

Adventures & Activities

Tours

False Creek Ferries

The **Narrated Harbour Tour** was introduced last summer, operated on new electric ferries. These vessels were recently added to the fleet and are only available for this tour. The tour is designed to last 1-hour, during which unique perspectives of False Creek and insights into its rich history and geography are provided by the guide on board. It is an intimate experience, with a maximum capacity of 12 passengers per trip. Seats can be booked for \$30 per person, or for a more private experience, the entire boat can be reserved for \$300. All bookings are made through the official website based on the most up-to-date availability.

Meeting Location: False Creek Ferries dock at Granville Island.

granvilleislandferries.bc.ca

Prince of Whales & Marine Wildlife Adventures

The exclusive *Fireworks Cruises* will be re-launched during the Honda Celebration of Light Festival in 2025. These 3-hour tours will be held on a luxurious 95-passenger catamaran, offering the best seats in the house for viewing the fireworks. Music, drinks, and hors d'oeuvres are offered. This limited-time cruise will take place only on the three nights of the Honda Celebration of Light.

Availability: July 19, 23 and 26, 2025

Meeting Location: Granville Island

princeofwhales.com

Talaysay Tours

The *Salish Sea & Me Tour* is designed to highlight the deep connection the Coast Salish peoples have with the Salish Sea, which has shaped their culture, identity, and way of life. This 1-hour walking tour begins at Stanley Park and, if timed correctly with low tide, can include a scavenger hunt activity on the beach, developed with guidance from a marine biologist. Indigenous stewardship, marine ecosystems, and the interconnectedness of ocean life are explored, while emphasizing advocacy for environmental responsibility and Indigenous rights. Through the inclusion of these values, progress toward sustainability, climate resilience, and reconciliation can be continued.

Availability: Monday – Thursday, at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, with custom times offered for private and group tours.

Meeting Location: Stanley Park Information Booth

talaysay.com

Forbidden Vancouver

The **Sinners & Sweets Tour** offers a 2-hour deep dive into Vancouver's most iconic heritage buildings and their fascinating past - filled with drama, scandal, and glamour. Along the way, guests can indulge in delicious treats from top bakeries and chocolatiers, and enjoy an exclusive look inside the stunning Art Deco Marine Building. During the Christmas season, a special version of this tour is available, called **The Holiday History & Chocolate Tour**.

Availability: January – November 2025. Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Meeting location: Outside Old Navy – 708 Robson Street.

forbiddenvancouver.ca







SKY Helicopters



Vancouver Water Adventures

SKY Helicopters

Starting in May, daily heli-tours will be offered from downtown Vancouver - a game changer for visitors looking to experience the city from above. Departures will take place next to Canada Place, Vancouver's only cruise terminal, making this iconic adventure more accessible than ever. Passengers will have a chance to enjoy breathtaking aerial views of Vancouver's most stunning landmarks - from the lush expanse of Stanley Park to the striking Lions Gate Bridge, the city skyline, Burrard Inlet, and towering Coast Mountains. This is more than just a flight – it is Vancouver revealed from an entirely new perspective. Available to Travel Trade at net rates and/or commissionable rates depending on the channel.

Availability: May 1 – September 30, 2025, at 12:30 PM, 1:00 PM, 1:30 PM

skyhelicopters.ca

Discover Canada Tours

Discover Vancouver Sightseeing Bus & Boat Tour: This 7-hour tour is designed to showcase Vancouver's top highlights by land and sea, with visits to iconic spots such as Stanley Park, Granville Island, and the Vancouver Lookout. Discover Canada Tours is partnering with Vancouver Water Adventures so that the adventure continues aboard a zodiac boat, where stunning city views are offered, along with the opportunity to spot marine life. Expert guides and small group sizes ensure a personalized and unforgettable experience.

Availability: May 1 – September 30, 2025. Daily

Pick-up Locations: Parq Hotel, Library Square, Sheraton Wall Centre, Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, Marriott Pinnacle Hotel and Canada Place.

discovercanadatours.com

Vancouver Water Adventures

UNESCO Biosphere & Bowen Island Tour or Jetski to Bowen Island: This 4-hour guided tour through the UNESCO Biosphere of Howe Sound is offered by Zodiac or Jet Ski/Sea-Doo. Along the route, guests get to take in coastal highlights such as Downtown Vancouver, Stanley Park, Lighthouse Park, two active seal colonies, and Gambier Island, with panoramic views of North America's southernmost glacial fjord. Vancouver's working harbour can be seen before entering the wild beauty of Howe Sound, where West Coast wildlife is often spotted in its natural habitat. A stop at Bowen Island is included, with time to explore Snug Cove's shops and restaurants. A complimentary specialty drink or ice cream is provided.

Availability:

May 1 - September 15, 2025. Daily at 9:00 AM & 1:30 PM.

September 15 - October 31, 2025. Daily at 12:00 PM.

November 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026. Weekends only at 12:00 PM.

*Jetski option is only available May 1 – September 15, 2025.

Kayak & Coffee Tour: A relaxing 3-hour guided kayak tour, offering unobstructed views of Granville Island and the Olympic Village neighborhoods, along with dozens of Vancouver's must-see sites such as Science World and BC Place Stadium. A stop at a local beach is included, where complimentary coffee and snacks are provided.

Availability: May 1 - September 30, 2025. Daily at 11:30 AM

Meeting Location for all tours: Granville Island

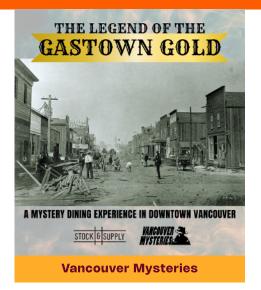
vancouverwateradventures.com







Taste Vancouver Food Tours



Harbour Cruises & Events

Harbour Cruises has long been known for offering unforgettable experiences on Vancouver's scenic waterways. From calm harbour tours to sunset dinner cruises, the city's beauty is showcased from the water.

Evening Dinner Cruise: A 2.5-hour ultimate cruise and dining experience, featuring delicious cuisine, live entertainment, and breathtaking views.

Availability: Thursday – Sunday, from 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM.

Vancouver Brunch Cruise: A 3-hour brunch buffet is provided while cruising through spectacular settings.

Availability: May 5 – June 14, 2025, on Saturdays only and June 15 – September 14 on Saturdays and Sundays, from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Indian Arm Lunch Cruise: A 4-hour West Coast lunch buffet is served while cruising along a breathtaking landscape.

Availability: On select dates only - refer to the website for the most up-to-date schedule.

Harbour Tours: A boxed lunch, including a sandwich or wrap, fruit, a cookie, and a bottle of water, can be added to this pre-existing one-hour tour.

Availability: May 5 – June 29, 2025, on Tuesday – Sunday, and June 30 – September 30, on Monday – Sunday at 11:00 AM, 12:15 PM, 1:30 PM, 2:45 PM. Refer to the website for the most up-to-date schedule.

Meeting Location for all tours: Harbour Cruises Terminal, Coal Harbour

harbourcruises.com

Vancouver Mysteries

The Legend of the Gastown Gold: An immersive mystery experience set in 1886 is held at a hotel's lobby lounge, featuring escape room-style challenges, dining, and drinks at Stock and Supply. Located just minutes from top attractions, it is designed for small groups or private bookings. Larger groups can be accommodated through Private Bookings on the website.

Availability: Daily at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM, with a maximum capacity of 10 guests

Meeting Location: Disclosed as part of the mystery once the booking is complete.

vancouvermysteries.com

Taste Vancouver Food Tours

Gastown Morning Bites: A Brunch Lover's Tour: A relaxed and flavourful morning can be spent savouring the best of Gastown one bite and story at a time. This leisurely brunch experience takes place across four handpicked stops in the heart of the neighborhood. Along the way, guests are guided by engaging storytellers while uncovering the rich history and taking in its charm. Thoughtfully prepared tastings can be enjoyed at each stop, showcasing the vibrant flavours Gastown is known for. Throughout the tour, there is a perfect mix of relaxed vibes, local flavours, and fascinating stories - making for a memorable start to the day.

Availability: Monday – Sunday, at 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Meeting Location: Waterfront Station

tastevancouverfoodtours.com







Transportation

Westcoast Sightseeing

New Double Decker Buses for the 'Big Bus Vancouver' Tour! The Hop-on, Hop-off tour has been renamed Big Bus Vancouver and taken to 'new heights' with new buses offering panoramic views of the city from the upper deck. Spacious seating, increased accessibility, and enhanced comfort are provided, making them the perfect way to explore and enjoy Vancouver. Multilingual commentary available through the mobile app.

Christmas Karaoke Tours will also be brought back in December 2025. This festive tour, featuring new double decker buses decked out for the holidays and equipped with karaoke machines, is designed to offer a great way to experience holiday cheer. After cheerful on-the-move caroling through the city, the bus will make a stop at Bright Nights at Stanley Park for a quick stroll through the lights.

westcoastsightseeing.com

BC Ferries

BC Ferries' service is being expanded this summer with the launch of a new daily direct sailing from Tsawwassen to Departure Bay, starting June 19, 2025. This new route, departing Tsawwassen at 4:30 PM, provides more flexibility for travelers heading to Nanaimo and supports improvements in operational efficiency. Two terminal options will now be available for passengers traveling to Nanaimo: the new Departure Bay route and the existing Duke Point route. Departure Bay, located in central Nanaimo, offers public transit connections, while Duke Point, in the south, requires private transportation. Bookings for the new sailing are now open on the BC Ferries website and app.

bcferries.com

Harbour Air

With the launch of their Spring and Summer schedule, communities across the west coast continue to be connected by Harbour Air, providing travellers with increased flight choices and flexibility.

Increased daily flight frequencies for routes between Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo, Seattle and others, starting May 1, 2025.

Return of seasonal routes:

- · Victoria-Salt Spring Island
- · Whistler, Tofino and Comox
- Whistler Spectacular Glacier and Whistler Valley scenic tours

harbourair.com

Aquabus Ferries

For 2025, group booking operations have been expanded by Aquabus. New vessels have been built to accommodate larger groups. This also allows for group bookings to be scheduled earlier in the morning and later in the evening than in previous years. Hourly rentals, point A to point B services, and special requests for bookings are offered. Group bookings can be made directly with Aquabus Ferries.

theaquabus.com

Events

Broadway Across Canada

The 2025 - 2026 season lineup promises an unforgettable experience, featuring three premier engagements and the return of two beloved classics. Vancouver audiences can enjoy these performances at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. Special rates of up to 20% are available for travel trade partners, depending on the

vancouver.broadway.com







Wedgewood Hotel & Spa



Metropolitan Hotel

Hotels

Century Plaza Hotel

Refurbishment of all guest rooms was completed by the hotel as of December 2024. The updates include new carpeting, fresh paint, updated wall art, and furniture, giving each room a refreshed feel.

century-plaza.com

Metropolitan Hotel

The newly renovated Tai Pan Presidential Suite and Luxury Suites, located on the top floor, are now available at the Metropolitan Hotel Vancouver. These additions complement recent renovations across all guestrooms. The Tai Pan Suite spans two stories with stunning floor-to-ceiling windows, a spiral staircase, a baby grand piano, an over sized terrace, and a loft bedroom. It also includes an eight-person dining room and a butler's kitchen within 1,550 sq. ft. of space. These suites offer an unparalleled luxury experience and are ideal for private events, paired with the Met's new Luxury Menu.

marriott.com/metropolitanhotel

YWCA Hotel

The refurbished lobby of the YWCA Hotel in downtown Vancouver has been unveiled, with thoughtful design by community designers aimed at enhancing comfort and creating a welcoming space for guests and staff. Inspired by Vancouver's stunning local scenery, new furniture has been added, complemented by modern lighting and additional seating. This transformation reflects a commitment to an exceptional guest experience. As a social enterprise hotel, revenue generated from the 220 guest rooms directly supports YWCA community programs and services for women, children, and families.

ywcavan.org/hotel

Fairmont Pacific Rim Hotel

The newly reimagined *Fairmont Gold* at Fairmont Pacific Rim has been created as a tranquil retreat, inspired by Vancouver's natural beauty. Located on the hotel's highest floors, redesigned rooms and suites are adorned with custom furnishings, curated local art, and expansive views of the city, mountains, and harbour. Elevated amenities are provided, including access to a private lounge where fresh breakfast, evening canapés, and sommelier-selected wines are served. Personalized service is ensured by a dedicated concierge team.

fairmontpacificrim.com

Wedgewood Hotel & Spa

Celebration Package at Wedgewood Hotel: A luxurious one-night stay in a Deluxe Room, complete with sparkling wine, chocolate-dipped strawberries, a \$100 dining credit, valet parking, and flexible check-in/out. A delightful experience at the MICHELIN-recommended Bacchus Restaurant is available, or the option of in-room dining. Commissionable for IATA Travel Agents to book on website.

West Coast Rejuvenation Package at Wedgewood Spa: The West Coast Rejuvenation Package, a 3.5-hour wellness experience, can be enjoyed by guests, blending a therapeutic massage, detoxifying sea salt wrap, and healing facial with locally sourced ingredients. Priced at \$610 per person, it restores balance, vitality, and unveils natural beauty.

wedgewoodhotel.com







Flyover



Grouse Mountain

Attractions

Bard on the Beach

The 2025 Bard on the Beach Shakespeare Festival will return to Sen ákw/Vanier Park in Vancouver from June to September, 2025. *Travel Agents can reach out directly for group discounts*. The season will include four dynamic productions including:

Much Ado About Nothing - BMO Mainstage - packed with Shakespeare's wittiest wordplay, romance, and intrigue.

The Two Gentlemen of Verona - BMO Mainstage - performed with a unique '80s twist.

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged) [Revised] [Again] - Douglas Campbell Theatre - the company debut of the global smash-hit.

The Dark Lady - Douglas Campbell Theatre - intriguing new Canadian work by Jessica B. Hill.

bardonthebeach.org

Flyover

Now offering two immersive flying experiences featuring iconic Canadian locations: Flyover's *Canadian Rockies* returned to Canada Place in March 2025, shown alongside Flyover's new anchor experience, *Awaken Canada*, which launched in Summer 2024. Filmed over multiple seasons by Flyover Attraction's creative team, Canadian Rockies captures the magic and power of the Rockies' remote mountains and dramatic vistas, inspiring guests to connect with the land, culture, and spirit of one of Canada's most iconic natural wonders.

flyover.com

Grouse Mountain

Blue Grouse Gondola: Launched in December 2024, offering a quick 5.5-minute journey between the base and the peak. Together with the Red Skyride, the uphill and downhill capacity has been doubled year-round.

Mountain Coaster: Available in Summer 2025, the Mountain Coaster will offer an exhilarating ride through twists, turns, and scenic views of Vancouver, with speeds of up to 45 km/h. The ride includes a vertical descent of 919 meters and a vertical drop of 91 meters, returning riders to the mountaintop without leaving their cart.

Mountain Biking: An all-new Mountain Bike Park with a variety of trails for all skill levels will be available Summer 2025. Bike rentals and lessons will be available with advanced reservations.

Enhanced Summer Walking Paths: Newly improved paved pathways that connect popular areas at the peak will be available to guests, with enhanced wayfinding making it easier to navigate and enjoy all that the mountain offers.

Return of the Free Summer Shuttle: The shuttle service will be offered again by Grouse Mountain this summer, running between May and September, with convenient transportation to and from the mountain. The pick-up point will be at Canada Place.

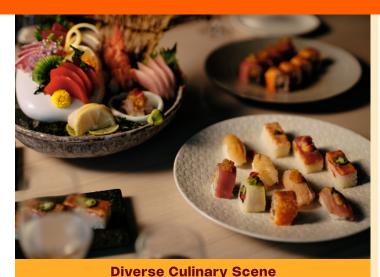
grousemountain.com

Vancouver Aquarium

Survival of the Slowest indicates that survival is not about speed – it is about strategy. This all-new family experience offers close-up encounters with masters of mellow, such as sloths and armadillos. Hands-on experiences and daily animal presentations will also be provided. The exhibit will showcase how taking it slow can be considered a superpower.

Availability: Until September 1, 2025.

vanaqua.org



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FIFA World Cup

Restaurants

Chez Celine

An exciting new venture is being launched by the team behind Vancouver's acclaimed St. Lawrence: **Chez Celine**, a French-inspired concept set to debut in Spring 2025. Located at Fraser and 27th, this elegant eatery will be led by Chef J-C Poirier, joining a thriving culinary hub alongside Masayoshi, Bar Bravo, and Zab Bite. With its refined charm and top-tier pedigree, Chez Celine is sure to become a standout destination.

Website launching soon!

Sainam

This spring, *Sainam* is being unveiled in the West End by celebrated chef Angus An of Full House Hospitality (Maenam, Fat Mao, Sen Pad Thai, Longtail Kitchen). Located at 1235 Davie Street, this new eatery will spotlight the bold, aromatic flavours of Northeastern Thai cuisine, with signature dishes like som tum (papaya salad) and gai yang (grilled chicken), transporting guests straight to Thailand's Isaan region.

sainam.ca

Bacchus Restaurant & Lounge

At Wedgewood Hotel & Spa's Bacchus Restaurant & Lounge, Spring can be celebrated by guests with a luxurious *Spring Afternoon Tea*, featuring seasonal bites, sandwiches, and warm scones, complemented by live music in an elegant setting. The experience can be enhanced with fine teas or a glass of sparkling champagne, perfect for enjoying with loved ones or friends.

Availability: April 12 – June 1, 2025, on Saturdays and Sundays

wedgewoodhotel/dining/bacchus-restaurant.com

Sports

2026 FIFA World Cup

Vancouver has been chosen as one of the official host cities for the FIFA World Cup 2026. This is the first time that FIFA Men's World Cup matches will be played on Canadian soil, watched by billions of people around the world. An event of this scale will showcase Vancouver's appeal as a global destination of choice and is a major step in continuing to build a vibrant and resilient visitor economy.

There will be seven matches taking place at BC Place, between June 13 and July 7, 2026.

vancouverfwc26.ca

Vancouver Rise Football Club

Vancouver is now home to Vancouver Rise Football Club, a new professional women's soccer team competing from April to October in the Northern Super League, with home games at Swangard Stadium in Burnaby. The city is also home to Vancouver Whitecaps Football Club, the professional men's Major League Soccer team, whose season runs from late February to October at BC Place

vanrisefc.com

Professional Women's Hockey League

Vancouver's professional hockey scene is expanding with the arrival of a new Professional Women's Hockey League (PWHL) team, set to debut in the 2025–26 winter season, with home games at the historic Pacific Coliseum. The city is also home to the Vancouver Canucks, the professional men's National Hockey League team, whose season runs from October to April at Rogers Arena.

thepwhl.com/vancouver

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We acknowledge that the Destination Vancouver head office is on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples–Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Səlílwəta?/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) and xw məθkw əyəm (Musqueam) Nations.

Destination Vancouver

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MICHELIN Guide

Vancouver 2025

Vancouver has long enjoyed tremendous acclaim for our culinary scene and the MICHELIN Guide Vancouver further elevates the city's reputation as a global dining destination. The MICHELIN Guide offers something for everyone, for every occasion and in every price bracket.



ANNALENA

Contemporary \$\$\$\$

1809 West 1st Avenue

Don't be fooled by Annalena's unassuming atmosphere, as dining here is a polished experience from top to bottom.

BARBARA

Contemporary \$\$\$\$

305 East Pender Street

Chef Patrick Hennessy spent time at many top spots, including Eleven Madison Park in New York, but he is clearly at home at Barbara.

BURDOCK & CO

Contemporary \$\$\$\$

2702 Main Street

This Mount Pleasant charmer straddles a corner of Main Street in an area rich with top spots, but Burdock & Co stands out with its rustic appeal and Chef Andrea Carlson's farm-to-table cooking.

IDEN & QUANJUDE BEIJING DUCK HOUSE

Chinese \$\$\$\$

2808 Cambie Street

It has a pedigree that traces back to Beijing from 1864, but the latest outpost in Vancouver proves that QuanJuDe hasn't lost any of its luster.

KISSA TANTO

Japanese \$\$\$\$

263 East Pender Street

Inspired by the jazz cafes of 1960s Tokyo, Kissa Tanto seduces with a moody vibe complete with white mosaic floors, antique Japanese panels and steely colored walls loaded with artwork and photos.

MASAYOSHI

Japanese \$\$\$\$

4376 Fraser Street

Chef Masayoshi Baba brings Japan's luxurious, jewel -box sushi counters to Vancouver with this eponymous restaurant.

OKEYA KYUJIRO

Japanese \$\$\$\$

1038 Mainland Street

Hosts dressed in stunning traditional clothing guide you to a dark room, lit only by the faintest glow from votive candles. A black curtain is raised ceremoniously only when the clock strikes the precise minute of your seating. These are the first clues that this is far from your typical omakase.

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Contemporary \$\$\$

3593 Main Street

Timing is everything, but Chef Gus Stieffenhofer
-Brandson and his team have a preternatural ability for sensing when produce is at its peak.

ST. LAWRENCE

French \$\$\$\$

269 Powell Street

There is so much to love about St. Lawrence with its textured walls, mosaic-tiled floor, antiques and open kitchen.

SUSHI MASUDA

Japanese \$\$\$\$

1066 West Hastings Street

Entering this humble five-seat counter serves as a pointed reminder not to judge a book by its cover. The minimalist space comes alive with Chef Yoji Masuda's meticulous, Tokyo-honed dishes, all showcasing his distinct skill and personality.









BIB GOURMAND

ANH AND CHI \$\$

3388 Main Street

CHUPITO \$\$

2450 Yukon Street

FABLE KITCHEN \$\$

1944 West 4th Avenue

FARMER'S
APPRENTICE \$\$

1535 West 6th Avenue

GARY'S \$\$

1485 West 12th Avenue

KARMA INDIAN BISTRO \$\$

2741 West 4th Avenue

KIN KAO SONG \$\$

317 East Broadway

LITTLE BIRD
DIM SUM +
CRAFT BEER \$\$

2958 West 4th Avenue

VIJ'S \$\$

3106 Cambie Street

LUNCH LADY \$\$

1046 Commercial Drive

MOTONOBU UDON \$\$

3501 East Hastings Street

MAGARI BY OCA \$\$

1260 Commercial Drive

PHNOM PENH \$\$

244 East Georgia Street

SEAPORT CITY
SEAFOOD \$\$

2425 Cambie Street

SUSHI HIL \$\$

3330 Main Street

SPECIAL AWARDS

BAILEY HAYWARD, Gary's

MICHELIN Outstanding Service Award

FRASER CRAWFORD, Kissa Tanto

MICHELIN Exceptional Cocktails Award

REVERIE BEALL, AnnaLena

MICHELIN Sommelier Award

YOJI MASUDA, Sushi Masuda MICHELIN Young Chef Award



RECOMMENDED

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The Acorn	Bonjour Vietnam Bistro
Acquafarina	Botanist
Archer	Boulevard Kitchen &
Ask For Luigi	Oyster Bar
Bacaro	Bravo
Bacchus	Café Medina
Bao Bei	Carlino

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