#### **SEASONS OF THE COMOX VALLEY**

Around here, they don't talk about high and low, on or off. The Comox Valley is on 12 months per year, a true four season destination that embodies the best of spring, summer, winter and fall.

#### **SPRING**

Nordic or alpine ski in perfect spring conditions, scuba dive in search of octopus and wolf eel, cave at Horne Lake, bird watch in the Courtenay Estuary, sample farm-to-table cuisine during Dine Around Comox Valley, take part in the annual Snow to Surf Adventure Relay Race, witness the spectacular herring run at Point Holmes, and indulge a love of seafood at the BC Shellfish and Seafood Festival.

#### **SUMMER**

Charter a fishing or sightseeing tour, paddle a kayak or SUP board around Goose Spit, hike Paradise Meadows or the trails of Nymph Falls and Seal Bay Nature Parks, browse arts and crafts at the Filberg Festival, groove to tunes at Vancouver Island MusicFest, mountain bike handbuilt trails, tour and taste local wineries, breweries, meaderies and distilleries, and fill your basket at the Comox Valley Farmers' Market.

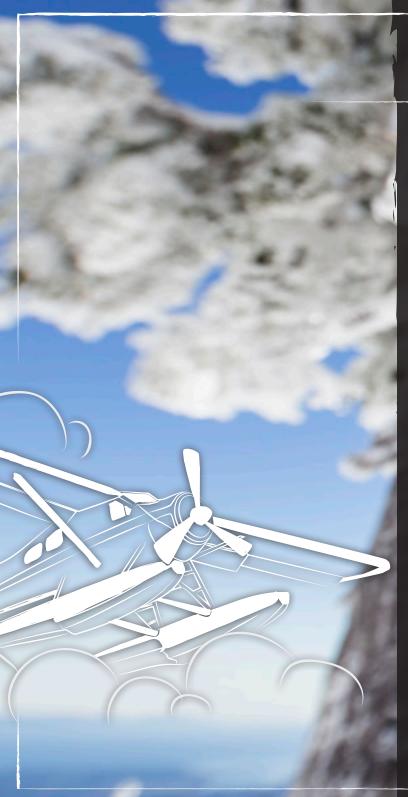
#### FALL

See the Puntledge River turn red with spawning salmon, watch the arrival of over-wintering trumpeter swans, book a tee time at a local golf course, catch a play or concert at the Sid Williams Theatre, drive or walk the Comox Valley Heritage Experience Tour, book a wine tasting, visit farms and wineries from the Comox Valley Growers Guide.

#### WINTER

Ski on one of North America's deepest snow bases at Mount Washington Alpine Resort, treat yourself to a rejuvenating spa treatment, browse for gifts in art galleries and boutiques, visit the indoor Comox Valley Farmers' Market, check out one of eight museums, experience crystal clear visibility scuba diving, challenge yourself on a year-round golf course, and enjoy festive window displays in downtown shopping areas





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#### DISCOVER THE COMOX VALLEY

The Comox Valley is a place that inspires creativity, tempts the taste buds, soothes the soul and fires the imagination of adventurers and outdoor enthusiasts. Situated halfway up the east coast of Vancouver Island, this community of 65,000 faces the sea and embraces the mountains, has the charm of a small town but with a touch of urban sophistication and taste. The Comox Valley is comprised of three communities, each one diverse and unique, the City of Courtenay, Town of Comox, Village of Cumberland and the surrounding rural farm areas.

From full on adventure to blissful relaxation, you'll find four seasons of fun in the Comox Valley. Carve down an alpine ski run with an ocean view, nordic ski through an ancient forest, scuba dive in crystal clear water, mountain bike or hike along a river, paddle kilometers of shoreline and tee off at one of many scenic golf courses.

You'll also find time and space for relaxation and pampering. Enjoy a day of arts and culture at museums, galleries, and artists' studios, curl up on the beach with a favorite book, tour the local wineries and distilleries or sample what's on tap at the craft breweries. Browse boutique shops, enjoy a cappuccino at a sidewalk cafe and book a much deserved spa treatment.

Festivals throughout the year celebrate everything from music and shellfish, to fine art and aviation. And with more than 400 farmers and food producers in the region, Comox Valley's diverse selection of restaurants exemplify the farm to fork and tide to table culinary tradition with menus featuring the freshest of seasonally local ingredients. The Comox Valley offers four seasons of fantastic experiences.



#### COMMUNITIES OF THE COMOX VALLEY

#### K'ÓMOKS FIRST NATION

The people of K'ómoks First Nation are the traditional inhabitants of the Comox Valley. Belonging to the group culturally known as Northern Coast Salish, the K'ómoks describe their territory with the word "kw'umalha", meaning plentiful, rich or wealthy. The K'ómoks people remain integral to the cultural and economic life of the Comox Valley.

#### TOWN OF COMOX

This seaside community attracts recreational mariners to the Comox Marina where the catch of the day is readily available. Quaint boutiques, cafes, restaurants and museums are located in downtown Comox, a short stroll from the Marina. Beautiful parks provide wonderful opportunities for peaceful walks, bird watching and photography. When the wind blows, you'll see sailboats tacking in Comox Bay and kite boarders soaring at Goose Spit. On calm days you'll also find SUP boarders, joggers, and families beach-combing. 19 Wing Comox, built in 1942, established the Comox Peninsula's strategic importance for the Canadian Forces, and is home to the Comox Valley Airport (YQQ).

#### CITY OF COURTENAY

Courtenay is the Comox Valley's largest urban centre, where you'll find urban amenities wrapped in small town charm and character. Shoppers will find one-of-a-kind boutiques, restaurants, pubs and cafes in the downtown core. The city is blessed with many walking trails, playgrounds, parks, and green areas. A vibrant arts and culture scene is on display in galleries, festivals and special events throughout the year. Farm to fork selections on the menus of local restaurants highlight the city's strong connection to agriculture that dates back to Courtenay's pioneering roots in the late 1800s.

#### **CUMBERLAND**

Cumberland celebrates its coal mining past while embracing the hip and contemporary. You can buff up on history at the Cumberland Museum and Archives or on self-guided tours, then sip a locally crafted ale on an outdoor patio, or enjoy an espresso and a handmade chocolate on Dunsmuir Avenue. Festivals throughout the year and many kilometres of mountain biking trails, hiking, lakeside camping and water sports on nearby Comox Lake, have turned the village into an outdoor recreation hub.

#### 19 WING COMOX

19 Wing is an important part of contemporary life in the Comox Valley and operations from its 10,000 ft. runway include long range patrol, transport and rescue, air maintenance, the Canadian Armed Forces School of Search and Rescue, and the Royal Canadian Air Cadet Flying Program. Aviation buffs can head to the Comox Air Force Museum for a close up of vintage aircraft like the T-33 Canadair Silver Star, Douglas DC-3, and CF-100 Avro Canuck.

#### MERVILLE

Merville is a beautiful rural community of farmers' fields, deep green forests, and sandy beaches. 13 kilometres from Courtenay, this fertile region is home to many of the Comox Valley's food producers, dairy farmers, and wineries. At Kitty Coleman Provincial Park, fishermen can launch boats and campers will find delightful oceanfront sites beneath towering Douglas fir and Western red cedar.

#### BLACK CREEK & SARATOGA

Just 20 kilometres north of Courtenay, many of the original Black Creek farms continue to provide produce, meat, dairy and other products for Comox Valley residents. Campers at Miracle Beach Provincial Park can explore a salmon bearing stream, trails through old growth forest and beaches, while the soft sand and tidal pools at Saratoga Beach offer hours of summertime fun.

#### UNION BAY, FANNY BAY & ROYSTON

Visitors can still see remnants of the Royston Wrecks, and admire century old buildings of Heritage Row in Union Bay, including the 1913 Post Office, not far from where coal was once loaded onto steamships. From Union Bay and Fanny Bay, you can enjoy panoramic views of Denman Island, Comox Bay and Baynes Sound, known worldwide for shellfish including oysters, clams, mussels, and scallops. Seafood lovers can get their fill at Fanny Bay Oysters Seafood Shop in Buckley Bay or tour the processing plant.

#### **DENMAN ISLAND & HORNBY ISLAND**

You'll find bountiful farmers' markets, wineries, distilleries, art studios, protected anchorages and amenities for passing mariners. On Hornby Island, the seaside bluffs of Helliwell Provincial Park provide spectacular bird viewing opportunities overlooking Tribune Bay, where the safe, gently sloping beach makes for hours of summertime family swimming and fun.

#### MOUNT WASHINGTON

Mount Washington is home to one of the deepest snowpacks in North America, with a yearly average of more than 11 metres. Mount Washington Alpine Resort sports an ocean view like no other and is serviced by five lifts, five Magic Carpets, 81 marked trails, plus 55km of Nordic trails that have attracted Olympic level athletes. Skiers and boarders can choose between deep powder on black diamond terrain or groomed runs fit for all ability levels.



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Tucked away on Vancouver Island, Comox By The Sea is full of surprises, everything from wild adventures to one of Canada's finest First Nations galleries, great shopping, restaurants and silver sand. Check out all our hidden gems at



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# YEAR-ROUND ADVENTURE

#### **OUTDOOR ADVENTURES**

#### EXPLORE OUTDOOR

#### ONE OF BC'S TOP MOUNTAIN BIKE DESTINATIONS

The Comox Valley's extensive mountain bike trails draw riders from near and far. The trail network is surrounded by massive forests and offers masterfully-crafted trails for all abilities. Mount Washington Alpine Resort's Bike Park opens in July and riders can choose from a range of epic expert runs to easy beginner trails. Take a tour with a local guide or visit the many bike shops for rental bikes and insider tips only the locals riders know!

#### ROAD BIKING PARADISE

From multi-day Sip & Savour Tours to three-hour Wine & Chocolate rides, the region's meandering, rider-friendly country roads are dotted with a multitude of farms and wineries and offer the perfect pairing for road riders of all ages and fitness levels.

#### THE ISLAND'S BEST VIEW

A full-service year-round resort with astounding alpine to ocean views, the Mount Washington Alpine Resort boasts some of the deepest snowfalls in North America. In winter, the mountain offers 1,700 acres of terrain. In summer, enjoy scenic chairlift rides to the top of the mountain where family-friendly hiking trails provide easy access to the stunning panorama.

#### ALPINE TO OCEAN HIKING

From the rugged wilderness areas, glaciers, snowfields and mountains of Strathcona Provincial Park, to coastal walks in Seal Bay Nature Park, the Comox Valley is a paradise for adventure hikers or for those looking for a casual stroll through pristine BC wilderness.

#### **CAVE ADVENTURE TOURS**

Explore extensive subterranean cave playgrounds with marble passages and crystal caverns at Horne Lake Caves. Climb an underground waterfall, slide down ramps and ladders with an optional squeeze through the "wormhole".

#### GO FOR THE GREEN

The Comox Valley is home to many popular golf courses, including the acclaimed Crown Isle Resort and Golf Community - current host course of the Canadian PGA Qualifier. From championship courses to casual par 3's, the region offers golf for all levels and budgets. Many courses are open year-round!

#### HORNE LAKE CAVES AND OUTDOOR CENTRE

hornelake.com

3905 Horne Lake Caves Road, Qualicum Beach 250-248-7829

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#### **ISLAND JOY RIDES**

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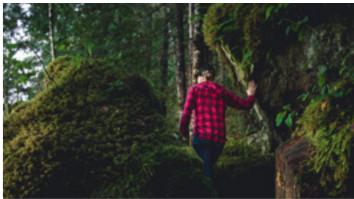
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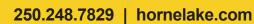
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## **Horne Lake Caves**

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- Equipment Rentals for Self Guiding
- Cave Theatre and Museum

Open Year Round







# WHERE OCEANS, LAKES

# AND RIVERS RUN DEEP

#### MARINE ADVENTURES

#### **OCEAN SPORTS ADVENTURES**

With beautiful, sandy beaches and extensive ocean activities available, head to Comox Bay and rent a stand-up paddleboard, kayak or sailboat for a day of adventure. The scenic waters surrounding Goose Spit are home to seals, bald eagles, and blue herons. Head to the historic Royston Wrecks ghost ships or experience the inter-tidal marine life in and around the Courtenay River. Day trips to Tree Island, Denman or Chrome Island are great options for the more adventurous!

#### **DIVING EXCURSIONS**

The waters surrounding the Comox Valley offer some of the most pristine, clear cold-water diving in the world. Local dives include the Capilano Wreck (1915), Vivian Island Sponge Wall, Norris Rocks with its mischievous seals, and the memorable Wolf Eel Alley. Get under the water's surface and discover the temperate, colourful waters of the Pacific.

#### COMOX HARBOUR TOURS & CHARTERS

Try a sublime sunset or scenic tour around the Comox Harbour or up the Courtenay River Estuary, or journey to a Deep Water Oyster Farm in Baynes Sound. Private boat charters deliver 40 minute cruises to Tree Island, where passengers can go ashore and explore this unique, uninhabited sand island.

#### THE QUINTESSENTIAL COASTAL EXPERIENCE

Take a tour on a zodiac or covered boat for a unique family experience. See the local wildlife at the Vivian Island Bird Sanctuary, where you can spot marine birds, seals, sea lions, porpoises and even orca, which frequent the area.

#### WORLD-FAMOUS FISHING & BOATING

Summer is salmon season on Vancouver Island! Fishing charters feature knowledgeable captains and expert guides to deliver you to prime fishing hot-spots. Charters include bait, fishing gear, fish bags, plus cleaning and filleting. For visitors who bring their own boats, head to Comox Harbour, Courtenay Airpark, Union Bay, Kitty Coleman or Saratoga Beach for launch access points to the ocean.



#### EXPLORE MARINE

#### CAMPBELL RIVER WHALE WATCHING

campbellriverwhalewatching.com Discovery Harbour Marina, Roberts Beach Rd. Dock E 250-287-2667 TF: 1-877-909-2667

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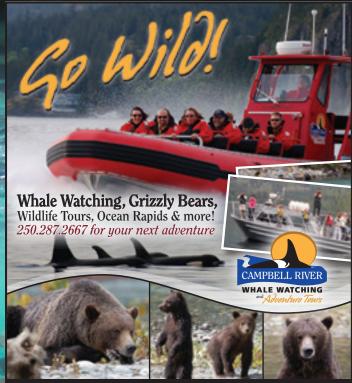
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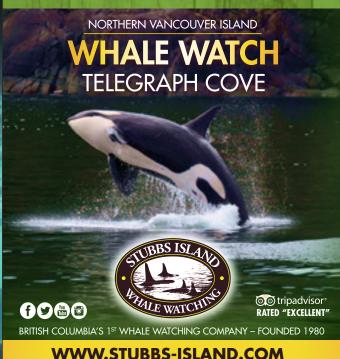
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#### ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE

#### MUSEUM TOURS & EXCURSIONS

Over eight museums celebrating the heritage of the region await discovery. Explore cultural treasures of the K'ómoks people for a fascinating glimpse into First Nations culture and discover the history of early pioneering life and the paleontology of the region.

#### HERITAGE DRIVING & WALKING TOURS

The Comox Valley Heritage Experience features four self-guided walking tours and two driving tours highlighting the cultural and historical landmarks of the region.



#### GALLERIES, THEATRE & AMAZING MUSIC

For contemporary native art, the I-Hos Gallery showcases the jewelry, carving, paintings and other works of Vancouver Island First Nation artists. Comox Valley Art Gallery regularly features the works of local and visiting artists, while numerous other galleries and countless festivals throughout the year celebrate the creative culture of the Valley and the West Coast. Check out an impressive year-round line up of music, theatre, dance and comedy at the Sid Williams Theatre in downtown Courtenay.

#### **EXPLORE THE ARTS**

#### ART ALCHEMY STUDIO

artalchemy.ca 362-C 10th Street (upstairs), Courtenay 250-218-2742

#### COMOX VALLEY AIR FORCE MUSEUM

comoxairforcemuseum.ca 19 Wing Comox, Corner of Ryan Road and Military Row 250-339-8162

#### **ESTHER SAMPLE**

esthersample.com 1939 Marten Ave, Comox 250-218-7371 Esther Sample is a west coast artist specializing in oil and acrylic paintings.



#### FILBERG HERITAGE LODGE & PARK

filberg.com 61 Filberg Rd, Comox 250-339-2715

#### SPIRITS OF THE WEST COAST NATIVE ART GALLERY

*spiritsofthewestcoast.com* 2926 Back Rd, Courtenay 250-338-2120 TF: 1-877-338-2120

#### YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Comox Valley Farmers Market
Saturdays year-round, Wednesdays during the summer season
comoxvalleyfarmersmarket.com

Comox Valley Art Gallery Exhibits comoxvalleyartgallery.com

Sid Williams Theatre Shows sidwilliamstheatre.com

Mount Washington Events Calendar mountwashington.ca

For the complete list of 2017-18 events in the Comox Valley, visit:

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# Dieg ber House



#### **EVENTS & FESTIVALS**

January WinterFest

February & March
Dine Around Comox Valley

April

Royal LePage Snow to Surf Adventure Relay Race

May

Central Island Studio Tour Art and Bloom Festival PGA Qualifier

June

Elevate the Arts BC Shellfish & Seafood Festival

July

Vancouver Island Music Fest Downtown Courtenay Market Day BC Bike Race

August

Filberg Festival Comox Nautical Days Atmosphere Festival Comox Valley Exhibition Fall Fair

September

Artisans' Festival Comox Valley Farm Cycle Tour

October

Pumpkin Fest Comox Valley Beer Fest



# FARM TO FORK TIDE TO TABLE



#### DINE & DRINK

#### FOOD FRESH FROM THE FARM

The region's eateries and chefs boast unparalleled access to locally produced fruits and vegetables, cheeses, yogurts, meats and seafood from more than 400 farms. These items influence daily fresh sheets to showcase the best West Coast food ingredients from the region. When paired with local wines and beers, the Comox Valley offers an extraordinary food culture.



#### SEAFOOD BOUNTY

The surrounding pristine ocean waters produce the most shellfish in BC, the most oysters in Canada and incredible catch-of-the day fish including salmon and halibut that arrive daily into the Comox Harbour. Restaurants and their diners are the beneficiaries of all this fresh-offthe-boat bounty.

#### SIP AND SAVOUR

Cool down at craft breweries, taste award winning wines and experience artisan distilleries, where you can sample single malt whiskey or honey-based vodka and gin.

#### YEAR-ROUND FARMERS' MARKET

One of the few year-round markets in Canada and legendary on the coast, the Comox Valley Farmers Market boasts an incredible array of organic fruits and veggies, surf and turf delights, award-winning cheeses, fresh-made pasta and baked goods, wines and ciders

#### DINE & SIP AROUND

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#### **COMOX BY THE SEA**

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#### Tours \$390 49 NORTH HELICOPTERS

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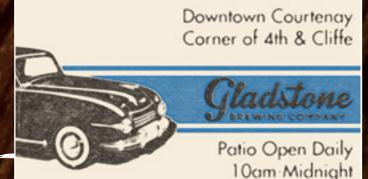














### **RELAX & EXPERIENCE GUIDED TOURS**

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#### **WINE TIME**

This fun and educational wine tour provides you with behind the scenes access to Comox Valley's award winning wineries. Taste the locally made wine, meet the wine makers, and learn how your favourite local wines are produced!

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#### **BREWS CRUISE**

This fun and educational brewery tour provides you with behind the scenes access to the Comox Valley's craft breweries. Taste the locally crafted beer, meet the brewery staff, learn how your favourite beers are made and enjoy local pizza at your last stop!





#### **SIP & SAVOUR TOUR**

A Comox Valley culinary adventure includes appies and your choice of wine or craft beer at 3 different restaurants in one night. Locations are kept secret to maximize fun and excitement. Let our guides show you the best our Valley has to offer!

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#### **GARDEN COTTAGE RETREAT**

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#### SHOP AROUND

The Comox Valley offers a multitude of unique shopping experiences for those looking for one-of-a-kind gifts. Nestled above the Puntledge River, Downtown Courtenay and its popular 5th St. shopping district is home to a diverse assortment of locally-owned shops, cafes and award-winning restaurants. The seaside town of Comox offers pedestrian-friendly shopping with boutiques, pubs and restaurants featuring fresh seafood picked up daily from the local marina.





ComoxByTheSea.com

DowntownCourtenay.com

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#### **COMOX BY THE SEA**

comoxbythesea.com 1809 Beaufort Avenue, Comox 855-400-2882 Comox offers boutique shopping, a 9-hole gol

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hotchocolates.ca cakebread.ca 368 5th Street, Courtenay 250-338-8211

#### **DOWNTOWN COURTENAY BIA**

downtowncourtenay.com 203-580 Duncan Ave, Courtenay

#### LIVE HERE

The Comox Valley is a magnet for young families, entrepreneurs and investors resulting in dynamic growth to the region over recent years. Its central Island location is both visitor and business-friendly, and is easily accessible via the Comox Valley Airport (YQQ), Harbour Air, and BC Ferries. Major projects like the new Comox Valley Regional Hospital are providing additional job opportunities in construction and, once completed, health care. Additionally, the Valley is home to both North Island College and the Canadian Forces Base 19 Wing Comox, the region's largest employer.

Ultimately the incredible quality of life is the area's biggest draw. Here you will find big city amenities, yet the area proudly maintains and protects its smaller, rural community features and environment.

For more information on relocating, visit:

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#### **GETTING TO THE COMOX VALLEY**

#### AIR

The Comox Valley is accessed via YQQ, the second largest airport on Vancouver Island. The Comox Valley Airport offers daily flights to Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver as well as seasonal service to Puerto Vallarta. YQQ passengers are served by: WestJet, Pacific Coastal Airlines and Air Canada. Harbour Air also provides daily service between Vancouver and Comox Harbour.

#### SEA

Vancouver Island is accessed by BC Ferries departing mainland terminals located in Vancouver (Horseshoe Bay and Tsawwassen), Powell River, and Prince Rupert, and arriving at terminals located in Nanaimo (Departure Bay and Duke Point), Comox, and Port Hardy. Visit beferries.com for information on schedules. For travelers coming from the USA, vehicle ferry service is available both from Port Angeles to Victoria or Anacortes to Sidney.

#### LAND

The Comox Valley is centrally located, just a 1¼ hour (117 km) drive north of Nanaimo, and a 2½ hour (227 km) drive north of Victoria. For those driving from the North Island, the Comox Valley is approximately a 3 hour (280 km) drive from Port Hardy. You'll find the Vancouver Island Visitor Centre on the Comox Valley Parkway just off Hwy 19 at exit 117. For destinations between Nanaimo and Campbell River, you can also take the scenic route along Hwy 19A and enjoy ocean views.

