



# VAN COU VER

## TWO-DAY ITINERARY

For those who like to explore a city with a fork in their hand, Vancouver is a perfect pairing! This two-day itinerary brings together unique dining experiences and culinary tours while taking in some of the city's most noteworthy neighbourhoods.

## TASTE VANCOUVER: DAY ONE

After breakfast, get ready for a day exploring Vancouver's most popular parks and neighbourhoods. Grab a coffee from one of the city's many local roasters, and walk through Vancouver's historic heart, Gastown. Then board **WESTCOAST Sightseeing's** old-fashioned trolley-style sightseeing bus for a hop-on, hop-off tour through the city centre, Stanley Park and English Bay.

Get off the trolley at **Granville Island**, Canada's second most visited attraction, which offers a superb mix of arts, craft and culinary treasures. The jewel in the island's crown is the public market – grab lunch from one of the market vendors and dine al fresco while enjoying spectacular views of downtown. After lunch, wander the neighbourhood's artist studios, boutiques and galleries,

and then head to **Edible Canada** to quench your thirst with a Caesar – Canada's national cocktail, similar to a Bloody Mary, made with clamato juice and vodka. Resume your trolley tour to return downtown, and if you still have room, grab an afternoon gelato at **Bella Gelateria** – these scoops have actually won awards in Italy!

The past few years have seen Vancouver's craft beer scene explode, with over 50 breweries within the city limits. Tonight, you'll join **Vancouver Brewery Tours'** classic tour, taking in three of those breweries, sampling your way through ales, lagers, sours, stouts and saisons, meeting brew masters and getting a look behind the scenes.



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## TASTE VANCOUVER: DAY TWO

Fuel up for the day by grabbing a leisurely bite at one of Vancouver's favourite breakfast spots, **Café Medina**. The menu spans the Mediterranean, so you can indulge in hearty, unique dishes such as the Middle Eastern-inspired breakfast tagine or opt for lighter fare like their Liège style waffles with a lavender café latte.

Spend the rest of the morning and early afternoon at the **Vancouver Art Gallery**, right in the heart of the city, and known for its ground-breaking exhibitions, especially those that focus on Indigenous and Asia Pacific artists. After feeding your mind, it's once again time to feed your stomach! **Vancouver Foodie Tours'** Best of Downtown tour starts just a couple of blocks away. You'll have the chance to sample through the city's multicultural culinary delights at five delicious stops, led by a local expert.

After all that eating you'll need a walk! Stroll over to Yaletown and indulge in some window shopping and people-watching. This neighbourhood was formerly the city's warehouse district, but is now home to some of Vancouver's most stylish stores and boutiques, as well as award-winning restaurants. The seawall also runs past Yaletown, and on a nice day, you'll see the locals pass by as they go for an after-work run or bike ride. Once you're feeling peckish again, seek out **WildTale** or **Blue Water Café**, consistently lauded by Vancouver Magazine for its fresh seafood. Toast British Columbia's culinary bounty by ordering a glass of Okanagan Valley sparkling wine and indulging in a seafood tower stacked with local, sustainably sourced seafood. If you're interested in a nightcap, Yaletown boasts a cocktail culture to rival the best, and you'll have no problem finding a bartender to satisfy your whims.





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### INSIDER TIPS!

- Check out **Vancouver Magazine’s Best Restaurant Awards** for more restaurant recommendations.
- Vancouver is filled with farmers markets year-round, promising a breadth of locally sourced foods and crafts. Check out our **Farmers’ Market Guide** online.
- Visit Vancouver during Canada’s largest food and drink festival – **Dine Out Vancouver!** Your clients can choose from a 17-day calendar of culinary events and experiences, hundreds of restaurants throughout the city and dozens of hotel options to create delicious dining experiences.

### RECOMMENDED TOP DINING

- Blue Water Café + Raw Bar
- Tojo’s Restaurant
- Hy’s Steakhouse
- Hawksworth Restaurant
- Cioppino’s Mediterranean Grill
- Miku Restaurant
- MARKET by Jean-Georges
- Yew Seafood + Bar
- Ancora Waterfront Dining & Patio
- Bauhaus Restaurant
- Salmon n’ Bannock Bistro

### ITINERARY ADD-ONS

- Spend the day with **Swallow Tail Tours** on the Catch & Cook Crab Tour or the Vancouver Wine Tour.
- **Vancouver Foodie Tours** has two more delectable tours to choose from, each exploring a different neighbourhood of the city: the Granville Island Market Tour and the Gastronomic Gastown Tour.

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