## CINNCINNATI RUNS VANCOUVER JUNE 27 – JULY 2, 2020

Join us June 2020 to run the scenic Vancouver Half Marathon and spend 5 days and 5 nights exploring the impressive sites in and surrounding Vancouver, BC.



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### Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> – Early Morning CVG Departure

We head out of CVG in the early morning hours of Saturday. TSA recommends arriving no later than 3 hours prior to international flights. You are responsible for your on-time arrival to the airport.

#### **Group Airline Schedule**

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Delta Flight CVG - Delta Flight

Depart 6:25 am

Layover DTW

Arrive 10:27am

Travel Time 7 hrs 2 min

#### Airport Transfer to Hotel

Airport Bus Transfer Included in Land/Tour package

#### Accommodations

5 Nights In 3+ Star Hotel

Premier Chateau Granville Hotel or similar

- WiFi Included

- Lounge/Bar



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### Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> – Arrival in Vancouver

\*Breakfast, lunch and dinner on your owr

Upon arrival in Vancouver, we'll transfer from the airport to the hotel and drop baggage with the concierge desk and take a quick moment to get oriented with our surroundings. Check in isn't until 3pm but we will freshen up and hit the town for some exploring and brunch.

#### Packet Pick Up 2pm - 7pm

For those running the race, packet pickup at Forerunners on Main St., a quick bus ride away from the city. We'll pick up our race packets and spend the rest of the afternoon exploring Vancouver.

#### **Dinner 7pm**

Tonight, we carb-load for the morning race. We'll be making reservations for a group dinner to fuel up for the run and celebrate our first night in Vancouver.

#### Sunday, June 28th - Race Day/Vancouver

\*Breakfast, lunch and dinner on your own

It's race day! There are 5k and Half Marathon race options. You must register for your own race at <a href="https://canadarunningseries.com/scotiabank-vancouver-half-marathon/">https://canadarunningseries.com/scotiabank-vancouver-half-marathon/</a>

\*prices go up March 17<sup>th</sup>

# The Scotiabank Half Marathon: Race Start 7:30am

We'll meet in the hotel lobby to head out to the race together. Race transportation will be provided.



#### **Post-Race Options:**

After cheering each other to the finish, group transportation will be provided to the hotel. There will be plenty of time to rest, freshen up and check out all of Vancouver as the rest of the day is free time.

Ontions for the day include sightseeing on Granville Island, exploring downtown Vancouver, taking a

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Vancouver sightseeing cruise (\$40 additional/optional expense) and checking out the final night of the 35<sup>th</sup> International Jazz Festival happening all over Vancouver.

**Granville Island:** Breweries, shopping, entertainment and cafes. Granville Island is a cultural center for Vancouver. Take a ferry or enjoy a walk over the bridge to enjoy the sights and sounds that



the island has to offer. Bring your marathon appetite and enjoy sweet treats and local favorites from vendors while enjoying live entertainment and local art. The Granville Island Public Market is the jewel in the Island's crown. Ar indoor market featuring a fascinating assortment of colorful food and produce stores, showcasing handcrafted products and the very finest in unique gifts. All fresh from the ocean, the oven or the field. Spend the afternoon shopping in the locally owned stores across the island before returning to the hotel for the evening to rest for a group travel day tomorrow.

#### **Vancouver Harbor Sightseeing Cruise:**

Enjoy the exquisite waterfront views of Canada's premier West Coast city on a leisurely one-hour Vancouver Harbor sightseeing cruise. Travel past landmarks sites such as world-renowned Stanley Park and the city's rejuvenated Gastown district, marvel at the incredible North Shore Mountains from atop an open-air deck and admire the stunning Lions' Gate Bridge while sipping a cocktail (own expense) from the onboard bar.



Vancouver Jazz Festival: The 35th annual event, featuring unique music venues and scenic



Dackdrops. Venues—include the Commodore Ballroom, Imperial Vancouver, the Queen Elizabeth Theatre, and Ironworks. The 2019 International Jazz Festival included 1,800 artists, 300 performances, 35 venues, and more than 150 free shows. Inspiring artists such as the Wu-Tang Clan, The Roots, Herbie Hancock, The Suffers, Ava Mendoza, Snotty Nose Rez Kids, and Laila Biali, graced both the indoor and outdoor stages. The final days of the 35th annual festival will be sure to provide something

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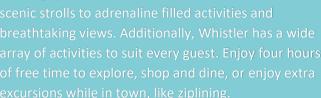
#### Monday June 29, 2020 - Whistler Day Tour

Tour Pick Up Our tour bus will pick us up at 8:00am to start the day. Today's tour takes us into

Shannon Falls Provincial Park: Walk up to the base of the

Whistler Blackcomb: Our tour showcases Whistler Village, a







#### **Squamish Lil'wat Cultural**

**Centre:** Admission tickets to the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre and Museum are included in your tour. Be sure to visit and enjoy a 1-hour guided tour through this First Nations



### Tuesday June 30<sup>th</sup> – Victoria and Butchart Gardens

\*Breakfast , lunch and dinner on your own

Following a day of exploring the rugged beauty of the mountains and recovering from the race, we'll make a trip to the picturesque landscapes of Victoria and Butchart Gardens. Today is a group travel day. We'll be leaving the hotel in the morning and will not return until evening.

**Tour Pick Up 8:30am** The tour bus will pick us up at 8:30am to start a 13 hour day of sightseeing, traveling by ferry to Victoria and returning by ferry in the early evening hours.



Ferry to Victoria: We begin our tour with a 90-minute cruise aboard BC Ferry, with scenery so exquisite you won't want to miss it. Relax and enjoy the journey through Active Pass and the Gulf Islands while taking in marine wildlife sightings from the outdoor ship decks which are common, especially eagles, sea lions and whales.

**Butchart Gardens:** Following this cruise we arrive at Swartz Bay terminal on Vancouver Island and continue to the enchanting botanical paradise of Butchart Gardens. Wander through a series of themed gardens, highlighted by the massive Sunken Garden and dancing fountain. The gardens have been designated a National Historic Site of Canada. Then head to downtown Victoria, traveling through quaint Chinatown and the Inner Harbour.





**Empress Hotel:** Dating back to 1908 the Empress Hotel is one of the oldest in Victoria and was namesd a historical site in 1981. Designed by Francis Rattenbury, the luxiorious hotel has played host to wealthy guests from British royalty to Hollywood A listers. This beautiful hotel has a storied past and rumors are that those stories haunt the halls as does the original designer Francis Rattenbury. Enjoy a stop at the hotel for photos and exploration before heading back to Vancouver.

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#### Wednesday July 1st - Final Day in Vancouver

After two days exploring BC, it is time to spend a final day in Vancouver. Today we will visit one of Vancouvers most iconic sights and spend some time freely exploring the city and checking out any last minute must sees.

#### **Capilano Suspension Bridge:**

Immerse yourself in nature's splendor moments from downtown Vancouver. History meets the great outdoors at the Capilano Suspension Bridge Park, where you'll wander through the stunning temperate rainforest. Soar over the Capilano River as you cross the suspension bridge, climb through old growth fir trees on the Treetops Adventure, and rise high above the canyon along a towering wall of granite on the new Cliffwalk.



After we visit the bridge the rest of the day is yours to explore. We'll have a final group dinner close to our hotel to wrap up the adventure and then prepare for early morning flights.

#### Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Depart Vancouver

#### Transfer to Airport From Hotel

Airport Bus Transfer Included in tour price

#### **Group Airline Schedule**

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Delta Flight YVR – CVG
Thursday July 2, 2020

Depart 9:00 am

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Arrive 8:29 pm (same day)

Travel time 8 hrs 29 min

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#### **Pricing:**

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Land/Tour Price Per Person for Double Occupancy \$1,219.00

Land/Tour Single Occupancy
Details Pending (currently, \$1,943

Airfare ESTIMATE