

INDEPENDENT WILDLIFE TOUR - ROUND-TRIP FROM VANCOUVER





The province of British Columbia offers some of the very best wildlifeviewing opportunities in the world.

On this trip you'll have the chance to see orca, Pacific gray whales, sea lions, seals, black and grizzly bears, bald eagles and a host of other birds and marine wildlife.

## **Key Facts**

- \* 11 Days / 10 Nights
- \* 2019 Departure Dates: Daily departure dates from 13th May to 7th October
- \* Upgrades Available









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#### DAY 1

## Arrive in Vancouver

Arrive in Vancouver and be met at the airport for a private transfer to your downtown hotel for a three-night stay.

#### DAY 2

## Vancouver Sightseeing

Today you have a day at leisure to explore the coastal city of Vancouver, with recommended visits to Granville Market, Gastown and Stanley Park. Here you can spend time at the Vancouver Aquarium, a non-profit organisation dedicated to the conservation of aquatic life, and home to sea otters, beluga whales and many other animals.

### DAY 3

## Sea Safari

Today you will enjoy a two-hour cruise aboard a Zodiac vessel through Howe Sound, North America's southernmost fjord, to experience wildlife up close. Pass through Pam Rocks, to see harbour seals and keep a watch out for bald eagles, herons, cormorants and dolphins as you head through the Strait of Georgia.





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#### DAY 4

## Victoria

Today you will travel by coach and ferry to Victoria, British Columbia's capital city on Vancouver Island. The ferry ride through the Strait of Georgia offers another opportunity to see marine birds, seals and porpoises. Upon arrival in Victoria, you will check in to your hotel for a two-night stay.

DAY 5

## Whale-Watching

Today you will embark on a thrilling excursion in search of orcas, minke whales, seals, porpoises and other marine life. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore Victoria.

## DAY 6

## **Tofino**

Today you will transfer by coach or mini-van to Tofino. The journey leads you across Vancouver Island to the Pacific Coast, winding through ancient rainforests and provincial parks. Upon arrival you will check into your hotel for a three-night stay.





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#### DAY 7

## Black Bear-Watching

Today, at low tide, you will board a boat and travel along the lush coastline to see bears foraging on the shore in search of rock crab – their favourite food. Following the tour the rest of the day is at leisure.

#### DAY 8

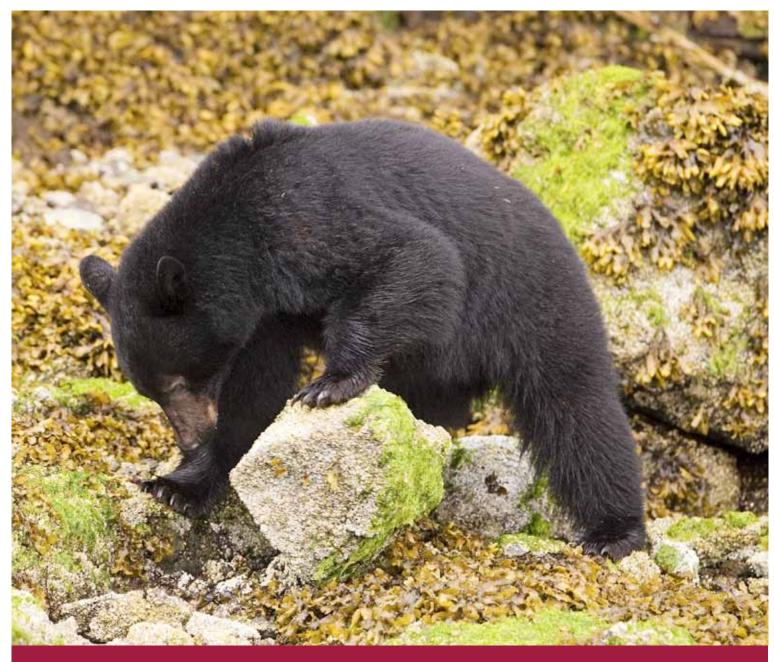
## Whale-Watching

Today you will enjoy a thrilling whale-watching excursion. Pacific gray whales are visitors from March to October and this excursion takes you through the pristine waters of Clayoquat Sound to view the stunning scenery and wildlife.

#### DAY 9

## Campbell River

Today you will travel by coach or mini-van to the east coast of Vancouver Island and check into the Comfort Inn and Suites for the start of your Knight Inlet Lodge package.





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## **DAY 10**

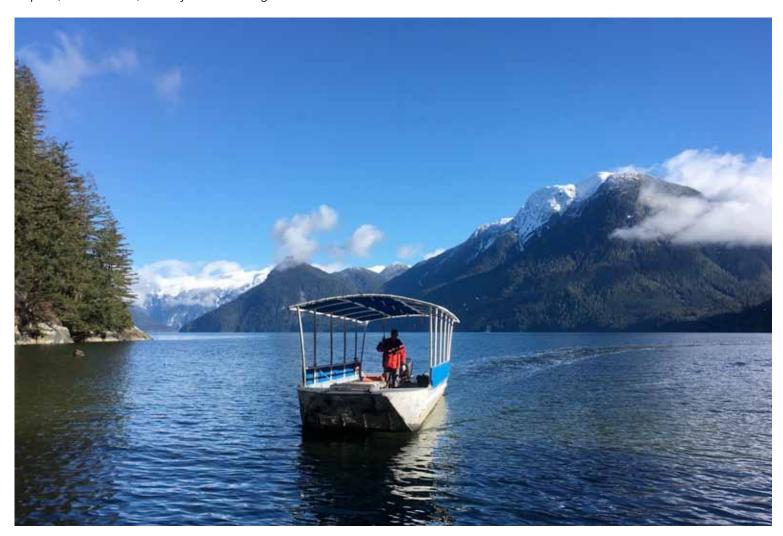
## Knight Inlet Lodge

Today you will travel by floatplane to Knight Inlet Lodge, your eco-adventure destination. The inlet is a remote area and the lodge itself is tucked in Glendale Cove which is home to a large concentration of grizzly and black bears. On arrival you'll receive a welcome orientation, followed by a cruise in the estuary and then a bear-viewing tour. Depending on the season this may be by boat (spring/early summer) or from a secure viewing platform (autumn). Lunch and dinner are included today.

#### **DAY 11**

## Vancouver

After breakfast today you will travel by floatplane back to Campbell River and then by mini-van to the airport for your flight to Vancouver Airport (south terminal) where your tour arrangements end.











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Day (s)	Location	Accommodation (Subject to availability, similar hotels may be substituted)
1 – 3	Vancouver	Georgian Court Hotel
4 & 5	Victoria	Inn at Laurel Point
6 – 8	Tofino	Best Western Tin Wis
9	Campbell River	Comfort Inn & Suites
10	Glendale Cove	Knight Inlet Lodge

## What's Included?

- \* 10 nights' accommodation
- \* Private transfer from Vancouver Airport
- \* 2-hour Sea Safari excursion
- \* Coach and ferry transfer to Victoria
- \* 3-hour whale watching excursion
- \* Transfer to Tofino
- \* 2½-hour bear-viewing excursion
- \* 2½-hour whale-watching excursion
- \* Transfer to Campbell River
- \* 2-night stay at Knight Inlet Lodge
- \* Pacific Coastal Airlines flight from Campbell River to Vancouver Airport

## What's Not Included?

- \* Transfers other than specified
- \* Activities other than specified
- \* Meals other than specified
- \* Gratuities

## Recommendation

We can tailor-make this itinerary to suit your requirements. Perhaps extend your stay at Knight Inlet Lodge to allow for extra grizzly bearviewing excursions. Or add an Alaska cruise or a journey through the Rockies. In July and August it is even possible to add on beluga whale and polar bear-viewing in Churchill.

## The Next Step?

Speak to Denise or one of our expert team and get your holiday off to the perfect start!

All details and inclusions are correct at the time of producing this document but may be subject to change without notice.





