

# **VICTORIA VACATION 10 DAY BUS TOUR**

# **APRIL 24 - MAY 3, 2026**

# Tour Includes:

Premium Motor Coach Professional Driver and Tour Director 9 nights of quality accommodations 7 included meals (4 breakfasts, 2 lunch, 1 supper) D Dutchmen Dairy Victoria Guided City Tour Butchart Gardens with High Tea Victoria Butterfly Gardens Chemainus Murals Coombs Old Country Market Cathedral Grove Banff

## **DEPARTING FROM:** REGINA, MOOSE JAW, SWIFT CURRENT AND MEDICINE HAT







#### DAY 1

#### HOME CITIES TO STRATHMORE, AB

Our adventure begins today as we depart our Home Cities and pick up passengers en route.

We will take a relaxing break for lunch in Kindersley, SK - giving you a chance to stretch your legs.

This evening, we will arrive in Strathmore, AB, for our first overnight stay. Get to know your fellow passengers at tonight's welcome reception.

#### DAY 2

#### STRATHMORE, AB TO KELOWNA, BC

Today, we leave Starthmore and make our way through the majestic Rocky Mountains. As we travel, we can enjoy the stunning mountain scenery and pristine forests.

Our lunch stop for today will be in Golden, BC where you can enjoy the beautiful views of the Kicking Horse Country. Nestled at the junction of the Kicking Horse River and Columbia River, Golden is surrounded by the towering mountains of Yoho National Park.

This afternoon, we will stop for coffee in Sicamous, BC. We will visit D Dutchmen Dairy for some sweet treats before making our way to Kelowna, BC. - our home for the night.

#### DAY 3

#### KELOWNA, BC TO VICTORIA, BC

This morning, we say goodbye to Kelowna and make our way along the Coquihalla Highway - known for towering peaks and deep mountain passes.

We will stop for lunch before boarding the Tsawwassen Ferry. As you sail across the calm waters of the Georgia Strait, keep your eyes peeled for marine life. Dolphins, porpoises, and whales are sometimes visible.

Upon our arrival on the island, we will make our way to Victoria, stopping at a local grocery store so you can stock up on some snacks for your hotel room.

#### DAY 4

#### VICTORIA, BC

This morning we will venture off on a sightseeing tour of Victoria. We'll be joined by a local step-on guide who will lead us through all of the city's iconic sights.

We will see a delightful mix of stunning scenery, historic landmarks, and vibrant culture. City highlights include: Victoria's Inner Harbour, Royal BC Museum, Beacon Hill Park, Parliament Buildings, China Town, Craigdarroch Castle, Fairmont Empress and Fisherman's Wharf.

The rest of the day will be yours to enjoy at leisure. Our hotel is only blocks away from the inner harbour, so there is plenty to do within walking distance.

#### DAY 5

#### VICTORIA, BC

This morning we will visit the iconic Butchart Gardens! This landmark features a stunning display of horticultural artistry and natural beauty. Nestled on 55-acres this garden oasis is filled with vibrant flowers and breathtaking landscapes.

Late April is one of the most beautiful times to visit. The gardens come alive with the bright colors of spring blooms, including: Tulips, Daffodils, Hyacinths, Rhododendrons, Azaleas, and Cherry Blossoms. Our visit wouldn't be complete without the famous High Tea experience, offering a charming taste of tradition.

This afternoon we will head over to the Victoria Butterfly Gardens - an immersive experience that brings you into the world of butterflies, tropical plants, and exotic creatures.

Returning to our hotel late afternoon, the rest of the day will be yours to enjoy at leisure.

#### DAY 6

#### VICTORIA, BC

Today is a free day in Victoria!

You could stroll along the waterfront promenade, where you can enjoy views of the Parliament Buildings, Empress Hotel, and the bustling harbor filled with boats and seaplanes.

You may want to take a harbor ferry or join a whale-watching tour.

You could also visit the Royal BC Museum or indulge in tea at the iconic Fairmont Empress Hotel.

You may want to visit the famous Craigdarroch Castle. Built in the late 1800's this castle is a popular tourist destination that features elaborate woodwork, stained-glass windows, and intricate 19th Century furnishings.

If you love to shop be sure to head to Government Street. This lively area is home to a mix of local boutiques, artisan shops, and well-known stores. Be sure to stop by Roger's Chocolates, a Victoria institution known for its rich, handcrafted chocolates.

Just a short walk or water taxi ride from the Inner Harbour, Fisherman's Wharf is a lively, colorful marina with floating homes, seafood stalls, and boutique shops. Grab some fresh seafood, like fish and chips or clam chowder, from one of the outdoor eateries, and keep an eye out for the resident seals that often swim around the docks.

What ever you decide to do today - we know you will have an enjoyable time.

#### **DAY 7**

#### **VICTORIA, BC (UP ISLAND)**

Today we will make our way up island for more beautiful scenery.

Our first stop is the charming town of Chemainus, BC, where history and art come alive! Over 40 vibrant murals transform the streets into a stunning openair gallery, each one telling a story of the town's rich culture. You'll have plenty of time to wander, snap photos, and enjoy a leisurely lunch amidst this colorful backdrop.

We will stop for lunch in Coombs, BC, at the Old Country Market. This beloved landmark offers a charming mix of specialty shops, fresh baked goods, international foods, local artisan products, and unique souvenirs. Wander through the market, enjoy a delicious treat from the bakery or café

Next, we will head out to one of British Columbia's most iconic natural wonders as we explore Cathedral Grove, located in MacMillan Provincial Park. This peaceful forest is home to towering 800-year-old Douglas firs, some reaching over 75 metres (250 feet) tall. Wander along well-maintained pathways beneath a canopy of massive trees, lush ferns, and filtered sunlight.

We will arrive back late afternoon, giving you time to relax and enjoy your final evening in beautiful Victoria.

#### DAY 8

#### VICTORIA, BC TO SICAMOUS, BC

This morning we say goodbye to Victoria. We will board the ferry back to the mainland - sailing back across the Georgia Strait.

Our travels will take us back through BC and we will drive along Shuswap Lake where the views are breathtaking! Surrounded by hills and forested mountains, the drive offers a peaceful and scenic end to our travel day. We will arrive in Sicamous, BC the "Houseboat Capital of Canada" for our overnight stay.

#### **DAY 9**

#### SICAMOUS, BC TO STRATHMORE, AB

This morning, we depart Sicamous and journey back through the breathtaking scenery of the Rockies. We will travel along the Trans-Canada Highway, where towering mountains and winding rivers create a picture-perfect backdrop for the day's adventure.

We will arrive in Banff, where you'll have time to enjoy lunch and explore the charming mountain town. Stroll along Banff Avenue, browse local boutiques, galleries, and souvenir shops, or simply take in the stunning alpine surroundings. Whether you choose to indulge in a cozy café, shop for unique finds, or capture iconic views of the Rockies, Banff offers something for everyone.

We will then make our way to Strathmore, where you'll settle in for the night, reflecting on a day filled with mountain magic and small-town charm.

#### **DAY 10**

#### STRATHMORE, AB TO HOME CITIES

Today we leave behind the mountains and return to the open plains. We travel through Alberta's farmlands which are dotted with cattle ranches, grain silos, and windmills.

We will stop for lunch in Medicine Hat, AB and coffee in Swift Current, SK.

As the day winds down, we'll make our way back to our Home Cities, filled with memories of an amazing adventure. Bid farewell to the friends you have made along the journey and reflect on the amazing scenery and experiences that you have had along the way!



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