

## INDEPENDENT VACATION

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

4 NIGHTS & 5 DAYS



**Highlights:** Daily Breakfast, Scenic Sea to Sky Highway, Peak-2-Peak Gondola, Vancouver City Tour, Cruise on BC Ferries through Gulf Islands, Butchart Gardens, Whale Watching Tour.

### Day 01: Vancouver/Whistler

On arrival transfer from Vancouver to Whistler. Travel along the beautiful Sea to Sky highway on scheduled motor coach to Whistler. On arrival check in at hotel. Afternoon experience Whistler's famous alpine. Head up the chairlifts from the Blackcomb Base or the Whistler Village Gondola from the main village and explore a few hiking trails at 6,000 feet. The handy trail map will guide guests to the easy or more challenging paths. After lunch on mountain top patio (optional), take the exciting Peak-2-Peak Gondola, spanning the distance between Whistler and Blackcomb's peaks and stretching a little more than three kilometers. The ride takes just 15 minutes and offers incredible views of the surrounding mountain range and Whistler Valley below. Wait for the silver gondolas as they offer glass bottoms for a 360° experience. Overnight in hotel.

### Day 02: Whistler/Vancouver

After breakfast it is a perfect time to explore Whistler's pedestrian village. Follow the smells of fresh waffle cones to discover Whistler's best ice cream parlours or take pleasure in the abundance of outdoor bistros, coffee shops and more. Whistler Village is a shopper's paradise with over 200 shops. Afternoon checkout and transfer to Vancouver, on arrival check in at hotel.

### Day 03: Vancouver

After breakfast proceed on Vancouver City Tour. This tour offers the very best of Vancouver's sights, sounds and spectacular scenery. See Canada Place, Robson Street, the Public Library, Sports Venues, Theatres, Chinatown

and Gastown. Soak in the natural splendor of Stanley Park's Totem Poles and sightsee from Prospect Point. Pass the West End high-rises and the beaches of English Bay. Visit the vibrant Granville Island with its public market, unique shops, restaurants and galleries along the water. Visit The Lookout to take the glass elevator to the 360° views. Overnight in hotel.

### Day 04: Vancouver/Victoria

After breakfast checkout and proceed on sightseeing tour of Victoria. Drive down the Saanich Peninsula, through a pastoral landscape dotted with farms to the famous Butchart Gardens. Stroll through the many theme gardens and relish the spectacle of colours and fragrances. Following this serene experience, proceed to Victoria for a fully-narrated tour past stately homes, public gardens and historic landmarks. See the Parliament Buildings, explore the city centre, Chinatown and visit the charming residential areas. A highlight is a stop at the Oak Bay Marina, home to a population of seals. Late afternoon check in at hotel.

### Day 05: Victoria/Vancouver

After breakfast embark on a whale watching excursion. This coastal excursion is an exhilarating round trip of 50 to 80 kilometres in search of orcas, minke whales, grey whales, porpoises, harbour seals and other marine wildlife. Ride aboard a 14-metre ocean cruiser with commentary provided by a certified marine biologist. Afternoon checkout and transfer by coach and ferry to Vancouver Hotel/Pacific Central Station/Vancouver Airport.

## INCLUSIONS

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- Four night's accommodation.
- Daily breakfast at restaurant in the hotel.
- Inter-city transfers Vancouver/Whistler/Vancouver/Victoria/Vancouver on SIC basis.
- Sightseeing tours on SIC basis with local English speaking driver/guide
- Entrance fees to visit attractions as per itinerary.
- Hotel taxes.

### Hotels

City	Value	Moderate	Deluxe
Whistler	Crystal Lodge	Coast Blackcomb Suites	Fairmont Chateau Whistler
Vancouver	Empire Landmark	Sheraton Wall Centre	Fairmont Waterfront Centre
Victoria	Sandman Hotel	Harbour Towers Hotel	Fairmont Empress

### Recommended Optional Tours

City	Tour	Duration
Whistler	Mountain ATV Tour	2 Hours
Whistler	Zip Line Adventure Bear Tour	2.5 Hours
Whistler	Tree Trek Canopy Walk	2.5 Hours
Vancouver	Grouse Mountain Sunset Tour	4 Hours
Vancouver	Entrance to Capilano Suspension Bridge	At Leisure
Vancouver	Entrance to Grouse Mountain	At Leisure
Victoria	Zip Line Tour	2 Hours

**Departure: Daily**