

Instead of going on the typical beach vacation this year, why not head to the country to our north, Canada. With some great sights to see and wonderful weather Vancouver can be a fun vacation any time of year.

Vancouver – Vacation Hotspot



It's hard to believe but summer is almost here! Time for the long, hazy days of summer and with it comes summer vacations. Have you planned your summer holiday yet?

If not, I am here to tell you about a beautiful place called Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Surrounded by magnificent mountains that touch the sky and picturesque ocean views, this city boasts compliments from people around the world.

Whereas I take the city for granted, I've heard from many a visitor from London, Asia, United States and The Netherlands that Vancouver is the most beautiful place they've ever seen. That's quite a compliment coming from people who are from beautiful, cultural cities and countries.

Vancouver is the largest city in British Columbia and the third largest city in Canada. With an estimated present population of about 560,000, Vancouver lies in a region of more than 2 million people.

Lying between the Coast Mountain range and the Pacific Ocean, Vancouver is one of the most scenic cities in the world. With spectacular natural sceneries, a bustling city core and temperate year-round climates Vancouver is an enjoyable place to visit at any time of year.

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Most American's try to take at least one vacation a year; however, that is becoming more and more difficult once one realizes nearly ¼ of Americans get no paid time off. And, Americans work more per year, on average, than workers in any other country. Overall, the average worker can expect six paid holidays and 9 paid vacation days per year.

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Hotspots to Visit in Vancouver

- 1) Stanley Park: Almost smack dab in the middle of Vancouver, Stanley Park is 1000 acres of trees, recreation and scenic views that are enjoyable to any age group.
- 2) Gastown: The Vancouver district known as Gastown, located at the northeast corner of the downtown area, is considered to be the birthplace of this city. Most of the major events that have occurred since Vancouver's story began happened in or within blocks of Gastown.

Containing the world's first steam clock, the area is a charming mix of old and new with its cobbled streets, antique gaslights and Victorian architecture.

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- 3) Canada Place: Situated on the waterfront in downtown Vancouver, Canada Place, a mixed-use commercial facility, is home to the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre, The Pan Pacific Hotel, The Vancouver Port Authority Corporate Offices, Cruise Ship Terminal (Operated by the Vancouver Port Authority), The CN IMAX Theatre, World Trade Centre Office Complex and Citipark parking facility. Canada Place, with 5 sails for a roof and looking like a cruise ship, has amazing views wherever you look out. Vancouver harbour is all around you, and Stanley Park and the North Shore mountains are in the background.

- 4) Granville Island: Granville Island is a small peninsula connected to downtown Vancouver via the Granville Street Bridge. The whole island includes a hotel, several theaters, a huge market place, numerous

galleries and shops. Stop to see artists' studios, craft galleries and the Granville Island Public Market.

- 5) Capilano Bridge: The Capilano Canyon Regional Park is situated on the edge of North Vancouver and can be reached from downtown in just about 10 minutes by car. Its most well-known attraction is the Capilano Suspension Bridge, originally built about 100 years by a pioneer with the help from local Indians.

- 6) The Lookout: End the night with a fine dinner at The Lookout. Get a bird's eye view of Vancouver from The Lookout viewing deck high atop Harbour Centre Tower. At 553 feet high, it affords one of the best views of Vancouver. The top floor restaurant makes one complete revolution per hour and the view is spectacular. Enjoy the sunset and amazing night city views!

These hotspots are a mere inkling of what Vancouver has to offer. I invite you to take a holiday to Vancouver, BC and guarantee that it will be a holiday that you will remember by and by.

** NOTE: For our American readers "harbour" and "centre" are spelled correctly... here in Canada anyway! text goes here.