

Sunshine Coast Nostalgia Tour and E&N Railway to Victoria from Courtenay

We offer an unusual bargain-priced tour to visit the Sunshine Coast visiting former "Beachcomber" haunts and stay the night in Powell River. This is followed by a ferry crossing to the Comox – Courtenay area on Vancouver Island finishing with a train ride to Victoria on the historic E&N Railway. Return to Vancouver is at your leisure. Five meals are included.

Departure Thursday, May 6th, 2010 for 3 Days

Meals included are shown thus: **B** = breakfast, **L** = lunch, **D** = dinner
(All other meals are on your own)

Day 1 - Thursday, May 6th Vancouver to Powell River

Make your way to Vancouver's Pacific Central Station and check in by 9:00 AM for departure in our chartered motorcoach. We stop for a short break at the historic Locomotive 374 Pavilion at the Roundhouse Community Centre then cross Lions Gate Bridge to Horseshoe Bay. Here we board a BC Ferry for the short crossing to Langdale departing at 11:20 AM. We arrive at "Molly's Reach" for lunch. This is the same restaurant used in the long running TV series "The Beachcombers". You will have time in Gibsons after lunch to visit this quaint seaside village before boarding our coach at 2:00 PM for a trip along the Sunshine Coast. We pass through Sechelt and Pender Harbour before another ferry crossing between Earl's Cove and Salter Bay. We finish the day in the Powell River area in a comfortable hotel. A welcome dinner is set for 6:30 PM. **L, D**

Day 2 - Friday, May 7th Powell River to Courtenay and Victoria

Waken early for a relaxing day on a 2 hour ferry crossing and an afternoon on the train. We leave our hotel at 7:40 AM for the short trip to Westview where we walk on the ship for Little River on Vancouver Island. Departure is at 8:10 AM. We suggest having breakfast on board. Our ferry arrives at about 9:45 AM. On arrival we will take a short tour of the Comox area and stop for an early lunch in Courtenay. At 1:00 PM we board the Malahat Dayliner for Victoria arriving at 6:00 PM. Transfers to our centrally-located hotel are included. Dinner in Samuel's Restaurant (in the hotel) is arranged for 7:00 PM **L, D**

Day 3 - Saturday, May 8th Victoria to Vancouver

You can sleep in and have a leisurely breakfast or get up early and visit Victoria's numerous attractions. You return to Vancouver's Pacific Central Station (your starting point) at any time during the day. The Victoria bus station is a half block from your hotel. Departures are at 15 minutes before the even hour and total journey time is under 4 hours. We supply vouchers for this portion of your tour (included in the overall cost of the tour.) (Unescorted) **B**

FARE: Per person sharing: \$539, BC Seniors \$499

Single Supplement: \$142 (tax extra)

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