



Taste Vancouver: Day One

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 must-see neighbourhoods.

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 East-inspired breakfast tagine, or opt for lighter fare like their Liège-style waffles with a lavender café latte.

The past few years have seen Vancouver's food truck scene explode, with over a hundred vendors stationed around the city offering everything from gourmet grilled cheese sandwiches to El Salvadorian pupusas. Join **Vancouver Foodie Tours** for their "World's Best Food Truck Tour" and you'll get an inside track on the local favourites while you eat your way around the city's downtown core. Walk off your lunch by strolling along Robson Street, Vancouver's favourite shopping district.

This evening, head over to the waterfront Olympic Village neighbourhood, home to the world's athletes during the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. Enjoy a myriad of local brews at **CRAFT Beer Market**. Vancouver is a hotbed of craft brewing right now, and with over 100 beers on tap, this is a great place to sample some of the city's best beer.



Taste Vancouver: Day Two

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 the **Vancouver Trolley** 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 quench your thirst with a beer sampler at **Dockside Brewing Company**. Resume your trolley tour to return downtown,

but if you're game, jump off again at **Vancouver Urban Winery**, where you're able to sample tasting flights of many of British Columbia's best wines.

Cap off your visit with dinner in Yaletown, the city's former warehouse district that's now home to some of Vancouver's most stylish stores and boutiques, as well as award-winning restaurants. One of the best restaurants is **Blue Water Café**, named Best Seafood Restaurant by *Vancouver Magazine*. Toast British Columbia's culinary bounty by ordering a glass of Okanagan Valley sparkling wine and indulging in a tower of extraordinary, fresh seafood. If you're interested in a night-cap, Yaletown boasts a cocktail culture to rival the best, and you'll have no problem finding a bartender to satisfy your whims.





Insider Tips!

- **CRAFT Beer Market Restaurant + Bar** offers a week end brunch from 10am to 2pm.
- Check out Vancouver Magazine's Best Restaurant Awards for more restaurant suggestions!
- 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 (Best Seafood 2014 – Gold)
- Yew Seafood + Bar (Best Seafood 2014 – Silver)
- Tojo's Restaurant (Best Seafood 2014 - Bronze)
- Hy's Encore (Best Steakhouse 2014 - Gold)
- Hawksworth Restaurant (Best Upscale 2014 - Gold)
- Cioppino's Mediterranean Grill (Best Chef of the Year)
- Pino Posteraro - Best Upscale 2014 – Silver)
- Miku Restaurant
- MARKET by Jean-Georges



Itinerary Add-ons

- Spend an afternoon with Swallow Tail Tours – on their Catch & Cook Crab Tour or the Vancouver Wine Tour
- Visiting on a Saturday? Check out Off the Eaten Track's "Vancouver's Best Brunch Tour"