

PRODUCT NEWS

Fall 2019



Tours and Attractions

Hot Tub Boat Victoria is a unique way to tour the Gorge Waterway. Each hot tub boat fits up to six passengers and comes stocked with waterproof speakers, dry bags for your personal items, and options for things like Epsom salt to kick up your relaxation to a new level. Available year round.

www.hottubboatcanada.ca

Sidney Museum's permanent displays of local indigenous, industry, transportation, agriculture and social history include an impressive collection of over 8,000 artifacts. In addition to its permanent exhibits, the Sidney Museum also features rotating temporary exhibits on a diverse range of topics. Student groups are welcome and guided student tours can be arranged in advance and customized.

www.sidneymuseum.ca



Dino Lab inc. invites guests to pre-book The Dinosaur Experience – a guided tour of the private fossil gallery including dinosaurs, mineral specimens, meteorites, and an ice age area. The tour includes a behind the scenes look into their world renowned fossil prep lab, and concludes with some hands on fossil restoration using the same tools and equipment that the experts use.

www.dinolabinc.ca

Wildplay in the Westshore is offering a new shuttle service to bring this popular attraction within reach of visitors without a vehicle. Various convenient pick up and drop off locations around the Victoria Inner Harbour are available with two departure times daily.

www.wildplay.com



Tesla Tours Canada's newest Salt Spring Island tour lets visitors enjoy local wines, cheese and coffee, relax seaside on the beach, and visit local art galleries on this 9-hour day tour.

www.teslatours.ca

Dining

Boom + Batten cuisine celebrates sustainable sources grounded in Pacific Northwest culture, from seafood to fresh vegetables and meats from local producers. Both the café and restaurant offer a casual and fine dining restaurant experience. A great option for FIT clients.

www.boomandbatten.com



Paul's Diner by Fol Epi is a fully licensed diner at 1900 Douglas Street from Victoria's award-winning team at Agrius and Fol Epi. Come in for breakfast, lunch, dinner or late night snacks. The menu has regional variations on diner classics using organic ingredients. Paul's Diner does not accept reservations; recommended for FIT.

www.paulsdiner.ca



Wind Cries Mary offers a warm and comfortable setting for enjoying elevated cabin food fit for modern times. Open for dinner only, the family-style menu uses local suppliers, farmers, foragers and fish mongers, with a bar program to match. The private dining room is available for groups of up to 34 people and the main dining room can seat up to 40 people. Large group menus are available.

www.windcriesmary.ca

Shanghai City Chinese Restaurant offers authentic Chinese cuisine in the heart of Chinatown. Dim Sum is offered all day, as well as Shanghai and Szechuan cuisine, and hot pots. Group reservations and menus are available for up to 150 people.

www.shanghaicityrestaurant.com



Accommodations

Hotel Rialto has worked hard to elevate the customer experience with a brand refresh and the addition of several new amenities including complimentary continental breakfast, a welcome cheese plate, and Aqua di Parma toiletries. Their new Go Green initiative earns guests a \$10 voucher to Veneto Bar Ristorante if you skip housekeeping during your stay. Additionally, Veneto Ristorante has refreshed their menu to better reflect the Northern Italian cuisine that inspired their name.

www.hotelrialto.ca

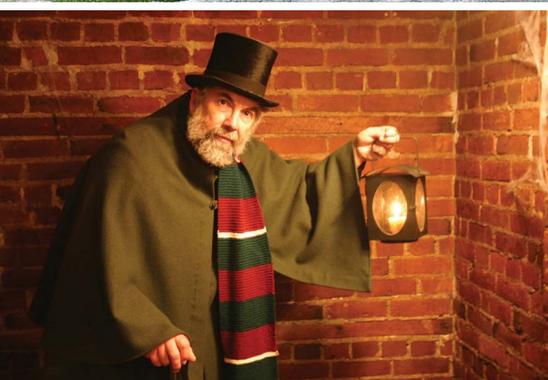
FarOut Wilderness offers 4x4 overland vehicle rentals and customized island itineraries. From wildlife viewing to hiking and mountain biking, FarOut can make it happen. All vehicles sleep four adults, are fully insured, come equipped with a roof top tent, full camping kitchen (including 47 litre car fridge) and 24/7 emergency support. Satisfy your wanderlust while exploring the wilderness and beauty of Vancouver Island in comfort and style.

www.faroutwilderness.com



Inn at Laurel Point is proud to be one of Victoria's few locally owned and managed boutique waterfront hotels. Starting in late 2018, the Inn began a significant lobby and ground floor renovation that will make your jaw drop. The renewal will join the Arthur Erickson and Laurel wings together in a completely new arrival experience, including a new driveway, entryway, lobby, and ground floor meeting and event space. In addition to the exciting lobby renovations, the hotel plans to return with a revitalized Aura restaurant and renewed private gardens. Renovations are expected to be completed in late fall 2019.

www.laurelpoint.com



Spotlight on Holiday Season

The Teahouse at Abkhazi Gardens has announced their Festive Christmas High Tea available November 22, 2019 to January 5, 2020. Delicious seasonal treats including dark brandied Christmas cake, granny's butter shortbread, and sugarplums will be featured along with a choice of tea or spiced hot apple cider.

www.abkhaziteahouse.com

Discover the Past Walking Tours begin their popular seasonal tours such as Christmas in Old Victoria and Ghosts of Christmas Past on weekends from December 1-31, 2019.

www.discoverthepast.com



That Girl in Victoria can help you kick off your holiday shopping in Victoria. Join Michelle Davis on a private shopping and sightseeing tour, take home treasures from unique, local boutiques, and benefit from exclusive shopping incentives. Add in a visit to The Butchart Gardens, a wine or spirit tasting, or a special lunch or afternoon tea to complete the experience. Get the most out of your travel time and vacation dollars by touring with a local.

www.thatgirlinvictoria.com