

Discover Nanaimo & Port Alberni On Vancouver Island

August 12th – 17th, 2018

Prepare yourself for the adventure of a lifetime on Vancouver Island, British Columbia... an ocean-carved land of extremes ranging from mild to wild, cultured to life-affirmingly raw. Cruise through serene coastal waters. Take in majestic wilderness parks. Marvel at orcas, black bears, and the sheer abundance of furred, feathered, and finned wildlife. Gaze at distant snowcapped mountains. Stroll seawalls and loop trails.

Inhale crisp ocean breezes and the mossy fragrance of ancient, old-growth rainforests.

Included:

- ❖ Round trip motor-coach transportation
- ❖ Services of OregonWest Tour Director
- ❖ 5 Breakfasts 3 Lunches 4 dinners
- ❖ 5 nights deluxe lodging
- ❖ Cruise on the Lady Rose, Tour the McLean Mill, Ride on the Baldwin steam train, and More.
- ❖ All gratuities



North, we go... we'll enjoy lunch before our scenic ferry crossing Horseshoe Bay... our home for the next two nights is "The Harbor City" Nanaimo, BC. Enjoy the spectacular views of the bay and downtown from your rooms at the Coast Bastion Hotel... Your evening is free to explore

After breakfast we'll tour the Nanaimo Museum... it is the guardian of the Bastion, a former Hudson's Bay Company outpost. The Bastion is a local icon that has endured many challenges since the founding of Nanaimo, British Columbia's third oldest city. Enjoy some free time for lunch on your own and to explore the Harbor shops. Next, it's Cathedral Grove... a rare and endangered remnant of an ancient Douglas Fir ecosystem... The biggest trees in The Grove are about 800 years old and measure 250 feet in height and 29 feet in circumference. They are the survivors of a forest fire that ravaged the area some 350 years ago. Next stop The Old Country Market... history dates back to the 1950s when Norwegian immigrants Kristian Graaten, his wife Solveig, opened the market complete with a sod roof reminiscent of the homes found in their native Norway. One year during the Coombs Fall Fair, several goats were borrowed to "mow" the unkempt roof and their ensuing popularity have kept several goats atop the roof ever since. We'll make our way back to Nanaimo where a delicious dinner awaits.

We'll head to Port Alberni where we'll ride Old No. 7 Baldwin Locomotive... The steam train will take us through some truly spectacular scenery to McLean Mill where we will have lunch in one of the restored buildings before our logging demonstration... Tin Pants Troupe make history come alive as they entertain with stories of days gone by. We'll see lots of restored logging equipment around the site including a steam donkey, logging trucks, graders, and lumber carriers. We'll check into our home for the next two nights the Best Western Barclay... you'll have some time to get cozy in your room before dinner.

Today we'll cruise on the Lady Rose (now the Frances Barkley)... While sailing down the Alberni Inlet there is always an opportunity to see wildlife. Enjoy the whales migrating or seals sunning themselves on the rocks. See bears on the beach foraging for mussels, crabs, and clams or frolicking mink and otters on the shoreline. Enjoy watching various sea birds and always sightings of eagles. We'll arrive at the Pacific Ocean and Ucluelet Bay this afternoon where our bus will meet us... You'll have some time to stretch your legs before we make the spectacular journey back to Port Alberni where a scrumptious dinner awaits.

We'll Ferry back to the US today... with great memories of beautiful British Columbia... You will have an option today to visit The Hibulb Cultural Center or head to our home for the night... the beautiful Tulalip Casino & Resort... The Hibulb Center is a place of learning and a source of civic pride for the Tulalip People and their neighboring communities.

We'll head home today with a few stops along the way including some free time at Pike Place Market and a wonderful lunch.



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\$2,094 Single

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A \$100 deposit will hold space; balance is due by July 6th, 2018