



GRAN TOUR: BRITISH COLUMBIA & ALASKA PHOTO SAFARI THROUGH THE GREAT BEAR RAINFOREST ALASKA PANHANDLE & GLACIER BAY

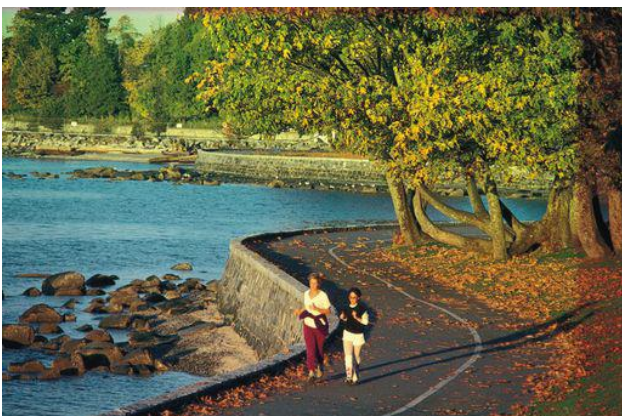
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The Northern Pacific coast between British Columbia and Alaska is a surprising land, composed by a kaleidoscopic mix of landscapes that will give you incomparable experiences and emotions. From the wild and stormy coasts of the Pacific west of the Vancouver Island, up to the Charlottes Islands, to the frozen lands of the sub-arctic coast of Alaska with the brilliant tops of Mount McKinley and the Alaskan Ranges, among the largest glaciers on the planet with magnificent forests alternated to tundra landscapes. The sea, the ocean and the inland streams, the beautiful rivers of British Columbia, witness every year the spectacular return of millions of salmon upstream. A large number of cetaceans also live here, among them is the biggest living being on our planet, the blue whale. In the Great Bear Rainforest, famous park reserve opened by WWF in 2004, we can find marvelous creatures such as grizzlies, black bears and Kermode bears, the white variety of black bears, which only lives in this region; and then the giant moose and the black-tailed deer.

The main activity of this trip: Eco-excursion

During this journey, you will be in touch with a rich, strong and untouched nature, with the chance of practicing several outdoor activities. British Columbia and Alaska are, in fact, a huge amusement park in the open air. The itinerary we suggest here entails many activities done walking or by boat, but even in a kayak, if you want, in order to observe closely an extremely fascinating nature.

ITINERARY



DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN VANCOUVER

Meeting at the airport with a representative of Le Reve House and picking up a car. Then transfer to Century Plaza Hotel or a similar one; double room with breakfast.

DAY 2: VISIT VANCOUVER

Guided city tour, visiting the main areas: Downtown Vancouver, Stanley Park Aquarium & Suspension Bridge, the Capilano Hatchery (salmon hatchery) and West Vancouver parks –

the giant trees of Light House and Dundrave Park with picnic on the sea – if there is time and desire, visit to MOA, Museum of Anthropology, at the UBC University of British Columbia. Free evening and overnight stay at your hotel.

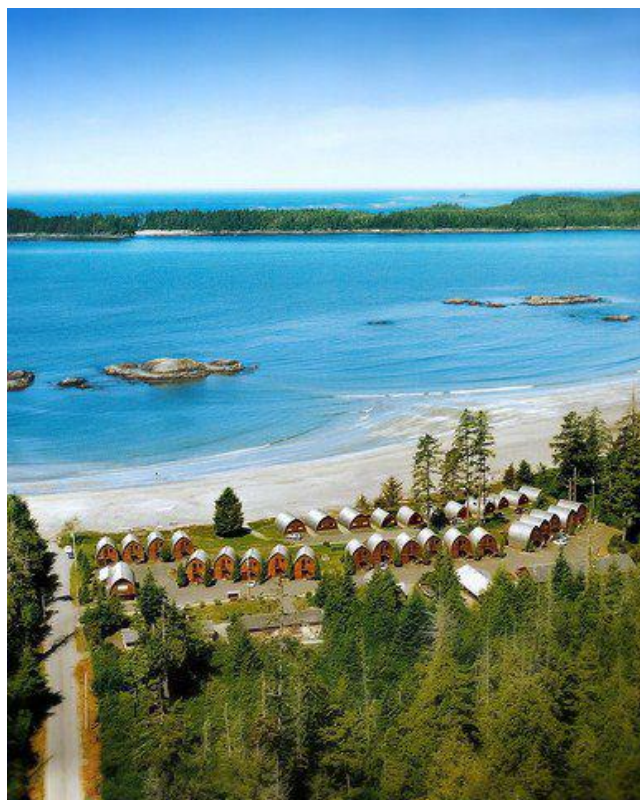


DAY 3: VANCOUVER ISLAND

In the morning, embarking for Nanaimo, Vancouver Island. Starting from Nanaimo, you will cross the island by car to its West Coast, having a stop to admire the spectacular Cathedral Grove with its thousands-year-old Douglass Fir. Arrival at Ucluelet early in the afternoon and accommodation at the lodge in front of the Marina, Pacific Rim front. **Nanaimo-Tofino 195 Km**

DAY 4: MEARES ISLAND EXCURSION

Magnificent waterfront breakfast, then excursion to Meares Island, visiting the rainforest by boat – Tour and trip to Shoener Cove for beachcombing in the pools of living waters. These beautiful pools are an explosion of life at your feet in the Pacific Rim. Dinner included in the village of Tofino. Night stay in your Lodge in Ucluelet.



DAY 5: THE PACIFIC RIM

Spectacular whale watching in the Pacific Rim and the Broughton Group Archipelago with their creatures, whales and sea lions, among the atolls off the Bay of Tofino: this is what awaits you in today's excursion by a super-raft. In the afternoon, after this tour, departure toward Northeast and arrival to the Campbell River. Overnight stay at the Painter's Lodge on Quadra Island (half board).

Tofino – Campbell River 244 Km



DAY 6 & 7: ORCAS AND GRIZZLIES OF THE GREAT BEAR RAINFOREST (EXCURSION TO THE GRIZZLIES ON REQUEST)

Transfer from Campbell River to Telegraph Cove. In the early afternoon, excursion to observe marine orcas from Telegraph Cove. This is the legendary hike marked by eco-tourism magazines, which will bring you in direct contact with these magnificent and powerful animals. At the end of excursion, accommodation in a restored cabin on the boardwalk of Telegraph Cove and overnight stay. In the morning of day 7 you'll start again from Telegraph Cove for another exciting boat tour (if you request) to Knight Inlet: you will pass through a coastal area of completely pristine fjords of over 50



Km. The only inhabitants of this paradise are animals, particularly whales, dolphins, black bears and other creatures of this eco-system. Once at your destination, you will find a large community of grizzlies of the Great Bear Rainforest.

After returning from this trip you will move to Port Hardy where you will start off the next day for the famous Inside Passage. At Port Hardy, you will leave the car in the hotel's car park.

Campbell R. Telegraph Cove: 274 Km

Telegraph Cove – Port Hardy: 63 km





DAY 8: BEAUTIFUL INSIDE PASSAGE BY FERRY — 17 HOURS

At 7.30 departure to the Inside Passage, the magnificent maritime passage along the stunning West Pacific Coast, between long fjords and high canyons. During this trip you will have no time to get bored, being continually solicited by the wonderful views and encounters with killer whales, humpback whales and sea lions. Arrival in Prince Rupert at 23.30. Overnight stay at the Coast Hotel in P. Rupert, with breakfast included.

Inside Passage Crossing distance – 550 Km



FROM CANADA TO ALASKA

DAY 9 & 10: ALASKA FERRY PRINCE RUPERT — JUNEAU

Free morning in Prince Rupert. In the afternoon or in the evening, you will embark for Juneau, Alaska, with the Alaska Marine Highway ferry. The route offers an opportunity to enjoy enchanting landscapes. You will arrive at the destination after a day and a half of navigation.



DAY 11: JUNEAU

Juneau, Alaska's capital, is considered by locals to be the most beautiful city in the country: it's also known by nickname "little San Francisco". We will start with a walk through the central streets populated by old pubs, art galleries, cosy bars and sophisticated restaurants. After lunch you will make your first walking trip along the heights around the Mendenhall glacier, surrounded by one of the richest environments of wildlife in Alaska. On request, guided kayaking trip between the icebergs of Mendenhall Lake. When finished, return to the hotel for dinner

and overnight stay.



DAY 12: THE GLACIER BAY AND ITS UNESCO SITE

A flight to Gustavus, the gate of Glacier Bay, the most important Alaskan glacier, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979. On a small cruise boat we will sail through the ice. On board a delicious lunch will be served. The boat, a fast yacht, will arrive to the famous ice fronts, and at the same time you can see spectacular fauna. Upon returning from the trip you arranged at Glacier Bay Lodge for the night.



DAY 13: WHALEWATCHING AT GLACIER BAY



Today, (on request), you will be engaged in a magnificent whale watching excursion in the middle of the glacier. Blue whales at that time come from the Southern seas to start their mating period and breastfeeding of newborns. The sea lions of these waters will approach you under the boat. So, there are many things to capture, in and out of water, including magnificent eagles and other wonderful birds which ply the skies in this area with the arrival of summer. In the afternoon - transfer to Gustavus, where at 15.30 you will have a return flight to Juneau. Dinner at a restaurant. Night at a hotel in Juneau.

DAY 14: RETURN TO VANCOUVER

Free morning in Juneau, then transfer to the airport and flight to Vancouver. Arrival in Vancouver and transfer to your hotel at the airport. Free time for dinner and overnight stay.

DAY 15: RETURN FLIGHT

After breakfast you will be transferred by shuttle to the airport for your return flight.



ROAD BOOK UPON ARRIVAL & 24/24 ASSISTANCE

LIST OF SERVICES:

- 1 Meet& Greet at Vancouver Airp. and transfer. Hotel with mini tour of the city.
- 2 Nights in a 3/4 star hotel: Sheraton Place or Century Plaza w/breakfast
- 1 Guided Tour (upon request) x a Visit by shuttle to Suspension Bridge - Stanley Park Aquarium - Dundrave park + picnic, MOA Museum of Indian nation Anthropology
- 1 excursion to the Capilano Hatchery (salmon Hatchery).
- 1 Compact car rental from Vancouver to Port Hardy.
- 1 car pass for a ferry to Vancouver Island
- 2 nights in Tofino - Cabin suite, Ocean Village Resort with kitchen + 1 Dinner
- Whalewatching tour in Tofino, 1 to 2 pax
- 1 Night Campbell River at the Painter's Lodge with breakfast + 1 Dinner
- 1 night stay in a cabin on the Board Walk of Telegraph Cove
- 1 excursion to see the orcas in Telegraph Cove Super No. 1!!
- 1 excursion to the Grizzlies of Knight Inlet, 9 hour long, with breakfast and lunch included
- 1 Night in a Hotel or Lodge in Port Hardy area, double room with breakfast
- 1 pass x 2 pax Inside Passage Ferry
- 1 Night at Coast Prince Rupert Hotel or Crest Hotel double room + breakfast
- 1 pass on Ferry Alaska Ferry Prince Rupert - Juneau no car and cabin x 2 Pax
- 2 nights at Juneau Hotel or lodge, a room of 3rd category with breakfast + 1 crab dinner
- 1 excursion on foot to the Mendenhall Lake x 2 Pax
- 2-day excursion to the Glacier Bay with Seaplane flight A/R
- 1 night at the Glacier Bay Lodge + breakfast
- 1 return Flight to Vancouver from Juneau 2 Pax
- 1 Night in Vancouver, Hotel Century Plaza or similar one at the airport with breakfast

Exclusions: everything not included in the abovementioned list.

Fixed priced subject to fluctuation not over 10% + or – exchange, fixed at the receipt of the bank transfer

THE QUOTE INCLUDES ALL THE SERVICES IN THE LIST AND STARTS FROM 3150 EUR PER PERSON



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