





#### CANADA

# PACIFIC RIM WILDLIFE ESCAPE (TOUR CODE: 12289)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
in Vancouver	01 May 24 - 05 Oct 24	Wildlife	Independent Holiday Packages
		City Stays	

Discover the spectacular natural habitat of British Columbia on this 7-day adventure that takes you to Vancouver, Victoria, and Tofino.

### Highlights

- Two hour thrilling bear watching expedition from Tofino
- · Leisure time in the bustling metropolis of Vancouver
- Explore the rugged coastline along the network of hiking trails in Tofino
- Exhilarating, safe and intimate whale-watching experience onboard a zodiac

Traverse in British Columbia's stunning environment, viewing species in their natural habitat, including Black Bears, Orcas, and Humpback Whales. Ride in a Zodiac along the shore in search of whales. Explore the renowned ecological and geographical diversity of Pacific Rim National Park on Vancouver Island, then embark on a journey along the lovely coastline to the grizzly feeding grounds. This six-night independent tour, begins and ends in the cosmopolitan city of Vancouver.



- ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ENTIRE Australian Owned

# **INCLUSIONS**

- 2 nights in Vancouver at the Coast Coal Harbour by APA Hotel
- 2 nights in Victoria at the Inn at Laurel Point
- 2 nights in Tofino at the Pacific Sands Beach Resort
- · Scheduled ferry transfer from Vancouver to Victoria
- Flight transfer from Victoria to Tofino
- Flight transfer from Tofino to Vancouver
- 3-hour whale watching in Victoria by Zodiac
- · 2-hour bear watching tour in Tofino by boat

## **ITINERARY**

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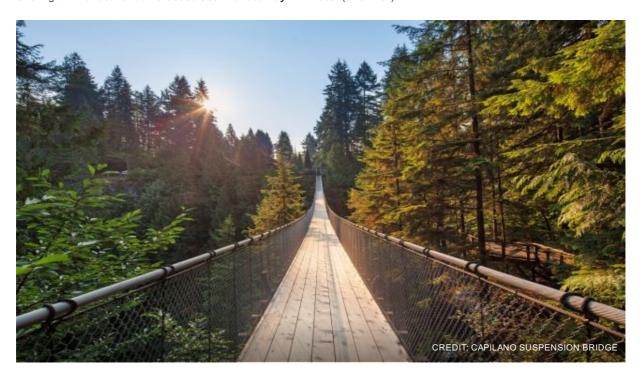
Arrive in Vancouver and transfer independently to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to discover the oceanside city of Vancouver.

Overnight in Vancouver at the Coast Coal Harbour by APA Hotel (or similar)



Today is yours at leisure in Vancouver. This bustling metropolis may be western Canada's largest city, but it retains a pedestrian-friendly charm and embraces a love of nature. Spend the day walking the sea wall of the mainland, or perhaps rent a bike and explore the vast network of trails throughout the city, one of the most memorable being the expansive Stanley Park. Trails criss-cross the park through forests and open grass fields that interconnect to a city-wide trail system. The park's aquarium features beluga whales and other large marine mammals as well as daily shows.

Overnight in Vancouver at the Coast Coal Harbour by APA Hotel (or similar)



### § 3 Vancouver Victoria

Today you will be transferred by ferry across the Strait of Georgia to Vancouver Island, passing the rugged coastline and tranquil beaches of the Gulf Islands. Make your way to Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, with its maritime heritage and colonial charm.

Overnight in Victoria at the Inn at Laurel Point (or similar)



Today you will embark on an exciting whalewatching tour. This coastal excursion is an exhilarating round trip of 50 to 80 kilometres in search of whales. You will ride aboard a custom built Zodiac boat that offers high speed with extraordinary stability giving you an exhilarating, safe and intimate whalewatching experience.

Overnight in Victoria at Inn at Laurel Point (or similar)



## § 5 Victoria Tofino

Transfer by plane to Tofino, flying above ancient rainforests and provincial parks. Arriving on Vancouver Island's Pacific Coast, you will find you've arrived at a true wildlife paradise. Within Pacific Rim National Park, visitors are treated to a marvel of ecological and geographical diversity.

Overnight in Tofino at Pacific Sands Beach Resort (or similar)



Today you are taking part in a thrilling bear watching expedition. At low tide, board the Stellar Sea, a 14 metre panoramic cruiser, and speed along the lush coastline to the bears' feeding grounds. Back on dry land, you're free to explore the rugged coastline along the network of hiking trails or to walk the shoreline of long Beach in search of shells and driftwood.

Overnight in Tofino at Pacific Sands Beach Resort (or similar)



## 7 Tofino Vancouver

Depart Tofino by air this morning, enjoying a scenic flight across the wilds of Vancouver Island and the waters of the strait before landing at Vancouver International Airport's South Terminal. Take the free shuttle to the International departure terminal for your flight home.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

### Inn at Laurel Point

#### Victoria

Overlooking Laurel Point Park, this waterfront hotel is a 5-minute walk from the Black Ball Ferry Line and a 10-minute walk from the Royal BC Museum. Featuring private balconies with water views, the airy rooms include flat-screen TVs and free Wi-Fi, plus minifridges, and tea and coffeemaking equipment. There's a heated indoor pool, an exercise room and a Japanese garden, plus a Pacific Rim-inspired restaurant with a patio and harbour views.



### Pacific Sands Beach Resort

#### Tofino

Welcome to Pacific Sands Beach Resort—a beachfront haven on the rugged west coast of Vancouver Island, with front-row seats to nature's greatest waterpark. From world-class surfing and tranquil beach walks, to year-round events and a delicious local food scene, every day is an adventure here.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
French & English	Canadian Dollars

We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means we may need to offer an alternative hotel of equivalent or better quality. Our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

#### Excluded

- · International airfares and taxes
- · Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package