



# GULF ISLANDS EXPLORER

*No car required*

**April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2019**

7 Days / 6 Nights

Small, intimate cruise exploration of the West Coast; overnight inns and coastal lodges.

**Day One**—Depart Seattle via the Clipper OR Vancouver via V2V—a beautiful way to tour in comfort to Victoria. Arrive Victoria late morning. Spend the day at leisure enjoying this vibrant ocean city, the capital of British Columbia. Overnight Abigail's Inn, the perfect location for discovering the best of Victoria. Rent a bike, walk the harbour or treat yourself to a culinary or tasting tour! Our favorite dinner tip... make a reservation at Little Jumbo, one of Canada's best kept secrets; a fantastic cocktail bar! Overnight Abigail's Inn and Hotel.

**Day Two—Victoria**

This morning take a whale watching tour that includes a visit to Butchart Gardens (included). Return to Victoria in the mid afternoon and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Overnight at Abigail's.

**Day Three—Victoria to Cowichan**

After another famous Abigail's breakfast, you will be taken by private car service to Cowichan Bay, a scenic 40 minute drive. Arrive late morning and check into the Oceanside Suites for your two night stay. After checking in, board the Pacific Bear for an afternoon of cruising. Enjoy lunch on board while touring to Chemanius, a seaside community that is renowned for its Murals. Return late afternoon to Cowichan for your overnight stay. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

**Day Four—Gulf Island Exploring**

This morning you cruise from Cowichan to Salt Spring Island. Enjoy some time in Ganges Harbour Village on Salt Spring. Keep an eye out for whales and other marine wildlife! Return late afternoon to Cowichan Bay for your overnight. Breakfast and lunch are included.

**Day Five—Cowichan to South Pender Island**

This morning you board the Pacific Bear with your luggage and cruise to South Pender Island exploring the bays of Saanich Inlet and the Islands of Moresby Passage. Arrive at Poet's Cove Resort for a 2 night stay. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

**Day Six—Poet's Cove to Friday Harbour (USA)**

Today you cruise from Poet's Cove to the San Juan Islands and Friday Harbour. Meander the town and enjoy the sights. Return by boat to Poet's Cove. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

**Day Seven—Poet's Cove to Cowichan Bay to Victoria**

Today is a leisurely cruise back to Cowichan Bay via Saturna, Mayne, Galiano, Valdez and Gabriola Islands; known as the Gulf Islands. Breakfast and lunch are included. Arrive Cowichan Bay by mid-afternoon for your return transfer to Victoria in time to catch a ferry connection back to either Seattle or Vancouver.

**Limited Time Offer! Book today!**

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### Travel Information

#### RATES & DETAILS:

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Tours start every Saturday from the end of April to the beginning of June

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\$3295/person (includes GST and all meals noted above)

**SALE! \$2995**

The Pacific Bear, known fondly as the “Blue Bear” is a reconditioned seiner that comfortably fits a maximum of 16 guests, ideal for day cruising. Meals on board are served family style. The boat offers all the modern conveniences including washrooms, covered decks, open air decks and a relaxing galley for reading or listening to the onboard naturalist. Complimentary beer and wine are included on board.

#### Included:

- 6 Nights’ accommodation
  - 2 Nights Victoria at Abigail’s
  - 2 Nights at Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay
  - 2 Nights Poets Cove Resort & Spa
- 3 Dinners, 6 Breakfasts and 4 Lunches
- Whale watching with Butchart Gardens in Victoria
- House beverages onboard the Pacific Bear
- Cowichan Bay Horse Drawn Carriage Ride
- Pacific Bear cruise crewed by a seasoned West Coast Captain, chef and a naturalist guide
- Luggage transport and handling
- Return transportation between Victoria and Cowichan
- Return transportation between Victoria and Seattle OR Victoria and Vancouver

#### Not Included:

- Alcoholic beverage during meals at hotels
- Meals not listed as included (Dinner on Day 2 is at leisure in Cowichan Bay)
- Additional excursions in Victoria
- 5% Tax and Service Fee of \$35 per person per day on Coastal Cruise

**\*Wanting to drive?** Ask us about customizing your package to reflect a personalized travel experience!

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