



Luxury Travel 4-Day Sample Itinerary

DESTINATION GREATER
VICTORIA



In a city that has hosted many Royal visits (including Queen Elizabeth and the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge!), royal treatment and Victoria, BC, go hand-in-hand. Our marinas are speckled with seaplanes and yachts, our terrain with golf courses and wineries, and our city with charming hotels designed to provide you with the rejuvenating experience of a lifetime.



Day 1

Arrive for your dream vacation via helicopter with [Helijet International Incorporated](#). You won't be able to tear your eyes away from the window as you get a sweeping eagle's eye view of Vancouver Island, the Salish Sea, and your final destination – beautiful Victoria. You will land at the Heliport located in Victoria's oceanside James Bay neighbourhood, with the magnificent Ogden Point Breakwater and colourful [Fisherman's Wharf](#) as your first impression of our city. Once you land, you will be escorted by a complimentary shuttle straight to the doors of your hotel.



After such a notable arrival, it's time to stretch your legs! Take a private e-bike tour along Victoria's coast with [The Pedaler Cycling Tours and Rentals](#). This two-hour guided tour is a gentle, leisurely ride through Victoria's most picturesque neighbourhoods and landmarks, stretching from Beacon Hill Park towards the impressive [Craigdarroch Castle](#). The Pedaler's fleet of e-bikes allows for faster journeys and a more relaxing, trendy experience. Electric tandem bikes are also available for booking, which offer all the convenience of an e-bike but for two!



[The Fairmont Empress](#) is already one of Victoria's most luxurious hotels, but your experience in their Fairmont Gold Lounge goes above and beyond. With its upscale bar, complimentary canapés and concierge on site, the Gold Lounge experience is unlike any other in Victoria. You will feel like royalty as you sit on the private balcony overlooking the Inner Harbour while the sun sets over the city. The Fairmont Gold experience continues as you retreat to your room, where you will get another stunning view complete with accents of royal purple and gold in your upscale room. Finally, you can rest easy knowing that you will wake up in the heart of the city, ready for another day of indulgence in Victoria.





DESTINATION GREATER
VICTORIA
BC, CANADA

Day 2



Brunch and Victoria go hand-in-hand. In the city celebrated as Canada's Brunch Capital, there are many incredible options with restaurants that have perfected the careful art of a memorable brunch. We recommend taking the morning slow, sleeping in, then going to [The Courtney Room](#) for weekend brunch or breakfast. Here, old world meets new in an air of timeless elegance, with a menu that boasts the local community's fresh bounty. Indulge in their Crab & Gruyere Omelette or their delicious Smoked Salmon Benny to fuel up for your eventful day ahead.



Treat yourself to the pampering that you deserve. The [RITUAL Nordic Spa](#) takes inspiration from traditional Scandinavian spa styles, reimagining Finnish traditions that move from hot elements to cold. Cycle through traditional cedar and basswood saunas, a eucalyptus-infused steam room to cold plunge pools, and a Nordic bucket shower for a time-tested way to improve your health and wellness. If you're needing an additional way to wake up after breakfast, the bucket plunge followed by an added-on massage treatment will have you feeling exceptional.



Are you missing the incredible vistas from yesterday's arrival? Let [Harbour Air Seaplanes](#) lift you up on their panoramic sea-plane tour of our city. Take in the beauty of Victoria's twisting coastline, the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the majestic Olympic Peninsula before landing downtown in the Inner Harbour. There are options to book a private tour if you'd like the plane for yourself or the option to receive FlyGuide In-Flight Commentary, seating of your choice, and complimentary pre-or-post flight beverages as well.



For dinner, experience one of Victoria's newest fine dining establishments. [The Ugly Duckling](#), located in historic Chinatown serves up delicious seasonally inspired dishes with local ingredients, that bring the local Chinese heritage to life in a refined tasting menu. Be sure to reserve your table at this intimate new restaurant.



After dinner, the city isn't done revealing its secrets. You may need to solve a puzzle to enter this downtown speakeasy, but once you're in, you will have the opportunity to try over 200 whiskeys from around the world at [Artemis Whiskey Bar](#). Whether you like your whiskey neat, or in an innovative cocktail, this place has it all, and does not hold back on style.



Day 3



Begin your morning with wellness in mind. In the summer, the [Oak Bay Beach Hotel](#) offers sunrise yoga classes at 8 AM, taught by their very own Spa Manager, Tina Lyons. Each hour-long class is delivered in a Hatha/Vinyasa style suitable for all ages and experience levels. The classes occur on the extraordinary Seaside Garden Terrace overlooking the Juan de Fuca Strait. If you're lucky, you may catch the occasional orca passing by!



Alternatively, beat the heat by teeing off in a morning golf session at [Highland Pacific Golf](#). This picturesque course offers mountain views and beautiful holes that roll and wind through the highland hills. If you'd like to step it up a notch, you can also go to [Bear Mountain Resort](#), which is home to 36 PGA-approved holes designed by Jack Nicklaus.



You've already had tee time, and now it's tea time! No trip to Victoria would be complete without indulging in a glamorous afternoon tea experience. Head over to [The Pendray Inn and Teahouse](#), located on Victoria's scenic Inner Harbour, to enjoy a custom passed down for generations. The Pendray's relaxing ambiance is steeped in history & tradition, having been built in the 19th century in an authentic Victorian style. Paired with exotic and international teas and personable service, you're in for a lovely treat. After your meal, roam around the immaculately landscaped hotel gardens to work off your meal – deemed one of Victoria's most elegant wedding venues.



As the day comes to an end, get a taste of the west coast from [10 Acres Bistro](#); this hyper-locally sourced menu (mostly from their farm in nearby Saanich) is constantly changing to highlight the delicious island-raised ingredients that are most in-season. Order one of their hard-to-find wines or yet-to-be-discovered gems. Watch for their features you can't find anywhere else; your taste buds will thank you. If you opt for the patio, the ambiance might make your stay a little longer for a dessert or another delicious cocktail.





Day 4

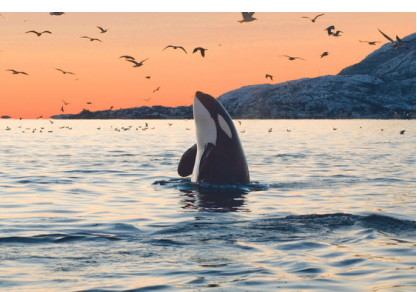
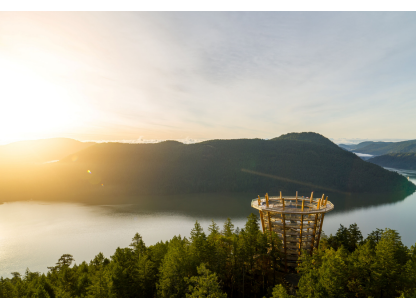
On your final day, get your breakfast to go and escape to Greater Victoria's wine region in a custom, private tour in a comfortable Tesla. [Alset Tours](#) will pick you up from your hotel and take you on your own personal itinerary. To start your day with stunning views, visit the [Malahat SkyWalk](#) for an unbeatable view of the Saanich Inlet and Peninsula and some crisp forest air.

Return to your Tesla for your Craft Vine, Orchard & Stills tour, taking you to eight different Saanich Craft orchards and vineyards. Deep Cove Winery, [Sea Cider Farm & Ciderhouse](#), and [Church & State Wines](#) are just some of the few delectable options you will sample as you take in the natural wonders of the Saanich Peninsula. Once you're done, your private chauffeur will safely escort you back to your hotel or to your next destination. Cheers to a phenomenal day!

Wrapping up your final evening in Victoria is a sunset [whale-watching tour](#). Depart the Victoria Harbour for 3 hours on the water, catching the majestic marine life and Victoria's resplendent sunset simultaneously. There's something magical about those lazy evenings wrapping up after a long day of events, floating with the whales in the softly romantic evening light. Whale watching always seems more serene after the hustle of a busy vacation.

Day 5

Your flight back to Vancouver or Seattle departs from the Inner Harbour, so take your time and enjoy another delicious breakfast at [Fathom](#) in the [Hotel Grand Pacific](#). Then, on your [Harbour Air](#) or [Kenmore Air Seaplane](#) flight, you will have a stunning view of Victoria, the mountains and the gulf islands as you soar to the mainland. Thank you for coming!





DESTINATION GREATER
VICTORIA
BC, CANADA

Recommended Accommodations:



[Oak Bay Beach Hotel](#)

The multiple award-winning Oak Bay Beach Hotel is a luxury boutique property offering show-stopping views of snow-capped Mount Baker. What stands out about this elegant hotel is its oceanside mineral baths, steam-sauna rooms, and restaurant, [FARO Handcrafted Pizza and Tasting Room](#) – known for its delectable pizzas and incredible ocean views. This establishment is [Biosphere Certified](#).



[Fairmont Empress](#)

The chateau-style Fairmont Empress is a true icon of Victoria, essentially marking the pinpoint for downtown's core. Emanating modern luxury, this inner harbour landmark is home to the [Willow Stream Spa](#), [Q at the Empress](#), and of course, a fantastic high-tea experience. This downtown hotel is [Biosphere Certified](#).



[Inn at Laurel Point](#)

British Columbia's first Carbon Neutral hotel certainly does not hold back on views, style, location and services. With beautiful views of the Inner Harbour and a [stunning restaurant on site](#), your stay at the Inn at Laurel Point will certainly be memorable.

Contact Us

If you would like more information on this and other itinerary suggestions, you can contact the Travel Trade team at Destination Greater Victoria.

765 Broughton St. 6th Floor, Victoria, BC V8W1E2 Canada

Email: traveltrade@tourismvictoria.com | www.tourismvictoria.com/travel-trade

DESTINATION GREATER
VICTORIA
BC, CANADA

Destination Greater Victoria is honoured to be based on the traditional territory of the Lekwungen-speaking peoples, whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.