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We asked Vancouver’s top concierges to share their personal recommendations for the perfect day in the city

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Situated on the picturesque western point of a large peninsula, overlooked by the North Shore Mountains and watered by broad rivers that run towards the Pacific Ocean, Vancouver boldly symbolizes the concord between man and nature which is at the heart of Canadian life.

Named after Captain George Vancouver of the British Royal Navy who arrived at its western coast in 1792 – three hundred years after Columbus landed on the East Coast of America – Vancouver has grown, over two hundred years, into the vibrant, modern city of today. Here high-rise glass and steel towers mount over the older, natural vales and present a happy riposte to the problems of urban sprawl experienced by other 21st century cities. This commitment to sustainability and quality of life has reaped its rewards: Vancouver was voted “Best City in the Americas” in 2010, and Mercer’s quality of living survey followed suit the same year, ranking Vancouver as the fourth most liveable city in the world, behind Vienna, Zurich and Geneva.

The natural landscape of Vancouver – its beaches, rivers and mountains providing hiking, bathing, skiing and sailing – offers unique promise to the adventure-seeking elite traveler. It has the mildest climate in Canada, averaging around 70°F in summer, but is also a city of cosmopolitan luxury, and the third largest film-producing location in North America. From bohemian Gastown, to its museums, restaurants and nightclubs, Vancouver represents a full, diverse range of Canada in the 21st century.

Chairman’s Suite at Fairmont Pacific Rim
This enormous, two-story suite is one of the most stylish living experiences Vancouver has to offer, with beautifully designed features that stand out from the crowd and make your stay truly memorable. (Turn to page 8 to find out more). The Vancouver staples of great service and wonderful views come in the form of vistas across the North Shore Mountains, Coal Harbour and Stanley Park, and the exceptional discretion and attentiveness of the concierge team.

Leoné
Peruse the latest designs from your favorite international names at one of the city’s most exclusive fashion addresses. Leoné is a style institution in Vancouver and offers red hot, up-to-the-minute style for men, women and children – so there’s no excuse not to stop by with the whole family. Learn more about Leoné’s collections on page 19.
GROUSE MOUNTAIN PRIVATE HIRE EXPERIENCE

Grouse Mountain offers a number of exceptional experiences, from heart-stopping panoramic views, to adventurous nature and sporting pursuits and stylish gourmet dining. For the elite traveler these can be made even more special, as you can privately hire many of the mountain’s experiences for your exclusive enjoyment – from the elegant five-star Observatory restaurant to the reconstructed First Nations longhouse and the immense wind turbine with a spectacular viewing pod. Any of these can be combined to tailor a wonderful, thoroughly Canadian evening of adventure and luxury. However, we feel that the most elite, exclusive way for you and your guests to enjoy Grouse Mountain is to hire the entire mountain – including the Chalet at the 3,700 foot summit, which is the hub for most of its facilities, for a day or evening of celebration, enjoyment and Pacific Northwest splendor.

Why not arrive via Grouse Mountain’s wonderful helicopter tour? You and your guests will be flown on a tour across majestic gleaming ice fields and craggy extinct volcanoes, before being whisked up to the summit of the mountain for exquisite fine dining with a view at five-star restaurant The Observatory. Thereafter you will have the Chalet, as well as the entire mountain, for your day or evening’s enjoyment, with your specific arrangements taken care of down to the last detail. Whether you host an evening of cocktails and networking on one of the many stylish patio decks or want a romantic date at the mountain’s open-air cinema “Theatre Under the Stars”, Grouse Mountain staff will arrange your bespoke experience according to your wishes. The mountain is your playground and your only job is to decide how you would like to spend your time there. Whatever you choose, you are guaranteed a memorable and spectacular evening of good food, drinks and fun in a one-of-a-kind location, surrounded by a magical view of Vancouver and the turquoise ocean that cradles it. With every luxury and comfort in place, you will be certain to have an outstanding elite experience.
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“Start your morning with a leisurely breakfast at the Café Pacifica at the Pan Pacific Hotel while enjoying our breathtaking view of the mountains and ocean. After breakfast, take a private limousine tour of Vancouver with an experienced driver and guide from the exclusive Black Gloves tour company. You will drive through the famous Stanley Park, cross the Lions Gate Bridge and enter West Vancouver, passing Ambleside Beach and quaint little shops along Marine Drive to the village of Horseshoe Bay. Return along the Upper Highway and be sure to catch a view of the downtown skyline from the top of Cypress Mountain.

The tour will bring you back into Vancouver through Granville Island where you will find a vibrant public market as well as an art gallery, specialty shops, restaurants and theaters. This is where the locals spend their weekends and days off. If there is time, be sure to stop by the nearby South Granville district for shopping and also to visit its many art galleries and antique stores. For a casual lunch, the fish and chips at Go Fish hit the spot, or head over to the big patio at Bridges for a burger or more.

In the afternoon, take an Extended Panorama scenic flight of Vancouver. This 45-minute tour will take you up to Whistler and back along the Sunshine Coast – definitely a different perspective of the region. After the tour, it’s just a short stroll back to the hotel in time to refresh and enjoy a swim in our salt water pool.

There are so many great restaurants in Vancouver, but for a total Vancouver experience, enjoy the 100 Mile Tasting Menu at Raincity Grill, where the focus is on regional ingredients and sustainability. Their award-winning wine list has an excellent selection of wines from British Columbia. After dinner, walk along English Bay and watch the sun go down.”

BEST RESTAURANTS
Blue Water Cafe
Cuisine: Seafood
Address: 1095 Hamilton Street, V6B 5T4

Gotham Steakhouse & Cocktail Bar
Cuisine: Steakhouse
Address: 615 Seymour Street, V6B 3K3

Tojo’s
Cuisine: Japanese
Address: 1133 West Broadway, V6H 1G1

BEST SHOPPING
Betty Hemmings
For: distinctively crafted briefcases, business accessories, luggage and leather goods
Address: 415 Hornby Street, V6C 2Y2

Fox & Fluevog
For: unique designer shoes by Vancouver native John Fluevog
Address: 65 Water Street, V6B 1A1

Harry Rosen’s
For: premier men’s fashion
Address: 650 West 41st Avenue, V5Z 2M9 and 700 West Georgia Street, V7Y 1E8
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“In the morning, climb to the top of Grouse Mountain and enjoy its breathtaking views across Vancouver. After breakfast at the Wedgewood Hotel, visit Stanley Park and view the one-hundred-year-old Hollow Tree, a long-standing old red cedar. Then take a trip to the nearby Museum of Anthropology, which houses one of the finest displays of West Coast First Nations art. Stop for lunch at Granville Island’s public market, browse the artists’ shops and sample the local microbreweries.

In the afternoon, adventurous travelers will enjoy a seaplane excursion to the Sunshine Coast, an expedition rewarded by a lunch overlooking the Strait of Georgia and its forests, inlets and islands. Others can take in the sights at North America’s second largest Chinatown, with its Dr Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden, or Gastown, Vancouver’s oldest neighborhood and historic district.

A ferry ride to Victoria will reveal British Columbia’s beautiful Gulf Islands, Inner Harbor and the world-famous Butchart Gardens. Wildlife-viewing boat excursions and whale watching can be enjoyed at the lovely Horseshoe Bay.”

BEST RESTAURANTS
Bacchus Restaurant
Cuisine: Modern French
Address: Wedgewood Hotel, 845 Hornby Street, V6Z 1V1

Blue Water Cafe
Cuisine: Seafood
Address: 1095 Hamilton Street, V6B ST4

Cioppino’s
Cuisine: Italian
Address: 1133 and 1129 Hamilton Street, V6B 5P6

BEST SHOPPING
Holt Renfrew
For: designer apparel, beauty products and haute handbags for women
Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4

BEST TO DO
Grouse Grind
Hike to the top of Vancouver’s Grouse Mountain
Night skiing at Grouse Mountain
CONCIERGE RECOMMENDATIONS

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"It always begins with the Stanley Park seawall! Whether you walk, jog or cycle, the seawall allows you to enjoy both the beauty of the forest and the breeze of the ocean. As you exit the park from the south side you will find yourself at English Bay: here you can see the locals relaxing with their ever-present cups of java. Follow the path to the Aquabus ferry terminal and cross False Creek to the Granville Island public market, which offers a bounty of fresh fruit, produce, seafood and more. Beyond the market are many unique artisans selling exquisite handmade original works of art. Hop back on the Aquabus, this time bound for Yaletown. Once you arrive, walk up the dock where a quaint lunch spot awaits: Provence Marinaside. Whether you choose to eat on the outdoor patio or opt for indoors, this casual space offers an array of breakfast, lunch, and brunch items to enjoy.

A quick 20-minute walk through the city will bring you back to Fairmont Pacific Rim in time for afternoon tea. Our Asian spin on this English ritual has quickly become a local favorite. Enjoy dinner in ORU Cuisine, our hotel restaurant, which offers exquisite Pan Asian fare with recipes thoughtfully created from many of the chef’s favorite childhood dishes.

After dinner, wander down to the Lobby Lounge for live music and perhaps a little dancing and then retire to Giovane Wine Bar for a glass of wine. We offer over 70 wines, including a selection of 40 by the glass. Wine in hand, thoughtfully reflect on the day before retiring for the evening."

BEST RESTAURANTS

ORU Restaurant
Cuisine: Oriental
Address: 1038 Canada Place, V6C 0B9

Blue Water Cafe
Cuisine: Seafood
Address: 1095 Hamilton Street, V6B 5T4

CinCin Ristorante
Cuisine: Italian wood-fired
Address: 1154 Robson Street, V6E 1B2

BEST SHOPPING

"Explore the vibrant cafes and shops of the ever-changing eclectic neighbourhoods along Main Street. Begin on lower Main Street browsing the one-of-a-kind vintage clothing shops and neighborhood coffee houses. Head south, known as SoMa, to find Canadian antiques and original items in home accessory stores."

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Sparkling Hill Resort is the site of unparalleled natural beauty and award-winning architectural magnificence. A one-of-a-kind $122 million masterpiece, Sparkling Hill is the only resort in the world to incorporate Swarovski crystal elements into every aspect of its design, amounting to more than 3.5 million crystals worth over $10 million.

Located between Vancouver and the Canadian Rockies, this breathtaking lake country is also home to Canada’s Napa Valley with its 200 plus wineries, 80 world-class golf courses and hypnotic scenic drives. Hop in a helicopter at the resort’s helipad for some heli-fly fishing, or a heli-wine tour that soars through canyons and over glaciated mountaintops. For exhilarating heli-skiing, simply take a private jet from Vancouver to Kelowna International Airport (45 minutes), followed by a short helicopter ride to the famed Monashee Mountains.

Sparkling Hill’s crowning jewel is the 40,000-square-foot KurSpa, Canada’s largest spa oasis and winner of the International SENSES Wellness Award 2011 for Best Spa Resort in the World (Mountain Category). Don’t miss the signature Cryotherapy Cold Sauna at -110˚C. For executives looking to temper their relaxation with a little work, Sparkling Hill is also home to 10,000 square feet of meeting space.

**TOP SUITE**

**EDELWEISS PENTHOUSE**

- Square footage: 1,200
- Nightly rate: From $1,000

Why we love it: The sleek, spacious master bath showcases views of the 84-mile Okanagan Lake, endless mountains and stunning sunsets through floor-to-ceiling walls of glass, while the natural setting high on a granite rock bluff ensures perfect privacy. Nature saturates the room through sliding window walls—transforming your room into an outdoor patio—while inside, handsome hardwood floors, Swarovski crystal, works of art and European flair set the tone for a rich yet laid-back abode. Sumptuous corner penthouses feature a bedroom with gas fireplace, two-person freestanding soaking tub with Swarovski crystal sky, separate walk-in shower for two, solid granite dual sinks and private dry sauna room.
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Expect show-stopping mountain and ocean views, 377 bespoke rooms and suites, exceptional service and fine dining at the Fairmont Pacific Rim, which was built specially for the 2010 Winter Olympics. Conveniently located for business in the flourishing financial district and also close to the buzz of the historic harbor, this is a hotel that exudes sophisticated modern elegance and state-of-the-art amenities for both work and play. The exclusive Willow Stream Spa and glorious rooftop pool are particular treats for those looking to cool off after a hectic day. What’s more, elite travelers will particularly enjoy the Fairmont Gold, the Fairmont’s elite hotel-within-a-hotel located on the 20th and 21st floors. Gold floor guests are swathed in an atmosphere of VIP luxury, and enjoy a number of exclusive perks, including a personalized butler service, access to the sumptuous Gold Lounge, and a deluxe buffet breakfast every morning.

TOP SUITE

CHAIRMAN’S SUITE
- Square footage: 2,250, plus over 2,000 of outdoor space
- Nightly rate: $6,000

Why we love it: Inspired by a Balinese villa, this elegant two-story suite has a wealth of unique and surprising features, such as an exclusive outdoor rooftop patio with expansive harbor views, and a wonderful private gazebo with a meditation pond and fire pit. The suite’s Spoon XL haute bathroom was designed by G Benedini for Agape and features Mascioni fine linens, towels and bathrobes, a soaker tub, a separate marble shower, and a TV that is embedded into the bathroom mirror. Beautiful Vancouver views pour in through floor-to-ceiling glass windows. To cap it all off, guests staying in the Chairman’s Suite have access to the ultra-luxe services and facilities of the Fairmont Gold experience.
WHERE TO STAY

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The Four Seasons Hotel Vancouver is at the hub of Vancouver life. Just minutes from Vancouver’s business and financial centers on scenic West Georgia Street, the Four Seasons is the perfect destination for elite business and leisure travelers alike. Having recently completed an elegant restyling, the luxury five-star hotel offers a fresh and contemporary ambience with astounding views of the ocean and mountains. Guests will also enjoy the cool West Coast vibe of the hotel’s YEW restaurant and bar and a spa service that caters to private rooms and suites. The Four Seasons has played host to the cream of Hollywood’s elite, including stars and Oscar winners such as Hilary Swank, Al Pacino and Robin Williams.

EDGEmOOD HOTEL & SPA
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The Wedgewood Hotel and Spa was established over 25 years ago by Eleni Skalbania and, unusually for a Vancouver hotel, is still run by her family. A small, fashionable boutique hotel located in pretty Robson Square, the Wedgewood prides itself on the warmth and personal touch of its service. Flowers, art and antiques fill its 83 rooms and suites. The Wedgewood’s Bacchus Restaurant and Lounge has been awarded “Best Bar in Vancouver” for nine consecutive years and the Spa at the Wedgewood was named “Best Day Spa” by The Georgia Straight, a newspaper published in Vancouver. Recently awarded membership of the prestigious Relais & Châteaux group, the Wedgewood has accommodated celebrities such as Pierce Brosnan, Bill Cosby, Sting, Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell, George Michael and Van Morrison.

TOP SUITE
**PRIME MINISTER SUITE**
- Square footage: 1,725
- Nightly rate: $2,750
**Why we love it:** This split-level suite offers extra privacy, with entrances on both the 27th and 28th floors, plus the luxury of floor-to-ceiling views, dazzling chandeliers, giant master rooms and high-tech master bathrooms. Designed by Forchielli Glynn, the style is elegantly grand and majestic. The suite features Bulgari bath amenities, an in-mirror bathroom TV, a 42-inch flat-screen TV, a large walk-in shower with rain showerhead and a deep soaking tub.

**HONEYMOON PENTHOUSE SUITE #1202**
- Square footage: 750, plus 350 of outdoor space
- Nightly rate: From $900 to $1,500
**Why we love it:** This romantic suite’s elegant antiques, original art, double Jacuzzi tub, cozy fireplace and large outdoor living room and garden terrace make it truly special. Eleni Skalbania and Boti Interiors were both behind its stylish look, which boasts Frette linens, 37-inch and 42-inch flat-screen TVs, Gilchrist & Soames bath amenities and Kohler bathroom fixtures. On arrival you will be welcomed by wine, cheeses and Belgian truffles, and freshly baked cookies are delivered at turndown. The service here is exceptional: when a guest once left behind an item by mistake, a staff member traveled for two-and-a-half hours to return it.
WHERE TO STAY

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The Pan Pacific Vancouver enjoys a spectacular location in downtown Vancouver, with sweeping city, mountain and waterfront views, and convenient proximity to Vancouver’s most important corporate and business venues. Pan Pacific’s world-class luxury accommodation includes 39 bespoke suites, while its facilities include two gourmet restaurants, an outdoor salt-water pool, and an excellent spa and fitness center. Past guests have included Bill Clinton, the Aga Khan, Bob Hope, the Dalai Lama and the Prince and Princess of Wales.

TOP SUITE
ROYAL SUITE

- Square footage: 1,650
- Nightly rate: From $5,189 to $6,225

Why we love it: With a baby grand piano and great views of the mountains and bustling harbor, this suite is perfect for private meetings or intimate dinners. The style is contemporary with clean lines and features Anichini fine Italian linens, two 52-inch LCD TVs, Miele kitchen appliances and a fully-equipped office with computer. After a long day guests can unwind in the Bulgari bathroom, with its Jacuzzi tub, rain and steam showerhead and heated floor. The suite connects to two other guest rooms and the hotel’s Pacific Club lounge.

ROYAL SUITE PARLOUR

GLITTERING BALCONY VIEWS AT PAN PACIFIC VANCOUVER

AERIAL VIEW OF PAN PACIFIC, VANCOUVER CONVENTION CENTRE AND THE WATERFRONT TOWERS OF DOWNTOWN
WHERE TO DINE

Vancouver is a treat for the dedicated foodie, serving up fine dining feasts in its many elegant gourmet restaurants. Whether it’s classic French cuisine, fresh Mediterranean favorites or authentic local delicacies you’re in the mood for, this city is filled with talented chefs conjuring up just what you’re after, and often, what you didn’t know you wanted. It comes as no surprise that seafood is a major star on this dining scene: delicious, ocean-fresh and served up in a delectable variety of inventive dishes.

**MUST-VISIT**

**BLUE WATER CAFE**
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Cuisine: Seafood
Style / Ambiance: This chic eatery, a handsome brick-and-beam warehouse located in the trendy Yaletown district, claimed the coveted gold prize in Vancouver magazine’s “Restaurant of the Year” and “Best Seafood” competition in 2010. It is considered the definitive destination for seafood, so it’s not surprising that Liam Neeson, Tom Cruise, Owen Wilson and Seth Rogen have all dined here. Under the leadership of executive chef Frank Pabst, the “east meets west” kitchen creates captivating seafood dishes using fresh wild fish, complemented by one of the country’s finest wine collections.

**STYLISH**

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Cuisine: Seafood
Style / Ambiance: The modern, contemporary C is always packed with movers and shakers, visiting VIPs and celebrities who enjoy its exquisite waterfront setting. Will and Jada Smith recently dined in the private wine attic complete with a string trio, Tina Turner celebrated her birthday here, and it’s a favorite of Martha Stewart. What attracts these elite guests is a menu packed with delicious, locally sourced seafood, a stunning view and a much-lauded ethical commitment to sustainably sourced fish – which it has maintained since the early 90s, long before it was fashionable.
WHERE TO DINE

HAUTE CUISINE

CINCI RISTORANTE
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Cuisine: Italian wood-fired
Style / Ambiance: This elegant gourmet favorite is known for its wood-fired grill, which produces authentic, seasonally driven Italian dishes bursting with flavor, and for its award-winning collection of rare and vintage wines – many of which are on display in the beautiful, high-ceilinged dining room. While CinCin’s interior is the height of elegance, the atmospheric private terrace is a true delight, the perfect setting for a late romantic supper or anniversary treat.

CIOPPINO’S
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Cuisine: Italian
Style / Ambiance: Awarded “Best Formal Italian Restaurant” in Vancouver by Vancouver magazine for nine years running, Cioppino’s Mediterranean Grill offers an innovative personal take on Mediterranean cuisine rooted in Chef Posteraro’s personal philosophy of “cucina natural”. This focuses on the freshest ingredients, vegetables, low-cholesterol olive oil, and striking the perfect balance between flavors. The end result is light, fresh and delicious, and can be enjoyed in a fun, unique atmosphere, with an open-show kitchen and plenty of outdoor space for relaxed alfresco dining – as well as stylish private rooms for corporate and personal events. Cioppino’s sister restaurant, next door’s Enoteca, is also an elite favorite.

PRIVATE DINING AT CIOPPINO’S

STUNNING VIEWS

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Cuisine: Local, Grill
Style / Ambiance: The food at Raincity Grill is both delicious and ethical, as this is a restaurant wholly committed to local produce, and it proves it by telling guests the names of the farms its meat and greens have come from. Located in Vancouver’s vibrant West End, with views across English Bay, Raincity sources its ingredients from within British Columbia, including pork from a farm only 80 miles from Vancouver, and chicken from a farm in nearby Abbotsford, just 50 miles from the city. As a result, the restaurant’s dishes are characterised by fresh, intense and thoroughly authentic flavors, and are all the more inviting for being guilt-free. What’s more, the restaurant has won a catalogue of awards for both food and service, making it a must-try.
WHERE TO BE PAMPERED

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Treatments & facilities: The exquisite luxury spa at the Pan Pacific Hotel aims to be a relaxation haven with a decadent 'Ancient Rome' theme, complete with tumbling waterfalls and neo-classical architectural features. Experienced therapists help you relax and rejuvenate in state-of-the-art treatment spaces, including romantic private suites for couples and lavish VIP suites.
Signature treatment: Utopia Royal Massage and the West Coast Seaweed Journey.

THE SPA AT THE WEDGEWOOD
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Treatments & facilities: A world-class pampering sanctuary in the frenetic bustle of Vancouver, The Spa at the Wedgewood Hotel offers an exclusive spa experience focused on your personal beauty and wellness needs. The therapists here are experts in their field, and offer a range of treatments utilising the therapeutic properties of natural ingredients. These include Tahitian Island, Tranquility Body Scrub, Chai Soy Anti-Stress Back Treatment, Wild Lavender Body Bliss, Rosemary Rendez-Vous Body Treatment and the Crystalline Gemstone Facial.
Signature treatment: Thai Fusion massage.

SCANDINAVE SPA WHISTLER
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Treatments & facilities: With 20,000 square feet of pampering space stretched out over three acres, this magnificent luxury spa is well worth the short drive to beautiful ski paradise Whistler. The treatments offered here take inspiration from Scandinavian therapies, including the signature experience of hydrotherapy – influenced by traditional Scandinavian baths. Scandanave’s massages are particularly good; they range from Swedish and Hot Stone to Deep Tissue and Thai Yoga, and are offered at the complex’s dedicated 14-room massage pavilion. Panoramic views of Whistler’s snow-daubed mountains add to the therapeutic experience. Signature treatment: Scandinavian baths and massage.

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Website: www.vidaspas.com
Treatments & facilities: Vida Spa’s elite beauty and rejuvenation experiences take a holistic approach to each individual, meeting personal therapeutic needs, replenishing energy, harmonizing mind and body, restoring a sense of well-being and sharpening the senses. Many of Vida’s treatments are based on the traditional Indian science of Ayurveda, but use state-of-the-art technology and facilities to ensure a 21st century spa experience, from infrared sauna treatments to decadent private lounges for post-pamper relaxation. With three spa complexes in top Vancouver hotels, and more further afield in Whistler and Seattle, there is no excuse not to visit Vida during your trip.
Signature treatment: An extensive menu of Ayurvedic treatments.
WHERE TO HOST AN EVENT

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Stanley Park is arguably Vancouver’s most famous outdoor space. Enormous, green and sprawling, with a wealth of manmade and natural beauty to offer, the park’s pretty rose gardens hide one of the best events venues in the city: the charming and beautiful Stanley Park Pavilion. Arnold Schwarzenegger and Queen Elizabeth II have both hosted events at the Pavilion, which has a number of different spaces to offer. A lavish period ballroom with heaps of glamour and vintage charm is perfect for hosting a spectacular banquet or dance, while the inviting and elegant Rose Garden Tea Room sports views of the Park Gardens and is just the right spot for a smart cocktail reception. Other highlights are the casual-chic Bar & Grill, which is great for relaxed fun with friends or colleagues, and its 200-seat verandah – an enchanting “forest patio” immersed in natural beauty, and the perfect place to spot Canadian bald eagles soaring through the sky. These can all or individually be the setting for your event, with expert staff on hand to arrange every detail to perfection.

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The world famous Vancouver Convention Centre is located at iconic Canada Place on the Vancouver waterfront. It is well known as a venue for conferences, exhibitions and banquets, and is the perfect place to host your next business events. Its many achievements include winning the International Association of Congress Centres’ award for “World’s Best Convention Centre” twice, in 2002 and 2008. The center has wonderful views across the sea to the North Shore Mountains, state-of-the-art facilities to ensure your function goes off without a hitch, and the impressive space and stature to make the evening truly spectacular.

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Sunset Bay Group is a luxury charter company that hosts “chic events on the water”. Hosting a function on the company’s sumptuous 4,000 square foot yacht is a great way to take advantage of Vancouver’s glittering ocean setting. Enjoy cocktails with your guests or surprise a loved one – whatever you have in mind, Sunset Bay can provide gourmet catering and a stylish venue on the beautiful waters of Coal Harbour.

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THE LORD STANLEY BALLROOM AT STANLEY PARK PAVILION

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With its world-class scenery and outdoorsy culture, Vancouver is paradise for adventurers and sportspeople offering a wealth of sports and scenic outdoor pursuits. However, those with other interests won’t be disappointed, as there’s a flourishing cultural life too, with plenty of art, history, music and theater to explore and enjoy. And when evening comes around, Vancouver’s reputation as one of North America’s hippest destinations comes to the fore, as elegant bars and chic jet-set clubs light up the city, promising smart cocktails and stylish after-hours fun.

**What to do ➤ during the day**

**GROUSE MOUNTAIN**

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Email: ksmith@grousemountain.com
Website: www.grousemountain.com

Grouse Mountain is a majestic alpine delight with a host of adventures and experiences for keen outdoorsmen and women, nature-lovers, and those who simply enjoy a magnificent view. The mountain is also a Hollywood-magnet, luring Owen Wilson, Michael Bublé and Justin Timberlake among others to its 4,100-foot summit. You can take the long way up and participate in the Grouse Grind – Vancouver’s most popular trail – scaling 2,800 feet of what is mostly wooden stairway, taking in fresh alpine air and mountain scenery as you go. Then, once you reach the mountaintop, you can dine in style at five-star restaurant The Observatory. Alternatively choose the Skyride, an eight-minute cable journey to the peak, which offers heart-stopping aerial vistas of the city, the mountains, the Gulf Islands and the gleaming Pacific. Once at the summit there is something for everyone, from grizzly-bear-watching and eco-walks, to talks from Grouse Mountain rangers and a ride on the Eye of the Wind – a wind turbine with a 360-degree viewing pod (a world first). You can also visit a reconstruction of a First Nations longhouse, and enjoy spectacular flying displays from birds of prey.

**Nature / Adventure / Sport**

**ZIP TREKKING DOWN GROUSE MOUNTAIN**

**SHOW-STOPPING VIEWS AND ELEGANT FINE DINING AT GROUSE MOUNTAIN’S OBSERVATORY RESTAURANT**

**TAKE IN A MAGICAL WINTER SUNSET FROM THE SUMMIT OF GROUSE MOUNTAIN**
WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE DAY

**NATURE / ADVENTURE**

**CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE**  
VIP contact: Helen Hall, Reservations Manager  
Phone: +1 604 985 7474  
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Website: www.capbridge.com

Follow in the footsteps of Billy Baldwin, Nicole Kidman and Kevin Costner, and cross the Capilano Suspension Bridge that lies 230 feet above the river. Take on the Treetops Adventure as a family and walk 100 feet above the forest floor while traversing seven bridges. A rainforest encounter and a guided nature tour is next, followed by the Rainforest Explorer program for children. For the grand finale, try the brand new Cliffwalk, a heart-stopping trek at 300 feet above the Capilano River with fixed handrails, bridges, stairs and platforms along the cliff edge. Your kids will talk about this forever.

**HARBOUR AIR SEAPLANE TOUR**  
VIP contact: Guillaume Fortin, Flight Operations  
Phone: +1 604 274 1277  
Email: airport@harbour-air.com  
Website: www.harbour-air.com

Book a scenic charter air flight from Vancouver Harbor to romantic locations that are only accessible by air. Get up close to snow-covered glaciers at 2,600-meter Mount Mamquam and glacier lakes with melting crystal blue waters. The trip lasts just over two hours.

**CULTURE**

**VANCOUVER ART GALLERY**  
VIP contact: Jennifer Wheeler, Tourism Marketing Specialist  
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Email: jwheeler@vanartgallery.bc.ca  
Address: 750 Hornby Street, V6Z 2H7  
Website: www.vanartgallery.bc.ca

A cultural experience like no other, the Vancouver Art Gallery also happens to be a celebrity hotspot – Reese Witherspoon is just one of the many stars to be spotted here recently. The space is one of Canada’s largest art museums and showcases the country’s most comprehensive collection of work by Emily Carr, as well as varied and ever-changing exhibitions of international works. Featured painters, both leaders of contemporary art and native Vancouverites, include Jeff Wall, Ian Wallace, Stan Douglas and Rodney Graham. The four-story gallery is housed in a stunning neo-classical heritage building located in the heart of downtown Vancouver.

**MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY AT UBC**  
VIP contact: Anthony Shelton, Director  
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Email: anthony.shelton@moa.ubc.ca  
Address: 6393 North West Marine Drive, V6T 1Z2  
Website: www.moa.ubc.ca

This newly renovated and expanded museum at the University of British Columbia houses 37,000 objects, including some of the world’s finest Northwest Coast First Nations art. Visitors to the soaring Great Hall are greeted with massive totem poles, feast dishes, canoes and unique bentwood boxes, which have been created by Musqueam, Haida, Kwakwaka’wakw, Nisga’a and other indigenous artists. Other collections showcase art from around the world, such as European ceramics, Asian textiles, Greek and Roman pottery and African masks. MOA is also known for its spectacular architecture and unique setting on the cliffs of Point Grey.
WHAT TO DO ➤ DURING THE NIGHT

ADVENTURE / SOMETHING DIFFERENT

FULL MOON PADDLE WITH ECOMARINE OCEAN KAYAK CENTRE
VIP contact: Jeanine Longley, Registrar
Phone: +1 604 689 7575
Email: jeanine@ecomarine.com
Website: www.ecomarine.com/tours
For a truly romantic Vancouver experience, paddle in a double kayak by
moonlight through the waters of English Bay with the Ecomarine Ocean Kayak
Centre. No experience is necessary for this two-hour moonlight adventure,
and an amiable tour guide accompanies you for safety and minimal instruction
should you need it. Your tour begins at sunset from a sandy beach in downtown
Vancouver; from here you’ll paddle along the lapping water while taking in the
city skyline and the outline of the North Shore Mountains and Stanley Park.

ARTS

VANCOUVER OPERA
Phone: +1 604 683 0222
Email: srajani@vancouveropera.ca
Address: Queen Elizabeth Theatre, Hamilton at Georgia Street, V6B 2P1
Website: www.vancouveropera.ca
Vancouver Opera is a flourishing, talented company with a varied and exciting
repertoire, and a passion for bringing opera to young people and diverse
communities across Canada. In 2007 the company put on a pioneering
production of The Magic Flute, re-interpreted and set within the myth-scape
of coastal First Nations communities. This innovative, one-of-a-kind cultural
collaboration involved partnerships, discussions and creative exploration with
First Nations artists, designers, elders and advisors, and featured clothing,
dance and language from the traditions of these communities. This kind of
unique artistic partnership is typical of Vancouver Opera’s cutting edge creative
outlook, and has ensured its status as one of the most renowned cultural
organizations in the country. Try a night at the opera during your Vancouver trip,
and you may discover something wonderful.

BAR / CLUB

REPUBLIC
Phone: +1 604 669 3214
Email: republic@donnellygroup.ca
Address: 958 Granville Street, V6B 2C9
Website: www.donnellygroup.ca/republic
Republic is a stylish two-level bar and club in buzzing Granville Street, and one
of the trendiest spots in the city for letting loose and dancing the night away.
Live music, excellent DJs, and a chic, lively dancefloor draw the city’s beautiful
people to party in style here, including visiting VIPs Jessica Alba, Ryan Reynolds,
Pamela Anderson and The Black Eyed Peas. If you’re in the mood to unwind
over a cocktail try the exclusive second level, and enjoy table service, elegant
lounge seating and a great city view.

VANCOUVER PLAYHOUSE
VIP contact: Michael McNair, Box Office Manager
Phone: +1 604 873 3311
Email: mmcnair@vancouverplayhouse.com
Address: 601 Hamilton Street, V6B 2P1
Website: www.vancouverplayhouse.com
The Vancouver Playhouse is the most prestigious theater in British
Columbia, with a 50-year history of producing inventive new drama
from local playwrights and developing bold new interpretations of
classic works. The Playhouse has a reputation for supporting the local
theater community, providing training and opportunities for graduates in
Western Canada to gain experience in theater and hone their craft. As an
important hub for the city’s cultural and artistic life, the Playhouse also
shares its resources and facilities with underfunded arts and community
organizations. The 2011 / 2012 season serves up some exciting new shows,
including a production of the musical La Cage Aux Folles.
WHAT TO DO ➤ FEATURED EVENTS

Vancouver’s stunning natural setting of towering mountains, idyllic beaches and crystal blue sea makes it the perfect location for a whole range of spectacular events. What’s more, the city pulsates with the talent and passions of its creative and lively populace, who love to put on a show. From Shakespeare on the seashore to jazz fusion at sunrise, enjoy Vancouver at its best with these top upcoming events.

**VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**
**SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER, ANNUALLY**
Phone: +1 604 683 0260  
Email: viff@viff.org  
Address: 1181 Seymour Street, V6B 3M7  
Website: www.viff.org

The 2012 Vancouver International Film Festival will present 375 films from 75 countries, and is well known for attracting a diverse crowd of passionate film enthusiasts. The festival has garnered critical acclaim for its inclusive program of challenging and innovative cinema from across the world, and the 2012 edition is set to be just as exciting, with both award-winners and undiscovered pearls lined up for the program.

**VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL**
**ANNUALLY IN JUNE**
Phone: +1 604 872 5200  
Email: cjbs@coastaljazz.ca  
Website: www.coastaljazz.ca

Every year Vancouver’s thriving Coastal Jazz and Blues Society brings the city alive with a melting pot of original and exciting music, ranging from jazz, blues, electronica and funk to sounds from diverse musical traditions across the world and innovative fusion performances. The 2011 edition of this much-loved festival featured nearly 2,000 local and international musicians performing at over 40 venues across the city, from pretty parks and public squares to intimate clubs and stirring concert halls. 2012 is shaping up to be just as exciting. Expect to be surprised, challenged and thrilled by this carnival of diverse genres and performances, which makes merry from midday until dawn the next day.

**BARD ON THE BEACH FESTIVAL**
**MAY – SEPTEMBER, ANNUALLY**
Phone: +1 604 739 0559  
Email: info@bardonthebeach.org  
Address: Whyte Avenue, Vanier Park, V6J 3J9  
Website: www.bardonthebeach.org

"How many ages hence shall this our lofty scene be acted o’er, in states unborn and accents yet unknown?" asks Cassius in Shakespeare’s Roman tragedy, Julius Caesar, suggesting that, at the beginning of England’s imperial ambitions, the poet confidently expected his plays would survive to be performed across the world. Situated in Vanier Park, Vancouver’s annual Bard on the Beach festival presents two of Shakespeare’s best-loved works each year on its Main Stage. From A Midsummer Night’s Dream to The Winter’s Tale, each performance at this 520-seat facility is set against a panorama of ocean, mountain and wide open sky, so audiences get to benefit from Vancouver’s stunning natural surroundings in addition to each spectacular performance.
As a stylish modern metropolis with plenty of luxury to offer, Vancouver has more than its fair share of chic designer shopping. Sexy one-of-a-kind boutiques, swish upscale malls and glittering flagship stores promise the hottest global brands and cutting-edge couture from hip local designers. Read on for more on our favorite Vancouver style spots.

**WHAT TO DO ➤ SHOPPING**

### ELITE BRANDS

**HOLT RENFREW**
VIP contact: Denise Bateman, Personal Shopping Coordinator
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Email: denise.bateman@holtenfrew.com
Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4
Website: www.holtenfrew.com

Think designer apparel, beauty products and haute handbags for women, and made-to-measure shirts and upscale collections for men. This is Holt Renfrew, the preferred shopping destination for international VIPs and celebs such as Vanessa Hudgens, Katie Holmes and her four-year-old daughter Suri (who compared lipsticks on her hand). Holt’s beauty services include beauty workshops and facial and body treatments. In addition, a concierge can find you theater tickets and obtain restaurant reservations, and any of the store’s four personal shoppers will put your wardrobe together. A perfect blend of retail and pampering.

**LEONE**
Phone: +1 604 683 1133
Email: leone@leone.ca
Address: Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, V6C 1A1
Website: www.leone.ca

One of the hottest spots in the city for elite designer fashion, Leone is known for its impressive collection of clothing and accessories from top international names, and for providing an outstanding shopping experience for men, women and children, with great service all the way. Visitors can browse collections from Versace, Miu Miu, Dior, Roberto Cavalli, Juicy Couture, Alexander McQueen and a wealth of others, whether it’s for eveningwear, a smart business suit, the perfect shoes or a sublime new fragrance.

**HARRY ROSEN**
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Email: wpurdie@harryrosen.com
Address: Pacific Centre, 700 West Georgia Street, V7Y 1E8
Website: www.harryrosen.com

VIP contact: Roberto Arduini, General Manager, Oakridge Centre boutique
Phone: +1 604 266 1172
Email: rarduini@harryrosen.com
Address: Oakridge Centre, 650 West 41st Avenue, V5Z 2M9
Website: www.harryrosen.com

With two locations in the city, Harry Rosen is Vancouver’s elite destination for men’s fashion. The Oakridge store boasts the very latest products by Giorgio Armani, Hugo Boss, Burberry, D&G, Fred Perry and more. At the Pacific Centre store you’ll find, among others, A.Testoni, Andrew Marc, Arnold Zimberg, Bugatti, Brunello Cucinelli, Ralph Lauren and Versace.

**HOLT RENFREW**

VIP contact: Michelle Rizzardo, Owner
Phone: +1 604 605 0685
Email: michelle@oneofafew.com
Address: 354 Walter Street, V6B 1B2
Website: www.oneofafew.com

Stand out from the crowd at One of a Few, which is located on a cobbled road in historic Gastown. Here you’ll find one-of-a-kind stylish clothing and accessories that defy the mass market. Clients include Zac Efron, Jessica Alba, Darryl Hannah and Rosario Dawson. Some of the limited edition clothing is made from natural fabrics and includes goodies such as balloon button-up dresses and Collina Strada leather purses.

**BEAUTYMARK**
Phone: +1 604 642 2294
Email: marc@beautymark.ca
Address: 1268 Pacific Boulevard, V6Z 2V1
Website: www.beautymark.ca

Here you’ll find ultra-hip beauty products, makeup and top-of-the-line niche products not readily available in other stores. BeautyMark is the go-to boutique for “gotta have it” skincare aficionados. Vancouver is known as “Hollywood North” and as BeautyMark is located in trendy Yaletown celebs such as Jessica Alba, Goldie Hawn, Anna Paquin and the Dixie Chicks like to stop by when they’re in town. Expect to find a top-notch team of trained makeup artists on hand for assistance and advice.
### FASHION & ACCESSORIES

**ARMANI EXCHANGE**  
Phone: +1 604 488 1668  
Address: 1070 Robson Street, V6E 1A7  
Website: [www.armaniexchange.com](http://www.armaniexchange.com)

**Burberry**  
| At The Shangri-La Hotel | Phone: +1 604 974 1110 | Address: 1101 Alberni Street, V6E 4T9 | Website: [www.burberry.com](http://www.burberry.com) |

**Dolce & Gabbana**  
| At Harry Rosen | Phone: +1 604 683 6861 | Address: Pacifi, 700 West Georgia Street, V7Y 1E8 |

**At Holt Renfrew**  
| Phone: +1 604 681 3121 | Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4 | Website: [www.dolcegabbana.com](http://www.dolcegabbana.com) |

**Dior**  
| At Holt Renfrew | Phone: +1 604 681 3121 | Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4 |

**At Leone**  
| Phone: +1 604 683 1133 | Address: Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, V6C 1A1 | Website: [www.dior.com](http://www.dior.com) |

**Giorgio Armani Cosmetics**  
| At Holt Renfrew | Phone: +1 604 681 3121 | Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4 | Website: [www.giorgioarmanibeauty.com](http://www.giorgioarmanibeauty.com) |

### JEWELRY & WATCHES

**Baume & Mercier**  
| At Henry Birks & Sons | Phone: +1 604 669 3333 | Address: 698 West Hastings Street, V6B 1P1 |

**Burberry Jewellers**  
| Phone: +1 604 266 6339 | Address: Oakridge Centre, 650 West 41st Avenue, V5Z 2M9 |

**At Siba Vancouver**  
| Phone: +1 604 689 9608 | Address: Pacific Centre, 701 West Georgia Street, V7Y 1E8 |

**At Time Gold Shops**  
| Phone: +1 604 683 1812 | Address: 565 West Georgia Street, V6B 1Z5 | Website: [www.baume-et-mercier.com](http://www.baume-et-mercier.com) |

**Cartier**  
| Phone: +1 604 683 6878 | Address: 456 Howe Street, V6C 2X1 | Website: [www.cartier.com](http://www.cartier.com) |

**Chanel**  
| At Holt Renfrew | Phone: +1 604 681 3121 | Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4 | Website: [www.chanel.com](http://www.chanel.com) |

**Montblanc**  
| At Rodeo Jewellers | Phone: +1 604 266 6339 | Address: Oakridge Centre, 650 West 41st Avenue, V5Z 2M9 | Website: [www.montblanc.com](http://www.montblanc.com) |

**Tiffany & Co.**  
| Phone: +1 604 630 1300 | Address: 723 Burrard Street, V6Z 2P1 |

**At Holt Renfrew**  
| Phone: +1 604 681 3121 | Address: 737 Dunsmuir Street, V7Y 1E4 | Website: [www.tiffany.com](http://www.tiffany.com) |
NEED TO KNOW ➤ MARINAS

COAL HARBOUR MARINA
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Address: 1525 Coal Harbour Quay, V6G 3E7
Website: www.coalharbourmarina.com

Coal Harbour Marina is Vancouver’s top destination for superyachts, offering a superb downtown location and state-of-the-art facilities. These include 240 berths, of which one is for a yacht of up to 101 meters (330 feet) in length. Other berth capacities include 79 meters (260 feet), 52 meters (170 feet), 49 meters (160 feet), 42 meters (140 feet) and 33 meters (110 feet). World class security and repair services are complemented by wireless internet, a concierge service, top restaurants and all the glitz and fun of waterfront Vancouver.

QUAYSIDE MARINA
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Address: 1088 Marinaside Crescent, V6Z 3C4
Website: www.quaysidemarina.ca

Quayside Marina is well-known in the Vancouver yachting community for its comprehensive and accommodating marina facility of 120 berths, which cater for large yachts of up to 46 meters (150 feet) in length. Quayside’s prime location in False Creek gives yachts easy access to Vancouver’s trendy and vibrant nightlife, restaurants and amenities. Meanwhile, at the marina itself you’ll find plenty of services to ensure your yacht is moored in safety and style.

MOSQUITO CREEK MARINA
Marina Manager: Donny Mekilok
Phone: +1 604 987 4113
Email: donny_mekilok@squamish.net
Address: 415 Esplanade, V7M 1A6
Website: www.mosquitocreekmarina.com

This modern marina facility is located in beautiful North Vancouver and provides one of the most up-to-the-minute, expert services in the city for visiting yachts. The marina offers 560 berths for yachts of up to 50 meters (165 feet) in length, as well as a fuel bar, electricity, water, laundry services, dry storage and more. Mosquito Creek is also a hub for the city’s keen yachting community and its annual Boat Show is something of a must-attend for top brokers and sailors. Mosquito Creek Marina is owned and operated by the Squamish Nation Marine Group. The company has won awards for its “Spirit Trail Ocean Homes” venture, a series of luxury floating homes that offer the ultimate in elite oceanfront living along Vancouver’s North Shore.

FALSE CREEK HARBOUR AUTHORITY
Harbour Manager: Art Childs
Phone: +1 604 733 3625
Email: Manager@falsecreek.com
Address: 1505 West 1st Avenue, V6J 1E8
Website: www.falsecreek.com

False Creek Harbour Authority, close to the entertainment and bustle of Granville Island, offers a popular, sheltered mooring site for yachts with a maximum length of 46 meters (150 feet). Facilities for moorage, maintenance and repair are available, as well as 24-hour security, parking and laundry services.
NEED TO KNOW ➤ PRIVATE JET TERMINALS

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – MILLION AIR VANCOUVER

VIP contact: Ron Forbes, General Manager
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Email: rforbes@millionair.com or info.cyvr@millionair.com
Address: 5455 Airport Road South, V7B 1B5
Website: www.millionair.com

Million Air offers a highly professional, experienced and comprehensive FBO service at Vancouver International Airport, with impressive facilities that cover over 280,000 square feet. This includes plenty of hangar space, a spacious ramp to accommodate a range of aircraft and state-of-the-art bar, lounge and conference space for both relaxation and business. Private jet travelers can expect 24/7 maintenance assistance, a team of experienced professionals at their fingertips and on-site luxury transport and concierge services to ensure an all-inclusive VIP experience. Best of all, as the largest FBO in the city Million Air is able to accommodate all sizes of corporate jet – making it the natural choice for over 60% of jets flying in and out of Vancouver during the 2010 Winter Olympics.

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – AVITAT VANCOUVER

VIP contact: Jodie Rowe, Customer Service Manager
Phone: +1 604 270 2222
Email: customerservice@avitatvancouver.com
Address: 5360 Airport Road South, Richmond, V7B 1B4
Website: www.avitatvancouver.com

Avitat’s up-to-the-minute facilities and exceptional, highly acclaimed staff have made it a truly elite choice for private jet travel to or from Vancouver. With the latest facilities for accommodating and servicing departing or incoming jets, as well as the expertise and technology to assist with flight planning and weather information, the company provides a safe pair of hands for your jet. As well as seeing to the technical side of jet travel, the company aims to ensure its personal service is as comprehensive and attentive as VIPs expect – and it specializes in accommodating unique requests. Expect gourmet dining, conference facilities and stylish, wheelchair-accessible lounges with majestic mountain views and Wi-Fi access.

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – LANDMARK AVIATION

Phone: +1 604 279 9922
Email: yvr@landmarkaviation.com
Address: 4360 Agar Drive, Richmond, V7B 1A3
Website: www.landmarkaviation.com

Landmark Aviation operates a network of FBOs across North America and Europe, which look after the technical and personal needs of thousands of private jet travelers every year. The Landmark philosophy is to combine outstanding customer service with rigorous safety standards to ensure the highest level of comfort and convenience for each client. The company’s facility at Vancouver International Airport is no different and offers plenty of space to relax, work and play, for passengers and pilots alike. Comprehensive business facilities, VIP lounges and a dedicated “Snooze Room” for catching up on sleep are all at your disposal while your jet is fully serviced and prepared to the highest international standards.

Million Air at Vancouver International Airport
NEED TO KNOW ➤ EXCLUSIVE TRANSPORT

BLACK GLOVES
Phone: +1 604 844 2826
Email: reservations@blackgloves.ca
Address: Pan Pacific Hotel, 999 Canada Place, V6C 3B5
Website: www.blackgloves.ca

As the exclusive provider of transportation services to the five-star Pan Pacific Hotel, Black Gloves is well-versed in meeting the transport needs of Vancouver’s elite visitors, and does so with impeccable style and service. With a fleet of top-of-the-range luxury sedans, limousines and SUVs, and experienced, multilingual chauffeurs, Black Gloves can arrange stylish travel to business meetings, corporate conferences or personal functions. The company also offers personal sightseeing tours through the city and further afield through spectacular scenery to ski paradise Whistler and beyond.

CENTURION GROUP VIP SERVICES
VIP contact: Lou Brombale, President and Owner
Phone: +1 604 941 9087 or +1 604 488 4242 (cell)
Email: centuriongroup@telus.net
Address: 1276 Durant Drive, Coquitlam, V3B 6S4
Website: www.centuriontransportation.com

Centurion specializes in providing discreet, efficient, elegant and secure transportation to VIPs and elite travelers, whether corporate executives or Hollywood royalty. The company is particularly adept at servicing unique security requirements as it is owned and staffed by highly qualified, retired police officers. Centurion was the official transport provider for NBC Studio Executives during the 2010 Winter Olympics and its fleet of robust and stylish SUVs ensure safe and luxurious travel. The company’s remit includes bespoke tours within Vancouver, as well as longer trips within British Columbia and beyond.
NEED TO KNOW ➤ USEFUL INFORMATION

LANGUAGE
English and French are the official languages of the Canadian government, thus government services across the country are provided in both languages. Most Vancouver residents speak English as a first language.

WHEN BEST TO GO
Despite Canada’s reputation for heavy snowfall and freezing temperatures, Vancouver’s coastal climate is relatively mild. There is plentiful rainfall between October and March, but this decreases significantly in the warmer months. Temperatures peak in July, August and September, and are pleasant and warm rather than scorching hot. This is a great time to be in the city, as the beaches are lively and sun-kissed, there are festivals galore and people are in the mood to party. If you’re visiting for the nearby ski slopes, late December to February is a good bet for great powder. Whenever you visit, bear in mind that Vancouver’s weather is unpredictable and can change at a moment’s notice, so it is best to come prepared for all eventualities.

LOCAL CUSTOMS
As a relaxed beach city, Vancouver places very few restrictions on visitors in terms of dress or activity (there are even options for those with a liberal attitude to clothing, most notably the popular nudist hotspot Wreck Beach near the University of British Columbia). The legal age for drinking and smoking is 19, and smoking is banned in a number of public places including beaches, bus stops and many city parks.

RELIGIOUS DEMOGRAPHIC
Vancouver is a city with a broadly secular identity, with 42% of the population lacking a religious affiliation. After this, the largest religious groups are Catholic and Protestant. Significant Buddhist, Sikh, Hindu, Jewish and Muslim minorities also exist.

CURRENCY
Canadian dollar (CAD)

COUNTRY DIALLING CODE
+1

EXCHANGE RATE
$1 = 0.9 CAD
£1 = 1.6 CAD
€1 = 1.4 CAD

EMBASSY CONTACTS
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Phone: +1 604 685 4311
Address: 1075 West Pender Street, V6E 2M6
Website: www.vancouver.usconsulate.gov

British Consulate, Vancouver
Phone: +1 604 683 4421
Address: Suite 800, 1111 Melville Street, V6E 3V6
Website: www.ukincanada.fco.gov.uk

TIME ZONE
GMT-8, except for days between the second Sunday in March and the first Sunday in November when the time is adjusted to GMT-7 for daylight savings.

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POPULATION
2.1 million

24 HOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT
Ambulance, police and fire services: 911

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
New Year’s Day January 1, 2012
Good Friday April 6, 2012
Easter Monday April 9, 2012
Victoria Day May 21, 2012
Canada Day July 1, 2012
British Columbia Day August 6, 2012
Labor Day September 3, 2012
Thanksgiving Day October 8, 2012
Remembrance Day November 11, 2012
Christmas Day December 25, 2012
Boxing Day December 26, 2012

BUSINESS HOURS
Standard business hours in Vancouver are 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. However, banks may close earlier at 4pm and shops may stay open late into the evening.