



Canada's Winter Wonderland

A SKIER'S PARADISE

Canada's famously cold winter climate does it well during the winter months. Western Canada has some of the best skiing in North America—and the world!

Enjoy a ski holiday while staying at Eagle's Perch Bed & Breakfast, Imagine Beach Getaway, or Stump Lake Lodge. We coordinate packages with local ski hills and resorts which combine relaxation and activity.

For the non-skier, Canada's winter months offer plenty of other recreation activities including cross country skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, dogsled racing, snowmobiling, and more!



▲ WHISTLER

Whistler resort features two mountains: Whistler and Blackcomb.

Blackcomb has the highest vertical drop in North America, and both mountains boast over 2800 ha (7000 acres) of skiable terrain, 12 alpine bowls, and over 200 ski runs.

Nestled in the heart of the Coast Mountains, Whistler is North America's premier ski resort. Although popular year-round, Whistler shines during the winter months when skiing and other winter sports are popular.

Whistler's charming pedestrian-only village is alpine in style, and features a fantastic array of restaurants, bistros, shops, and galleries. We are pleased to offer Whistler/Blackcomb as a day trip or overnight stay.

Left to Right: Lodges at Whistler (TBC), Coast Mountains (TBC), Children at Big White Ski Resort (TBC), Skiing at Whistler (TBC), Dogsled team (TBC) and Jasper Aerial Gondola (TA).

SILVER STAR

Located near the city of Kelowna in British Columbia's Okanagan Valley, Silver Star is an exceptional resort offering over 100 ski trails. Lessons are available for skiing and snowboarding, and equipment may be hired. Silver Star resort also offers cross country skiing, sleigh rides, dogsled tours, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling tours.

BIG WHITE

Big White, near Kelowna, has over 100 ski runs catering to all skiing abilities and boarding levels. Big White's snow is fluffy and abundant, and the resort has been acclaimed for its friendly service and family environment. The resort has placed emphasis on families and has designed many children's facilities.

SUN PEAKS

Sun Peaks, near Kamloops and our Stump Lodge property is an award winning resort with three mountains and lots of champagne powder and plenty of sunshine! The resort offers skiing and boarding for all levels and ages. Other winter activities such as dogsledding, snowshoeing, and sleigh riding are available for the non-skiier.

MOUNT WASHINGTON

Mount Washington resort is located on Vancouver Island, about 90 minutes from Imagine Beach Getaway. There are over 36 km (22 miles) of cross country trails, snowboard facilities, equipment rental shops, ski-school and day care facilities.

VANCOUVER MOUNTAINS

The three mountains on Vancouver's North Shore—Cypress, Grouse and Seymour— offer skiing within easy reach of Vancouver or the Sunshine Coast. Day passes or weekly passes are available. Some mountains offer night skiing.

Contact your sales representative for additional information and costing on your customised ski package. Packages can be designed in conjunction with stays at our villa properties and include transportation to the ski resort area (public transport or self-drive) and ski lift passes. Prices will vary on number and age of skiers. Stays at ski resorts can be from one to seven nights.

Contact us for more details.



POLAR BEAR VIEWING

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Churchill, Manitoba, located on Hudson's Bay is Canada's premier spot for viewing polar bear in their natural habitat. Late autumn is the best time to see these beautiful creatures and special vehicles take visitors out on the tundra to see the bears hunting before the onset of winter.

Protected from the elements—and the bears—our special “Tundra Buggies” ensure prime viewing. You can safely come face-to-face with these wild predators.

As the bears wait for the bay to begin to freeze, our naturalist guides will give full commentary on the ways and means of the polar bear. We may be able to view a mother bear leading her cubs or bears sparing with each other.

In addition to polar bears, keep a keen eye out for arctic fox, arctic hare, wolves, snowy owls and other wildlife.

At nighttime, explosions of brilliance dance across the sky, drawing the curtain on another incredible day in Churchill...these are the Northern Lights (*Aurora Borealis*). Those river of light never cease to mesmerize.

Our Polar Bear Viewing tour in Churchill is a photographer's dream... remember to take lots of film!



THE CANADIAN ESKIMO DOG

The Canadian Eskimo Dog, the only breed of dog associated with the aboriginal people of the Arctic, has a history dating back 1100 to 2000 years.

Authorities suggest that the breed was probably taken to the North American arctic by the Thule [of Alaska] and that the dogs gradually spread from Alaska to Greenland.

The Inuit people of Canada call this dog the “Kingmik” and for centuries have used them to pull sleds in winter, a job the dogs do joyfully.

In summer the Kingmik is a pack dog, and in all seasons he is a companion on the hunt, able to locate seal breathing holes in the ice and brave enough to hold large game at bay for the hunter.

DOG SLEDDING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

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Canadian winters bring out the true sportsman. There are many places to visit and explore; it’s an excellent time to enjoy the snow covered silent backcountry. Snow blankets the countryside, and blue sky reaches down; the distant mountains appear a hazy purple-grey in colour. The air is crisp, clean, and refreshing.

One of the best ways to experience the Canadian winter is by dog sledding, locally known as *mushing*.

We are able to offer you an unforgettable adventure exploring Wells Gray Provincial Park in British Columbia. This vast, untamed and primitive wilderness offers an infinite variety of superb scenery. The park is located in the Cariboo Mountains. In wintertime tremendous snowfalls and moderate temperatures create a fantastic winter wonderland and Helmcken Falls, the third highest waterfall in Canada.

The well-trained Canadian Eskimo Dogs run in teams of four to eight in double file, pulling toboggan sleds. We travel mainly groomed trails and provide basic instructions in handling dog sleds and commanding a team. No mushing experience is necessary but reasonable fitness is recommended. You will spend four exciting days in beautiful Wells Gray Park sliding through the winter-wonderland. Guests are very welcome to take turns in mushing their dog teams.

Accommodation is provided in a local inn; all meals are provided. All teams are provided with a local guide; each team is based on shared riding (single sleds may be requested for an additional fee).

Left to Right: Polar bear (ADT), Dog Mushing (ADT), and Dogs at rest (TBC).