

# The Tall Ships are coming! VICTORIA TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL

Join a world-class summer event featuring the Victoria Tall Ships Festival

...and enjoy preferred accommodation at the Queen Victoria Inn, conveniently located in the inner harbour. See and touch these magnificent historic ships as approximately 30 traditionally-rigged sailing vessels, travelling the world's oceans powered by the wind, gather in Canada's most British city, Victoria.

**8-DAY MOTORCOACH – Highlighting the beautiful Canadian Rockies!**  
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Tall Ships Parade: Victoria, BC, 2005.



**1 EDMONTON to CALGARY to THREE VALLEY GAP:** *Tuesday.* Your Tall Ships Festival Tour begins as you are welcomed aboard your deluxe motorcoach in Edmonton. Travel south via Red Deer to Calgary meeting additional travelling companions enroute. Rising up from the plains and looming on the horizon lies a mountain range known the world over for its beauty. Drive west and climb into the majesty of the Canadian Rockies. Cross the border into British Columbia and continue to Three Valley Gap for overnight at the Three Valley Lake Chateau.

**2 THREE VALLEY GAP to NEW WESTMINSTER:** *Wednesday.* Relax and enjoy the scenery as you travel the Coquihalla Highway to New Westminster. Your unique hotel, the Inn at Westminster Quay, is in a wonderful location stretching out over the mighty Fraser River, right next door to the Public Market, the Riverfront Boardwalk and within walking distance of the Skytrain Station to downtown Vancouver. Choose to relax and watch the boats go by from your riverview room or explore the ROYAL CITY STAR, a riverboat casino berthed close to your hotel.



**3 NEW WESTMINSTER to VICTORIA:** (3 nights) *Thursday.* Begin your day with a scenic sailing to Vancouver Island onboard a B.C. FERRY. Continue to the retirement paradise of Victoria for a three-night stay at the **Queen Victoria Hotel**. This lovely property is conveniently located in the heart of downtown Victoria, one block from the Inner Harbour. Enjoy the excitement of the first day of the festival!

**4 VICTORIA:** *Friday.* Join us this morning for a TOUR with a local guide to familiarize you with the area. Enjoy the many ongoing activities of the TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL, where visitors gather from near and far to celebrate maritime history and seafaring life. A wide variety of vessels from around the world will include schooners, barques, brigantines, barquentines, brigs and sloops, each type distinguished by the number of masts and the shape of its sails. Your FESTIVAL PASS will provide the opportunity to see and touch these magnificent

and historic ships and experience the festival site with its live music, food, displays and demonstrations.

**5 VICTORIA:** *Saturday.* Enjoy a visit to BUTCHART GARDENS, as well as the many ongoing activities of the TALL SHIPS FESTIVAL.

**6 VICTORIA to ABBOTSFORD:** *Sunday.* Bid farewell to Victoria. Drive up the island and travel to the picturesque coastal village of CHEMAINUS where numerous murals depicting the history and industry of the area cover entire walls of downtown buildings. Continue to Nanaimo to take the FERRY to Horseshoe Bay. Arrive early afternoon in Vancouver and enjoy a SIGHTSEEING EXCURSION prior to arriving at your hotel in Abbotsford for overnight.

**7 ABBOTSFORD to GOLDEN:** *Monday.* Today's travel provides a variety of unforgettable scenery. Wind your way over the majestic ROGERS PASS and enjoy the last evening together in Golden. Join your travelling companions for a hosted FAREWELL DINNER.

**8 GOLDEN to CALGARY to EDMONTON:** *Tuesday.* Today it's homeward bound! Cross the border into Alberta and enjoy a DRIVING TOUR OF BANFF with lunch in Canmore. Arrive mid-afternoon in Calgary and then continue to Edmonton.

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