



CANADA TOUR AND ALASKA CRUISE VANCOUVER – ALASKA AND BACK

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During this journey, you will be in touch with a rich, strong and untouched nature, with a chance of practicing several outdoor activities and experiencing intense emotions. The nature of British Columbia and Alaska makes these regions feel like a huge amusement park in the open air dedicated to these activities.

The fauna of this territory is truly extraordinary: large whales, orcas, dolphins and sea lions, grizzly bears, brown bears and wolves can be found along the coast and inland.

Then the cruise will follow towards Inside Passage, first its its Canadian part and then the one of Alaska, to surprise and excite you with its narrow fjords bordered by steep cliffs, high waterfalls, lush forests and mountains' peaks. Extraordinary marine and on-land wildlife will be your constant companion along the trip.

Period: from May to October
Duration: 14 days including 8 days of cruise



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DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN VANCOUVER

Arrival in Vancouver Meet & Greet by our representative and transfer to the hotel. Checking in and overnight stay Breakfast is included.

DAY 2: GUIDED TOUR OF VANCOUVER

Guided tour on request by our van - a visit to the main touristic areas and Downtown Vancouver.

Excursion to Suspension Bridge and Capilano Hatchery (salmon Hatchery). West Vancouver and Dundrave Park with picnic on the sea; Stanley Park Aquarium.

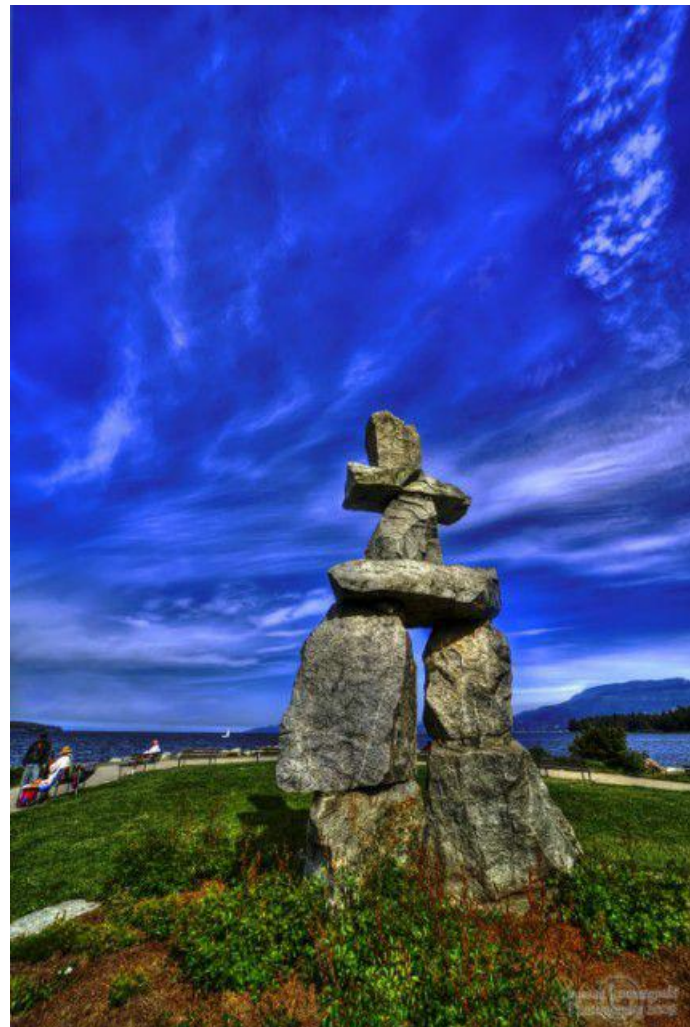
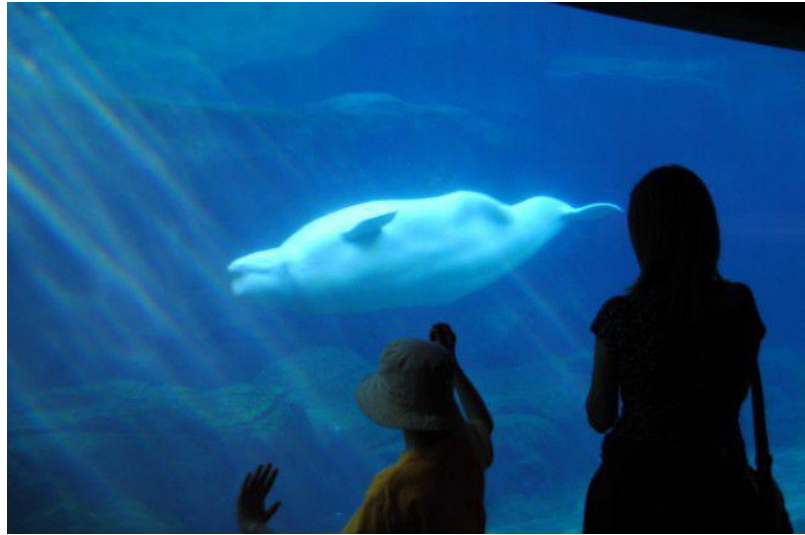
In the afternoon you will be escorted to Downtown Vancouver and climb aboard a seaplane for a striking and scenic flight to Gulf Island: over the Bay of Vancouver and over the Lions Bridge which is a few tens of metres high.

Upon return, dinner at a restaurant. Overnight stay at your hotel

DAY 3: VANCOUVER ISLAND

In the morning you will pick up a car, and on our representative's guidance you will embark a ferry to Vancouver Island. You will arrive in Nanaimo after 1 hour and 35 minutes. From Nanaimo keep on going North, towards Campbell River, and you will arrive in Tofino, after about 2 and a half hours of driving. Along the way, have a break at Cathedral Grove, one of the most beautiful parks of Sequoia and centuries-old Red Cedar in the region. In the late afternoon you will arrive at the beautiful village of Tofino, where you stay for 2 days at Ocean Village Resort in front of one of the most spectacular beaches along the cliffs of Pacific Rim.

Distance from Nanaimo to Tofino: 208 Km



DAY 4: PACIFIC RIM, WHALES AND SEA LIONS

Today is your day of travel across the ocean to Pacific Rim, famous for its charming and violent storms in the Pacific. This is a destination for passionate travelers and nature photographers chasing the beautiful images and creatures of this nature which still live in harmony here: the great whales, orcas and large sea lions. You will go on excursion on the board of a super fast rubber boat to approach these fascinating animals, and navigate through the magnificent Broken Group Islands. Once you have landed, you will have an opportunity to enjoy the rejuvenating relaxation offered by hot springs of the sea. In



the afternoon, you will have an excursion by boat to the island of Meares for a walk through ancient giant rainforest trees.

Return back to your hotel, dinner and night stay.

DAY 5: THE EAST COAST OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

This morning, after breakfast, you will leave the West coast of Vancouver Island to move through the whole island towards its East Coast. Campbell River, your destination, is called "the capital of the salmon". Here you will stay at splendid Painter's Lodge.

In the afternoon, or next morning, if required, you'll have a trip to see whales, orcas and dolphins.

After that you'll return to the lodge and have dinner on the promenade in front of Quadra Island.

DAY 6: THE GRIZZLIES OF GREAT BEAR RAIN FOREST:

This morning you will leave your lodge for a beautiful trip to Great Bear Rain Forest, the jewel of Canadian nature, recognized as the most beautiful rainforest park in the world. The variety of wildlife in this park is truly unique: lots of grizzly bears, along with the black ones, gray wolves, bald-headed eagles, moose and deer, earth otters, and - killer whales, dolphins, sea lions and various species of whales at sea. On the way back from the excursion, you will be transferred to the North, to a quaint fishing village of Telegraph Cove, where you will stay in a cabin on the "bordwalk", the historic waterfront. On the way, a visit to the village of Port McNeill, another beautiful village of the East Coast.



DAY 7: KILLER WHALES



This morning's trip is universally recognized as the best excursion to the orcas' world. You'll surely see many other species which make up the fauna of this area, but killer whales are of course the stars of the day.

In the afternoon you will return to Nanaimo where you'll embark on ferry which will take you back to Vancouver.

Embarkment and the first day of cruise



DAY 8: THE SECOND DAY OF CRUISE. INSIDE PASSAGE

It is one of the most beautiful sea-arm in the world. Practically there is everything you've come to see in Alaska: rainforests, glaciers, high waterfalls and beautiful fjords, majestic snow-capped peaks, the stars of the place: whales and sea lions, as well as countless other species in water, sky and on earth.





DAY 9: THE THIRD DAY OF CRUISE. ICY STRAIT POINT

Fifty miles West from Juneau, at the mouth of Glacier Bay, lies the Icy Straits historical Point. You will have a unique opportunity to learn about Tlingit culture and observe incredible wilderness. Icy Straits Point which was used by canning industry in the past, is now a dock for cruise ships and one of the main routes to access the magnificent Tongass National Forest. The city of Hoonah is

less than 2 km from the port. From the coast it's is very easy to observe local fauna, especially eagles in the sky and whales in the sea.



DAY 10: FOURTH DAY OF CRUISE. HUBBARD GLACIER

Hubbard Glacier is the only glacier in the world that does not move at a glacial pace. Quite the opposite! In fact, in 1986, Hubbard Glacier moved an average of just under 5.5 feet per hour. The ice at the foot of Hubbard Glacier is about 400 years old: it takes that long for ice to traverse the length of the glacier. The front of the glacier routinely calves off huge icebergs, up to 10 km long. Hubbard is also the largest tidewater glacier in North America. Navigating through the Yakutat Bay, be attentive: you might witness historical geological events. Hubbard Glacier surged forward twice for the last quarter-century, blocking the outlet of Russell Fjord and creating "Russell Lake". The new lake filled with runoff both times.



DAY 11: THE FIFTH DAY OF CRUISE. JUNEAU AND VARIOUS EXCURSIONS AVAILABLE

Juneau, Alaska's capital, is a fascinating city. Pioneer spirit keeps on living here in an interesting blend of urban chic and border roughness. Don't miss a visit to Alaska State Museum. Other great natural attractions are Juneau Glacier Bay (excursion on request) and Mendenhall glacier, a stone's throw from the city. Let us get on helicopter to Mendenhall and take a great trekking on the ice. The area around Juneau abounds with wildlife; bears, porpoises, seals, sea otters, mountain goats and Sitka black-tailed deer can be easily seen and observed during the various excursions.



DAY 12: THE SIXTH DAY OF CRUISE. KETCHIKAN (MISTY FJORDS ON REQUEST)

Ketchikan is an ideal starting point for wonderful excursions by seaplane to Misty Fjords National Monument and about 2,200. naturalistic paradise acres, an area that 17000 years ago was completely covered by glaciers which created the great scene of the present Park: long and narrow fjords, whose cliffs rise at times at more than 100 metres high, the mountains wrapped by fogs (which the Park is named after),incredibly tourquise lakes, waterfalls and endless evergreen forests. Ketchikan is the ancestral homeland of Tlingit tribe. Another thing not to miss here is the largest collection of totems in the world.

DAY 13 - THE SEVENTH DAY OF CRUISE. INSIDE PASSAGE



DAY 14 - THE EIGHTH DAY OF CRUISE
Disembarkation in Vancouver, end of cruise and end of trip. Otherwise starting off for another destination.



LIST OF SERVICES: ROAD BOOK ON ARRIVAL & 24/24 7 ASSISTANCE

- Meet & Greet at the airport of Vancouver and the first city tour
- 2 Nights at Century Plaza Hotel or similar one with breakfast included
- Trip (guided on request) to Stanley Park & Aquarium
- Suspension Bridge + Salmon Hatchery + Cypress Mountain Climb
- Car rental, average category. Vancouver/Vancouver with unlimited km
- 1 car pass for a Ferry to Nanaimo
- 2 nights at Canadian Princess Lodge Pacific Rim with 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner.
- 1 super-raft excursion of Whalewatching to Pacific Rim x 2/3 hours
- 1 Excursion by boat to Tofina Bay and the Rainforest of Meares Island
- 1 Night at the Painter's Lodge in Campbell River with breakfast
- 1 excursion on request to the Discovery Coast Fauna
- 1 night stay in a cabin on the Board Walk of Telegraph Cove
- 1 Whalewatching of marine orcas (the most beautiful in the world)
- 8 days cruise along Alaska's Inside passage in a cabin, inner base
- 1 Misty Fjord Minicruise on request
- Other Excursions upon request during the cruise

Exclusions: everything not included in the abovementioned list. Fixed priced subject to fluctuation not over 10% + or – exchange rate, fixed at the receipt of the bank transfer

May 15 – October 30	2580 € per person 3-star category
Extra charge for single room	Upon request
Children	up to 3 years: free
	from 3 to 12 years: price on request



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