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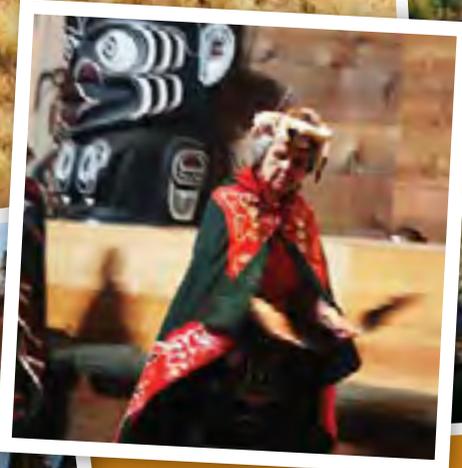
# Aboriginal

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“Experience our vibrant Aboriginal cultures, traditions and warm hospitality.”

**We Invite You to Join Us...**

As the First Nations, Inuit and Métis of this land, we invite you to experience our vibrant Aboriginal cultures, traditions and warm hospitality. Also known as Natives or American Indians, we dance and sing in the way of our ancestors, tell the creation stories handed down through the millennia and practise the arts and crafts taught to us by our Elders.

And soon, we will step onto the world stage to present our many cultures before, during and after the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. The 2010 Winter Games will be held on the traditional and shared traditional territories of the Lil'wat, Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, where we are proud to participate as athletes, volunteers, employees, entrepreneurs, artists, performers, spectators and cultural ambassadors.

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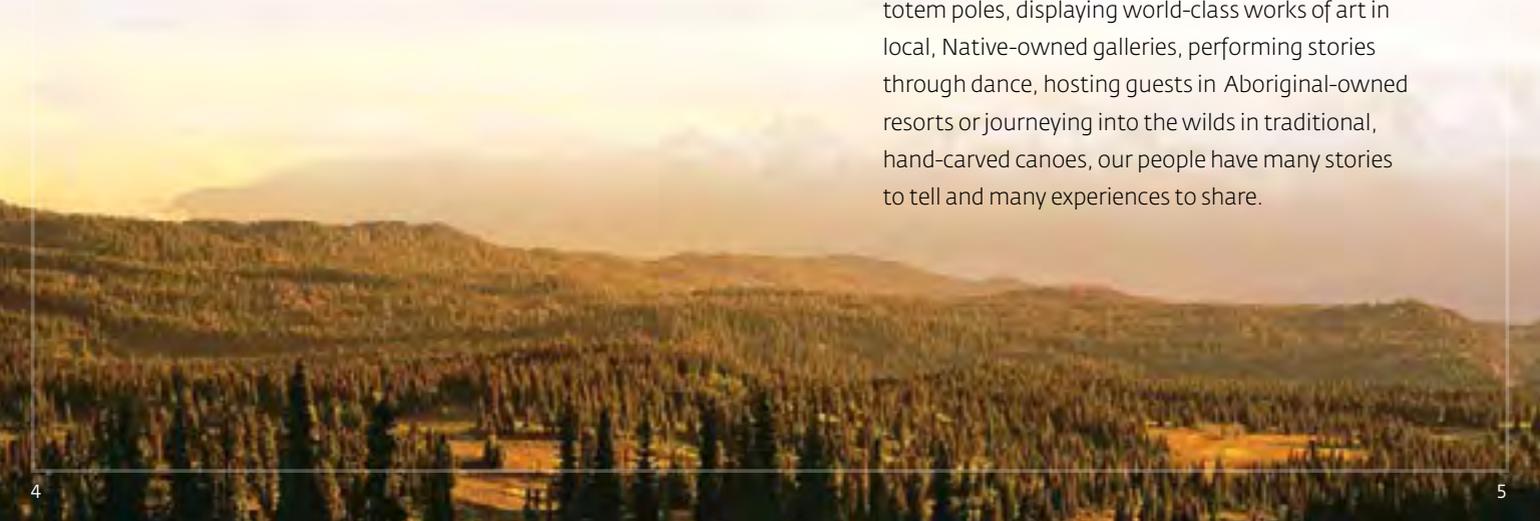


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## Our People

With the greatest diversity of Aboriginal Peoples in North America, B.C. is a showcase for the talents of 203 First Nation communities, with a Métis presence.

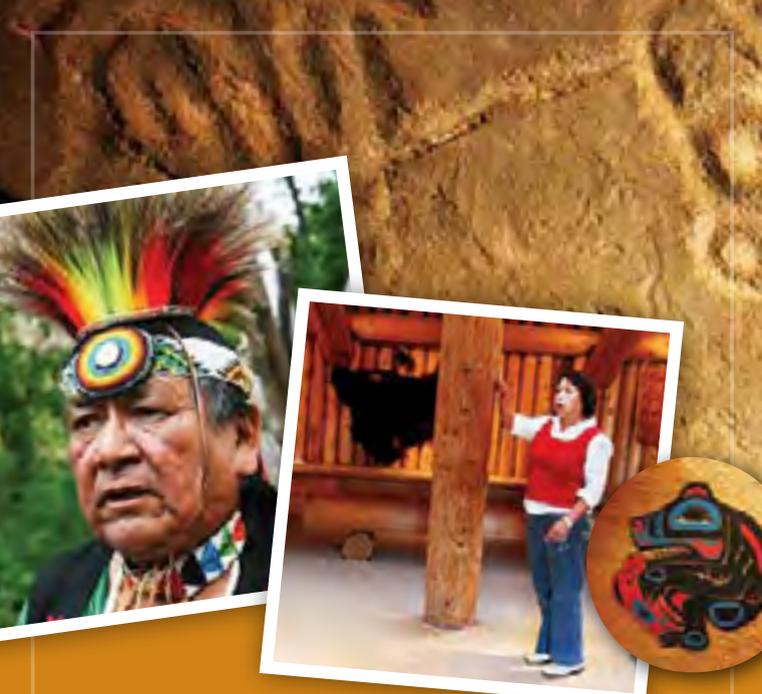
Our Elders continue to pass along our ancient ways through song and dance, as they have done for thousands of years, in keeping with the oral tradition of our cultures. Whether proudly carving totem poles, displaying world-class works of art in local, Native-owned galleries, performing stories through dance, hosting guests in Aboriginal-owned resorts or journeying into the wilds in traditional, hand-carved canoes, our people have many stories to tell and many experiences to share.



# Aboriginal Experiences at a Glance

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## West Coast Vancouver Island

### Best Western Tin Wis Resort



#### Tofino

1119 Pacific Rim Highway  
Phone 1.800.661.9995  
www.tinwis.com

- » Hotel with ocean views
- » First Nations-inspired cuisine
- » Gift shop

Experience timeless mists and ancient rainforests at this Tla-o-qui-aht Nation-owned hotel overlooking Mackenzie Beach and the Pacific Ocean in the remote wilderness of Clayoquot Sound. Tin Wis features a Native-themed lobby, fitness and spa facilities and contemporary West Coast First Nations cuisine. Discover the Spirit.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$155 per night (based on standard room)

### Nuchatlaht Park Lodge



#### Tahsis

Nootka Island  
Phone 1.877.488.0045  
www.parklodge.ca

- » Fishing lodge
- » First Nations cultural & adventure tours
- » All-inclusive packages

A two-storey fishing and safari lodge on the west coast of Vancouver Island, nestled in pristine Nuchatlaht Marine Park. Guests choose from a range of First Nations guided expeditions, including kayaking, sport fishing, wildlife viewing, scuba diving and hiking.

<b>Season</b>	June 1 to September 30
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$150 per night/per room

“Our vibrant Aboriginal cultures are anchored in the past and constantly evolving.”

### Sharing Our Cultural Treasures

Learn about our connection to the land in our cultural and interpretive centres. Share an artist's perspective as he carves a totem pole. Experience an insider's take on the latest artworks by contemporary Aboriginal artists in Native-owned art galleries. View B.C.'s wilderness through the eyes of an Aboriginal guide. Feast on our traditional foods and relax in Aboriginal-owned resorts and inns.

Come experience our traditions and warm hospitality through the many adventures, tours and experiences offered by our members.

## West Coast Vancouver Island

### Thornton Motel



#### Ucluelet

1861 Peninsula Road  
Phone 250.726.7725  
[www.thorntonmotel.ca](http://www.thorntonmotel.ca)

- » Motel
- » Minutes from Pacific Rim National Park
- » Kitchenettes
- » Tranquil location

Owned and operated by the Ucluelet First Nation, the Thornton is a friendly and inviting 16-room motel located in the fishing village of Ucluelet, just outside world-renowned Pacific Rim National Park. The Thornton is within walking distance of all local restaurants, shops, docks and attractions.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$123 per night (based on standard room)

### TLA-OOK Cultural Adventures



#### Tofino

Wingen Lane Dock  
Phone 1.877.942.2663  
[www.tlaook.com](http://www.tlaook.com)

- » Traditional canoeing
- » Adventure tours
- » Exploration of Clayoquot Sound wilderness preserve

At Tla-ook, guests paddle the protected waters of Clayoquot Sound in traditional Nuu-chah-nulth dugout canoes, led by experienced local guides of the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. Expeditions include the two-hour Harbour Explorer Tour, a four-hour Meares Island Tour and a full-day canoe exploration with local hikes and a traditional salmon barbeque.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$49 per adult (based on 2.5-hour canoeing experience)

## Northeast Vancouver Island

### Aboriginal Journeys Wildlife Viewing & Adventure Tours



#### Campbell River

Discovery Harbour Marina  
(by South Ramp)  
Phone 1.888.455.8101  
[www.aboriginaljourneys.com](http://www.aboriginaljourneys.com)

- » Whale & grizzly bear watching
- » Highly experienced guides
- » State-of-the art vessels

Whale-watching in B.C. is considered the best in the world, as well as its grizzly bear viewing – from eco-sensitive viewing platforms. View lush forests, soaring mountain peaks, serene ocean waters, bald eagles, dolphins, black bears, wolves and an abundance of other wildlife in their natural habitat. Tours are interwoven with insights into local First Nations history and culture. A spectacular adventure awaits. Guaranteed sightings – visit our website for details.

<b>Season</b>	May to October
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$169 per adult (based on marine tour)

### Culture Shock Interactive Gallery



#### Alert Bay

Two-minute drive/walk left from ferry terminal  
Phone 250.974.2484  
[www.cultureshockgallery.ca](http://www.cultureshockgallery.ca)

- » Interactive gallery
- » Traditional cuisine
- » Storytelling & cedar weaving
- » Canoeing

A multi-faceted gallery where guests can explore traditional, local art forms and book cultural tours, including a canoe paddle, traditional salmon barbeque, cedar weaving and Nusa storytelling. Interaction is encouraged as guides share the living culture of the 'Namgis.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	May 18 to September 30 – 9:30 am to 6 pm daily; October 1 to May 17 – 12 pm to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$60 per adult (based on canoe tour)

## Northeast Vancouver Island

### I-HOS Gallery



#### Courtenay

Comox Reserve  
3310 Comox Road  
Phone 1.888.656.7599  
www.ihosgallery.com

- » Gallery
- » Authentic traditional & contemporary Northwest Coast art

A Comox First Nation-owned gallery featuring a collection of hand-carved masks, limited-edition prints, sterling silver and 14K-gold jewellery and other traditional and contemporary Northwest Coast works of art. Customized cultural performances and workshops are also offered. Shop online or visit in person.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	March to December – 10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday, 12 pm to 5 pm Sundays; January to February – 10 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free

### Salmon Feast



#### Black Creek

9074 Clarkson Avenue  
Phone 250.830.3488  
www.salmonfeast.com

- » Traditional cuisine
- » Traditions & legends
- » Customized workshops
- » Gift shop

An opportunity to experience a traditional First Nation salmon feast with family and friends – served in a longhouse on beautiful Saratoga Beach – that includes smoked salmon wraps and BBQ salmon on a stick, cornbread bannock and other delicacies served on a souvenir alder wood plate. Guests can learn more about the tradition of the longhouse from their First Nation guide through legends and a video presentation.

<b>Season</b>	June to September
<b>Hours</b>	10 am to 8 pm daily (reservations required)
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$15 per person (for groups of five and up)

## Northeast Vancouver Island

### Tsa-Kwa-Luten The Oceanfront Resort at Cape Mudge



#### Quadra Island

No. 1 Lighthouse Road  
Phone 1.800.665.7745  
www.capemudgeresort.bc.ca

- » Resort with ocean views
- » Wilderness hideaway
- » Hiking, biking & kayaking nearby
- » RV facilities

Offering tranquility and wilderness seclusion within an 1,100-acre forest overlooking Discovery Passage. This oceanfront resort includes an inviting log main lobby, features scenic ocean views from every room or cottage, specializes in West Coast Seafood Cuisine and is a Kwagiulth-designed facility.

<b>Season</b>	Mid-April to mid-October
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$105 per night (based on standard room)

### U'mista Cultural Centre



#### Alert Bay

No. 1 Front Street  
Phone 1.800.690.8222  
www.umista.ca

- » Cultural centre
- » Guided tours
- » Kwakwaka'wakw First Nation exhibits
- » Gift shop

The U'mista, the longest-operating First Nation museum and cultural centre in Canada, houses the world-renowned Potlatch Collection – U'mista cultural regalia confiscated by the federal government in 1922 and returned in 1980. Now on permanent display, the collection is complemented by a series of rotating exhibits year-round, with tours and stories by First Nation guides.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	May to September – 9 am to 5 pm daily; October to April – 9 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$8 per adult

## Northeast Vancouver Island

### West Coast Expeditions



#### Spring Island

Kyuquot  
Phone 250.338.2511  
[www.westcoastexpeditions.com](http://www.westcoastexpeditions.com)

- » Kayak retreats
- » Cultural sites
- » Visits with First Nations families

Journey off the beaten path by sea kayak in the marine wilderness of Kyuquot Sound. Paddlers depart base camp on Spring Island to learn about local First Nation culture, wildlife and the mysteries of the coast's old-growth forests on multi-day, all-inclusive guided tours with professional guides.

<b>Season</b>	Mid-June to mid-September
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	All abilities
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$1,295 per adult (based on four-day tour)

## Southeast Vancouver Island

### Bill Helin Art Gallery



#### Parksville

149 Morison Avenue  
(across from the main beach)  
Phone 250.586.7718  
[www.billhelin.com](http://www.billhelin.com)

- » Gallery
- » West Coast Native art
- » Workshops & demonstrations
- » Gift shop

An art gallery and studio showcasing custom jewellery, limited-edition prints, paintings and other artwork by Tsimshian artist Bill Helin. Specialty: hand-crafted wedding rings and story bracelets. Also, a video storytelling lounge with onsite productions, art demonstrations and workshops by appointment.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	June 15 to September 15 – 10 am to 6 pm Monday to Thursday; September 16 to June 14 – 10 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Friday, 11 am to 4 pm Saturdays
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	Free

## Southeast Vancouver Island

### Quw'utsun' Cultural and Conference Centre



#### Duncan

200 Cowichan Way  
Phone 1.877.746.8119  
[www.quwutsun.ca](http://www.quwutsun.ca)

- » Cultural centre
- » Traditional cuisine
- » Interpretive tours
- » Gift shop

The Cowichan Band-owned Quw'utsun' centre is scenically situated on six acres of landscaped pasture land along the Cowichan River. Guests are invited to learn about the culture and heritage of the Cowichan people through interpretive tours and a multimedia presentation, *Great Deeds* – an oral depiction of this First Nation.

<b>Season</b>	June to mid-September
<b>Hours</b>	10:30 am to 3 pm Tuesday to Saturday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$15 per adult

### Sea Quest Adventures & Aboriginal Tours



#### Sidney

105 – 2537 Beacon Avenue  
Phone 1.888.656.7599  
[www.seaquestadventures.com](http://www.seaquestadventures.com)

- » Whale & other marine-life viewing
- » Performances & feasts
- » Sea kayaking

Unique West Coast First Nations adventures, featuring whale-watching (sightings guaranteed), traditional dance performances and a First Nations-themed feast. Sea kayaking tours, lessons and rentals are also available.

<b>Season</b>	March 1 to October 31
<b>Hours</b>	8 am to 10 pm – daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$95 per adult (based on three-hour tour)

## Southeast Vancouver Island

### Tseycum Canoe Tours



#### Sidney

Alpine Marine Centre  
(at the Sidney Marina)  
Phone 250.656.7224  
www.tseycumtours.com

- » Whale-watching
- » Canoe tours
- » Medicinal walking tours

The sacred past of the Coast Salish people is explored through whale-watching and cultural interpretive tours amidst the southern Gulf Islands. Observe wildlife in their natural habitat, discover the history of the potlatch and experience medicinal walking tours of ancient tribal sites.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	11 am to 5 pm Wednesday to Sunday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$34 per adult (based on 1.5-hour tour)

## Vancouver Coast & Mountains

### Khot-La-Cha Art Gallery & Gift Shop



#### North Vancouver

270 Whonoak Street  
(off Lions Gate Bridge)  
Phone 1.866.987.3339  
www.khot-la-cha.com

- » Art gallery
- » Traditional & contemporary art
- » Unique gifts

A second-generation-owned gallery featuring original northwest artwork by the province's finest First Nations artists, including hand-carved cedar totem poles, unique feasting bowls, rattles, hand-tanned moccasins and sterling silver and 14K-gold jewellery. The gallery's name means "kind heart" in the Squamish language.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday; July, August and December also open 11 am to 4 pm Sundays
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free

## Vancouver Coast & Mountains

### Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre



#### Whistler

4584 Blackcomb Way  
Phone 1.866.441.7522  
www.slcc.ca

- » Interactive museum
- » Cultural forest walks
- » Traditional cuisine
- » Gift shop

Guests experience Whistler's First Nations heritage through a welcome song, guided tour of the museum and exhibits, 15-minute film in an 80-seat theatre, cultural forest walk, craft-making in the centre's cedar longhouse and exploration of the Café and Gift Gallery with its original Squamish, Lil'wat and other B.C. First Nations art.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	9:30 am to 5 pm daily
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$18 per adult

### Takaya Golf Centre



#### North Vancouver

700 Apex Avenue  
Phone 604.929.6672  
www.takayagolfcentre.com

- » Driving range/practice greens
- » Mini-putt
- » Clinics & lessons

Golfers swing amidst nature at the Tsleil-Waututh Nation golf practice centre, which features a 270-yard driving range with bunker, chipping and putting greens and mini-putt. Group and private lessons available with G.P.G.A., L.P.G.A. and Korean golf pros, with demonstrations of the latest equipment.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	8 am to 9 pm Monday to Friday, 7 am to 9 pm Saturdays and Sundays
<b>Activity level</b>	All abilities
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$6.50 per bucket; lessons from \$50 per half-hour

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- WEST COAST VANCOUVER ISLAND
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- VANCOUVER COAST & MOUNTAINS
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- CARIBOO CHILCOTIN COAST
- INTERIOR ROCKIES
- NORTHWEST COAST
- NORTHEAST BRITISH COLUMBIA

## Vancouver Coast & Mountains

### Takaya Tours



#### North Vancouver

Cates Park  
Phone 604.985.2925  
[www.takayatours.com](http://www.takayatours.com)

- » Kayak tours
- » Traditional canoe tours
- » Storytelling
- » Traditional songs

A fascinating glimpse into the Coast Salish culture through traditional ocean-going canoe and kayak excursions on the protected waters of Burrard Inlet. First Nation guides sing traditional songs and share stories passed down through the generations while sharing the cultural history of the Salish and their Burrard Inlet and Indian Arm territories.

<b>Season</b>	May to August
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$60 per adult (based on two-hour canoe tour)

## Lower Mainland

### Bill Reid Gallery of Northwest Coast Art



#### Vancouver

639 Hornby Street  
(downtown Vancouver)  
Phone 604.682.3455  
[www.billreidgallery.ca](http://www.billreidgallery.ca)

- » Public art gallery
- » Contemporary Northwest Coast art
- » Gift shop

This public art gallery honours the world-renowned Haida artist Bill Reid (1920–1998), with rotating exhibits of works by B.C.'s other acclaimed First Nations artists. Permanent installations include "Restoring Enchantment: Gold and Silver Masterworks" by Bill Reid and several works featured on the Canadian \$20 bill.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	11 am to 5 pm Wednesday to Sunday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$10 per adult

## Lower Mainland

### Kwikwetlem's Colony Farm Bike Tours & Rentals



#### Coquitlam

2 - 65 Colony Farm Road  
Phone 604.520.0090  
[www.colonyfarmbiketours.com](http://www.colonyfarmbiketours.com)

- » Guided biking & walking tours
- » Kwikwetlem culture & history
- » Nature & wildlife viewing
- » Bike rentals

An urban nature and wildlife adventure featuring two- and three-hour guided biking and walking tours through Colony Farm Regional Park and on Kwikwetlem reserve land. Follow limestone-topped trails skirting the Coquitlam River while learning about Kwikwetlem history and the local flora and wildlife.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	March to June – 9 am to 5 pm Wednesday to Sunday; July to August – 12 pm to 8 pm Monday to Friday, 9 am to 8 pm Saturday and Sunday; September to mid-December – 9 am to 5 pm Wednesday to Sunday; February 12 to 28, 2010 – 9 am to 5 pm daily
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Limited
<b>Rates</b>	From \$25 per person (based on two-hour tour)

### Ruby Creek Art Gallery



#### Agassiz

58611 - C Lougheed Hwy.  
(on Hwy. 7 between Hope  
and Agassiz)  
Phone 604.796.0740  
[www.rubycreekartgallery.com](http://www.rubycreekartgallery.com)

- » Art gallery
- » Meet-the-artist events
- » Limited-edition prints

Promoting the extraordinary work of the finest Pacific Northwest First Nations artists, this gallery specializes in limited-edition prints, gold and silver hand-carved jewellery, cedar boxes, chests and plaques, handcrafted drums, soapstone and textiles. Signings with featured artists are hosted.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	10 am to 4 pm Wednesday to Saturday; 11 am to 4 pm Sundays
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free

## Lower Mainland

### Stó:lō Artisan Centre



#### Chilliwack

Unit 29 - 6014 Vedder Road  
Phone 604.858.0009  
www.stolotourism.ca

- » Gallery & gift shop
- » More than 70 artists
- » Artist signings & workshops

With more than 70 Aboriginal artists represented, the Stó:lō Artisan Centre presents a diverse cultural mix and range of art forms, including masks, paddles, carved boxes, paintings, prints, Salish weavings, handmade silver jewellery, pottery, beadwork and Native music. In addition, the centre hosts regular cultural events, such as dance performances and artist demonstrations.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free

### Wickaninnish Gallery



#### Vancouver

The Net Loft, Granville Island  
Suite 14 - 1666 Johnston Street  
Phone 604.681.1057  
www.wickaninnishgallery.com

- » Gallery & gift shop
- » Northwest Coast art
- » High quality & affordable prices

Located in the Net Loft on Granville Island, the Wickaninnish showcases an ever-changing selection of high-quality but affordable art, jewellery, pottery, limited-edition prints, bentboxes, dream catchers, moccasins and T-shirts. Owned and founded by Patricia Rivard in 1987, the gallery is named after one of her ancestors, Chief Wickaninnish, the most powerful chief among the Nuu-chah-nulth in the late 1700s.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	10 am to 7 pm daily
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free

## Lower Mainland

### Xá:ytem Longhouse Interpretive Centre



#### Mission

35087 Lougheed Hwy.  
Phone 604.820.9725  
www.xaytem.ca

- » Museum
- » Ancient Aboriginal site
- » Interactive programs
- » Gift shop

A 9,000-year-old Aboriginal village site, Xá:ytem encompasses two authentic pithouses, a sacred transformer stone and "B.C.'s oldest house," where visitors are invited to experience Stó:lō history, culture, archaeology and spirituality. Guided interactive cultural programs, workshops and an overnight experience are also offered onsite.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	9 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Saturday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$12 per adult

## Cariboo Chilcotin Coast

### Cariboo Chilcotin Jetboat Adventures



#### Williams Lake

Williams Lake  
(trips start 15 minutes west, Hwy. 20)  
Phone 1.877.748.8687  
www.jetboatadventures.com

- » Scenic jet boat river tours
- » Hiking & exploring
- » Multi-day packages

CCJA has been offering safe and professional river tours on the Fraser River for 10 years. Offerings include beautiful scenery, wildlife, Aboriginal early explorer and gold rush history with an educational interpretation by our knowledgeable guides. Highlights are traditional dip netting for wild salmon, salmon BBQ, viewing ancient petroglyphs and ancient village sites, identifying food and medicinal plants and, of course, running the rapids through towering rock-wall canyons.

<b>Season</b>	May to September
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures (call to pre-book)
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$80 per adult (based on one-hour tour)

### Retasket Lodge & RV Park



#### Lillooet

1264 Bouvette Road  
Phone 1.866.456.2090  
www.retasketlodge.com

- » Motel
- » Stunning views
- » Complimentary continental breakfast

Featuring spectacular views of the town of Lillooet and B.C.'s historic Fraser River, the three-star Retasket Lodge's 20 rooms offer spacious, non-smoking comfort along with a complimentary continental breakfast, meeting room, coin laundry and outdoor parking.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$80 per night

### Spirit Bear Adventures



#### Klemtu

Phone 1.877.644.2346  
www.spiritbear.com

- » Spirit, grizzly, black bear tours
- » Lodge
- » Big house & museum
- » Storytelling

Guided four-and seven-day eco-cultural journeys into B.C.'s pristine Great Bear Rainforest – in search of the rare, white spirit bear as well as grizzly, black bears and other wildlife. Guests travel by boat deep into coastal fjords carved by the last ice age, explore ancient cultural sites and hike tidal flats and old-growth trails. Home base is the Spirit Bear Lodge in Klemtu, a new waterfront retreat steps away from our Big House Cultural Centre.

<b>Season</b>	June to October
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$140 per room/night; from \$2,175 for four-day tour

### Xats'ull Heritage Village



#### Williams Lake

5570 Heritage Village Road  
(37 km north of Williams Lake)  
Phone 250.297.6502  
www.xatsull.ca

- » Traditional village
- » Multi-day packages
- » Sweat lodge & ceremonies

A First Nations settlement where guests overnight in a reconstructed pit house or teepee, with sweat lodge retreats, day tours of petroglyphs and artifacts dating back 4,000 years, storytelling workshops and discussions on traditional ways of life, Native arts and living off the land.

<b>Season</b>	May 15 to September 30
<b>Hours</b>	June – 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Tuesday to Sunday; July to August – 9:30 am to 4:30 pm daily; September – 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Wed. to Sat.
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$18 per adult (based on village tour)

## Interior Rockies

### Cross River Wilderness Centre & Kootenay Wilderness Tours



#### Kootenay National Park

9272 Cross River Forestry Road  
(close to Radium Hot Springs)  
Phone 403.271.3296  
www.crossriver.ca

- » All-inclusive adventure tours
- » Remote eco lodge & cabins
- » Spectacular hiking

The Kootenay region of B.C. offers some of the most scenic hikes in the Canadian Rockies – a fact that Cross River's wilderness tours take full advantage of in this remote, unique landscape. Guests can opt for accommodation and meals with self-guided hikes or all-inclusive adventure packages that revitalize participants' connection with the rhythm of life.

<b>Season</b>	May to September
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$170 per person (includes meals, lodge accommodation)

## Ktunaxa Interpretive Centre



### Cranbrook

7777 Mission Road  
Phone 250.417.4001  
www.ktunaxa.org

- » Interpretive centre
- » Documentary
- » Meet with a Ktunaxa Elder

Located at the famous St. Eugene Resort, this interpretive centre displays artifacts and details of the history and mythology of the Ktunaxa and the history of the resort. Once a residential school, this magnificent building was turned into an international destination resort by the Ktunaxa Nation in 2003. While visiting the centre, you will learn about the residential school period through exhibits and an informative documentary.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	July to August – 9 am to 5 pm daily; September to December and January to June – 9 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Thursday
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free (There is a fee for larger groups. Please call to inquire.)

## Nk'Mip Cellars



### Osoyoos

1400 Rancher Creek Road  
Phone 250.495.2985  
www.nkmipcellars.com

- » Award-winning winery
- » Tours & tastings
- » Locally inspired cuisine

This award-winning, world-class vineyard, owned and operated by B.C.'s Osoyoos Band, features premium VQA wines and locally inspired cuisine in a dramatic setting overlooking Lake Osoyoos. The adjacent four-season Nk'Mip Resort boasts world-class golf, an architect-designed desert cultural interpretive centre that blends artfully into the surrounding desert, a luxurious spa and resort accommodation designed in the Santa Fe style.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	9 am to 5 pm Monday to Sunday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	Free (wine tasting)

## Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre



### Osoyoos

1000 Rancher Creek Road  
Phone 1.888.495.8555  
www.nkmipdesert.com

- » Cultural centre
- » Interactive displays
- » Wildlife & cultural exhibits
- » Gift shop & gallery

A family oriented cultural experience focusing on the rich, living culture of the Okanagan First Nations and the unique flora and fauna of their traditional territory's desert habitat. The 22-hectare site features cultural exhibits, walking trails, outdoor sculptures and hands-on interactive displays. Highlights include a reconstructed Aboriginal village, two theatre experiences and "Critter's Corner" animal exhibits. Daily guided walks and rattlesnake talks offered from July through September.

<b>Season</b>	May 16 to October 15
<b>Hours</b>	9:30 am to 4:30 pm daily
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$12 per adult

## Nk'Mip RV Park



### Osoyoos

8000 45th Street  
Phone 250.495.7279  
www.campingosoyoos.com

- » RV park
- » Lakefront sites
- » Beach
- » Boat launch

Owned and operated by the Osoyoos Band, this family campground on the southern shore of Lake Osoyoos features an indoor swimming pool, hot tubs and beach access – with horse riding at the adjacent stables, award-winning wines at the onsite Nk'Mip vineyard, plus a renowned desert interpretive centre and a Sonora Desert golf course.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$29 per day (based on one sleeping unit and one vehicle)

## Interior Rockies

### Okanagan Princess Houseboat Dining Tours



#### Kelowna

210 Bernard Avenue  
Phone 250.317.8442  
[www.okanaganprincess.com](http://www.okanaganprincess.com)

- » Dinner cruises
- » Entertainment
- » Private & public charters
- » Full menu on board

As night falls, the tranquil waters of Lake Okanagan reflect the twinkling lights of Kelowna. Post dinner cruise aboard this 76-foot luxury houseboat, guests dance the night away under the stars, mingle on the Okanagan Princess' observation deck or relax with a leisurely soak in the onboard hot tub.

<b>Season</b>	May 1 to September 30
<b>Hours</b>	6:30 pm to 9:30 pm Tuesday to Thursday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$25 to \$30 per person (based on three-hour public cruise)

### Secwepemc Museum & Heritage Park



#### Kamloops

200 - 355 Yellowhead Hwy.  
Phone 250.828.9749  
[www.secwepemc.org/museum](http://www.secwepemc.org/museum)

- » Cultural museum
- » Ancient village site
- » Ethnobotanical garden walk
- » Performances

At this 12-acre heritage park, visitors discover the rich history and culture of the Secwepemc through museum exhibits, oral histories and legends, photos, artifacts and videos. The site encompasses the archaeological remains of a 2,000-year-old Secwepemc village, with reconstructed pit-houses and ethnobotanical gardens showing traditional plant use.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	June 15 to September 5 – 8 am to 4 pm Monday to Sunday; September 6 to June 14 – 8 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$9 per adult

## Interior Rockies

### Snaza'ist Discovery Centre & Mascot Gold Mine Tours



#### Hedley

5800 Hwy. 3, Hedley  
(just outside Princeton & Keremeos)  
Phone 250.292.8733  
[www.mascotmine.com](http://www.mascotmine.com)

- » Mine tours
- » Interactive cultural exhibits
- » Demonstrations
- » Gift shop

Backdropped by the scenic Similkameen Valley, visitors view the discovery centre exhibits, then venture deep into this cliff-side mine to experience the netherworld life of turn-of-the-century miners during the province's gold rush.

<b>Season</b>	May 16 to October 12
<b>Hours</b>	May 16 to June 30 – 9 am to 2 pm Saturdays and Sundays; July 2 to September 1 – 9 am to 2 pm Thursday to Sunday; September 2 to October 12 – 9 am to 2 pm Saturdays and Sundays
<b>Activity level</b>	Need to descend/ascend 589 stairs
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	From \$37 per adult (based on 4.5-hour tour)

### Sonora Dunes Golf Course



#### Osoyoos

1300 Rancher Creek Road  
(Nk'Mip Resort)  
Phone 250.495.4659  
[www.sonoradunes.com](http://www.sonoradunes.com)

- » Desert-style 9-hole golf course
- » Licensed clubhouse & grill
- » Overlooks lake & vineyard

Nestled among the rolling desert hills and lush vineyards on Osoyoos Indian Band land, this par-35, 2,523-yard golf course is surrounded by the breathtaking natural beauty of Canada's only true desert. Sonora Dunes is steps away from the award-winning Nk'Mip Cellars, Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Center and Spirit Ridge Resort & Spa.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	Dawn to dusk daily
<b>Activity level</b>	Moderate (all abilities)
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	No
<b>Rates</b>	Visit <a href="http://www.sonoradunes.com/rates.html">www.sonoradunes.com/rates.html</a> for details

## Spirit Ridge Vineyard Resort & Spa



### Osoyoos

1200 Rancher Creek Road  
(Nk'Mip Resort)  
Phone 250.495.5445  
www.spiritridge.ca

- » **Luxury villas & suites**
- » **Private beach & lake access**
- » **Spa**
- » **Golf**

Situated in the heart of B.C.'s Thompson Okanagan wine country, overlooking the Nk'Mip Cellars' vineyards, the Sonora Golf course and the sparkling waters of Lake Osoyoos, this Osoyoos Band-owned resort offers luxurious one- and two-bedroom villas and suites with adjacent spa, restaurant, outdoor lap pools, private beach, lake access and other amenities.

**Season** Year-round  
**Wheelchair access** Yes  
**Rates** From \$165 per night (based on standard suite rate)

## St. Eugene Golf Resort Casino



### Cranbrook

7777 Mission Road  
Phone 250.420.2000  
www.steugene.ca

- » **4.5-star hotel**
- » **Golf course**
- » **Casino**
- » **Fine dining**

Nestled between the Purcell and Rocky mountains, this First Nation-owned 4.5-star hotel features elegant rooms, gourmet dining, world-class golf, a cultural interpretive centre and western-themed casino – all in one picturesque location.

**Season** Year-round  
**Wheelchair access** Yes  
**Rates** From \$132 per night  
(based on winter standard room rate)

## Talking Rock Resort & Quaaout Lodge



### Little Shuswap Lake

1663 Little Shuswap Lake Road West  
Phone 1.877.663.4303  
www.talkingrock.ca

- » **Lakeside hotel**
- » **Golf course**
- » **Sandy beach**
- » **Restaurant**
- » **Conference centre**

Hear the legend and feel the spirit at this Little Shuswap Band-owned lakeside hotel, with championship golf course and driving range, fitness and spa facilities, First Nations-inspired cuisine, conference facilities and friendly staff.

**Season** Year-round  
**Wheelchair access** Yes  
**Rates** From \$99 per night (based on standard room rate)

## Tete Jaune Lodge



### Valemount

11957 L'Heureaux Road  
Phone 250.566.9815  
www.tetejaunelodge.com

- » **Teepee**
- » **Riverfront motel**
- » **Outdoor adventures**
- » **Restaurant**

An all-season riverfront retreat for families and outdoor enthusiasts, featuring a motel, backpacker's hostel, campground and RV park, cabin and teepee rentals, restaurant and conference centre. Onsite activities include ATVing, fishing, rafting and wildlife viewing.

**Season** Year-round  
**Wheelchair access** Yes  
**Rates** From \$69 per night  
(based on motel accommodation)

## Haida Heritage Centre at Kaay Llnagaay



## Skidegate

2 Second Beach Road  
(one km north of Skidegate  
Landing/BC Ferries terminal)  
Phone 250.559.7885  
www.haidaheritagecentre.com

- » Museum
- » Interpretive tours
- » Interaction with artists
- » Café & gift shop

Located on an ancient seaside village site, this oceanfront complex celebrates the unique culture, art and history of the Haida, with museum exhibits and audio-visuals, cultural tours, a canoe house and carving shed, occasional weaving and bentwood-box workshops, ceremonial events and presentations and a café serving Haida cuisine.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	June 12 to September 18 – 10 am to 6 pm daily; September 19 to April 30 – 11 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday; May 1 to June 11 – 10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$12 per adult

## Haisla Tourism



## Kitamaat Village

Kitamaat Village Road  
Phone 1.877.424.7521  
www.haislatourism.com

- » Ec lodge
- » Coastal canoeing
- » Wildlife viewing
- » Hiking

A series of guided wilderness and cultural adventures featuring Haisla First Nation cultural traditions, ocean-canoeing tours, wildlife viewing, natural hot springs, fishing charters, and sightseeing and hiking tours in the heart of the Pacific Inland Coast.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	June 1 to September 7 – daily departures Monday to Saturday; September 8 to May 31 – daily departures Monday to Friday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Varies
<b>Rates</b>	From \$25 per adult (based on three-hour tour)

## Museum of Northern British Columbia



## Prince Rupert

100 First Avenue West  
Phone 250.624.3207  
www.museumofnorthernbc.com

- » Museum
- » Interactive programs
- » Cultural performances
- » Artists at work

A “Treasure Box of the Ancient Ones” showcasing a rare collection of more than 10,000 years of Northern B.C. history and culture, including museum exhibits and unique artifacts, hands-on programs, tours, cultural songs and dances, and some of the finest Northwest Coast carvers at work in the museum’s carving area.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	June to September – 9 am to 5 pm daily; October to May – 9 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$5 per adult

## Nisga’a Tourism



## New Aiyansh

Call to arrange meeting location  
Phone 1.866.633.2696  
www.ncgtourism.ca

- » Cultural tours
- » Interactions with local elders & artisans
- » Traditional foods

The dramatic landscape of the Nass Valley is the backdrop for this Nisga’a village and cultural centre, with guided tours and day trips featuring Nisga’a cultural traditions and legends, rare botanical wonders and the area’s volcanic mysteries.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	Daily departures
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Varies
<b>Rates</b>	From \$40 per adult (based on 4.5-hour tour) Tours leave from Nisga’a Memorial Lava Bed Provincial Park Information Centre. Call to confirm departure times.

### Seashore Charters



#### Prince Rupert

Atlin Terminal  
215 Cow Bay Road  
Phone 1.800.667.4393  
www.seashorecharters.com

- » Cultural tours
- » Whale & grizzly bear viewing
- » Guided rainforest hikes

Guests travel back in time to an ancient Tsimshian village site and its many petroglyphs on historic Pike Island, photograph whales and other coastal marine life, or venture into one of the world's most significant grizzly bear sanctuaries, Khutzeymateen, surrounded by mountains and old-growth temperate rainforests.

<b>Season</b>	May 15 to September 15
<b>Hours</b>	10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday, 12 pm to 5 pm Sundays
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy to moderate
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Varies
<b>Rates</b>	From \$57 per adult (based on four-hour tour)

### Bednesti Lake Resort



#### Vanderhoof

42765 Hwy. 16 West  
(40 km west of Prince George)  
Phone 250.441.3500  
www.bednestilakeresort.com

- » Motel & B&B
- » Campground & RV facilities
- » Sandy beach
- » Restaurant & pub

This Saikuz First Nation-owned all-season rural resort features well-maintained campsites, a newly renovated motel, rustic waterfront cabins and Aboriginal-themed meeting facilities overlooking Bednesti Lake, with swimming, fishing, boating, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing onsite. As well: a gift shop featuring Native art, plus restaurant, pub, laundry facilities, convenience store and gas station.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	8 am to 11 pm daily
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$55 per night (based on motel room)

### 'Ksan Historical Village & Museum



#### Hazelton

(180 miles east of Prince Rupert)  
Phone 1.877.842.5518  
www.ksan.org

- » Museum
- » Ancient village
- » Guided tours
- » Carving area

A reconstructed village of "the People of the River of Mist" – the Gitksan, featuring more than 600 Gitksan and Wet'suwet'en artifacts, guided cultural tours, traditional songs and dancing, a carving area, Gitksan totem poles and a series of traditional First Nation houses overlooking the confluence of the historic Bulkley and Skeena rivers.

<b>Season</b>	Year-round
<b>Hours</b>	April to September – 9 am to 5 pm daily; October to March – 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday
<b>Activity level</b>	Easy
<b>Wheelchair access</b>	Yes
<b>Rates</b>	From \$10 per adult

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