



Celebrate the Holidays with Victoria's Inner Harbour Views and a Festive Package Offered by Inn at Laurel Point

The waterside hotel offers guests an exclusive holiday package this December

VICTORIA, BC, October 24 | Guests and winter travellers are invited to experience the magic of the holidays in dazzling Victoria, BC, with cozy waterfront accommodation and a special December offer from Inn at Laurel Point.

The hotel is offering its [Celebrate the Holidays package](#) that includes waterfront overnight accommodation, award-winning dining options, charcuterie and inn-made festive treats, and bottle service of Mission Hill wine during your December stay.

"We are so excited to invite our guests and the local community to experience the magic of Victoria and Inn at Laurel Point over the festive season," says Eda Koot, general manager at Inn at Laurel Point. "We have a festive atmosphere to welcome our guests, help them enjoy the city's lights and festivities, and make the most of the holidays."

The hotel in downtown Victoria also launched a Holiday Party Package for small office gatherings and larger groups in their variety of event spaces. For groups of 10 or less, two private rooms, *Cove* and *Inlet*, are available with a Chef's Group Tasting menu prepared by an award-winning culinary team.

A new addition to the hotel's offering, the Duo Café and Bakery, will open this winter, promising the best croissants and baked goods to guests and the local community.

The hotel's festive offering is being launched in the same week that Executive Chef Ken Nakano of [Aura Waterfront Restaurant + Patio](#) is officially inducted into the [2023 B.C. Restaurant Hall of Fame](#) for his inclusive leadership style in team building and management. Throughout his 25 years of career, Executive Chef Ken Nakano has prioritized sustainability and supported local growers and producers. He now calls the Inn at Laurel Point home and is currently recruiting culinary professionals to join his team.

The Celebrate the Holiday Package and other festive packages are available from December 1st to 30th. To book your stay at the Inn at Laurel Point, visit laurelpoint.com.

ROOMS & SUITES

Since its origins in the 1970s when founders and original owners Paul and Artie Arsens, purchased the property and Laurel Wing from Delta Hotels, through to the Erickson Wing expansion in 1989,

and until today's 2019 renewal, the Inn at Laurel Point has remained one of downtown Victoria's best hotels.

The Inn's two wings balance clean, classic design elements with a modern style that instill a sense of tranquility from the moment they arrive to long after they have left. Rooms feature duvets, luxurious bath robes, complimentary coffee and tea, personal safe, mini-fridge, on-demand movies, free local and toll-free calls. Complimentary high speed wireless internet in each room allows guests to connect with ease.

This 196 room downtown hotel offers travellers a choice between 128 guest rooms, 51 studios, 17 suites and one 1,106 - square-foot panoramic penthouse suite.

The Arsens collected art and had a passion for local and especially First Nations and Pacific Rim inspired works and artifacts. The Inn has continued to add pieces to the collection and recently designated this significant body as the **Arsens Collection**.

Bring your four-legged family member too! As a [pet friendly](#) hotel, Fido or Fluffy will enjoy all the creature comforts: a doggie bed, bowls, a walking map and inn-made welcome doggie cookies. These creature comforts are available for a fee of \$30 CAD per night to a maximum of \$90 CAD per every 7 nights.

Laurel Wing Guestrooms

The Laurel Wing, the Inn's original, offers 135 rooms and suites that blend cozy traditional style with comfy practicality. Rooms feature shoji-style doors, Tyneham luxury bath amenities and classic black-and-white stills of the serene garden. Blue accents and dark furnishings contrast crisp white linens and light woods to make each room feel like an indoor extension of the garden, rocky point, blue sky, and ocean water lying just beyond the big, bright windows and standing balcony. Ideal for the solo traveller or dynamic duo, a young couple, or a small family, the Laurel Wing's rooms deliver a luxurious night's rest.

Hospitality Suite (1) is great for entertaining. A large living room area with a couch, club chairs and coffee table, make it perfect for families or friends travelling together. Features also include a wet bar with microwave, dining table with chairs, wine fridge and small fridge. And if that's not enough, this spacious suite offers a private bedroom with a king bed two small step-out balconies overlook the Inner Harbour and the park peninsula surrounding the Inn.

Erickson Wing Studios

The Erickson Wing, completed in 1989, offers 43 spacious studios that make for a serene getaway just a stone's throw from the city centre's hustle and bustle. Zenful touches, earthy tones, and a sleek, yet welcoming design invite you into your room, rousing a deep sense of rejuvenation. Featuring all of the amenities of a modern luxury hotel room, it is the large balconies and sweeping harbour views that make them unique to the city. Rose-coloured floor-to-ceiling marble makes the large bathrooms, complete with deep soaker tubs, L'Occitane en Provence bath products and sumptuous robes feel palatial. These rooms are perfect for kicking off a wedding celebration or honeymoon, recovering from an executive board meeting, enjoying a well deserved vacation, or commemorating any special occasion in between.

In addition to its guest rooms, the Erickson Wing features 12 well-appointed suites, boasting a variety of styles including expansive terraces, huge two person Jaccuzzi tubs or a spectacular two-level panoramic penthouse.

Bedroom Suites (5) are luxuriously spacious with a bright king-size bedroom and separate living area that has a queen-size hide-a-bed, dining table for two and all the comforts & stylings of Erickson Wing Studios.

Terrace Bedroom Suites (4) overlook the garden and offer sprawling views of Victoria's outer harbour. These suites offer expansive private balconies with seating and feature a separate living area and hide-a-bed.

Executive Suite (1) is one of a kind and has a huge wrap-around balcony with seating and views of both the inner and outer harbour. The separate sleeping and living spaces with wet bar and dining area for 4, makes the Executive Suite a unique meeting space, intimate reception venue or the perfect spot to decompress.

Dream Suite (1), on the 6th floor, overlooks the garden and outer harbour. The suite's double jacuzzi offers the best views of Victoria's harbour, making it the most unique suite in the city. Enjoy a sunset on the wistful terrace balcony or curl up in the separate earth toned living room.

Arsens Suite (1) is named after the Inn's founders, Paul and Artie Arsens. This two-level panoramic penthouse suite redefines luxury. The main floor features a powder room, wet bar, ample living space, dining area for 4 and a balcony that overlooks Victoria's outer harbour. Take the spiral staircase up to the second floor where the king-size bedroom and wrap-around balcony with panoramic downtown Victoria views await.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

The Inn is proud to offer its guests a smoke free stay and the property is entirely non-smoking.

The pool and fitness studio has everything guests need for a good workout. The brightly lit, glass encased **Pool** is adjacent to an outdoor sundeck and gardens. Next door, you'll find the **Fitness Studio** equipped with cardio machines, free weights, and a space that's big enough for dynamic burpees, sun salutations or yin yoga poses. Most guests, however, venture outdoors to enjoy Victoria's temperate climate. Maximizing a workout with sightseeing can't be avoided. The Laurel Point peninsula park surrounding the Inn is a great place to go for a walk or run, with epic views of Victoria's inner and outer harbours with bonus sea breeze to cool you off!.

DINING

Our talented team of incredible chefs create a culinary experience that leaves guests so much more than satisfied. From the hardcore foodies to the pickiest of eaters, our team works hard to ensure that every meal served at the Inn is lick-your-plate-clean good.

Aura Waterfront Restaurant + Patio re-opened with a revitalized interior and globally-inspired small plates menu unique to the city's hotel restaurant scene. Our award-winning Chefs' creative menu design combines local, farm-direct ingredients with international flavours on shareable plates designed to inspire conversation. With our curated wine list, unique cocktails and craft beer focused on local producers, there's always something new to discover at Aura.

Whether it's a breakfast, brunch, lunch, or dinner buffet, a themed break with sweet and savoury snacks, a sit-down served meal, or a full-blown reception, we'll make you love food more than you thought you could.

Classic dishes served with Pacific Rim-inspired twists will delight the senses and for those who can't tear themselves away from their room, our **Inn-room dining** services mean a friendly staff member will deliver delicious meals straight to your room.

MEET & CELEBRATE

Ideal for groups and events of all sizes, the property also features more than 10,000-square-feet of fully equipped indoor and outdoor meeting and event space. The Inn's conference rooms range in capacity from 2 to 200 guests. With plenty of natural light and fresh ocean air, the Inn's one-of-a-kind meeting areas accommodate annual galas or conferences, monthly corporate meetings, once-in-a-lifetime wedding receptions, and anything else you might need a meeting venue for. The Inn's Renewal Project added three new meeting rooms (**Hunt, MacKenzie & Martin**) to the existing 12. Inspired by the **Arsens Collection**, most of the meeting rooms are named after artists whose work makes up the collection.

Inn at Laurel Point is Victoria's wedding destination. Offering unique **wedding packages** (Iconic, Lux & I Do for Two) for large or small weddings, couples choose whether to say "I do" in the garden, by the water, or overlooking the city's harbours. An award-winning wedding venue, the Inn received a Vancouver Island Wedding Award in 2018 and was named a Professional BC Wedding Award finalist.

UNIQUE TO THE INN

Every year from June 1 to September 30 get to know great local businesses with our exclusive **Key to the City Program**. We partner with attractions, tours, and restaurants to offer our guests local and inspiring experiences.

If you're not planning on visiting Victoria in the summer, that's okay! Victoria offers something for every traveler, in every season. When you book your next stay at Inn at Laurel Point, we'll share our collection of **Curated Guest Itineraries** with you, created by our team of locals who are proud to call Victoria home.

MINDFUL CONSERVATION

As a **social enterprise**, Inn at Laurel Point is dedicated to making improvements to the hotel that prioritize social, environmental, and financial well-being in our community. Independently owned

and operated by a local trust that was founded by Artie Arsens in 2008, the Inn continues to uphold the legacy and vision that she and Paul spent a lifetime building. We give back to our employees and our community wherever we can, carrying on their tradition.

Over a decade ago (2008), the Inn became **BC's first carbon-neutral hotel** and we're still committed to finding sustainable ways of operating the hotel that reduce our impact on the planet, while still providing the services you'd expect in a luxury hotel. We maintain a 5 green key rating with Green Key Global - the leading standard for excellence in the field of environmental responsibility and sustainable operation within the tourism industry.

In 2021, Inn at Laurel Point was officially the **first hotel in North America to sign onto The Climate Pledge**. In 2019, Amazon and Global Optimism co-founded The Climate Pledge, a commitment to reach the Paris Agreement 10 years early and be net-zero carbon by 2040. Now 105 organizations have signed The Climate Pledge, sending an important signal that there will be rapid growth in demand for products and services that help reduce carbon emissions.

More recently (2022) we introduced **Carbon Neutral Events** to Inn at Laurel Point. We've gotten creative in the kitchen with high quality ingredients and plant-rich meals that will leave a lasting impression. Our staff is cutting down on food waste with better sorting and composting facilities and we're making our low carbon menus the perfect pairing to go with our Carbon Neutral Events. Elevated menus for low impact feasts, and a team that's at your service.

We've also welcomed **60,000 honey bees** to the Inn at Laurel Point family with Alvéole. They're tucked away in their own corner in our large garden, so they can get to work and pollinate the neighbourhood.

With hotel profits being spent on maintaining and improving the hotel through better, greener operating practices, career development and investment in our colleagues' health and wellness, and hosting regular charity events that give back to the greater Victoria community, we're proud to look after our home away from home just as much as we look after our guests.

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