MacKenzie Beach.

**5 TOFINO:** *Thursday.* Enjoy a leisurely morning with free time on the beach before departing on an unforgettable WHALE WATCHING TOUR (Limited Seating - if not available a refund will be given for the boat tour). Tofino is a



Tofino – Best Western Tin Wis Resort.

great place for whale watching as gray whales arrive in the spring and travel as far north as Alaska.

**6 TOFINO to VANCOUVER AREA:** *Friday.* Travel back to the east coast of Vancouver Island, board a BC FERRY and sail to Horseshoe Bay. Arrive early afternoon and continue to the unique Vancouver hotel, **Inn at the Quay**, in New Westminster. Ideally located next to the Riverfront Boardwalk, it is built on pillars elevated over the Fraser River. Choose to relax from your over-the-water room with balcony and watch the boats go by or go exploring.

**7 VANCOUVER AREA to THREE VALLEY GAP:** *Saturday.* Depart the Fraser Valley, travel through Merritt and Kamloops and continue to Three Valley Gap for overnight at the **Three Valley Lake Chateau**. Take a tour of the GHOST TOWN prior to your last evening together. Share memories with your fellow travellers at a HOSTED FAREWELL DINNER.

**8 THREE VALLEY GAP to CALGARY to EDMONTON:** *Sunday.* Today’s travel provides a variety of spectacular mountain scenery. Wind your way over the majestic ROGERS PASS. Continue through Banff National Park and have lunch enroute. Arrive mid-afternoon in Calgary and then continue to Edmonton.

DEPARTURE DATES 2023		
8 Days: May 14		
COST PER PERSON – CANADIAN FUNDS		
		+GST
Triple:	\$1,909.00	\$ 95.45
Twin:	\$2,099.00	\$104.95
Single	\$2,879.00	\$143.95
<b>+GST APPLIES TO TOUR COST</b>		
<b>EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT:</b> \$42.00 twin sharing per person.		



**INCLUDED IN YOUR HOLIDAY:** •First class transportation on an air-conditioned, washroom-equipped motorcoach •Quality accommodation and tax •Services of an experienced Tour Director and Driver •Baggage handling, one average piece per person •Travel Bag •Admission to attractions and sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary •Ferry crossings as indicated •Guided tour of Victoria •Butchart Gardens •Chemainus •Coombs Country Market •Cathedral Grove •Whale Watching Tour (Limited Seating) •Ghost Town •Farewell Dinner •Rogers Pass •Meals Include: 6 Breakfasts, Pizza Party, 1 Farewell Dinner.