

LONG BEACH STORM WATCHING

Storm Not Guaranteed!
February 26, 2017 - 4 Days



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Fares Per Person:

\$925 double/twin

\$1135 single

\$870 triple



- > Please add 5% GST.
- > **Early Bookers:** \$50 discount on first 15 seats; \$25 on next 10
- > **Experience Points:** Earn 22 points from this tour.
Redeem **22 points** if you book by **January 12.**

Includes

- Coach transportation for 4 days
- 3 nights of accommodation & hotel taxes
- Pacific Rim National Park
- Lunch and show at Chemainus Festival Theatre
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **8 meals:** 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 3 dinners

Wild West Coast + Cozy Resort = Wonderful Winter Get-away

Long Beach is known for its wild winter storms. A pleasant winter experience is to snuggle up to a warm fire and watch the rain and wind lash the hotel windows. More intrepid travellers bring lots of warm and waterproof clothes and enjoy the weather outdoors. There is time to stroll the lovely beach and bay at the Tin Wis Resort, but we also take you to Long Beach at Pacific Rim National Park and to Amphitrite Lighthouse in Ucluelet to watch the waves roll in. Unfortunately, Wells Gray Tours cannot guarantee that you will witness a thrilling west coast storm; in fact, the 2016 group experienced pleasant sunny weather.

After two nights at Tin Wis Resort, we return to the east coast of Vancouver Island and stay at the beautiful Beach Club in Parksville. All our rooms at both resorts have ocean views.

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Itinerary

Sunday, February 26:

Meals: L,D

Heading up island, we stop at the Beach Club Resort at Parksville for lunch, then wind our way to the west coast of Vancouver Island. We stay two nights near **Tofino** at Tin Wis Resort, which has a magnificent setting beside Mackenzie Beach and every room has a splendid ocean view. Until a century ago, this sheltered bay provided a safe landing site for Nuuchah-nulth whale hunters and **Tin Wis** (which means "calm waters") was built and is owned by the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations. Due to the isolation of Tin Wis, both breakfasts and dinners are included during our stay. Tonight, savour a bountiful dinner buffet while overlooking the beach.

Monday, February 27:

Meals: B,D

The best known feature of Pacific Rim National Park is **Long Beach**. During the morning, there is a rising tide between 7 am and 1 pm, so it is a great time to stroll on the beach and look at some tidal pools. Note that the Visitor Centre is closed until March. Afterwards, we continue to **Ucluelet** and enjoy the spectacle of big waves hitting the point near Amphitrite Lighthouse. Lunch is on your own in Ucluelet. The afternoon is free time at Tin Wis during a dropping tide. Another tasty buffet is served at the resort tonight.

Tuesday, February 28:

Meals: B,D

Enjoy a leisurely morning during the incoming tide, then spend time in Tofino browsing the shops or the interesting art galleries. After lunch, we stop at **Cathedral Grove** during the return drive to the east coast of Vancouver Island. We stay at the lovely **Beach Club Resort**, also with ocean view rooms. The hotel's amenities include seaside pool and hot tub, fitness centre, and Stonewater Spa. You may want to take a stroll on Parksville's long boardwalk or the sandy beach.

Wednesday, March 1:

Meals: B,L

This morning we take a short drive to **Chemainus**. There is free time to view the dozens of colourful murals and check out the interesting boutiques. A sumptuous buffet lunch awaits at Chemainus Theatre followed by a theatre performance. The 2017 season will be announced in October and we will update you with the show information. After the show, we return to Victoria for arrival about 6 pm.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due January 12, 2017.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$50 discount on first 15 seats and \$25 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after January 12.

Cancellation Policy: Up to January 12, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From January 13 to February 13, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After February 13, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up until the time of departure.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Please contact us for details.

Photo credit: Best Western Tin Wis Resort

 **Activity Level:** Light activity including short distances to walk and some steps. The walk to Amphitrite Lighthouse is about ½ kilometer, and if you choose not to do this walk, you can enjoy an extended lunch in Ucluelet. Optional longer walks on beaches can be done. If you think you may have difficulty participating in Activity Level 1, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

e-points: This tour earns 22 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until January 12.

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