

## A City Break In Vancouver

Whether approached by air, land or sea the city of Vancouver never fails to impress. Like a creation lifted straight out of a comic book, this gleaming mass of glass and steel is pure Canadian eye candy. Beneath its grand exterior is a destination worthy of its appearance. Known as one of the cleanest and safest cities in the Americas, Vancouver is a warm, friendly and welcoming place even on a cool winter's day. In fact, such is the ambience and culture here, you may find that you never want to leave!



### What to see in Vancouver

Be it adventure, shopping or lying on a beach - Vancouver has it all! Here is a selection of some of the best attractions in Vancouver...

**Vancouver Lookout!** - What better way to start a vacation in Vancouver than to see the city laid out like a map before you. At the Vancouver Lookout in the Harbour Centre Tower you can do just this. Affectionately known as 'the hamburger' the Harbour Centre Tower is one of the most iconic buildings on Vancouver waterfront. The circular lookout post enables you to enjoy a 360-degree panorama of the city as well as views of the mountains beyond, including Mount Baker across the border in the US.

**On the Waterfront** - Explore the Vancouver waterfront by seaplane or short cruise from Vancouver harbour. Views of the city and mountains are stunning. A trip across to North Van on the seabus offers some great views of the waterfront too.

**Stanley Park & English Bay** - At 1,000 acres Stanley Park, just to the west of Downtown Vancouver, is an oasis of forested parkland over which many walking paths and trails can be explored. Attractions include a totem pole display in the park, children's farmyard and Beaver Lake. A 5.5-mile sea wall and cycle path offers a memorable walk around the Park that takes you down to the fabulous beaches at English Bay.

**Capilano Suspension Bridge** - Across the water in North Vancouver is a walk among the giant treetops of the West Coast Rainforest courtesy of the Capilano Suspension Bridge. Don't look down!

**Grouse Mountain** - 15 minutes from Downtown Vancouver is the mountain known locally as the Peak of Vancouver. Popular with snowboarders and skiers during the winter, and hikers during the summer, Grouse Mountain offers wonderful views of Vancouver from the north. A regular cable car service transports guests to the top of the mountain. For the more adventurous the 2.9km Grouse Grind provides access to the mountain's summit too.

**Science World** - Perfect for kids of all ages, Science World provides hours of indoor entertainment with interactive science displays and shows.

### Getting around Vancouver

Vancouver has a superb public transportation system combining buses, a monorail system (Skytrain) and seabus. The city is compact so can be easily explored on foot too. Car hire is recommended for exploring the area around Vancouver including Vancouver Island and Whistler in the BC mountains. Car hire can be booked in advance for pick up at Vancouver International Airport or in Downtown Vancouver by visiting <http://www.your-carhire.com>

### Match the two parts of each sentences

1. Vancouver is known as one of the
2. You can get a panoramic view of the city
3. The Harbour Centre Tower
4. You can explore the waterfront
5. You can go trekking and cycling
6. In Stanley park there is
7. Capilano suspension Bridge
8. On Grouse Mountain
9. You can get to the mountain peak
10. At Science World
11. You can walk around Vancouver
12. To visit the outskirts

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people do winter sports and go hiking in the summer.