Getting to and From Victoria: Transportation Øffers



As an island destination, Victoria, B.C. has fantastic venues for conferences, meetings and incentive programs. Many of the city's conference facilities and accommodation properties overlook our world-famous Inner Harbour. Victoria is easily accessible by air or sea and, once here, there are many options available for getting around the city. Below is a selection of special group transportation offers available to meeting planners and delegates.

BY AIR

Harbour Air Seaplanes

<u>Harbour Air Seaplanes</u> is North America's largest seaplane airline and only carbon neutral airline. With a showcase fleet of aircraft, Harbour Air offers over 30 daily departures between downtown Vancouver and Victoria's Inner Harbour, and is proud to service South Vancouver (YVR), Whistler, Seattle, Sunshine Coast and Vancouver Island locations Nanaimo, Comox and Tofino.

PRODUCTS

• In addition to scheduled serviced flights, Harbour Air offers scenic tours, adventure packages, and customizable private charters for any group size to destinations throughout coastal BC.

OFFERS

• Conference delegate discounts can be set up in advance, offering 15% discount on individual travel. Group flight discounts also available.

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HeliJet

While the Strait of Georgia reaches out below and the majestic mountains beckon on the horizon, <u>Helijet</u> flies you between Victoria and Vancouver or Nanaimo and Vancouver in unparalleled comfort and style. During the quick flight in our spacious 12 seat Sikorsky-S76 helicopter you'll experience some of the most beautiful scenery in British Columbia.

PRODUCTS

• Helijet offers daily non-stop scheduled flights between our relaxing terminals at Victoria Harbour, Vancouver Harbour and Nanaimo Harbour.

OFFERS

• Groups of 12 or more attending the same event, or groups of 8 or more travelling together on the same flight, may be eligible for Conference/Group discounts of 10%-15% off of regular fares (based on seasonality).

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Porter Airlines

Porter Airlines is a leading Canadian regional airline, offering premium short-haul flights with a focus on convenience and comfort. With a fleet of modern Bombardier Q400 aircraft, the airline is known for its spacious seating, complimentary snacks, beverages, and Wi-Fi on select flights.

PRODUCTS

• Porter Airlines now offers direct flights from both Toronto and Ottawa direct to Victoria and vice-versa, making your travel plans even more convenient!

OFFERS

If you're organizing a trip for a group of 10 or more people traveling together, Porter Airlines provides a streamlined process to request a quote. Simply submit your group quote requests through the following link: <u>Group Quote Request Form</u>

For a quicker response, please ensure that all fields on the form are completed. The standard response time is approximately 2 business days.









BY SEA

BC Ferries

<u>BC Ferries</u> is one of the largest ferry operators in the world, providing year-round vehicle and passenger service from Vancouver to Vancouver Island, Southern Gulf Islands and North of Vancouver Island (Port Hardy to Bella Coola, Prince Rupert and Haida Gwaii). We are an essential transportation link that connects coastal communities and facilitates the movement of people, goods and services.

PRODUCTS

Daily departures (peak season hourly, shoulder season every 2 hrs) year round for vehicle and passenger service between Vancouver to Victoria, with the ability to carry up to 348 vehicles and 2100 passengers and crew per sailing.

OFFERS

- Group bookings of 10+ people with a group or tour leader (purchasing all tickets at once with an advance 7+ day reservation) receives 14.5% off adult passenger fare at the terminal.
 - Reservation must be made 7+ days in advance to receive group rate (email: group.travel@bcferries.com)
- FIT Bookings it's always recommended to book a reservation to avoid possible sailing waits

CONTACT: Group bookings | group.travel@bcferries.com | 1-888-BCFERRY (223-3779)

Black Ball Ferry Line – Coho Ferry

<u>Black Ball Ferry</u> Line provides the only year-round, daily, vehicle/passenger ferry service between the Inner Harbour of downtown Victoria, BC and Port Angeles, WA, the gateway to Olympic National Park. During the 90-minute crossing, enjoy the ship's many amenities including the cafeteria, gift shop, duty free store, comfortable interior lounges, solarium and pet-friendly areas.

PRODUCTS

• In addition to daily vehicle and passenger service between Victoria, BC and Port Angeles, WA, Black Ball Ferry Line offers day trip excursions to the Olympic Peninsula and Olympic National Park.

OFFERS

- Discounts for meeting and convention groups travelling between Port Angeles, WA and Victoria, BC; minimum group size of 30.
- Pre/post excursion planning between Victoria and Port Angeles on the Olympic Peninsula

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Clipper Vacations

Your Pacific Northwest travel experts. <u>Clipper Vacations</u> provides transportation, tour and accommodation packages, connecting customers with unique and thoughtful travel experiences.

PRODUCTS

• The Clipper V Ferry, able to hold 440 passengers, provides high-speed, passenger-only catamaran service between downtown Seattle, Washington and downtown Victoria in less than three hours.

OFFERS

• 10% discount on transportation for groups over 10 and the option for customized offers.

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BY LAND

The Wilson's Group of Companies

The Wilson's Group of Companies provides the complete solution for all of your transportation needs. Vancouver Island's largest Charter Bus Company also provides Victoria's authentic vintage Double Decker Hop On Hop Off experience.

PRODUCTS

BC Ferries Connector operated by the Wilson's Group

- The Wilson's Group operates downtown Vancouver to downtown Victoria bus service by way of BC Ferries' Tsawwassen-Swartz Bay route.
- Direct service to the ferry terminals without any transfers.
- Daily year round scheduled service is convenient, affordable and hassle free.
- Relax in the comfort of a luxury coach and then enjoy the spectacular 95 minute cruise through the Gulf Island onboard BC Ferries.
- Services YVR Airport and Canada Place Pier
- Flexible ticket options available
- Vancouver Hotel Pickups and Drop-Offs available

Vancouver Island Connector/Tofino Bus operated by the Wilson's Group

- Daily service connecting Victoria, Nanaimo, Parksville, Port Alberni, Ucluelet and Tofino.
- Multiple pick up and drop off points available
- Servicing the Departure Bay Ferry Terminal for those traveling to/from Vancouver
- Flexible ticket options available

OFFERS

- Group rates available upon request.
- Promotional codes specific to convention, meeting group or events that will also allow for extended travel before or after the meeting dates

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