

Discover Victoria & Vancouver Island

Sunday May 10th

Saturday May 17th, 2026

Eight days/Seven nights

Victoria – otherwise known as the "City of Gardens" – is a captivating city where historic charm, natural beauty, and modern culture blend effortlessly. With stunning waterfront views and a relaxed atmosphere, it is the perfect place to unwind. Whether strolling through the gardens, exploring charming streets or soaking in the harbour views, Victoria is especially lovely in May.



A trip to Vancouver Island would not be complete if you did not witness the raw beauty of the Pacific Rim National Park. Therefore, we begin our eight-day adventure by we travelling north and west to experience this part of the Island – Tofino. Here we will tour the Pacific Rim National park, also included is a tour of the Roy Henry Vickers Gallery – one of Canada's foremost First Nations Artist.

ITINERARY

Day One - Our group flight departs in the a.m. from Toronto – flying direct/non-stop and arriving in Victoria in the morning. We then board our motor coach for our journey up and across Vancouver Island to the Pacific Rim National Park and our hotel – the Best Western Tin Wis – for two nights. (L,D)

Day Two –After a hearty buffet breakfast, we will then have a tour of Tofino – including a visit to the gallery of Canadian Native artist, Roy Henry Vickers. After lunch we will stop for a visit to the Tofino Botanical Gardens. The rest of the afternoon will be spent first strolling along the beach at the Pacific Rim – Long Beach area, OR you can just enjoy the afternoon at the resort, relaxing. (B)

Day Three-After breakfast, we depart Tofino – heading back to Victoria, with a stop at Cathedral Grove – admiring nature's gentle giants -the Douglas Fir. Then on to Parksville for a lunch stop and then continue to Victoria - checking into our hotel, the Huntingdon Hotel & suites – ideally located in downtown Victoria. Our dinner this evening will be an experience – a Scottish High Tea. (B, D)

Day Four – Our day begins with a tour the city of Victoria with our Driver/Guide. We then head north of Victoria to experience the beautiful Butchart Gardens. Here we will be free to wander the gardens and experience Butchart's "High Tea." We will head back to Victoria in the early afternoon – the remainder of the day is free. Dinner is on your own.
(B,HT)

Day Five – Our day starts with a visit to Craigdarrough Castle – a very “Victorian” experience. After our included lunch, downtown, the remainder of the afternoon will be free to wander, possibly discovering “Chinatown” and some of the best bookstores in Canada – also the best tea shop. Dinner on your own. (B, L)

Day Six– Today we visit the Abkhazi Gardens for a stroll amongst their world-class garden. We then enjoy “High Tea” in their quaint Tea House. Our coach could drop you off at Beacon Hill Park, for an afternoon stroll (the running of the goats happens at 4 p.m.) or just enjoy our hotel location and stroll the waterfront. Dinner on your own. (B, HT)

Day Seven – This day is totally free to enjoy Victoria – possibly visit one of the many museums – take a whale watching cruise or enjoy the little yellow taxi boats in the harbour. Shirly will have suggestions for your last day in Victoria.(B)

Day Eight – After breakfast, we board our coach for the transfer to the airport – bidding Victoria adieu. We arrive in Toronto early evening. (B)

Please note that the itinerary is subject to change.

Tour Highlights:

- **BUTCHART GARDENS**

Spectacular beauty in all seasons at this National Historic Site. It is still owned by the Butchart family. With over one million visitors each year, this garden ranks as the top garden in Canada.



- **TOFINO BOTANICAL GARDENS**

Feel like a child again in one of the most whimsical and inspirational botanical gardens you will ever visit. Discover and learn about the plants and people of Clayoquot Sound, amuse yourself with chicken watching (sightings guaranteed!) and alligator spotting.

- **PACIFIC RIM NATIONAL PARK**

Long Beach is the largest and longest beach on the west coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia. Long Beach features rocky 'islands' in the mid-tidal zone of the beach that are accessible only at low tide. When the tide is high, these islands are either surrounded by water or thrashed by ocean swells.



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- **CATHEDRAL GROVE**

The MacMillan Provincial Park preserves a section of lush old-growth forest unique to Vancouver Island. The 800-year-old giant Douglas Fir, Grand Firs, Western Hemlocks and Western Red Cedar trees filters the sun through the 80-meter-high canopy.

- **CRAIGDARROCH CASTLE**

Completed in 1890, Craigdarroch Castle is a definitively Victorian experience. Discover the opulence and grandeur of this historic Victorian-era mansion, nestled in the heart of Victoria, BC. Built for coal baron Robert Dunsmuir between 1887-1890, Craigdarroch Castle is being meticulously restored.



- **ABKHAZI GARDEN**

Abkhazi Garden offers an escape from the rush of modern life. Created in 1946 by Prince and Princess Abkhazi, it is a heritage garden famous for its majestic trees, rhododendrons, and dramatic vistas. The garden is an exquisite and pristine oasis filled with beauty.

YOUR TOUR PACKAGE COSTS:

\$ 3,539. Per person/double occupancy - + HST (\$460.07) = \$ 3,999.07

Single occupancy: \$ 4,599. = HST (\$597.87) = \$ 5,196.87

NOTE: Due to fluctuating airline costs – this price is only guaranteed until February 27th.

Non-refundable deposit of \$ 800. Due upon booking; Balance due March 25, 2026

Your Package Includes: AIR – HOTEL – TOURS – TRANSPORTION

- ✓ Airfare (direct/non-stop from Toronto) and taxes
- ✓ Two nights at the Best Western Tin Wis Resort, Tofino
- ✓ Five nights at the Huntingdon Hotel & Suites, 330 Quebec Street, Victoria
- ✓ Airport transfers plus motor coach transportation during entire stay in Victoria
- ✓ Butchart Gardens –admission + Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Abkhazi Gardens – admission + Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Tours to the various attractions listed on the “Tour Highlights.”
- ✓ Includes: seven breakfasts; two lunches; two Dinners; two “High Teas”
- ✓ Includes mandatory gratuity to Coach Driver
- ✓ Services of an HNA Travels Tour Director – Shirlie van Putten

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