

CANADA

VANCOUVER & WHISTLER SUMMER EXPERIENCE (TOUR CODE: 12550)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Vancouver

TRAVEL PERIODS

26 May 23 - 09 Sep 23

EXPERIENCE

Walk & Hike
City Stays

TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

Combine the magnetic alpine playground of Whistler with the vibrant cosmopolitan city of Vancouver in this comprehensive 8 day itinerary.

Highlights

- Join local professional nature guides and photographers in search of the Whistler black bear
- Guided Granville Island Public market tour is one of the most authentic ways to experience Vancouver
- Ride on the unforgettable Sea to Sky Gondola and walk across the Sky Pilot Suspension Bridge
- Explore Vancouver Harbour on a 12-passenger Zodiac to witness the beautiful, natural fjord leading to Granite Falls

Commence your package in the vibrant and bustling coastal town of Vancouver. As British Columbia's largest city, Vancouver is a haven for outdoor enthusiasts and cosmopolitan adventurers alike.

Explore the many sights and sounds of downtown Vancouver on an open top bus, enjoy sampling local cuisine at Granville Island Market, immerse yourself in the mountainside rainforest on the North Shore, enjoy an exhilarating walk across Capilano Suspension Bridge, explore Vancouver harbour by zodiac and immerse yourself in the city that is renowned for its natural beauty and cultural diversity.

With wide-open spaces, vibrant village, mountain landscapes and adrenaline activities, Whistler is the epicentre of outdoor adventure. Enjoy the incomparable views from the top of the Peak 2 Peak Gondola, head out with nature guides to premier black bear viewing spots and choose between an adrenaline fuelled zipline or leisurely paddle in a canoe on Alta Lake.



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

INCLUSIONS

- 4 nights in Vancouver at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver
- 3 nights in Whistler at the Adara Hotel
- Private car transfer from Vancouver Airport to hotel
- Sightseeing tour from Vancouver to Whistler
- Scheduled Coach from Whistler to Vancouver Airport
- Vancouver Hop-On Hop-Off Classic City Pass
- North Shore Mountain Discovery Tour
- Granville Island Market Tour
- Capilano Suspension Bridge Admission
- Grouse Mountain Admission
- Zodiac Tour in Vancouver Harbour
- Whistler Peak 2 Peak Gondola
- Whistler Bear Viewing by Land Rover

Freedom of Choice Days

Freedom of Choice



Our Freedom of Choice program offers flexibility, by allowing you to choose from different options on pre-selected days.

Our per person price includes one tour on each Freedom of Choice day, as follows:

- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 6

Expand the itinerary below for more details.

Please note, if more than one room is selected during the booking process, our team will contact you afterwards to discuss options.

ITINERARY

Day 1 Vancouver

After arriving independently into Vancouver, transfer by private car to your hotel for a three-night stay. The rest of the day

is at leisure to explore this oceanside city.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Hyatt Regency Vancouver**



Day **2**

Vancouver

Noisy and chaotic, yet irresistibly atmospheric, Granville Island is Canada's second most-visited destination behind Niagara Falls. This is the city's destination for lovers of food, art and culture. Offering fresh, local, seasonal produce, alongside a slice of local life, this is where guests rub elbows with Vancouver's chefs as they shop for the day's menu. This morning, you will embark on a guided Granville Island Market tour. You will savour a cornucopia of fine foods from independent farmers and food artisans throughout Vancouver and nearby farms, from cheeses to locally-made charcuterie, candied salmon to melt-in-your mouth donuts. Touring Granville Island Public market will be one of the most authentic ways to experience Vancouver - after all, what better way to feel the pulse of the city than to immerse yourself in the action.

Following Granville Island, you will explore Vancouver today onboard convertible open top buses for stunning views, rain or shine. This flexible Hop On, Hop-Off pass offers highlights of downtown Vancouver, including major attractions, and scenic points of interest. Choose to Hop-Off at any of the 16 stops, and Hop-On again to continue the tour. Highlights of the route include Stanley Park, Queen Elizabeth Park, Yaletown, Gastown, Chinatown, Robson Street, and the Entertainment District. Full commentary is provided in English.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Hyatt Regency Vancouver**



VANCOUVER HOP-ON HOP-OFF | CREDIT: DESTINATION VANCOUVER

Day 3

Vancouver

Immerse yourself in the mountainside rainforest on Vancouver's North Shore. Visit the Capilano Suspension Bridge Park for an exhilarating walk across the 450-foot bridge span high above the riverbed. Stroll the suspended walkways throughout the forest canopy and a path cantilevered to the granite cliff-side. Enjoy a stop at the Capilano Salmon Hatchery to learn about the area and the lifecycle of salmon. Plus, step aboard the Grouse Mountain Skyride that travels one aerial mile to the Peak Chalet for a variety of seasonal activities, exhibits and entertainment.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Hyatt Regency Vancouver**



CLIFFWALK | CREDIT: DESTINATION VANCOUVER / CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE

Day 4

Vancouver

Today you head out on the water to explore Vancouver Harbour, into Deep Cove and further up Indian Arm on a 12-passenger Zodiac to witness the beautiful, natural fjord leading to Granite Falls. You will have a chance to see Stanley Park, English Bay Beach, Lions Gate Bridge, Coal Harbour, Deep Cove, Twin Islands, Racoon Island, Buntzen Powerhouse and much more. With a friendly, local captain and three hours to immerse yourself in unrivalled natural beauty, you'll smell the

earthy cedars of our temperate rainforests, feel the mist on your face from a towering glacial waterfall, and have plenty of time to slow down and soak it all in.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Hyatt Regency Vancouver**

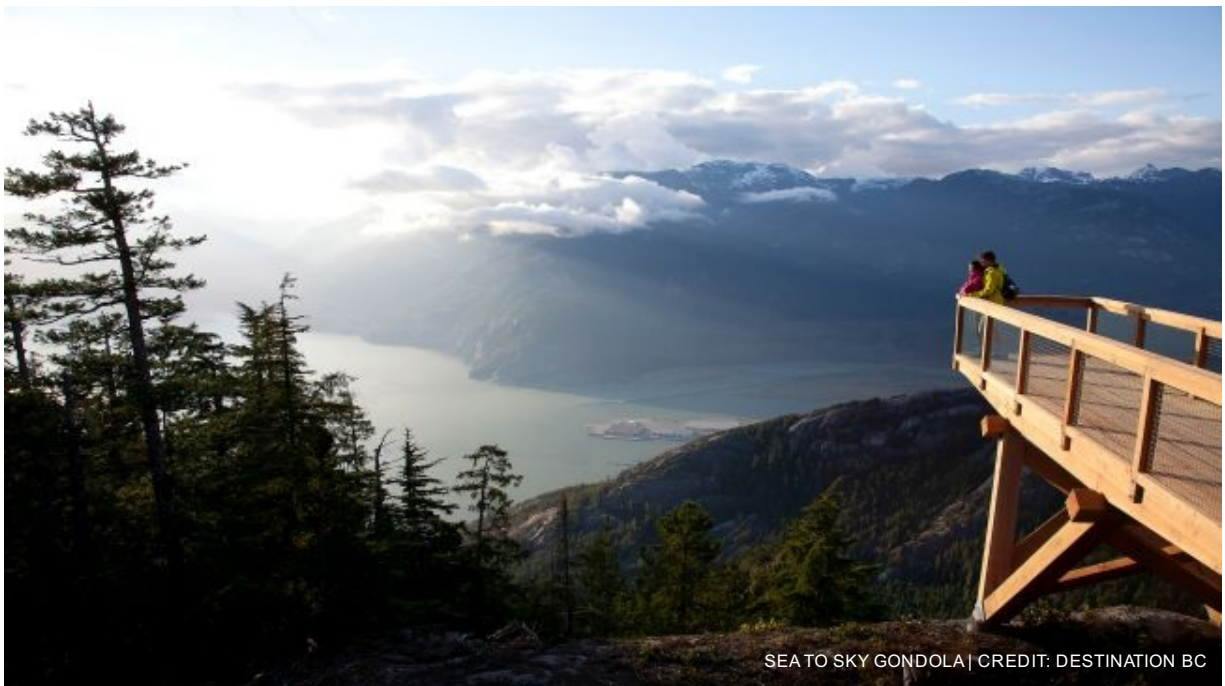


Day **5**

Vancouver Whistler

Revel in the natural beauty as you wind your way along the Sea to Sky Highway to Whistler with a stop at Shannon Falls. Then ride on the unforgettable Sea to Sky Gondola and walk across the Sky Pilot Suspension Bridge. Later, arrive into Whistler village for your three night stay. The afternoon is at your leisure to explore Whistler Village.

Overnight in Whistler at the **Adara Hotel**



Day **6**

Whistler

Spanning the distance between Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains, the Guinness World Record-breaking Peak 2 Peak Gondola provides an unparalleled perspective of British Columbia's rooftop providing incomparable views of towering

volcanic peaks, coastal rainforests, and ancient glaciers. Disembark and the experience is far from over. The full Peak to Peak 360 Experience provides an endless amount of things to do from scenic walking trails, mountaintop restaurants, wildlife viewing, and indoor interpretive displays are all waiting for discovery. This excursion is a Signature Experience with Destination Canada.

In the afternoon, you can personalize your day with a pre-selected tour from our **Freedom of Choice** options below.

Overnight in Whistler at the **Adara Hotel**

Freedom of Choice Options

- **River of Golden Dreams Canoe Trip:**

Paddling the River of Golden Dreams is a summertime classic. Experienced guides will teach you basic paddling skills and techniques as you begin your adventure on the historic Alta Lake. Following families of ducks and geese into the lush river mouth you'll paddle through flowing lilies and around bends of overhanging greenery as you learn about Whistler's history and the local flora and fauna. Water levels are always changing and this tour is always an adventure - from the fast moving water in the spring to navigating obstacles like beaver dams and portages in late summer.

OR

- **Zipline Adventure:**

Exhilarating and exciting, the legendary Bear Tour environment features five ziplines; a network of 4 suspension bridges, boardwalks and forest trails showcasing stunning views of Fitzsimmons Creek. Perfect for groups, families and first-time zipliners!



Day **7**

Whistler

Today you will enjoy one of several premier black bear viewing spots in Whistler. Join local professional nature guides and photographers on a wilderness black bear luxury Land Rover off road scenic excursion. Starting in late April, black bears emerge from hibernation and begin to feed on the new spring growth. Take in the majestic high elevation panoramic views of the Coastal Mountain Range including waterfalls, glacier lakes alpine old growth forest and wetlands. Keep watch for the black bears, moose, deer, mountain lions, bobcats and coyote's that call the region home. This adventure will leave you appreciative of our natural world. Avid photographers will find this a prime opportunity to capture stunning images!

Afternoon you will have time at leisure in Whistler Village. During your free time, you can browse through the various stores featured along the cobblestone paths of Whistler Village, walk along the forest trails, and dine in one of the world-class restaurants.



BLACK BEAR | CREDIT: TOURISM WHISTLER / JUSTAJESKOVA

Day **8** Whistler Vancouver

Today you have an included scheduled coach transfer to Vancouver International Airport where your journey concludes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

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