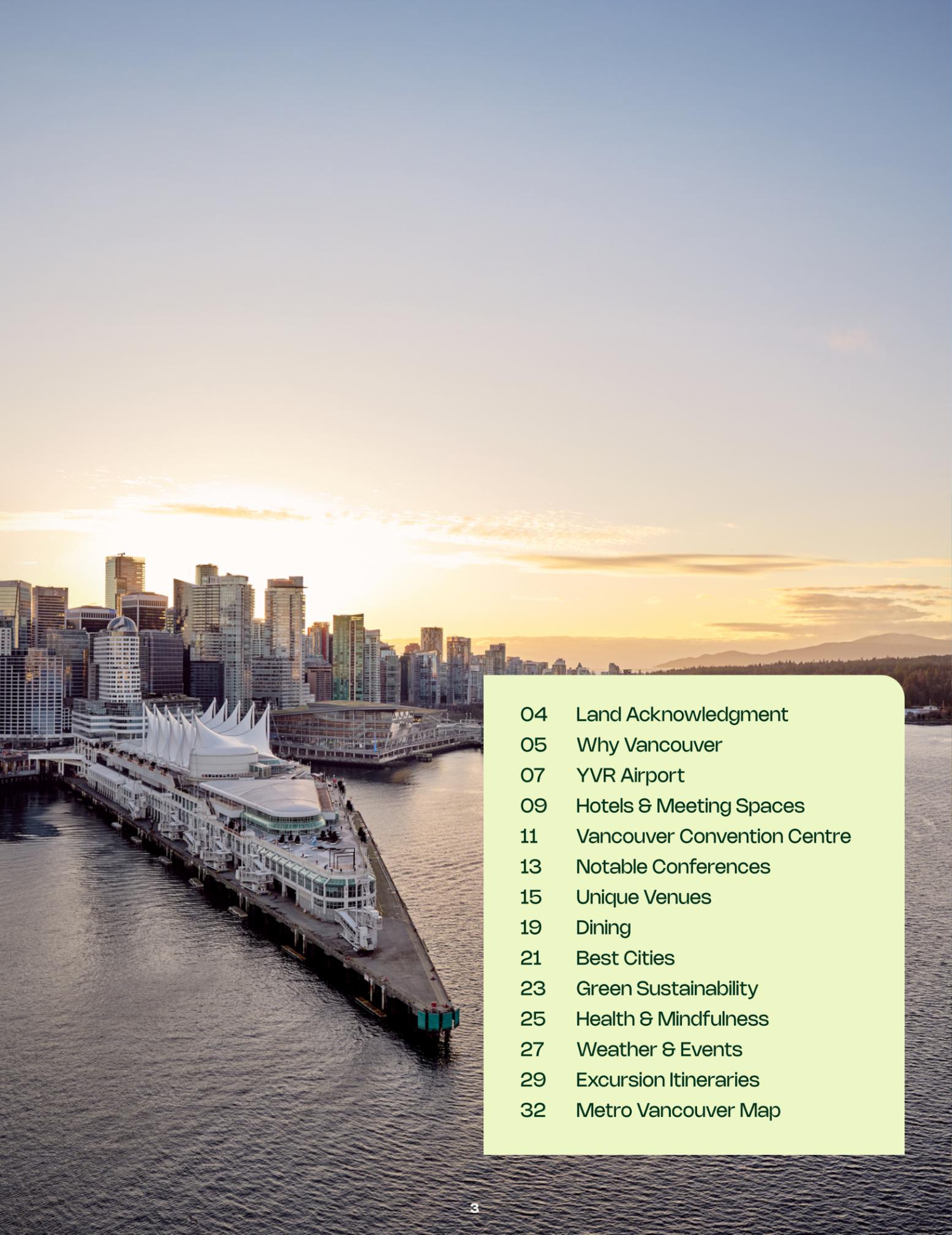


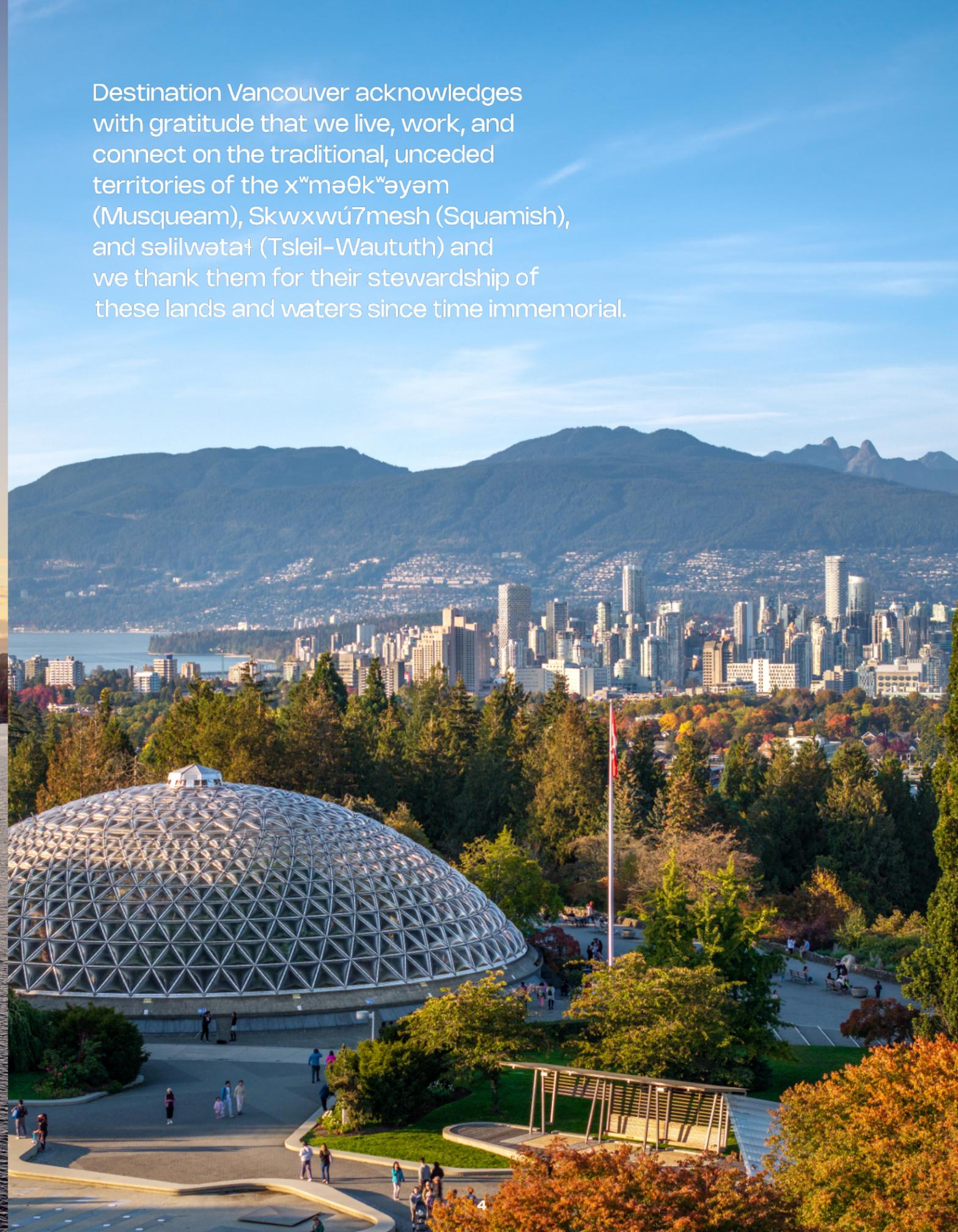
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but make it  
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Destination Vancouver acknowledges with gratitude that we live, work, and connect on the traditional, unceded territories of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) and we thank them for their stewardship of these lands and waters since time immemorial.



# Why Vancouver

We may have been voted Most Liveable City quite a few times, but we prefer the term Most Alive — and your delegates will see why. Here, we don't just sit in nature; we run, jump, ski, surf, start start-ups and brew breweries in it (among many other things). With endless adventures available to your team, this city will keep them inspired in and out of the boardroom.



## EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Part of the beauty of this place comes from the diversity of our people. We're proud to be a safe, inclusive city, and you'll hear us say it in one of the 70+ languages spoken here (though English and French are our official languages).



## OUR NATURAL PLAYGROUND

We're surrounded by some of the world's most beautiful (and accessible) nature, offering year-round mountain, rainforest, and ocean excursions. This is a take-your-breath-away, choose-your-own-adventure kind of place.



## GETTING HERE IS SIMPLE, BEING HERE, EVEN EASIER

Here, you'll find non-stop direct flights to over 122 destinations, with 94 US and 43 international arrivals per day. And to get around, choose from skytrains, buses, taxis, Ubers, Lyfts, limousines, or your legs (we're very walkable).



## VIBRANT CULTURE & EVENTS

Vancouver boasts a unique and diverse arts & culture scene that we're committed to growing. The City of Vancouver's culture plan for 2020-2029 includes the priority actions, including Making Space for Arts and Culture and the Vancouver Music Strategy.



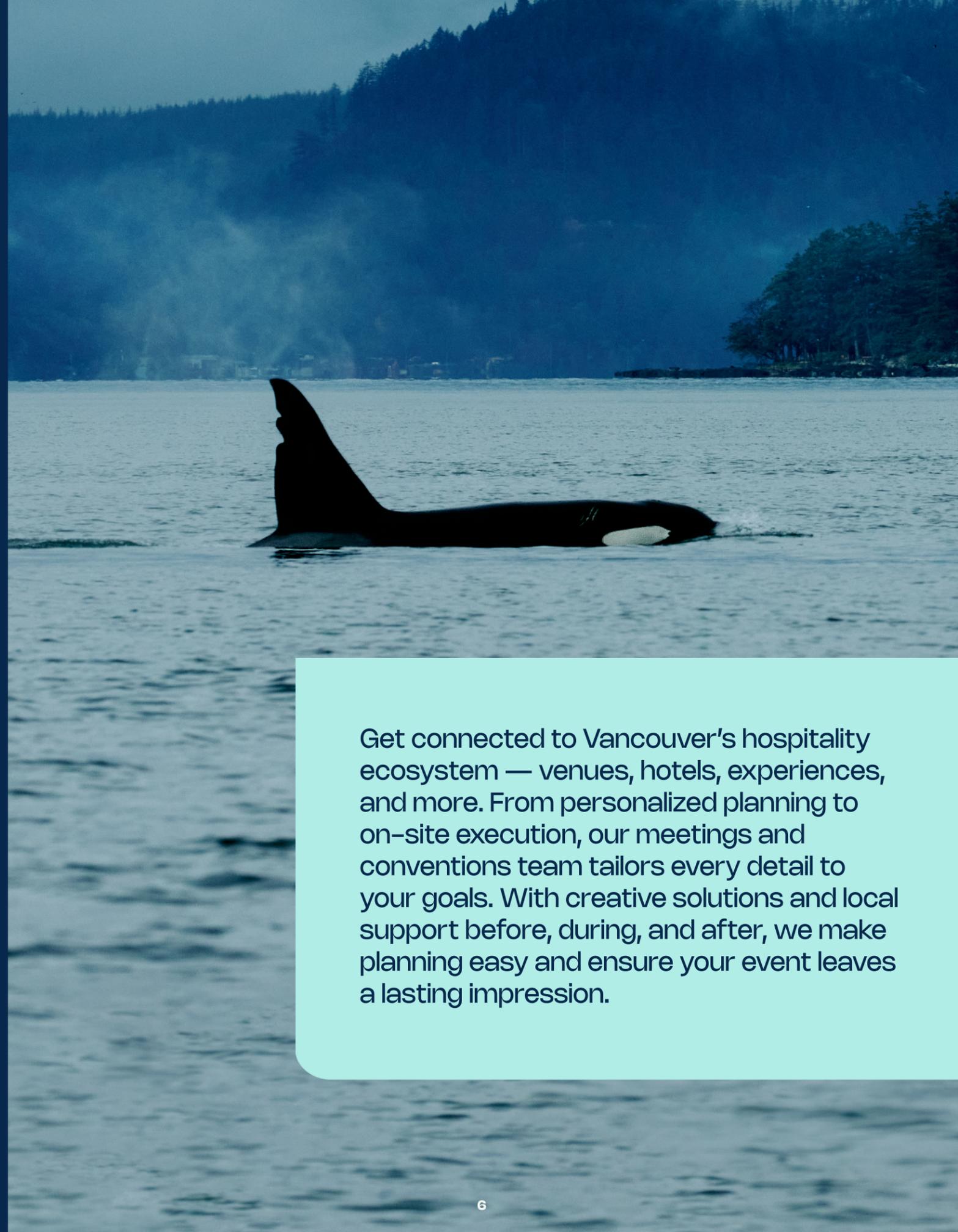
## PARADISE FOR PEDESTRIANS

Where other cities might have your team travelling for hours in traffic, our walkability can't be beat. Our downtown core provides everything your team needs in 30-minutes walking time or less, helping you achieve both your sustainability and your budgetary goals.



## EXPERIENCES BEYOND THE 9-TO-5

Our location makes us the perfect jumping- (driving-, sailing-, flying-) off point for adventure. In the days or even hours before and after a meeting, your delegates can easily add an experience that won't be so easily forgotten.



Get connected to Vancouver's hospitality ecosystem — venues, hotels, experiences, and more. From personalized planning to on-site execution, our meetings and conventions team tailors every detail to your goals. With creative solutions and local support before, during, and after, we make planning easy and ensure your event leaves a lasting impression.

# YVR Airport

We're one of the best-connected places on the planet. Sitting equal distance between Asia and Europe, and only minutes from the U.S. border, Vancouver International Airport (YVR) welcomes close to 900 international flights from around the globe, every week. And we're not just connected to other places, but also to each other. Our hospitality team works as one to create a customized experience for your team, right down to your travel plans.

**26.2**

million passengers served in 2024

**1,573**

Canadian non-stop flights per week

**94**

US flight arrivals per day

**241**

international flight arrivals per week (excluding USA)



non-stop access to 120 destinations



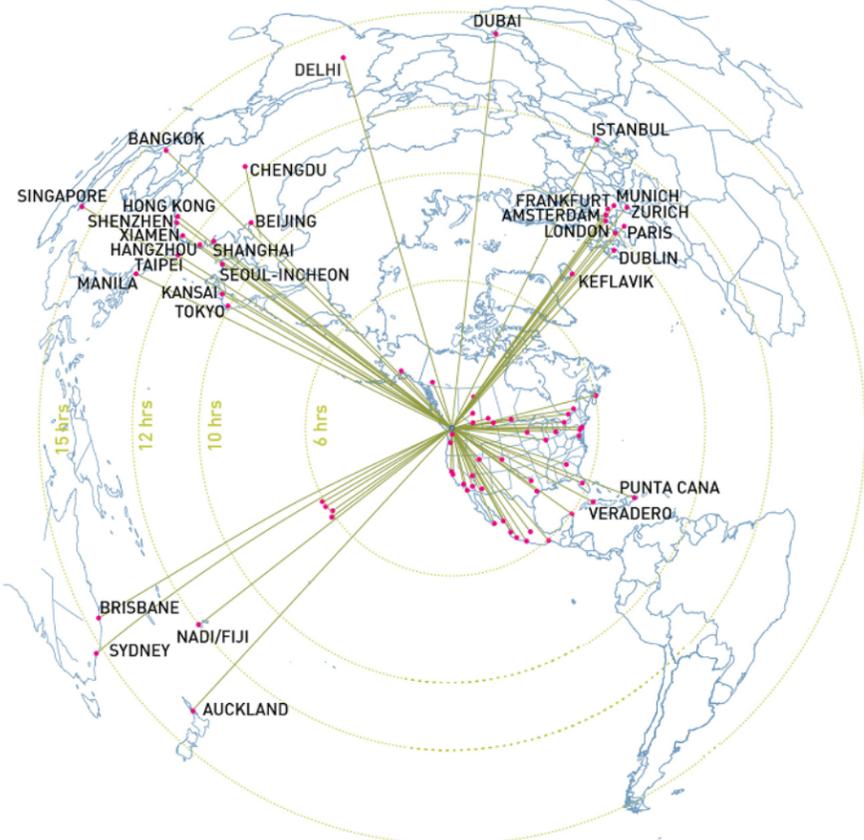
premier gateway to the Asia Pacific region



voted best airport in North America



## Non-stop Destinations North America & International



Current route	
Est flight time from YVR (hrs)	

NON-STOP FLIGHT TIMES TO VANCOUVER	
Auckland	13 hrs 15 min
Beijing	10 hrs 40 min
Frankfurt	10 hrs 25 min
Hong Kong	11 hrs 30 min
London	9 hrs 35 min
Tokyo	8 hrs 30 min
Shanghai	10 hrs 35 min
Sydney	14 hrs



NON-STOP FLIGHT TIMES TO VANCOUVER	
Atlanta	5 hrs 30 min
Chicago	4 hrs 25 min
Dallas	4 hrs 15 min
Denver	3 hrs
Los Angeles	2 hrs 55 min
Mexico City	5 hrs 15 min
New York	5 hrs 40 min
Toronto	5 hrs

# Hotel and Meeting Spaces

Inspire your attendees' minds at one of hundreds of meeting spaces within the downtown core and beyond. Afterwards, delegates can rest their heads in one of 13,000 hotel rooms in Downtown Vancouver or an additional 10,000 in Metro Vancouver.

DOWNTOWN CONVENTION HOTELS	AAA RATING	TOTAL GUEST ROOMS	TOTAL MEETING SPACE (SQ FT/M)	LARGEST MEETING ROOM (SQ FT/M)	TOTAL MEETING ROOMS	CAPACITY THEATRE-STYLE	CAPACITY BANQUET STYLE
COAST COAL HARBOUR VANCOUVER HOTEL	***	220	8,000/743	5,000/465	8	400	360
DELTA BY MARRIOT VANCOUVER DOWNTOWN SUITES	***	225	18,000/1,672	6,500/604	11	270	200
FAIRMONT HOTEL VANCOUVER	****	556	63,000/5,853	11,400/1,059	16	1,500	1000
FAIRMONT PACIFIC RIM	*****	377	15,000/1,394	6,852/637	9	500	450
FAIRMONT WATERFRONT	****	489	24,000/2,229	7,050/654	14	780	590
HOLIDAY INN & SUITES VANCOUVER DOWNTOWN	***	245	6,415/596	3,500/325	4	225	150
HYATT REGENCY VANCOUVER	****	644	46,000/4,274	13,940/1,295	29	1,650	1,300
JW MARRIOTT PARQ VANCOUVER + THE DOUGLAS	****	517	65,000/6,039	15,604/1,450	29	1,800	1,200
METROPOLITAN HOTEL VANCOUVER	****	197	7,800/724	1,929/179	7	150	110
PAN PACIFIC VANCOUVER	****	503	42,000/3,901	6,808/632	20	700	600
PINNACLE HOTEL HARBOURFRONT	***	442	31,000/2,879	7,920/736	19	800	600
SHERATON VANCOUVER WALL CENTRE	***	746	48,652/4,520	10,489/975	35	1,350	930
SUTTON PLACE HOTEL VANCOUVER	****	396	12,148/1,129	3,150/292	16	330	280
VANCOUVER MARRIOTT PINNACLE DOWNTOWN HOTEL	****	438	16,000/1,486	6,632/616	12	600	450
WESTIN BAYSHORE VANCOUVER	****	499	51,334/4,769	15,521/1,441	35	2,000	1,400

Vancouver is home to internationally recognized hotels, providing visitors with a variety of options, features and amenities.



We work collaboratively with all of our city's hotels to find the right meeting space and perfect guest rooms for your group. And with all hotels situated in the downtown core, your delegates will be just steps from the Vancouver Convention Centre.

- Under 15 Minute Walk
- Under 20 Minute Walk
- Under 30 Minute Walk

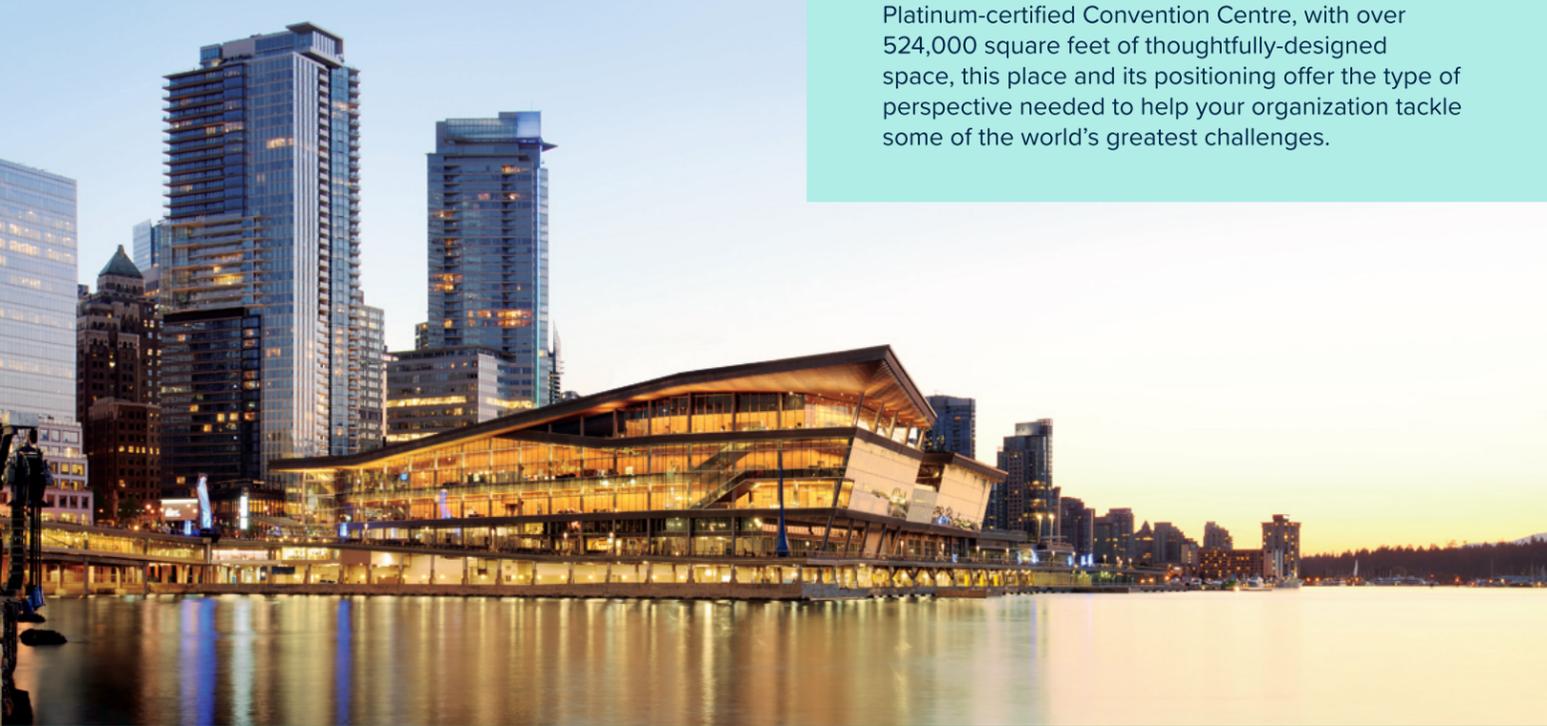
\* Only includes 15 convention hotels. There are 13,000 total hotel rooms downtown.

Additional University Accommodation 30 minutes from Downtown

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|---|--|
| 1 Coast Coal Harbour Vancouver Hotel          | 9 Metropolitan Hotel                     |
| 2 Delta By Marriott Vancouver Downtown Suites | 10 Pan Pacific Hotel                     |
| 3 Fairmont Hotel Vancouver                    | 11 Pinnacle Hotel Vancouver Harbourfront |
| 4 Fairmont Pacific Rim                        | 12 Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre        |
| 5 Fairmont Waterfront                         | 13 The Sutton Place Hotel                |
| 6 Holiday Inn & Suites Vancouver Downtown     | 14 Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown  |
| 7 Hyatt Regency Vancouver                     | 15 The Westin Bayshore, Vancouver        |

# Vancouver Convention Centre

The Vancouver Convention Centre isn't simply the heart of our city, in one of the most beautiful settings in the world, but also at the centre of global subjects that matter. As the world's first double LEED® Platinum-certified Convention Centre, with over 524,000 square feet of thoughtfully-designed space, this place and its positioning offer the type of perspective needed to help your organization tackle some of the world's greatest challenges.



### IN THE HEART OF IT ALL

SEE WHERE WE'RE SITUATED  
(HINT: PERFECTLY)



### INSPIRING VIEWS

DISCOVER A NEW PERSPECTIVE



### LEADERS IN SUSTAINABILITY

LEARN ABOUT OUR SUSTAINABILITY STEWARDSHIP

### AWARD-WINNING

LEARN ABOUT OUR AWARDS AND ACCOLADES



### WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE

JUST STEPS FROM HOTELS AND ATTRACTIONS



### ROOM FOR EVERY BIG IDEA

SEE OUR SCALE AND FLEXIBILITY



### SOPHISTICATED, SUSTAINABLE FLAVOURS

SEE OUR INSPIRED FOOD AND DRINK CONCEPTS



### TECHNOLOGICALLY SUPERIOR

LEARN ABOUT OUR LEADING TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES

# Vancouver Convention Centre



FUNCTION SPACE	WEST BUILDING	EAST BUILDING	COMBINED FACILITY
Exhibition space	220,500ft <sup>2</sup> / 20,485m <sup>2</sup>	91,205ft <sup>2</sup> / 8,473m <sup>2</sup>	311,705ft <sup>2</sup> / 28,958m <sup>2</sup>
Meeting rooms	52	20	72
Ballroom space	52,668ft <sup>2</sup> / 4,893m <sup>2</sup>	16,604ft <sup>2</sup> / 1,542m <sup>2</sup>	69,272ft <sup>2</sup> / 6,435m <sup>2</sup>
Pre-function space	129,993ft <sup>2</sup> / 12,018m <sup>2</sup>	13,240ft <sup>2</sup> / 1,230m <sup>2</sup>	143,233ft <sup>2</sup> / 13,248m <sup>2</sup>



# Notable Conferences

Vancouver and the Vancouver Convention Centre have successfully hosted many International Conferences ranging in size from 500 to over 17,000 delegates. Several of these conferences also hosted successful free-of-charge events for the public. These events enriched the delegate experience while also exposing Vancouverites to the conference's message. An example of one such program was the Brain Health Fair, put on by the American Academy of Neurology, held in April 2016.

Upcoming conferences who chose Vancouver include:

- 2026 Web Summit - 15,000 delegates
- 2026 10th World Congress of Biomechanics - 3,500 delegates
- 2027 ISMRM Annual Meeting and Exhibition - 6,000 delegates
- 2027 World Road Congress - 4,000 delegates
- 2028 World Congress of Anaesthesiologists - 9,000 delegates
- 2028 SIGGRAPH - 15,000 delegates
- 2029 IEEE IGARSS - 2,500 delegates
- 2029 International Congress of Nutrition (ICN) - 4,000 delegates
- 2031 World Mining Congress - 3,300 delegates

# Unique Venues

When's the last time you went to a meeting on top of a mountain? Or sat with colleagues at a table surrounded by swimming sea life? Or attended a corporate event in an old growth forest? You may have started to notice we like to do things a little differently around here. So it should come as no surprise that you can, too. In Vancouver, invite your delegates to a venue they'll never expect — or forget.



## BC Place

A newly renovated multi-purpose stadium with the world's largest retractable roof. Home to the BC Lions of the Canadian Football League (CFL) and the Whitecaps Football Club of Major League Soccer (MLS).

**CAPACITY** 7,000 Dining  
12,000 Reception

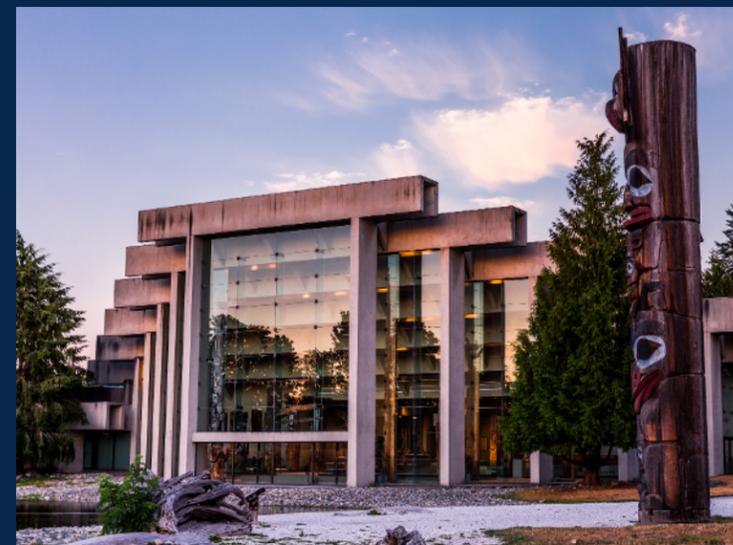
# Unique Venues



## Stanley Park Pavilion

Heritage building nestled within the Rose Gardens in Stanley Park with rustic charm and options for outdoor tenting on grass.

**CAPACITY** 280 Dining  
660 Reception



## Museum of Anthropology at UBC

Open-air and tented events find their home on the spectacular grounds overlooking the ocean amidst soaring totem poles.

**CAPACITY** 100 Indoor dining space  
500+ Outdoor dining space (w/tents)



## Grouse Mountain

Enjoy 360-degree views of the city, sea and mountains, as well as a theatre outdoor patio, alpine and traditional log Hiwus Feasthouse.

**CAPACITY** 1000 Dining (w/tents)  
1000+ Reception (w/tents)



## Science World

Provides an imaginative backdrop for special events and includes many captivating exhibit galleries.

**CAPACITY** 600 Dining  
2,000 Reception



## Vancouver Art Gallery

Historic turn-of-the century building with marble walls, columns and steps as backdrop to the contemporary and historic exhibits.

**CAPACITY** 250 Dining  
500 Reception

# Unique Venues



## Vancouver Aquarium

Offering formal dining among marine life, cocktail receptions in a living art gallery-style setting with tropical fish, reef sharks and BC-themed exhibits, the Vancouver Aquarium is an unforgettable West Coast experience.

**CAPACITY** 600 Dining  
2,000 Reception



## Rocky Mountaineer Station

This bright and flexible meeting and reception space is housed in a renovated 1950's locomotive maintenance building, combining a nostalgic feel with contemporary design.

**CAPACITY** 750 Dining  
1200+ Reception

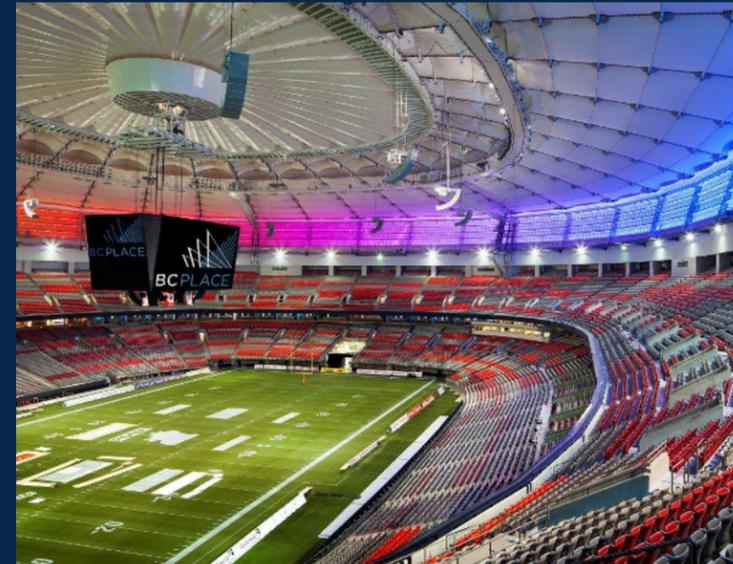


## Boat and Yacht Charters

Trade land for water and celebrate an event on the Pacific Ocean while surrounded by mountains and cityscape. Vancouver has a plethora of yacht charter companies to choose for your event.

**CAPACITY** 275 Dining  
350 Reception

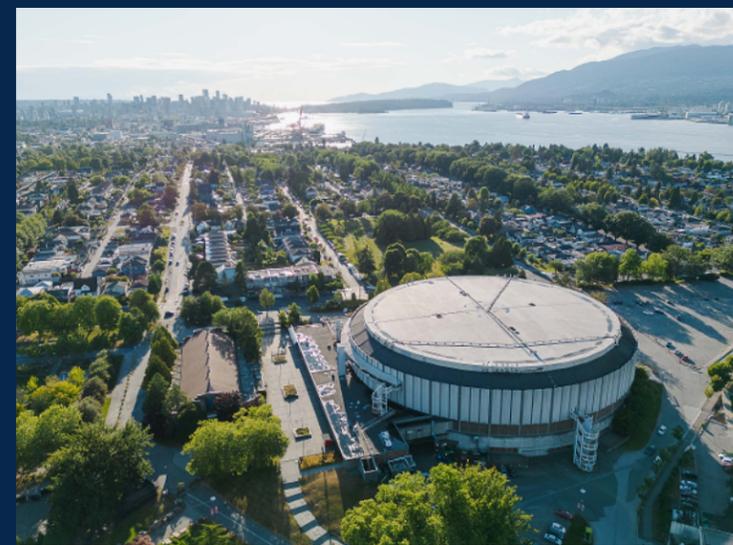
# Unique Venues



## BC Place Stadium

The award-winning BC Place provides the perfect back drop, merging the latest in event technology with a staff that is committed in providing you with unparalleled event service.

**CAPACITY** 7,000 Dining  
12,000 Reception



## Pacific National Exhibition (PNE)

Recognized as exemplifying an award-winning venue within the hospitality industry and continuing to shine a unique light for planners and industry peers.

**CAPACITY** Forum - 2,000 Dining/ 3,900 Reception  
Amphitheatre - 4,500 Stadium seating  
Coliseum - 15,700 Stadium seating



## The Nest at UBC

The facility provides a range of conference and catering services at various price points, including the ability to accommodate a 600-person seated gala dinner in our Great Hall ballroom.

**CAPACITY** 600 Dining  
900 Reception



## Rogers Arena

A unique array of spaces; Suitable for a variety of occasions and special events and ranging from meetings, conferences, product launches, receptions, dinners, and other private functions.

**CAPACITY** 960 Dining  
1,250 Reception



## Craft Beer Market

Large, multi-functional space that includes two exclusive mezzanines, a private dining room and a patio.

**CAPACITY** 400 Dining  
550 Reception



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VANCOUVER 2025

# MICHELIN Guide

Vancouver's culinary scene stands among the world's most dynamic, a reputation underscored by the release of the third MICHELIN Guide Vancouver. Here, multi-course Chinese banquets sit alongside some of the best sushi outside Japan, while farm-to-fork, ocean-to-table, and boundary-pushing molecular gastronomy all thrive. Global flavours and techniques converge with locally grown, foraged, and fished ingredients, creating a dining landscape that is unmistakably Vancouver.

# Group dining

We're well-known for being a multicultural city, and you can expect the same celebration of diversity from our menus. From the best Chinese and Japanese cuisine outside of Asia (trust us – it's that good) to local, seasonal, farm-to-table ingredients like fresh seafood and foraged

greens, your delegates will have the culinary world at their fingertips (and taste buds). Partner with a local restaurateur to have your event catered, or simply take a walk through any of our great restaurant neighbourhoods. Either way, you can anticipate a meal that's bound to become a memory.

RESTAURANTS	CUISINE TYPE	NEIGHBORHOOD	TOTAL CAPACITY SEATED	LARGEST PRIVATE ROOM CAPACITY
1. Al Porto Ristorante	Italian	Gastown	180	100
2. Ancora Waterfront Dining & Patio	Seafood	Downtown	96	24
3. Black + Blue	Steak	Downtown	240	24
4. Blue Water Café + Raw Bar	Seafood	Yaletown	170	80
5. Cactus Club Café Coal Harbour	West Coast	Downtown	600	44
6. Chambar Restaurant	Belgian/French	Downtown	200	80
7. CinCin RISTORANTE + BAR	Italian	Downtown	160	50
8. COAST Restaurant	Seafood	Downtown	260	52
9. Five Sails Restaurant	West Coast	Downtown	140	20
10. GLOWBAL	West Coast	Downtown	400	54
11. Gotham Steakhouse & Cocktail Bar	Steak	Downtown	150	60
12. Hawthorn Restaurant	West Coast	Downtown	72	54
13. Hy's Steakhouse & Cocktail Bar	Steak	Downtown	90	60
14. Keg Steakhouse + Bar Yaletown	Steak	Yaletown	520	24
15. L'Abattoir Restaurant	French/West Coast	Gastown	200	50
16. LA TERRAZZA	Italian	Yaletown	125	50
17. Loft at Earls Yaletown	West Coast	Yaletown	96	96
18. Mahony's Tavern	Pub	Downtown	375	40
19. Miku	Japanese	Downtown	160	24
20. Minami	Japanese	Yaletown	280	14
21. Provence Marinaside	French/Seafood	Yaletown	80	16
22. Rogue Kitchen & Wet Bar	Pub	Gastown	300	60
23. Steamworks Brewing Company	Pub	Gastown	350	60
24. Tap & Barrel Bridges	Seafood	Granville Island	300	130
25. The Teahouse Restaurant	West Coast	Stanley Park	150	70

12  
One Star

15  
Bib Gourmand

45+  
Recommended

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VISIT THE MICHELIN GUIDE  
VANCOUVER FOR FULL LIST  
OF RESTAURANTS

# BestCities Global Alliance

Harnessing the power of collaboration

## VANCOUVER IS #1 IN CANADA AND NORTH AMERICA

KAYAK's City Index for Mindful  
Travellers  
2023

## BEST AIRPORT IN NORTH AMERICA

Skytrax World Airport Awards  
2025

## TOP 5 CITIES IN CANADA – TRAVEL + LEISURE

Travel + Leisure  
2023, 2024 and 2025

## BEST CITIES IN THE WORLD

Condé Nast Traveler  
2023, 2024 and 2025

## MICHELIN RESTAURANTS IN VANCOUVER

Michelin  
2022 and 2023

## TIME'S WORLD'S GREATEST PLACES

TIME  
2023

## VANCOUVER IS RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST LIVEABLE PLACES, RANKING FIFTH MOST LIVEABLE CITY

Global Liveability Index by the  
Economist  
2025

## FOURTH MOST DESIRABLE CITY IN THE WORLD

The Wanderlust Reader Travel Awards  
2023 and 2024

## LEADING CITY BREAK DESTINATION IN NORTH AMERICA

World Travel Awards  
2025

## SEVENTH HIGHEST QUALITY OF LIVING CITY

Mercer  
2024



As a founding partner of the BestCities Global Alliance, we are a unique and innovative partnership among 13 premier convention bureaus - Vancouver, Berlin, Cape Town, Copenhagen, Dubai, Dublin, Guadalajara, Houston, Madrid, Melbourne, Singapore, Tokyo and Washington, DC.

The quality and reach of our global community and our open knowledge exchange, allows our partners and clients to develop and offer experiences that make a more positive impact and leave a stronger and lasting legacy on the world.

Founded with this community spirit, we continue to believe that our world prospers when it comes together, works together and shares generously.

We are the BestCities Global Alliance.

**We harness the power of collaboration and community to create positive impact through business events.**

[bestcities.net](http://bestcities.net)

"Once our delegates arrived in Vancouver they knew they were going to experience something truly special, exciting, and memorable. They told us that everything had exceeded their expectations, and many wanted to repeat the whole event all over again in Vancouver. This city and its infrastructure provided the perfect backdrop for our organizing committee."

Dr. Harvey Lui,  
World Congress of Dermatology

# Green Sustainability

Vancouver has a reputation for leading the way in green building, planning and technology, with the smallest per capita carbon footprint in North America. And while that makes us proud, we've still got big plans — like aiming to reduce emissions by 80% and be 100% powered by renewable energy by 2050.

40

Thousand bees live on Fairmont Rooftop

100%

Renewable energy before 2050

52%

of all trips in the city are by walking, cycling or transit

250+

Green space in the city



80% walk score  
74% transit score  
79% bike score



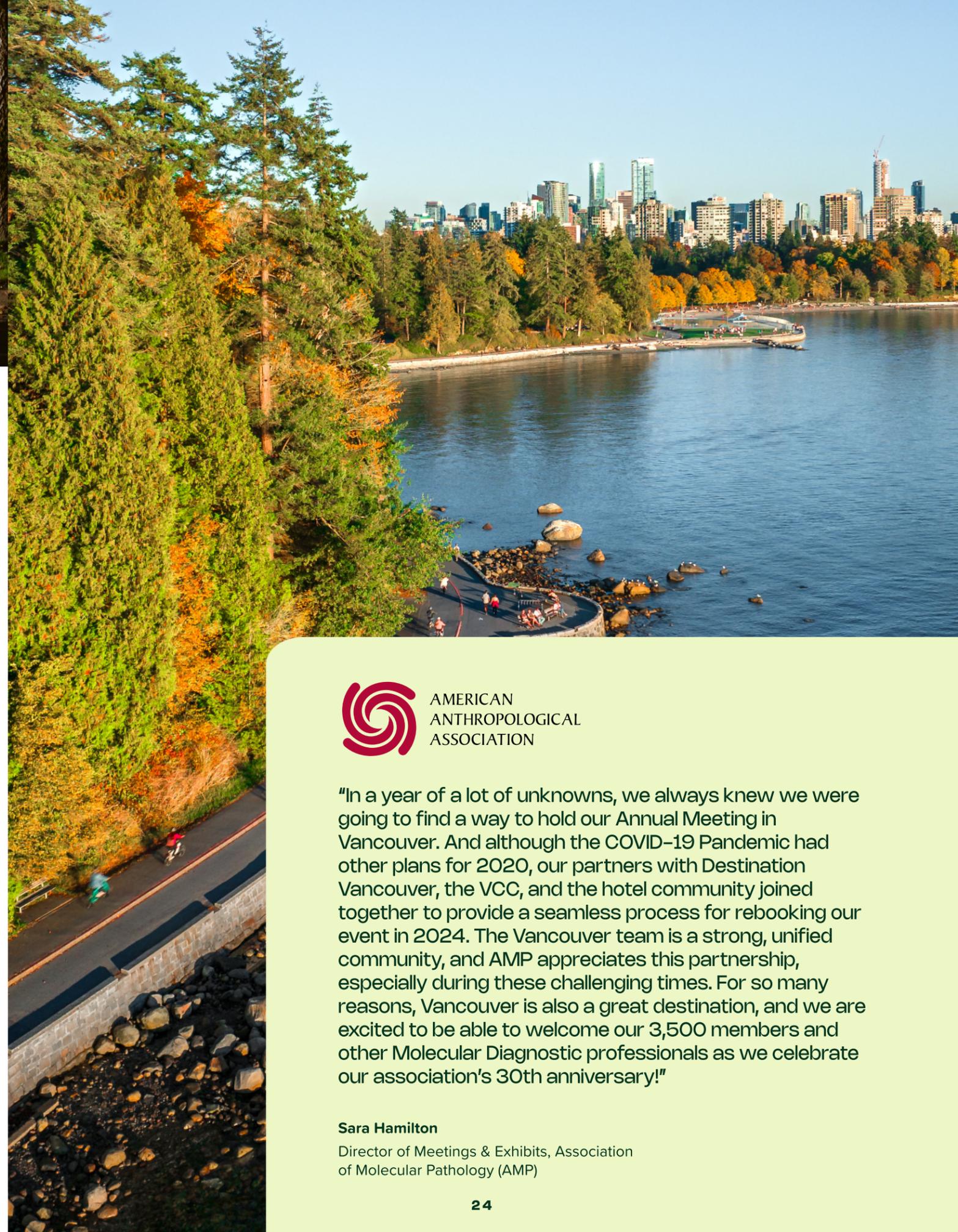
1st double LEED Platinum Convention Centre



Ocean Wise Conservation Program began here



1100+ km of designated bike lanes



AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

"In a year of a lot of unknowns, we always knew we were going to find a way to hold our Annual Meeting in Vancouver. And although the COVID-19 Pandemic had other plans for 2020, our partners with Destination Vancouver, the VCC, and the hotel community joined together to provide a seamless process for rebooking our event in 2024. The Vancouver team is a strong, unified community, and AMP appreciates this partnership, especially during these challenging times. For so many reasons, Vancouver is also a great destination, and we are excited to be able to welcome our 3,500 members and other Molecular Diagnostic professionals as we celebrate our association's 30th anniversary!"

**Sara Hamilton**

Director of Meetings & Exhibits, Association of Molecular Pathology (AMP)

# Health & Wellness



## OUTSIDE INSPIRATION

Our connection to nature is undeniable, and we embrace it. Whether it's walking, running or cycling the Seawall – an almost 9km (5.5 mile) pathway hugging the coastline – or forest bathing (it's a real thing) in Stanley Park – our 400-hectare (1,000 acre) natural rainforest in the city. Here, being outside feels great on the inside.

## REFLECTIVE SPACES

Sometimes, it takes a little stimulation to press 'stop'. And we have just the places for it. From the tranquil Nitobe Memorial Garden at the University of British Columbia (which is among the top five authentic Japanese gardens outside of Japan), to the 1931-built Vancouver Art Gallery, we've got places specifically designed to put your mind in rest-and-reflect mode.

## CONSCIOUS CUISINE

Being mindful isn't just about resting the brain, but also actively using it to be more aware – which is reflected on menus across our exciting food scene. Diets of all kinds will be inspired, from gluten-free bakeries to award-winning vegan restaurants – Metro Vancouver is even the birthplace of plant-based health and nutrition brand, Vega.

## MAKING TIME TO SPA-AAAAAH

Now recognized as an important element of health and wellness (not just a treat), healing treatments and massages can be found all over the city at our many restorative spas. Whether you want to indulge in the authentic traditions of Asia, a contemporary West Coast-style retreat, or the latest cleansing trend from Europe, you'll find it here.

## OH(M), AND WE CAN'T FORGET YOGA

As the birthplace of yoga giant, lululemon, we were early adopters of the benefits of yoga. And today we embrace these practices more than ever – and you can too, with over 1,500 classes per week to choose from, including paddleboard yoga, mountain-top yoga and, yes, even goat yoga.



# Live Mindfully



## Here, Wellness is a way of life

Surrounded by Mother Nature, and with a climate that encourages us to enjoy her all year round, it should come as no surprise that Vancouver is green - in every sense of the word. But our reputation as one of North America's cleanest cities doesn't just come from our environmental commitments. Our goal to breathe the cleanest air of any major city in the world is built into the very fabric of our home. From hotel to venue, everything is just steps away, which means that you and your guests can get out and enjoy our wide open spaces, instead of spending time getting there.

# Weather



## VANCOUVER AVERAGE MONTHLY TEMPERATURES

### January

High: 6C (43F) Low: 1C (34F)  
Precipitation: 149.9 mm

### February

High: 8C (46F) Low: 1C (43F)  
Precipitation: 124.5 mm

### March

High: 9C (48F) Low: 2C (36F)  
Precipitation: 109.2 mm

### April

High: 12C (54F) Low: 4C (39F)  
Precipitation: 76.2 mm

### May

High: 16C (61F) Low: 8C (46F)  
Precipitation: 61mm

### June

High: 19C (66F) Low: 11C (52F)  
Precipitation: 45.2 mm

### July

High: 22C (72F) Low: 12C (54F)  
Precipitation: 35.6 mm

### August

High: 22C (72F) Low: 13C (55F)  
Precipitation: 38.1mm

### September

High: 18C (64F) Low: 10C (50F)  
Precipitation: 63.5 mm

### October

High: 13C (55F) Low: 6C (43F)  
Precipitation: 114.3 mm

### November

High: 9C (48F) Low: 3C (37F)  
Precipitation: 170.2 mm

### December

High: 6C (43F) Low: 1C (34F)  
Precipitation: 177.8 mm

# Annual Events

## WINTER

Bright Nights in Stanley Park (Dec)  
VanDusen Festival of Lights (Dec)  
Canyon Lights at Capilano Suspension Bridge (Dec)  
Vancouver Christmas Market (Dec)  
Dine Out Vancouver Festival (Jan - Feb)  
Lunar New Year Festival (Feb)  
Just For Laughs Vancouver (Feb)  
Vancouver International Wine Festival (Feb)  
FAN EXPO Vancouver (Feb)

## SPRING

HSBC Rugby Sevens (Feb - Mar)  
Vancouver Cocktail Week (Mar)  
Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival (Mar - Apr)  
Vancouver Sun Run (Apr)  
Art Vancouver (Apr)  
BMO Vancouver Marathon (May)  
Vancouver International Children's Festival (May - Jun)

## SUMMER

Vancouver International Jazz Festival (Jun)  
Concord Pacific Dragon Boat Festival (Jun)  
Bard on the Beach Shakespeare Festival (Jun - Sep)  
Khatsahlano Street Party (Jul)  
Vancouver Folk Music Festival (Jul)  
Theatre Under the Stars (Jul - Aug)  
Vancouver Pride Parade & Festival (Jul-Aug)  
The Fair at the PNE (Aug)

## FALL

Vancouver Fringe Festival (Sep)  
The Great Outdoors Comedy Festival (Sep)  
Vancouver International Film Festival (Sep)  
RBC GranFondo (Sep)  
Vancouver International Writers Festival (Oct)  
Lumiere Festival (Nov)



# Excursion Itineraries



## Hourly excursions

Have a few hours between meetings? Here are just a few ways to spend them in and around the city.

### VANCOUVER CITY TOUR

Experienced guides escort you through the magnificent 400-hectare (1,000-acre) Stanley Park, with a stop at Prospect Point, English Bay, and along fashionable Robson Street all the way to Queen Elizabeth Park, an extinct volcano, for a panoramic city view.

### CANYON TO MOUNTAIN

Just across the Lions Gate Bridge to the North Shore you'll find Capilano Suspension Bridge Park, Grouse Mountain Resort – with Mountain Zip-lining or Grizzly Bear viewing in the summer, and skiing or snowshoeing in the winter – and so much more.

### SEA SAFARI

Grab a seat on a deluxe inflatable outboard and take a 2.5-hour Howe Sound safari adventure to view the stunning scenery and wildlife that make the coast of British Columbia so beautiful (and world famous)..

### FOOD MARKET TOURS

There is no better way to take in the distinct cultures present in Vancouver than through your taste buds. Culinary-adventurers can join some of the province's top chefs for small-group guided tours of Vancouver's top foodie districts.

## Daily excursions

Have an afternoon or a full day free? Here are a few ways to make even more of your time.

### WHISTLER RESORT

A scenic trip up the Sea to Sky Highway will take you to the alpine village of Whistler. From a crisp mountain air to crystal clear lakes and lush emerald forests, Whistler Resort is a natural year-round playground.

### VICTORIA

Sail through the Gulf Islands on a BC Ferry to Victoria, the province's capital city, featuring turn-of-the-century buildings, red double-decker buses, shops, cafes and world-famous Butchart Gardens.

### HELI-RAFTING EXCURSION

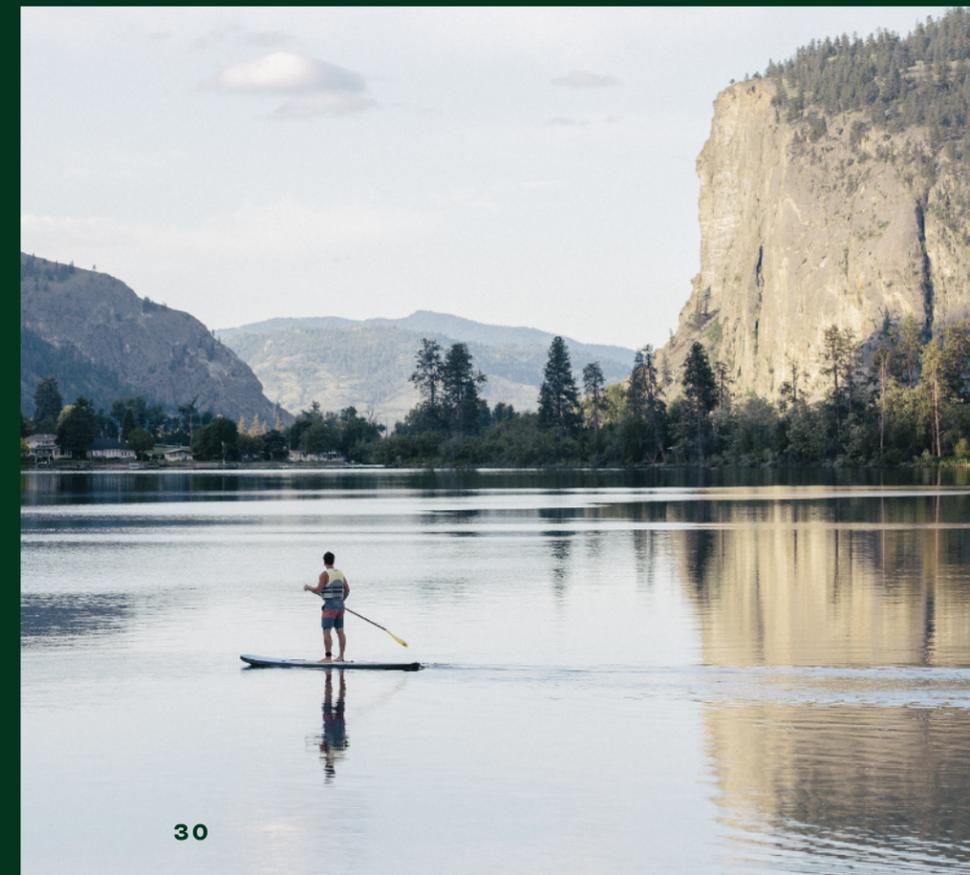
Show your meeting delegates the beauty of British Columbia from both air and river on a Heli-Rafting excursion.

### WHALE-WATCHING ADVENTURE

Every year between May and November, Orca whales pursue migrating salmon in the Georgia Strait, and aboard a semi-covered vessel with a trained naturalist as your guide, you'll see these magnificent creatures in the wild.

### WHITEWATER RAFTING

Enjoy a full day of exciting Class III and IV rapids. State of the art rafts will carry you alongside inspiring wilderness, glaciers, waterfalls and spectacular wildlife in their natural habitat.





# Metro Vancouver Map

Invite your delegates to explore a city as vibrant and alive as the nature that surrounds it. Our walkable city makes getting around a breeze, and with our many eco-friendly transit options, you'll notice that breeze is always clean. Inspire minds and fuel fresh thought with perspectives you can't find anywhere else, and experience what it's like to see the world differently, from Vancouver.

## Multi-day excursions

If you've got a few days beyond your business trip, we suggest exploring beyond the city. Here are just a few things you could see and do.

### WHISTLER RESORT

Just two hours from Vancouver on the scenic Sea to Sky Highway you'll find Whistler, a world-renowned ski resort and village (and our co-host of the 2010 Olympics).

### VICTORIA & VANCOUVER ISLAND

A 90-minute ferry ride from Vancouver will bring you to British Columbia's capital city, Victoria (also accessible by floatplane and helicopter).

### THOMPSON OKANAGAN VALLEY

A treat for the eyes and for the taste buds, the Thompson Okanagan Valley is a 4-6-hour drive, or a short flight from Vancouver (to Kamloops, Penticton or Kelowna).

### TOFINO

A ferry ride followed by a few hours by car will lead you to Tofino – a coastal village on the western edge of Vancouver Island known as our province's surfer's paradise.

### ROCKY MOUNTAINEER RAILTOURS

From two-days to 16-days, Rocky Mountaineer offers unique train journeys through the many landscapes of BC and Alberta.

### VANCOUVER ALASKA CRUISE

From May to October, Alaska Cruises offer some of the world's most spectacular scenery.



# One more thing...

Vancouver changes people. Their perspectives, their trajectories. There's something about this raw natural beauty, mixed with urban entrepreneurial activity that isn't just attention-grabbing. It's unignorable. It invites people in, opens their eyes and expands their minds. And when it's time to go, your delegates may find that even though they're leaving this place, this place will probably never leave them.



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