

Traditional Victoria

Victoria’s Inner Harbour

Surrounded by majestic heritage buildings, Victoria’s Inner Harbour is one of the most beautiful waterfronts in the world and a stroll along the causeway is a must.

BC Legislative Assembly

Built by the young British architect Francis Rattenbury, BC’s majestic and historic parliament buildings are open for regular, or free guided tours. approx. 45mins long at various times between 8:30am and 4:30pm Monday to Friday.

Chinatown

Enter through the Gate of Harmonious Interest at Government & Fisgard St. and explore the oldest Chinatown in Canada. Enjoy some bubble tea and be sure to shop in Fan Tan Alley.

Government Street

Government Street is Victoria’ premier shopping street where you’ll find Irish lace, Scottish tartans and shops specializing in Canadiana, souvenirs and First Nations art and jewelry as well as The Bay Shopping Centre.

Rogers Chocolates ☺

913 Government St. 250-881-8771
Chocolates are made from all-natural ingredients and traditional recipes are unchanged since Charles C. Rogers opened his doors in 1885.
Mon - Sat 10am to 6pm Sun 11am to 6pm

Historical Victoria

Craigdarroch Castle

1050 Joan Crescent 250-592-5323
Built between 1887-1890 by Robert Dunsmuir, a wealthy Scottish immigrant, Craigdarroch has beautiful architecture & furnishings and a rich history. Open Thurs to Sun 10am - 4pm.

St. Ann’s Academy

835 Humboldt St. 250-953-8829
The sisters of St. Ann played a key role in the beginnings of education and healthcare in BC. This historical, heritage site is open to visitors:

Winter Hours: Sat & Sun 1pm- 4pm

Fort Rodd/Fisgard Lighthouse ☺

603 Fort Rodd Hill Road 250-478-5849
A National historical park that commemorates the Victoria-Esquimalt coastal artillery fortress that defended Canada’s west coast naval base from 1878 to 1956. Grounds open daily 10am - 4pm
Lighthouse & Historic Building:
Sat-Sun 10am - 4pm

Christ Church Cathedral

930 Burdett Ave. 250-383-2714
Built in the early 1900s, Victoria’s gothic Anglican Cathedral is a building of great beauty and stunning architecture. Open for viewing and quiet meditation.
Mon-Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm

Museums and Galleries

The Robert Bateman Centre ➡ (Closing Mid Feb)

470 Belleville St. 250-940-3630
Travel through ten galleries as you view over 160 pieces of work from the world’s greatest wildlife artist that spans seven decades.
Open: Daily 10am - 5pm

Art Gallery of Greater Victoria

1040 Moss St. 250-384-4171
Opened in 1951, the gallery possesses notable works by artists such as Emily Carr, and has one of Canada’s most significant collections of Asian art.
Open: Tues - Wed, Fri - Sat 10am - 5pm; Thurs 1pm - 9pm; Sun 12pm - 5pm

Royal BC Museum ☺

675 Belleville St. 250-356-7226
The Royal BC Museum is one of Canada’s greatest cultural treasures containing dynamic displays of BC’s natural and human history. Walk through a rainforest, sit amongst beautifully carved totem poles or window-shop in Old Town.
Open Daily 10am - 5pm

IMAX Victoria

675 Belleville St. 250-952-4206
Crystal clear images, the largest IMAX screen in BC and wrap-around digital surround sound combine to

offer you an incredible cinematic experience. Located in the Royal BC Museum.

Miniature World ☺

649 Humboldt St. 250-385-9731
Over 85 miniature dioramas and displays of story book scenes, historical mockups and doll houses to name a few, make this one of Victoria’s most popular downtown attractions.
Open: Fri-Sat 10am - 8pm; Mon-Thurs 10am - 6pm

Maritime Museum of B.C.

634 Humboldt St. 250-385-4222
Hear adventurous tales of Captains Cook and Vancouver who discovered our great land. Learn about famous shipwrecks off our coast, and test your sailing skills on their knot board.
Open: Tues - Sat 10am - 5pm; Closed Sun-Mon

Emily Carr House

634 Humboldt St. 250-385-4222
A National Historic Site of Canada, the Emily Carr House was the childhood home of Canadian painter Emily Carr. It is currently an interpretive centre for Carr’s art, writings and life.
Open: Fri 10am - 3pm; Closed Sat-Thurs

Zoos

Beacon Hill Childrens’ Farm and Petting Zoo ☺

Enjoy a farm animal experience in the city by providing an educational and economical entertainment for the whole family.
Temporarily closed

Victoria Bug Zoo ☺ ➡

631 Courtney St. 250-384-2847
See an amazing collection of insects and spiders from around the world with passionate and knowledgeable staff.
Open Mon-Fri 11am-4:00pm Weekends 10am-4pm

For the Foodie

Off the Eaten Track ☺ ➡

250-893-9815
A culinary tour experience that takes you off the beaten path, promoting local businesses and showcasing some of the city’s delicious hidden gems.
Open: Wed-Sat 10am - 5pm; Closed Sun-Tues

West Coast Brewery Tours

254 Belleville St. 250-516-4402
Experience craft beer at its very best! Join West Coast Brewery Tours for a unique behind the scenes look into Victoria’s finest craft breweries.
Open: Daily 9am - 5pm

Sea Cider Farm & Ciderhouse ➡

2487 Mt St Michael Rd 250-544-4824
Relax at our cider house, and drink in the panoramic water views overlooking our orchard across the Haro Straight to James Island. The Ciderhouse is open for tastings and tours year-round daily from 11am-6pm. Enjoy a flight of ciders paired with organic cheese and other local delectables.
Open: Daily 11am - 6pm

Coastal Victoria

Fisherman’s Wharf ☺

Located just around the corner from the Inn, Victoria’s floating village is a fun spot to visit with houseboats, cafes and adventure tour companies. And if you are lucky, you can catch a glimpse of the resident harbour seals. Please note that only a select few restaurants will be open over the winter period.
Docks Open Daylight Hours

Dallas Road/Mile 0 Scenic Route

Begin a scenic route round our beautiful coastline on Dallas Road at the Terry Fox monument at Mile 0 that marks the start of the 8,000km Trans-Canada Highway. This coastal route offers stunning views of the ocean and the U.S. Olympic Mountains, with many stopping points along the way.

Breakwater District at Ogden Point (Cruise Ship Terminal)

On Dallas Rd at the foot of Montreal St.
Enjoy refreshments at the Breakwater Café and take a walk along the railed breakwater stretching far out into the water and winding to a mini Lighthouse. View cruise ships docked in Victoria as part of their Alaska itineraries from May to Sept. Breakwater open dawn to dusk.

Willows Beach Park ☺
One of Victoria's most popular swimming beaches, it's shallow, protected water is suitable for young children, while views of Discovery Island and Mount Baker make basking, swimming or paddling there just that much more beautiful. Willows Beach is a popular day destination for locals, so expect line-ups at the concession stand on weekends and holidays.

Hikes and Viewpoints

Hike Victoria Tours 250-889-3008
Scenic hikes and tours expertly guided in and around beautiful Victoria, offering easy to moderate levels. Prices include pick-up and drop-off at the hotel!

Mount Douglas Park
Hike or drive to the summit for stunning 360° views of rural Saanich & the city lights of Victoria. The Park also offers a long sandy beach and playground.

Mount Tolmie
Drive to the top of this easily accessible mountain to enjoy 360° views of Victoria. On a clear day you can even spot Mount Baker far off in the distance in the US.

Gowlland Tod Provincial Park
This Park provides excellent day-use recreation opportunities for hiking, nature appreciation and picnicking. With over 25km of trail, you can hike to the top of Mount Work or follow the Mackenzie Bight Trail to the secluded beach.

East Sooke Regional Park
About 50km outside of Victoria, this park is located on the East Sooke Peninsula and offers spectacular ocean and natural views. Park the car at Aylard Farm and follow the trail.

Goldstream Park/Mount Finlayson
Massive trees, majestic waterfalls, a meandering river that meets the sea, flowers, birds and fascinating fish are but a few of the attractions that this park has to offer. If you're looking for a challenge, hike to the top of Mount Finlayson for spectacular views

Witty's Lagoon Regional Park
A protected, natural tidal lagoon and bird sanctuary, with, soft sandy beaches, shallow waters and a waterfall. Wheelchair accessible trail, washroom facilities and picnic areas make it an ideal family destination.

Touring Victoria

CVS Sightseeing Tours
721 Government St 250 386 8652
Discover Victoria's rich history and scenic beauty from the modern English Double Decker on their Deluxe City Tour. CVS also offers a comfortable and convenient option with their Butchart Gardens Express tour.

Harbour Air Seaplane Tours
950 Wharf St 250-384-2215
Enjoy a panorama tour with spectacular vistas of the city from the air or delight in a romantic evening flight to The Butchart Gardens for dinner.

Harbour Ferries ☺ 250-514-9794
Hopping aboard a harbour taxi is a convenient and fun way to see Victoria from the water and to cross from one harbour location to another. The nearest dock is a 5 minute walk from the Inn.
\$6 per hop. Harbour tours are also available. Runs frequently throughout the day 10am to 5pm
Operates late February through October.

Oak Bay Village
Just a short drive from downtown takes you to a street that reminds you of old England in the charming community of Oak Bay. Browse the village shops, have a drink in the Penny Farthing Pub or stop for a spot of tea along the way.

The Pedaler ➡
321 Belleville St 778-265-7433
Take a bike tour! Guided bike tours showcase Victoria: its historic sites, vistas, and neighbourhoods. Or, rent a bike and explore the Greater Victoria area.
Temporarily closed

Be Adventurous

Eagle Wing Whales and Wildlife Tours ☺
Fisherman's Wharf 250-384-8008
This eco-friendly, carbon neutral company will take you for a thrilling ride in their covered, high speed catamaran for a premium whale watching experience. Open: Daily 8am - 5pm

Horror Escape ☺ ➡
523 Broughton St. 778-265-7995
A local business that has passion for creating an immersive and thrilling entertainment experiences that you won't forget. Offering 3 unique escape rooms and a new experience launched every year - will you escape?
Open: Mon-Fri 3-10:30pm; Sat-Sun 12-10:30pm

AdrenaLINE Zipline Adventures ☺ ➡
5128C Sooke Rd. 250-642-1933
Experience an exhilarating treetop adventure with educational insight into the wildlife, history and natural beauty of Sooke.
Open: Mon-Thurs 9am - 4pm; Closed Fri-Sat

Axe & Grind ☺ ➡
910 Government St #107 250-590-3229
We're bringing the thrill of axe throwing to an urban environment through our clubs in Victoria, Nanaimo and right to your door with our new mobile axe throwing unit.
Open: Daily 12pm - 9pm

Visit the Victoria Visitors Centre
812 Wharf St., Victoria BC
250-953-2033
Open Daily: 9am – 3:30pm

☺ Child-friendly attractions

➡ Key to the City Partners (June to September)

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Victoria Attractions

The Garden City

Butchart Gardens ☺
800 Benvenuto Ave. 250-652-4422
Central Saanich
The Butchart Gardens are world famous. Four main gardens on 55 acres offer spectacular views from the many paths that meander through the beautiful floral displays. Within the gardens you will find restaurants as well as a pavilion for children with its delightful Rose Carousel.
Open Daily at 9am. Closing times vary seasonally.

Victoria Butterfly Gardens ☺ ➡
1461 Benvenuto Ave. 250-652-3822
Central Saanich
Enjoy an exotic showcase of plants, flamingos, parrots and free flying butterflies in a tropical habitat. And be sure to view their new Insectarium featuring an impressive ant colony and insects and invertebrates from around the world. This attraction is close to Butchart Gardens.
Open Daily 10am - 3pm. Explore until 4pm.

Beacon Hill Park ☺
Stroll through Victoria's beautifully landscaped, 200 acre city park with bridges, ponds, and walking paths. Enjoy the rose garden, have a picnic or watch some cricket. Home of the Beacon Hill Children's' Farm.
Open Daily Dawn to Dusk