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PLOCA VANCOUVER 2023 55th Annual Convention

Together - Delivering Sustainable Energy Infrastructure



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Welcome to IPLOCA's 55th Annual Convention

Make the Most of IPLOCA 2023

The IPLOCA Convention is an annual gathering of the top leaders of the pipeline industry worldwide. This event is a unique opportunity for IPLOCA members, media partners, and guests to socialise, network and discuss business in a friendly, relaxed environment. Executives and decision makers from more than 40 countries will be present, working in every sector of the pipeline engineering, manufacturing, construction, and supply business.

It's Good for Business

The pipeline industry's latest news in HSE, ideas and technologies are front and centre at IPLOCA. Listen to experts in their field present innovative improvements in HSE, new trends and major projects being developed. Learn more about cutting-edge technologies, methods and procedures. Expand your own points of view while sharing your thoughts with the people who make pipelines happen.

It's a Great Networking Opportunity

Some of your best business relationships can start right here. Expand and strengthen your industry network via our unique B2B meetings. Renew friendships with IPLOCA members from around the world. Develop a dialogue with leaders in your field and share experiences

with fellow professionals. Take advantage of the numerous sponsorship opportunities as well as poster sessions to provide your company with excellent visibility.

It Offers Excellent Social Events and Entertainment

Outside of industry gatherings, the IPLOCA Convention creates a very social atmosphere by offering members and their spouses an array of social events, including cultural tours, a golf tournament, cocktail parties, banquets and dancing. IPLOCA 2023 brings us to Vancouver, a city proud of its ethnic diversity that has consistently ranked as one of the most liveable in the world, and that is fast becoming one of the 'greenest.'

It Helps Prepare for the Future

The sustainable future of the pipeline industry belongs to us all. Make the most of IPLOCA 2023 and make sure you are prepared for what is to come in these times of great transition and uncertainty in our business. Use what you learn to guide your strategy, strengthen your business, and build closer relationships with your clients and contractors. Follow up with new connections. Use social media to share your successes and learn from those of others.

IPLOCA's Annual Convention is one of those events that all delegates and their respective partners always mark in their calendar for the following year.

What you take away from IPLOCA 2023 can and will make all the difference.







Message from the President

I am pleased to invite you to IPLOCA's 55th Annual Convention taking place In Vancouver, Canada. Vancouver has regularly been voted as one of the top 10 best places to live in the world and is famous for its cosmopolitan, laid-back yet active approach to life and for the stunning backdrop of snow-capped mountains.

Vancouver is an eco-focused city which is the warmest of the Canadian cities with mild winters and summers. We are sure you will enjoy the week.

This year's theme is 'Together - Delivering Sustainable Energy Infrastructure'. The total elimination of fossil fuels seems unlikely but as the world is looking at renewable energy it is important that we work together to make sure that renewable and non-renewable energy sources are provided in a sustainable manner. Working in ways to minimise energy losses and environmental impacts is essential as countries encourage industries to reduce carbon footprints as quickly as possible.

Following the response from last year's convention questionnaire and the request to increase the business part of the programme, the 1st Open General Meeting (OGM) will be held on Tuesday morning when presentations will be made on developments in the industry, and the winners of the IPLOCA Awards for 2023

will be announced. As published in the March Newsletter, we will be dedicating more time to the Business-to-Business Meetings (B2B) that will now take place on Tuesday afternoon. Monday and Wednesday will have the usual tours along with the Golf Tournament, and the Annual General Meeting and 2nd & 3rd OGMs will be held on Thursday and Friday.

At the Annual General Meeting, I will provide members with a review of all that has happened during this IPLOCA year, and the Incoming President will present his 2023-2024 Objectives. The announcement of the 2023 Scholarship winners will be made during the 3rd OGM.

As usual, a fantastic tour programme has been organized with visits to Grouse Mountain, the iconic Capilano Suspension Bridge, the historic Gastown area with its famous steam-powered clock, Granville Island, Stanley Park and much more.

A big thank you to our sponsors for their generosity and for making this event so unique.

Online registration will open on Monday 1 May. I encourage you to register early and look forward to seeing you in Vancouver.

Best regards,

Kelly Osborn

IPLOCA President 2022 - 2023

Vancouver

Vancouver is a place where the sparkling waters of the Pacific Ocean meet the snow-capped peaks of the Britannia Mountain Range, where an urban temperate rainforest reflects off the glass of its ever-changing skyline.

Known as the Silicon Valley of the North, it is a young and vibrant city nestled in nature that has consistently been voted one of the most liveable places on the planet. Vancouver is small enough to be explored on foot and boasts extensive cultural variety, world cuisine and friendly neighbourhoods. It has a compact urban core that has gained international recognition for its "high amenity and 'liveable' development". The architecture of Vancouver consists of a variety of architectural styles, such as 20th century Edwardian and 21st century modernist.

Aboriginal people were already living in the Vancouver area from 8,000 to 10,000 years ago. The city is located in the traditional territories of the peoples of the Coast Salish group. Europeans became acquainted with the area when José María Narváez of Spain explored the coastal area in 1791 - although Francis Drake may have

visited the area in 1579. The explorer and trader Simon Fraser became the first-known European to set foot on the site of the present-day city in 1808 but it was not settled by Europeans until 1862, when the lumber industry started to develop. It became the Canadian Pacific Railway western terminus in 1884. Natural resources became the basis for Vancouver's economy, initially based on logging and later on exports moving through the seaport.

The City of Vancouver was incorporated on 6 April 1886, and named after George Vancouver, a British Royal Navy officer who explored and charted the continent's north-western pacific coastal regions in the 1790s. Two months after incorporation, the Great Vancouver Fire razed the entire city but it was quickly rebuilt. Vancouver's population steadily grew from 1,000 in 1881 to over 100,000 by 1911 and 662,248 in 2021.

Vancouver is one of Canada's warmest cities in the winter and coolest in the summer. It is also one of the country's wettest cities. The summer months are typically dry, but in contrast most winter days have some type of precipitation.

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Convention Programme

	Sunday 10 September	Dress Code
09:00 - 10:00	Executive Committee Meeting (IPLOCA executive committee members only)	Smart casual
10:00 - 16:30	Board Meeting 1 (IPLOCA board members)	Smart casual
18:30 - 23:00	Board of Directors Dinner (IPLOCA board members & spouses only)	Smart casual
	Monday 11 September	Dress Code
09:00 - 16:00	Tour 1 - Vancouver Discovery	Casual
08:00 - 11:45	Tour 2A – Sea Safari	Casual
11:15 - 15:15	Tour 2B – Sea Safari	Casual
13:30 - 17:30	Tour 3 – Northern Exposure	Casual
18:00 - 19:00	First-time Attendees Reception (first-time attendees only)	Smart casual
19:00 - 20:00	IPLOCA Welcome Cocktails (open to all)	Smart casual
20:00 - 23:00	IPLOCA Welcome Dinner (open to all)	Smart casual
	Tuesday 12 September	Dress Code
09:00 - 12:45	1st Open General Meeting (open to all)	Business suit
10:15 - 11:00	Coffee Break & Poster Sessions	Business suit
12:45 - 14:15	IPLOCA Buffet Lunch (open to all)	Business suit
14:00 - 16:00	Business to Business Meetings (confirmed participants only)	Business suit
16:15 - 17:15	World Federation Meeting (by invitation only)	Business suit
18:30 - 23:00	President's Dinner (by invitation only)	Black tie/formal
	Wednesday 13 September	Dress Code
07:15 - 15:30	Maats/Liebherr Golf Tournament (pre-registration required)	Golf attire
09:00 - 16:00	Tour 4 - Vancouver Discovery	Casual
08:00 - 11:45	Tour 5 – Sea Safari	Casual
13:30 - 17:30	Tour 6 - Northern Exposure	Casual
	Thursday 14 September	Dress Code
09:00 - 12:00	2nd Open General Meeting (open to all)	Business suit
10:15 - 11:00	Coffee Break & Poster Sessions	Business suit
12:15 - 13:45	CRC-Evans Luncheon (open to all)	Business suit
16:00 - 16:30	Regular & Associate Member Meetings (all Regular & Associate Member representatives)	Business suit

	Thursday 14 September (continued)	Dress Code
17:00 - 17:30	Board Meeting 2 (IPLOCA board members only)	Business suit
18:45 - 20:00	PipeLine Machinery International Cocktails (open to all)	Casual
20:00 - 23:00	Caterpillar Party (open to all)	Casual
	Friday 15 September	Dress Code
09:00 - 09:45	Annual General Meeting (open to all)	Business suit
10:00 - 14:00	The First Lady's Lunch (outside the hotel, open to all spouses)	Smart casual
09:45 - 10:30	Coffee Break & Poster Sessions	Business suit
10:30 - 12:15	3rd Open General Meeting (open to all)	Business suit
12:15 - 14:45	IPLOCA Membership Cocktails & Lunch (IPLOCA member representatives only)	Business suit
15:00 - 15:30	Board Meeting 3 (IPLOCA 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 board members)	Business suit
15:30 - 16:30	Board Meeting 4 (IPLOCA 2023-2024 board members)	Business suit
19:00 - 20:00	Final Banquet Cocktails (open to all)	Black tie/formal
20:00 - 24:00	Final Banquet (open to all)	Black tie/formal
23:30 - 02:30	Dancing 'til Dawn (open to all)	Casual

IPLOCA Convention App

All registered convention attendees will receive an email on **Monday 14 August** with instructions on how to download and log into the convention app. Delegates will be able to use the app to connect with other attendees, check their personal event and tour registrations, and access information on the business meetings, speakers' biographies, poster sessions, and much more. We encourage all attendees to download the app and check out the many features that are available.

Dress Code

IPLOCA Dress Code	Men	Ladies
Black tie/formal	Tuxedo	Long dress/evening wear
Business suit	Jacket/business suit and tie	Business suit, dress or trousers
Smart casual	Jacket, tie optional	Business suit, dress or trousers
Casual	Relaxed clothing, trousers/shorts/jeans and comfortable shoes	Relaxed clothing, trousers/shorts/jeans/dress and comfortable shoes

Dress code for tours: casual with comfortable walking shoes, waterproof jacket and/or umbrella. Temperatures range from highs of 18°C to lows of 10°C in September, so plan on dressing in light layers.



Business Meetings

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Together – Delivering Sustainable Energy Infrastructure

Presentations at the Open General Meetings will focus on the many aspects of today's challenges to generate and transport energy in a more environmentally sustainable manner.



IPLOCA Awards

The winners of the IPLOCA Awards for 2023 will be presented at the 1st Open General Meeting on Tuesday. These will include:

- ► Health & Safety Award, sponsored by TC Energy, in recognition of recently launched initiatives aimed at improving the health & safety of the pipeline industry.
- ► Corporate Social Responsibility Award, sponsored by TotalEnergies, in recognition of initiatives aimed at improving the living conditions of the people in communities local to, and impacted by, pipeline industry work.
- ► New Technologies Award, sponsored by BP, in recognition of a significant contribution to innovation in the engineering of, the provision of equipment for, and the construction of pipelines.
- ► The new Quality Award, sponsored by TC Energy, in recognition of an exemplary achievement in improving quality of design, quality of materials and quality of execution.

Business to Business Meetings (B2B)

10-minute one-to-one appointments with buyers, suppliers, operators and contractors will be organized on Tuesday afternoon to give members the possibility to establish contact and to express their interest in potential business opportunities.

Note: Only IPLOCA members who have indicated their interest in a B2B meeting during the convention registration process, and received confirmation from the IPLOCA Executive Secretary, will be able to attend these meetings.

Poster Sessions

Registered delegates will have the opportunity to host Poster Sessions during the coffee breaks at the Open General Meetings on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning.

Note: A fee of USD 1,000 will be charged to host a Poster Session.

If your company would like to participate in a B2B Meeting or host a Poster Session, please indicate your interest when registering for the convention.









Tour Programme

Many thanks to Bonatti S.p.A., Consolidated Contractors Company (CCC), Fernas Construction Company, G.D.I., Precision Pipeline, SCAIP, SEPCON, U.S. Pipeline and Worldwide Pipelines for their sponsorship of this year's tour programme.

The Destination Management Company, Cantrav, has put together an extensive tour programme that includes all the 'classics' that every visitor to Vancouver must see.

If you have any requirements for private tours, transportation or hospitality services, please contact Marijke Zieltjens - Vice President, Destination Management, mzieltjens@cantrav.com who will be happy to assist with any arrangements.

Note: All delegates will be required to pay a non-refundable Booking Fee of USD 20 per person, per tour, when registering to participate in a tour. The funds collected from these booking fees will be used to help fund the IPLOCA Scholarship Fund.



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IMPORTANT!

When you reserve a place on a tour you are making a commitment to participate. A place is reserved for you and the number of participants and financial guarantees are made to the suppliers of the coaches, restaurants, museums etc.

All the tours have a maximum capacity so if you are unable to participate in a tour you have registered for, PLEASE notify the staff at the Registration Desk at least 24 hours prior to the departure of the tour.

Each 'no-show' prevents us from offering a place to someone on the waiting list.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Monday 11	September	Wednesday 1	3 September
	Tour 2A Sea Safari 08:00 – 11:45		Tour 5 Sea Safari
Tour 1 Vancouver Discovery	Tour 2B Sea Safari	Tour 4 Vancouver Discovery	08:00 - 11:45
(incl. lunch) 09:00 - 16:00	11:15 - 15:15	(incl. lunch) 09:00 - 16:00	Tour 6
	Tour 3 Northern Exposure 13:30 - 17:30	09.00 10.00	Northern Exposure 13:30 - 17:30

Dress Code for all tours: casual with comfortable walking shoes, waterproof jacket and/or umbrella.



Tours 1 & 4 Vancouver Discovery

Monday AND Wednesday 09:00 – 16:00 including lunch

Enjoy natural beauty on this tour through the city. Hitting the highlights such as Stanley Park; the historic Gastown area; and Granville Island with its popular market.

Free time will be spent on Granville Island to witness art in the making, and discover a unique selection of items not found anywhere else in the city. The centrepiece of the Island, the public market, is an irresistible emporium of green grocers, butchers, bakers, fishmongers, importers, ethnic food sellers, craft vendors, sweets stands, florists and casual eateries.

As Vancouver's first park, with its everblooming gardens, pristine coastal areas and roughly 500,000 cedar, fir and hemlock trees, Stanley Park has continued to live up to its "greenspace" designation for 130 years.

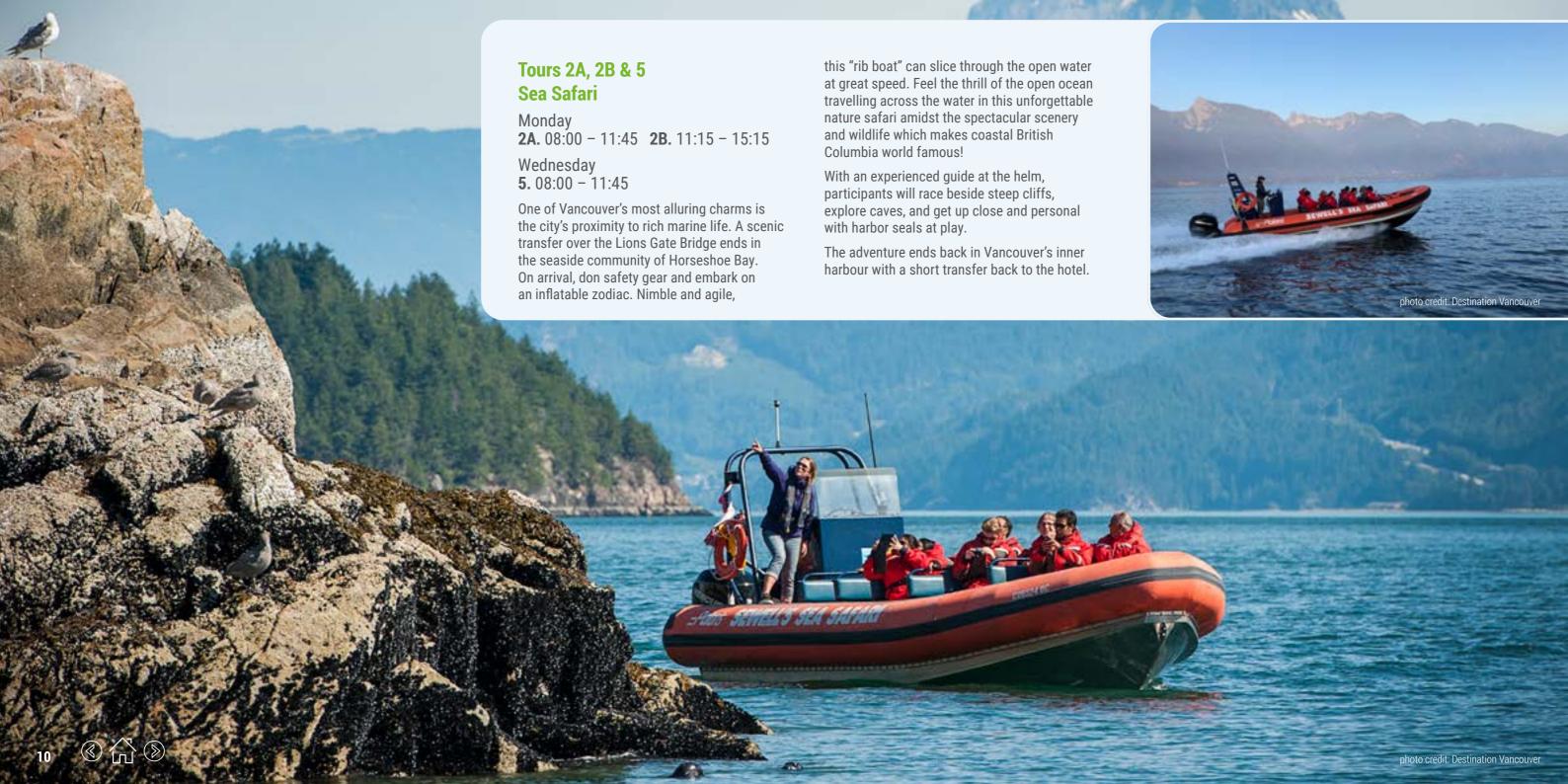
This 1,000-acre peninsula of old growth rainforest is a magnificent green oasis amid an urban landscape.

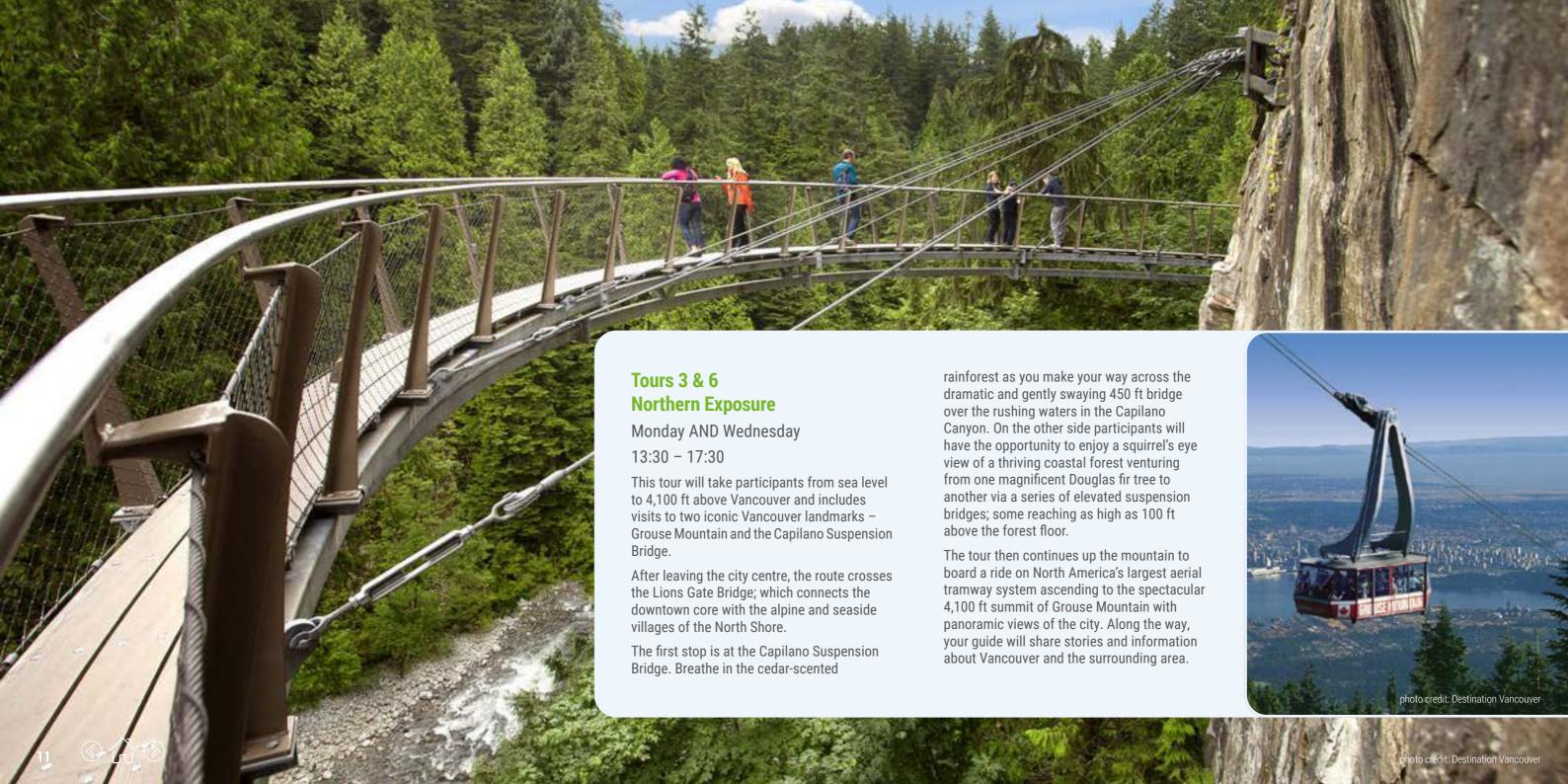
The jewel in the heart of it all, nestled in the infamous rose gardens, is Stanley Park Pavilion; the oldest property still standing in the Park. The Pavilion has hosted thousands of spectacular banquets and seen many celebrities. Lunch will be served in the tranquil atmosphere of the pavilion, overlooking the lovely landscaped grounds.

After lunch the tour continues with a stroll through historic Gastown, one of the National Historic Sites of Canada. The area showcases some of the city's best Victorian Italianate, Edwardian and Romanesque architecture that dates back to the 1800's. It is also filled with charming cafés, gift shops and artisan galleries.

The tour will finish on a "high" note with a 40 second glass elevator ride to the top of Vancouver at 553 ft (168 meters), for a panoramic view of the city from one of its best vantage points, the Lookout.







The First Lady's Lunch

(open to all spouses)

Friday

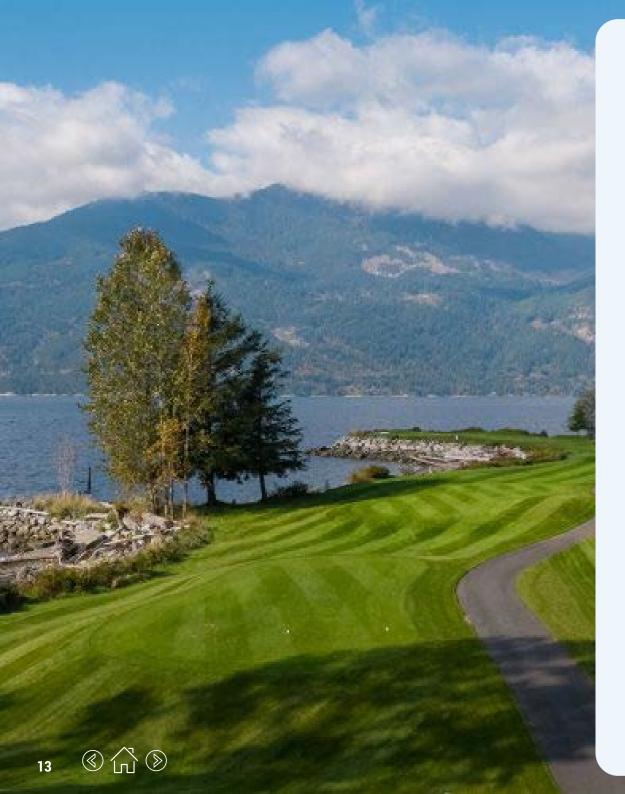
10:00 - 14:00

Whilst IPLOCA Member representatives attend the AGM and the 3rd OGM, all spouses are invited to participate in this panoramic cruise specially organised for them on Friday morning.

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From the deck of a private yacht enjoy panoramic views of the city skyline and the surrounding coastal mountain range on this lunch cruise through the waters of Vancouver's harbour. Casting off, the vessel will sail past the high-rise downtown skyline, freighters at anchor in the harbour, and the West Vancouver shoreline with a peek at many of the city's finest luxury homes only seen from the water. Participants will have the best spot in Vancouver for sensational views from the Pacific Ocean, together with a quintessential West Coast dining experience.

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Maats/Liebherr Golf Tournament

Furry Creek Golf & Country Club Wednesday 13 September

07:00 - 16:00 (exact times to be confirmed)

We are currently finalising arrangements with the Furry Creek Golf & Country Club for this year's tournament. Many of you may remember that the 2005 Convention was held in Vancouver and the tournament was at this same venue.

With its breath-taking beauty, dramatic play and firstclass facilities, Furry Creek consistently delivers a world-class experience in a spectacular West Coast setting. Designed by renowned golf course architect, Robert Muir Graves, and built in 1993, this par 72, 18-hole course rises from the shore of Howe Sound to 100m (350ft) above sea level, winding along the creek and through the village of Furry Creek.

The Furry Creek course passes through a unique rainforest ecosystem and presents forced carries and layups across ravines; undulating greens; blind tee shots, uphill, downhill and sidehill lies on the lush fairways; and abundant wildlife including eagles, black bear and black tailed deer. Furry Creek is truly a unique experience that you will never forget!

For more information about Furry Creek, please visit their website www.furrycreekgolf.com

When you register for the tournament on the convention website at www.iploca.com, please indicate your requirements for buggies and sets of golf clubs (left or right hand, ladies or mens)

Places are limited to 72 players, so we advise you to register early.







Check-in/Check-out Times

Hotel check-in time is 16:00. Every effort will be made by the Hyatt Regency to accommodate guests arriving before the check-in time however, rooms may not be immediately available.

Hotel check-out time is 12:00. Requests to retain rooms beyond this time should be directed to the front desk upon your arrival. Should it be possible to retain the room beyond the check-out time, a late departure charge may be applicable.

In order to secure a very early check-in or a very late checkout it is advisable to book the room for the night before, or for the following night.

Early Departure Fees

All guests are obliged to reconfirm their departure date with the Hotel's front desk staff upon check-in.

Hyatt Regency may charge IPLOCA Convention attendees an early departure fee equivalent to the daily room rate for those who depart prior to their confirmed departure date.

Smoking Policy

Smoking is not allowed anywhere inside the hotel.

Fitness Centre & Pool

Hyatt Regency Vancouver offers guests an opportunity to enhance their stay and keep active by using the hotel's fitness facilities. All guests have complimentary access to the StayFit" fitness centre that features the latest in Life Fitness® Cardio equipment.

Perched high above the city, the hotel's secluded swimming pool sits four stories above the bustling streets of Vancouver, creating a relaxing haven in the heart of downtown. Start your morning with laps in the heated pool or relax in the oversized hot tub.

Restaurants & Bars

Mosaic Grille & Bar focusses on locally sourced produce, sustainable seafood, and fresh ingredients. Overlooking Burrard and Georgia Streets, Mosaic serves modern comfort food in casual elegance.

If you prefer to dine in the comfort and privacy of your room **Mosaic-To-Go** is available for pickup, room delivery and poolside delivery.

Grain Tasting Bar is located in the main lobby and specializes in artisan cocktails, regional wines and craft beer, with the menu selections designed to be a perfect accompaniment to the flavours of British Columbia.

In this modern and rustic setting, nature and design come together in perfect harmony. With flat screen televisions broadcasting major sporting events while the all season terrace seamlessly merges the exterior with the interior. An ideal sophisticated urban retreat.

Starbucks Coffee

Located in the hotel lobby featuring specialty coffees and light refreshments.

Room Descriptions & Rates

Accommodation has been reserved for convention participants at the rates listed below. These room rates will also be offered to IPLOCA attendees during the four days prior to and the four days following the dates of the convention, subject to availability.

	Double	Single
Standard Room: 1 King Bed or 2 Double Beds	CAD 437.44 (approx. USD 327)	CAD 375.60 (approx. USD 280)
Standard Room with Balcony	CAD 473.65 (approx. USD 353)	CAD 411.81 (approx. USD 307)
One-Bedroom Suite	CAD 555.13 (approx. USD 414)	
Executive Suite	CAD 675.81 (approx. USD 505)	

- ► Rates are in Canadian Dollars (CAD) and are per room, per night, based on single or double occupancy.
- ► Rates include complimentary standard internet access, a full buffet breakfast per person, per day, and all applicable taxes and service charges.
- ► The third person/sofa bed charge is an additional CAD 35 per person, per night, not including breakfast or tax and service charges. Maximum occupancy is three persons per room.
- ► Children under the age of 18 accompanying their parent(s) pay 50% of the convention registration fee.
- ► There is no charge for children under two.

A full buffet breakfast will be available for all registered delegates from 06:30 to 10:30 in the Regency Ballroom.

- ► High-speed wired and wireless internet access
- ▶ 42" high-definition LED television
- Video checkout, video checkout review
- ► Laptop-sized safe
- ► Turndown service available on request
- ► Full bath amenities, hair dryer, bathrobes
- ▶ Tea and coffee maker
- Refrigerator
- ► Iron and ironing board
- ▶ iHome stereo with MP3 docking station



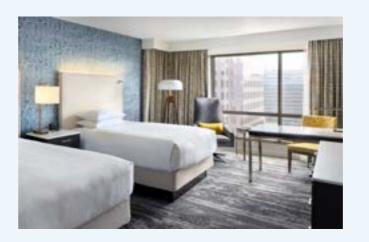
*Standard Rooms

35 sq m / 380 sq ft 283 rooms available



- ▶ 1 King Bed or 2 Double Beds
- Bathtub shower

*Standard Rooms are also available with balconies at an additional CAD 30 plus taxes per day.

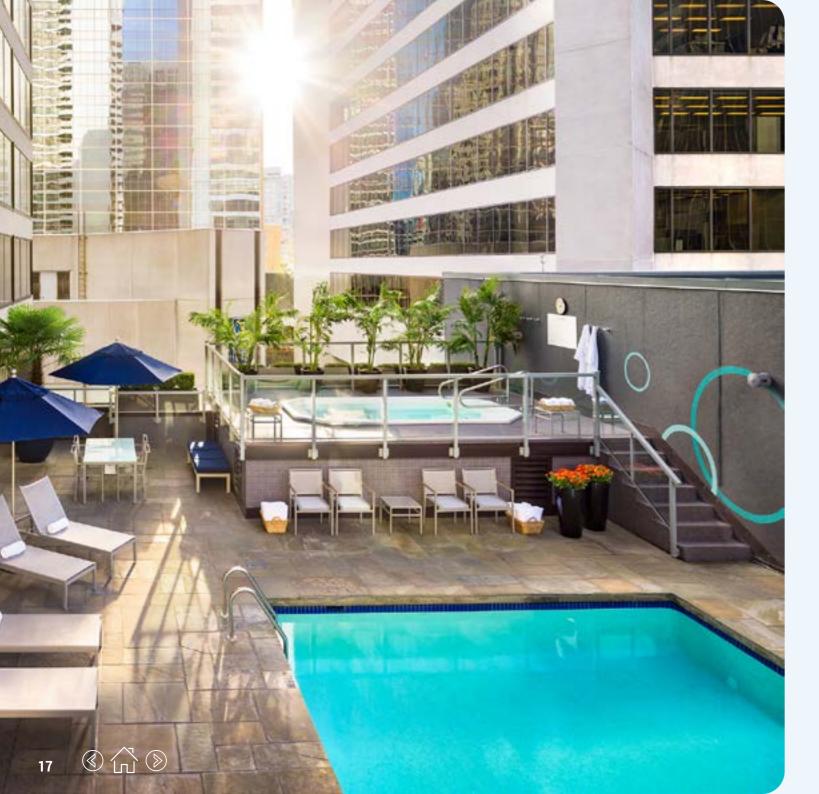












One-Bedroom Suite 60 sq m / 650 sq ft

10 suites available



- ▶ 1 King Bed or 2 Double Beds
- ► Connecting room with a queen-sized pull-out sofa bed
- ▶ 2 bathrooms with bathtub showers



74-102 sq m / 800-1096 sq ft 6 suites available



- ► Separate bathtub and walk-in shower





▶ 1 King Bed

► Separate living area

Convention Registration Information

Convention registration is a benefit of membership and is limited to representatives of IPLOCA members, media partners and invited quests.

Retired pipeliners of IPLOCA member companies can also register as an IPLOCA guest with their spouse.

All IPLOCA Convention participants are required to reserve their accommodation at the hotel that has been selected for the convention, the Hyatt Regency Vancouver.

IPLOCA makes a financial commitment to the hotel in order to guarantee availability of a specific number of rooms throughout the week. In return, the hotel is able to offer discounted room rates to all IPLOCA participants. If IPLOCA fails to meet the minimum room block commitment then penalty fees have to be paid.

All room reservations for delegates attending the IPLOCA Convention must only be made via the **Hyatt Regency room reservation portal** on the IPLOCA website www.iploca.com.

Unfortunately, we are unable to confirm convention registration if the room reservation has been made by any other means such as through travel agencies or other websites.

All attendees must pay the convention registration fee unless they are a spouse of a registered attendee or are eligible for a complimentary registration fee.

IPLOCA always encourages delegates to bring their spouse with them to the convention. This is why the registration fee is structured so that the spouse is complimentary.

All other participants (including family members and guests) must pay the full registration fee with the exception of children under the age of 18, who pay 50% of the registration fee.

Partial registration is not available. Those persons who wish to only attend part of the programme have to pay the full registration fee.

Only registered delegates are entitled to participate in the tour programme, the social events and the business meetings that are 'open to all.' The events and meetings that are only open to specific groups such as the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, World Federation representatives, President's Dinner quests etc., are by invitation only.

Online registration at www.iploca.com will open on Monday 1 May at 15:00 CEST

The Convention Fee is USD 2,200 per single attendee or per couple up until 11 August 2023.

- ▶ Only members who have paid their 2023 membership fees can attend the convention.
- Regular Members must also have submitted their 2022 Health, Safety, and Environmental Statistics Return to be eligible to attend.
- ► Regular Members may invite a maximum of three non-IPLOCA members as their quests (max. three couples).
- Associate Members may invite a maximum of two non-IPLOCA members as their quests (max. two couples).
- Only those persons who have registered and paid the convention fee, and have received confirmation of their registration, are entitled to participate in convention activities and events.
- ► The Board, at its sole discretion, shall decide on the number of, and which applications, shall be acceptable.

The **cut-off date** for convention registration is Friday 11 August 2023

Late registrations will only be accepted if space is available and will be processed on a first-come, firstserved basis.

If we are able to accept a registration after the cut-off date, a USD 400 late registration fee will be invoiced in addition to the convention fee. Please note, however, all tours are expected to be fully booked before this date.

Step 1: Reserve your Room

Make your room reservation at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver hotel, BEFORE registering for the convention.

Room reservations must be made online at https://www. hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/YVRRV/G-IP23

The link to the IPLOCA Convention room reservation portal is also available on the IPLOCA website.

When you have received your confirmation number from the Hyatt Regency Vancouver, you can then register for the convention and reserve your place in the business meetings, tours and social events.

All accommodation reservations require a valid major credit card guarantee and a two (2) night deposit at the group rate for the room category requested and will be subject to the terms and conditions contracted by the Hyatt Regency Vancouver hotel for the 2023 IPLOCA Convention:

- ▶ Participants who cancel their accommodation reservation after 11 August 2023 will be charged the full stay.
- ► 'No-shows' will be charged the full stay.
- ▶ Name changes to room reservations may be made for the exact dates as the original reservation at no charge up until Friday 1 September 2023.

To reserve your accommodation online, go to www.iploca.com and click on Register Now and then on the **Hyatt Regency Vancouver logo** to enter the Hyatt Regency room reservation portal for the IPLOCA Convention.

- ► Enter your arrival and departure dates.
- ▶ Pull down the drop down menu to select the number of rooms required and the number of guests per room.
- Click Find Rooms.
- ► Choose your preferred room type and click **Select**.
- Sign into your World of Hyatt account, if applicable, otherwise continue as a guest by completing the requested information.
- ► Click Book My Stay.
- ▶ At the end of the reservation process you will receive an email confirmation from the hotel giving you the option to amend or cancel the booking.

Note: keep a copy of the hotel's confirmation email for your records in case you need to cancel your room reservation.

If you have any questions regarding your room reservations, send an email to: resv@hyatt.com or call Reservations +1 604-376-5977.

It is important to refer to the IPLOCA Convention in any communications with the Hyatt Regency Vancouver concerning your room reservation.

Step 2: Register for the Convention

To register for the convention go to www.iploca.com, click on Register Now and complete the online registration form.

Have your Hyatt Regency Vancouver confirmation number ready as you will be asked to enter this number when you register for the convention.







Cancellation Terms & Conditions

Convention Registration Cancellations

All convention registration cancellations must be notified in writing to the IPLOCA Secretariat by email: convention@iploca.com.

The convention registration fee will be reimbursed in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

- ► Convention registration cancellations received up until 1 June 2023 will incur a USD 100 cancellation fee.
- ► Convention registration cancellations received between 2 June and 6 July 2023 will incur a USD 400 cancellation fee.
- ► Convention registration cancellations received between 7 July and 11 August 2023 will incur a 50% cancellation fee, equivalent to USD 1,100.
- ► There will be no refund of convention registration fees for cancellations received after the cut-off date of 11 August 2023.
- ▶ 100% reimbursement if the Convention is cancelled due to Force Majeure. Force Majeure meaning in case of any unforeseeable event that makes it illegal or impossible to hold the Convention.

Substitutions for convention registrations, for persons within the same company, are only possible until Friday 1 September 2023. A USD 400 administrative fee will be due for all substitutions.

Room Reservation Cancellations

All accommodation cancellations must be notified in writing to the Hyatt Regency Vancouver by email to resv@hyatt.com with a copy to convention@iploca.com.

- Participants who cancel their accommodation reservation after the cut-off date of 11 August 2023 will be charged the full stay.
- ▶ 'No-shows' will be charged the full stay.
- Substitutions for room reservations for persons within the same company, for the exact dates as the original reservation, are accepted at no extra cost. Substitutions are only possible until Friday 1 September 2023.



Travel Requirements

All passports must be valid for six months after your travel dates to Canada.

All international travellers must carry acceptable identification and a valid visa (if necessary) when entering Canada. A passport is recommended because it is the only reliable and universally-accepted travel and identification document for the purpose of international travel.

Most foreign nationals need a Temporary Resident Visa (TRV) or an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to travel to Canada. What you need will depend on where you are from, how you are travelling, and what documents you are travelling with.

Please note: All visitors arriving from or transiting through the U.S. are encouraged to visit the <u>U.S. Custom and Border Protection website</u> for information concerning the U.S. Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, and the requirements to enter or return to the U.S.

To learn more about what travel documents are required and to find out if you need a TRV or an eTA to travel to Canada, visit the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada website.

For those nationals who do need to apply for a **Temporary Resident Visa (TRV)**, please refer to the <u>IRCC Secure</u>

<u>Network letter</u> where you will find a special event code for the IPLOCA Convention.

- We strongly advise you to make your application for a visitor visa at least 12 weeks in advance of your planned travel dates.
- ➤ To check the approximate processing times from your country to get a visitor visa please refer to the link:

 https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugeescitizenship/services/application/check-processingtimes.html
- ▶ If you require an **invitation letter from IPLOCA** to accompany your visa application, please tick the appropriate box when registering for the convention and the IPLOCA Secretariat will send you one.
- ► Participants from countries requiring an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) are also encouraged to apply as early as possible ahead of their departure date in order to allow sufficient time for their application to be processed. Please note that some applications can take several days to process.

Getting to/from the Hotel

IPLOCA Arrival Transfers

From Vancouver International Airport (YVR) to the Hyatt Regency Vancouver hotel

Saturday 9 September and Sunday 10 September

Open to all IPLOCA attendees, pre-registration required.

- ► The airport is 14 km from the hotel and the journey will take approximately 30 minutes depending on traffic.
- ► Look for the IPLOCA signage after you exit the baggage-claim area.

IPLOCA Departure Transfers

From the Hyatt Regency Vancouver hotel to Vancouver International Airport (YVR)

Saturday 16 September and Sunday 17 September

Open to all IPLOCA attendees, pre-registration required.

- We suggest you plan on arriving at the airport at least three hours before your flight departure time.
- ► A detailed transfer schedule will be available at the IPLOCA Registration Desk.

If you would like to reserve a complimentary transfer to or from the airport, please submit your request online when registering for the convention.

Detailed flight information must be provided for all arrival and departure transfer requests.

Transfers will only be provided for those persons who have received a confirmation email from the Secretariat.

If you are not arriving in Vancouver on Saturday or Sunday, 9-10 September, below is some information on how to get to the hotel.

Taxi

Taxi stands are located on Level 2 of the Domestic and International Arrivals area at Vancouver International Airport (YVR).

The taxi fare from the airport to the hotel is about CAD 38 (approximately USD 29). We advise you to confirm the Zone Fare Rate with the driver prior to departing from the airport. Rates include tax but do not include tips.

Payment can be made in cash (CAD or USD) or by credit card. Most taxis will take payments by credit card but check with the driver as you get into the taxi.

It is common to tip taxi drivers 10% in Vancouver, especially if you were helped with your luggage. For short journeys the easiest option is to round up the bill to the nearest significant amount in Canadian dollars

To book a taxi online visit: https://www.yvr.ca/en/ passengers/transportation/taxis

Uber, Lyft or KABU

Ride share services are available in Vancouver and can be booked for transfers to and from the airport.

The cost is approximately CAD 35 for a standard vehicle; CAD 38-42 for a more comfortable vehicle: and CAD 45-50 for a larger vehicle.

For more information visit: https://www.yvr.ca/en/ passengers/transportation/ride-app-services

Hotel Transfer Service

The Hyatt Regency Vancouver provides a transfer service to and from the airport at the following rates including tax and a tip:

Vehicle	Airport to Hyatt	Hyatt to Airport
Sedan	CAD 136.25 (approx. USD 101)	CAD 106.25 (approx. USD 79)
SUV	CAD 148.75 (approx. USD 111)	CAD 118.75 (approx. USD 88)

To reserve a private transfer, send an email to Stavros Tsiodras at stavrost@telus.net or call +1 604 786 3853.

A minimum of 24 hours' notice is required and the cost can be charged to a credit card. Cancellations must be made at least 24 hours before the date of the transfer.

Convention Registration Desk

After you have checked into the hotel and settled into your room, we invite you to check in at the IPLOCA Convention registration desk to pick up your registration pack which has everything you need for the week including your convention badge, tickets, and the list of delegates attending.

The registration desk will be in the Balmoral room on the Convention Level (Third floor), and will be operating from Saturday 9 September to Friday 15 September at the following times:

Saturday	13:00 - 18:30
Sunday	09:00 - 19:00
Monday	07:30 - 18:30
Tuesday	07:30 - 18:30
Wednesday	07:30 - 18:30
Thursday	07:30 - 18:00
Friday	07:30 - 18:00

Convention App

If not already done by the time you arrive at the hotel, we encourage you to take the opportunity to **download the convention app.** Should you experience any problems downloading it, the registration staff will be happy to assist you.

The IPLOCA convention app is an essential guide for all delegates and contains everything you need to know about the business meetings, social events, dress code, tour programme, coach departure times, sponsors, speaker biographies and more.

The app will be available to download as of Monday 14 August.









General Information

Time Zone

Vancouver is in the Pacific Time Zone and observes Daylight Savings Time from the second Sunday in March until the first Sunday in November. You can see Vancouver's time in relation to most cities around the world by visiting www.thetimenow.com, which is also home to a Canadian calendar with important dates.

Workdays

Vancouver, like all major cities, runs 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In general, the standard work week is Monday to Friday, from roughly 8:30 to 17:00, but hours vary for each organization or business.

Currency

We recommend all visitors use Canadian currency (the Canadian Dollar - CAD). Visitors can exchange currency at Canadian chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, or at offices of foreign exchange brokers, but it is advised to have local currency on hand prior to arriving. Some hotels, merchants, restaurants and suppliers accept US or other foreign currencies at a pre-determined rate, which may differ from the daily rate posted by financial institutions.

The Canadian Dollar is made up of 100 Canadian cents. Coins are in denominations of 5 cents (nickel), 10 cents (dime), 25 cents (quarter), \$1 (loonie), and \$2 (toonie). Notes are in denominations \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100.

If you are paying cash, the total amount of your purchases will be rounded either up or down to the closest 5 cents. Credit card and debit card payments are not rounded.

Electricity & Voltage

Outlets and voltage = (110 volts), North American standard. Adapters are required for electrical appliances from other countries. The frequency of electrical current in Canada is 60 Hz.

Water

Vancouver tap water is safe to drink and meets the health and safety standards set by the water governing bodies https://waterdefense.org/water/tap/vancouver/

Languages

Federal government departments provide service in English and French, but most of the population speaks English as either a first or second language.

The City of Vancouver is quite cosmopolitan and is a mix of many multicultural groups. After English and Chinese, the most common mother tongue languages spoken are Punjabi, German, Italian, French, Tagalog (Filipino) and Spanish. More than half of Vancouver's school-age children have been raised speaking a language other than English.

Smoking Laws

Within the City of Vancouver, bylaws ban smoking in all indoor public spaces, including public transit, shopping malls, restaurants, pubs, nightclubs and casinos. Smoking is not permitted within 6 metres (19.6 feet) of an entryway, openable window or air intake of a building. In addition, smoking is also banned in all Metro Vancouver parks including on the seawall, in Stanley Park, and on beaches. Signage will be posted to indicate the applicable smoking restrictions. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas only.

Safety

We advise you to exercise the usual caution, however, no major safety precautions are necessary for the city of Vancouver. Call 911 for emergencies (police, fire or medical) when an immediate response is needed.

This includes lives in danger or a crime in-progress.

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This includes lives in danger or a crime in-progress. Call +1 604 717 3321 for a non-emergency.





Climate & Clothing

Temperatures range from highs of 18°C (65°F) to lows of 10°C (50°F) in September so plan on dressing in light layers and pack a rain jacket and an umbrella for wet days. Bring some good walking shoes - Vancouver is a great place to explore on foot!

Taxation

Most purchases in British Columbia are subject to a 7% Provincial Sales Tax (PST) as well as a federal 5% Goods and Services Tax (GST), with a few exceptions including liquor (10% PST) and accommodation (8% PST plus up to 3% hotel tax). Some goods such as food and restaurant meals, books and magazines, and children's clothing are GST and/or PST exempt. For more information, visit the Province of British Columbia's website.

Shopping

Retailers are usually open seven days a week, and most stores are open from 10:00 to 18:00 each day, except on Thursday and Friday, when many stores are open until 21:00. Some retail stores e.g., drug stores and grocery outlets remain open around the clock.

Robson Street and the Pacific Centre Mall are both a short walk from the Hyatt Regency and offer dozens of cafes and luxury shops.

Eating out

Vancouver is well-known for being a multicultural city. From the best Chinese and Japanese cuisine outside of Asia, to local, seasonal, farm-to-table ingredients like fresh seafood and foraged greens, the culinary world awaits: www.destinationvancouver.com/restaurants/ dining-guides

Tipping

When dining out in restaurants, the standard tip for good service is between 15 and 20%. If you are dining in a group of eight or more people, it is standard for a restaurant to automatically add a gratuity of 18 to 20% to your bill. Tipping for counter service is not expected.

Other services that regularly attract tips are spa treatments, hair and nail services, and taxis - 15% is the usual standard in each case.

For those of you who would like to extend your stay in Canada:

Rocky Mountaineer Railtours

From 2 days to 16 days, Rocky Mountaineer offers unique train journeys through the many landscapes of British Columbia and Alberta: www.rockymountaineer.com

Vancouver Alaska Cruise

From 2 days to 7 days, between the months of May and October, cruises to Alaska offer some of the world's most spectacular scenery. Below are some of the cruise lines that travel to Alaska:

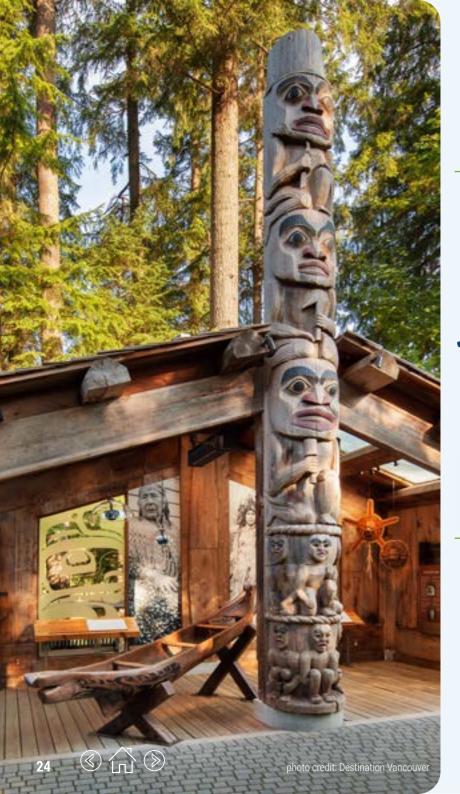
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See you in Vancouver!
Registration opens Monday, 1 May 2023 at 15:00 CEST



