

# A Romantic Retreat in Vancouver

A THREE-DAY ITINERARY FOR COUPLES

Looking for luxurious accommodation, romantic candle-lit cuisine or scenic spots to steal a kiss or two? Vancouver is the perfect destination for a romantic retreat. It's a city that you'll love almost as much as the person you share it with.

#### At a glance

- Whale watching
- Horse-drawn carriage ride through Stanley Park
- Luxurious spas
- Romantic restaurants

## DAY ONE

### MAKE MEMORIES

Get an early start at **Café Pacifica** in the **Pan Pacific Vancouver**, a light-filled space on the waterfront. While you sip your coffee and enjoy one of the city's best breakfast buffets, you and your loved one can take in the views that Vancouver is famous for.

When you've finished, take a moment to check out **FlyOver Canada**, a 4D flight simulator that takes you on an immersive virtual experience soaring high above the country, complete with wind, scents, and even mist.

### EXPERIENCE NATURE

This afternoon, take a trip to **Stanley Park**, Vancouver's 1,000-acre urban rainforest. The best way to get around is on two wheels, so rent a bike from **Spokes Bicycle Rentals** before you head into this 133-year-old oasis. Alongside rainforest trails and 28km of seawall to explore, there are several stunning beaches — making it the perfect place to enjoy a picnic for two.

If cycling isn't your thing, take a romantic loop of the park with **Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours**. You can even stop at the world-renowned **Vancouver Aquarium** to enjoy an encounter with some rescued marine mammals.

### AN EVENING ON THE TOWN

Tonight you'll take a stroll around Vancouver's bustling downtown core. Start at the intersection of **Robson** and **Burrard** streets — an area synonymous with the city's best shopping. Nearby, you'll find the **Pacific Centre**, a downtown mall filled with leading brands as well as upscale department stores like **Nordstrom**. Once you've worked up an appetite, it's time for a candle-lit dinner at **Chambar Restaurant**, a chic spot that serves up Belgian-inspired cuisine in a casual setting.





## DAY TWO

### A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE

Start your day with a **Sea Vancouver tour**. These fast and fun zodiac tours offer an adrenaline-pumping ride around the waters that surround the downtown peninsula. Once on board, you'll soak in unparalleled views of the city's breathtaking coastline, reaching speeds of up to 55km/hr as you soar through the waters of the **Burrard Inlet**, past iconic attractions including **Coal Harbour**, **English Bay**, **False Creek** and **Stanley Park**.

### A LUXURIOUS LUNCH

Back on dry land, make your way to **Nightingale**, Chef David Hawksworth's informal restaurant and bar serving modern Canadian fare and classic cocktails. Named Canada's Best Farm-to-Table Restaurant, it's a great place to explore the Pacific Northwest's world-renowned cuisine, alongside a carefully curated wine list that includes some of BC's best vintages.

After lunch, continue to live luxuriously by visiting **Sense Spa** at the **Rosewood Hotel Georgia**. Designed to stimulate the senses and restore the mind and body, this intimate urban retreat is the perfect place to spend some quality time and reflect on your experiences so far.

### DRINKS AND DINNER

Suitably relaxed and recuperated, you won't have far to go to enjoy an outstanding evening. Located just a short elevator ride above the spa, you'll find **Reflections**, the **Rosewood Hotel's** garden terrace.

Set against the stunning backdrop of the downtown skyline, you can enjoy chic cocktails and tapas-style plates as you cuddle up around the terrace's ornate fire pit.



### INSIDER TIP

If you have time, head to the aptly named **Sunset Beach** for some breathtaking evening views. The spot is a local favourite for couples and is so romantic that there's even a 30ft structure of two engagement rings.



## DAY THREE

### AN URBAN OASIS

Today you'll get to find out what makes our outdoors so great with **Evergreen Adventures' Totems, Canyons and Mountains tour**. Your day begins with pickup from your hotel where you'll ride in comfort to **Stanley Park**, Vancouver's 1,000 acre urban oasis filled with old-growth forest, beaches, hiking trails and a collection of First Nations totem poles.

Your trip continues just minutes away to **Capilano Suspension Bridge Park**, an exhilarating outdoor experience that's been wowing guests since 1889. Here, you won't just see nature, you'll immerse yourself in it.

### AN AFTERNOON YOU'LL NEVER FORGET

This afternoon, you'll experience one of the most spectacular views of Vancouver aboard your very own helicopter. **Sky Helicopters' Champagne Flight Over Vancouver** whisks you and your partner off on a romantic ride around the city, taking in views of downtown and the city's stunning natural setting. Sharing in the magic of golden hour, you'll be treated to a glass of champagne, the perfect way to toast your trip.

### A ROMANTIC DINNER

With your feet firmly back on terra firma, it's time for your final evening in our city. Located just steps away from the heliport is **Gastown**, Vancouver's oldest neighbourhood. With its cobblestone streets and vintage-style streetlights, this evocative area is the perfect place to relax and reminisce about your trip. Stop for dinner at one of the city's coolest eateries, **L'Abattoir Restaurant**, a chic spot that offers Pacific Northwest fare with a French flourish.

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## ROMANTIC ROOMS

1. Fairmont Pacific Rim
2. The Westin Bayshore Vancouver
3. Pan Pacific Vancouver
4. Rosewood Hotel Georgia
5. Shangri-La Hotel, Vancouver
6. Opus Vancouver
7. JW Marriott Parq Vancouver
8. The DOUGLAS



## ITINERARY ADD-ONS

9. Push the boat out with a luxury chartered flightseeing experience from **Harbour Air's Alpine Lakes & Glacier Tour**.
10. Visiting for the holidays? Take a romantic snowshoe stroll through Light Walk, **Grouse Mountain's** sparkling light installation.

Looking to try some of Vancouver's renowned craft beers? Taste some flights with **Vancouver Brewery Tours**.



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