

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on all our blessings. Please join us for a Thanksgiving getaway to one of BC's hidden gems, the community of Cowichan Bay on Vancouver Island.

Enjoy three nights at the Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay. The back roads of Cobble Hill are exploding with fall colour. The colours will astound you! A visit to the Raptors Centre was a big highlight on past visits to the area.

## DAY ONE: VANCOUVER - MALAHAT - COWICHAN BAY Meals: D

Depart for Vancouver Island via BC Ferries to Departure Bay. On this "stay and play" getaway the accommodation will be at Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay, conveniently located just steps away from the quaint seaside village of Cowichan Bay which is North America's first Cittaslow designated community: A cultural trend known as the slow movement. In Cowichan Bay, the peaceful, slower pace of the community is there to improve everyone's quality of life – those who live here and those who visit. The resort features one bedroom suites overlooking the ocean. Join the group for a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner this evening at a local restaurant.

#### DAY TWO: COWICHAN BAY - COBBLE HILL - DUNCAN Meals: B, L, D

The first stop today is at The Raptors Centre for the 11:00 am flying demonstration. Enjoy some free time at the centre getting to know the birds of prey. Our next stop will be at the Merridale Cidery for a long-table lunch followed by a guided tour. This afternoon visit the town of Duncan, in the heart of the Cowichan Region, and known for their many totem poles and galleries. Tonight, join the group for dinner in a local pub.

# DAY THREE: COWICHAN BAY - CHEMAINUS - COWICHAN BAY Meals: B, L-

After breakfast and a leisurely morning, it's off to Chemainus, a quaint artisan village nestled between the mountains and the ocean. Home to 50+ giant murals, trendy boutiques, galleries, and so much more. Next, we visit the famous Chemainus Theatre for a buffet lunch followed by a matinee performance.

# DAY FOUR: COWICHAN BAY – VANCOUVER Meals: B, L

This morning visit A Home for Hooves Farm Sanctuary for a guided tour. Follow the scenic Malahat Highway south towards Victoria and Swartz Bay. Enjoy lunch en route at the Fireside Grill. Depart on a BC Ferry back to the mainland.



# Thanksgiving in Cowichan

October 13 - 16 Stay 'n' Play

3 nights | 4 days | 8 meals

## Highlights:

Cowichan Bay • The Raptors Centre • Merridale Cidery • Cobble Hill • Duncan • Chemainus • A Home for Hooves Farm Sanctuary • Malahat Drive

## Tour includes:

Three nights accommodation
Three breakfasts
Three lunches
Two dinners
Meal gratuities
Chemainus Theatre performance
All side tours and entrance fees
Ferry tolls

## Accommodation:

Cowichan Bay

Oceanfront at Cowichan Bay

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Uneven ground on portions of this tour. Not suitable for those who rely on a walker.

PRICE PER PERSON including all taxes

Double or Twin: \$2,177

Single: **\$2,639**