VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA 48.4284° N, 123.3656° W

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SUMMER 2020

trip overview

British Columbia remains true to its rugged roots. Here mountains rise from riversides and forests are vibrant, green, and full of life. The water systems are ways of life, with ferry-travel being a common staple. Discover the coastal gems on Vancouver Island, including but not limited to, secluded beaches, quaint surfing towns, and the tranquility that can only be found in a place that is still so in touch with its wild side. You'll find yourself in awe more often than not, so prepare to be amazed if you chose to venture to the west coast and beyond on this Pacific odyssey.



■ MEET

JUNE 9 - JUNE 22, 2020 JUNE 26 - JULY 9, 2020 JULY 14 - JULY 27, 2020

TRIP DATES



DEPART >



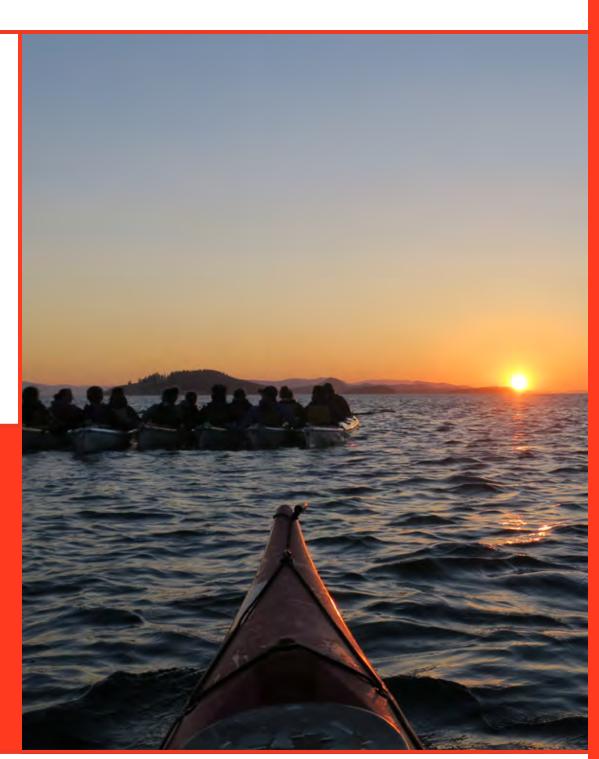
CLASSIC ADVENTURES

highlights

- Dip your paddle in the clear, glass-like water of the Pacific Ocean and kayak to the islands of the San Juans
- Explore the beaches of Tofino from a standup paddleboard and catch some waves of the Pacific
- Hike to premiere views of Vancouver Island on some of the best trail systems in Canada
- Reach new heights while you rock climb and rappel the Comox Lake Crags
- Feel the rush of whitewater while you raft down the scenic Elaho-Squamish River

"During this trip I was amazed by how much I could love 14 people in only 2 weeks. I not only learned a lot about my Moondance family, but I also learned things about myself that I would never find at home."

Nan Barnhill, 12, Rocky Mount, NC





DEPART 🗷

day by day

DAY 1

Arrive in Seattle. Meet your team at the airport and then hit the road, driving along the breathtaking Pacific Coast. Enjoy the first smell of the salty air as you reach camp for the night.

DAY 2-5

Experience the best way to travel in this area: by ferry! You'll embark on an aquatic journey, weaving through the countless islands in the San Juan Island chain. You're destination: Friday Harbor. Meet your sea kayaking outfitter who will take your group on an overnight kayaking tour of the nearby islands. On the 5th day you'll take your second ferry to Vancouver Island where the rest of your adventure awaits!

DAY 6-7

Explore the culture of the quaint surf town of Tofino tucked along the westernmost coast of the island. You'll get your bearings of the many picturesque beaches by paddleboard first, before you test your skills on a coastal cruiser (surfboard!). Hone your technique on the first day and then master your craft on day two. When you aren't shredding the surf, be sure to take in the out-of-this world scenery.



DAY 8-10

day by day

Travel back to the eastern side of the island to climb along the shores of Comox Lake. Here you'll scurry up to the top of countless routes with an option to practice a rappel. On your second day your group will rappel down the face of Devil's Ladder (a famed wall in the Cumberland area). This rappel takes you from mountain top to water side, where you can celebrate your successful rappel with a dip in the lake. On your final day, venture into the nearby provincial park to get a little mud on your hiking shoes!

DAY 11-12

Catch the final ferry of your trip back to mainland British Columbia. You'll dock just north of Vancouver and make your way to the Squamish River, the launching point for your final trip activity. Paddling along you'll see that wildlife is abundant here and everything is green and lush. Your guides will find a riverside spot for the night, perfect for stargazing and a hot meal.

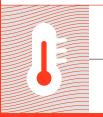
DAY 13-14

Travel back to the US and prepare yourself for the final celebration of the trip: banquet night! Enjoy local food with your new best friends and soak in the last moments of this incredible trip. Though the sun is setting on this adventure, you'll know that you've had the experience of a lifetime and that British Columbia will always have a special place in your heart. The last day you'll fly home.



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	COST	\$4495
	LENGTH	14 Days
	CURRENT GRADES	7th-8th
	CHALLENGE LEVEL	Moderate
	BEGINS/ENDS	Seattle, WA (SEA)
	GROUP SIZE	12 Students
	AVERAGE AIRFARE FROM EAST COAST	\$600

EXPECTED WEATHER CONDITIONS



A V E R A G E	HIGHS	7
A V E R A G E	LOWS	5

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Three dynamic trip leaders
- Accommodations
- 3 or 4 person tents
- Professionally outfitted activities:
 - Sea Kayaking
 - Surfing
 - Stand Up Paddle Boarding
 - Rock Climbing
 - Whitewater Rafting
- Transportation
 - New 15 passenger van
- All Meals

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Photos taken during your trip

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to and from Seattle, WA (SEA)
- Baggage fees
- Unaccompanied minor fees to and from Seattle, WA (SEA)
- Personal clothing + equipment (full clothing + equipment list provided upon acceptance)
 - 1) Hiking shoes/ trail shoes
 - 2) School sized day backpack
 - 3) Sleeping bag*
 - 4) Sleeping pad*
 - 5) Rain jacket with hood
- Personal spending money (we recommend \$120)
- Trip insurance (highly recommended)

^{*}Available for rent from Moondance

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