



Discover Vancouver Island



Location

Set at the heart of Vancouver Island’s natural wild-west playground, Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge is named for Clayoquot Sound, a vast, 62-mile (100km) wide inlet of the Pacific Ocean. The sound is made up of a series of remote inlets, private bays and small islands surrounded by pristine, old-growth conifer forest. An ancient landscape carved by the ocean, the west coast of Vancouver Island is richly biodiverse and plays host to thousands of species of flora and fauna. Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge is set at the doorstep of this precious wilderness and is rewarded with direct and exclusive access to one of nature’s great amphitheatres.

Getting there

The easiest and quickest way to travel to Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge is to fly to Vancouver, British Columbia and connect with a scenic 45-minute seaplane flight directly to the resort dock on Clayoquot Sound. Boat and helicopter transfers are also available.

Vancouver Island Seasons

The temperate rainforests that dominate the landscape and ecosystem at Clayoquot Sound also drive the weather systems. While the region generally receives good rains that sustain its forests, in summertime the conditions are warm and quite dry, ideal for marine sports and outdoor activities, making summer and shoulder months an ideal time to visit.

Season	Average daytime temp	Average overnight temp
Summer (June–August)	15-19°C (59-66°F)	11-13°C (52-55°F)
Fall (September–November)	13-17°C (55-62°F)	6-10°C (43-50°F)
Winter (December–February)	5-8°C (41-46°F)	2-4°C (36-39°F)
Spring (March–May)	9-14°C (48-57°F)	5-10°C (41-50°F)

What to bring

Reflecting the adventurous nature of the Pacific Northwest wilderness, dress is relaxed at Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge. Solid walking shoes, comfortable clothes, layers for warmth, and a rain jacket are recommended. A hat and sunscreen are every day essentials.

Experiences

Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge sits in the UNESCO-designated Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Reserve and offers a tailor-made itinerary of extraordinary nature-based adventures. Guests have direct access to 600-acres of gloriously wild nature reserve where opportunities for adventure, education, natural enrichment and personal connection abound.

Discover the pristine seascape surrounding Clayoquot Sound and the Bedwell River. On-water exploration includes a **Zodiac boat excursion** and **canyoning** down a glacier-fed waterfall channel. Guests can test their skills in **rock climbing** or set their sights in a game of **archery**. Guided **hiking** opportunities are plentiful and a wonderful way to take in the landscape and there’s **horseback riding** too. Signature experiences are offered on an intimate shared basis with fellow guests at scheduled times.

An **aerial adventure** exploring the vast, remote wilderness by helicopter makes a stay at Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge truly unforgettable and **private touring** is also available (additional charges apply). Enquire with the Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge team for bookings and further information.

Signature experiences

- » Aquatic Adventures
- » Hiking
- » Private Touring

Optional experiences

- » Private Touring

Bespoke heli experiences

- » Scenic Tours
- » Half Day Experiences



Signature experiences

Experience Vancouver Island's must-see sights on the lodge's signature tours. These excursions are included in the tariff and are provided on an intimate shared basis with fellow guests at scheduled times.

Aquatic Adventures

Clayoquot Sound is a wonderful playground for marine activities where guests can explore the changing intertidal waterways and try their hand at a range of paddling adventures, from canoes and kayaks to stand up paddle boards.



Canyoning

Kit up with a wetsuit and safety gear and hop on an e-bike to reach the mouth of the canyon, crossing rivers and climbing hills along the way. Feel the power of the whitewater and paddle, swim and scramble up the glacial-fed Bedwell River. Action packed from start to finish, this adventure is not for the faint of heart.

Operation is determined by water levels.

Tariff
Included

Duration
3-4 hours



Sights of the Sound

Search for Clayoquot Sound's most elusive species on a marine-based safari. Cruise the coastlines to sight black bears foraging on the shore, venture into open seas to spot whales, porpoises, seals and sea lions and up in the sky, catch a glimpse of resident Bald Eagles. Ideal for wildlife enthusiasts seeking an unfiltered connection to the wild.

Tariff
Included

Duration
4-5 hours

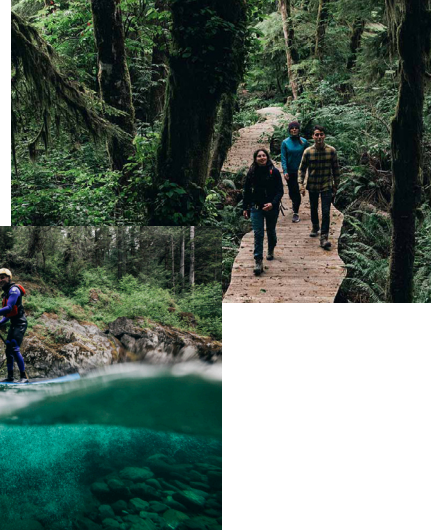


Glacial Immersion

Practice mindfulness and stillness in a cold-water immersion in the pristine Bedwell River, flowing through different modalities to realign the spirit, mind and body connection. Experience the many potential benefits linked to this practice, including an energy boost, improved sleep, nervous system regulation and a strengthened immune response.

Tariff
Included

Duration
2 hours





Watersports

Embark on a paddle powered adventure through the changing intertidal waterways that frame the vibrant landscapes and rich wildlife habitats of the upper Bedwell Sound. The lodge offers a fleet of canoes, kayaks and stand-up paddle boards perfect for the first timer or seasoned professional.

Tariff
Included

Duration
3 hours

Hiking

World-class hiking opportunities are plentiful at Clayoquot. A variety of trails catering to all ages and skill levels vary in duration from two to six hours and cover a diverse range of terrain.



Ursus Valley Hike

Encounter 400-year-old giants while hiking among old growth forest, untouched valleys and crystal-clear streams. This full day hike covers a significant distance (12km return) over dense and at times uneven terrain. Dial up the adventure with an optional pickup by helicopter (additional charges apply).

Tariff
Included

Duration
4-6 hours

Level
Intermediate/Advanced



River Trail Hike

Stride out from the Outpost on the Lower River Trail, walking through lush rainforest along cedar boardwalks. On return, take the easy-grade Salmon Spawning Trail and learn about the team's ongoing salmon habitat restoration projects. A wonderful option for beginners or families with children, this hike may be enjoyed with a guide or self-guided.

Tariff
Included

Duration
1-2 hours

Level
Beginner



Penny Falls Trail Hike

Beginning with an e-bike ride up the valley, the trail follows the contours of Penny Creek passing scenic lookouts, a historic gold mine, swimming holes and a waterfall. The trail features steep and rocky sections requiring rope assistance and walkers are rewarded with spectacular views and a refreshing dip in the crystal-clear pools at the top.

Tariff
Included

Duration
3-4 hours

Level
Intermediate/Advanced



Bedwell Falls E-Bike & Hike

Combining a hike with an e-bike adventure, the trail soon goes off-road before coming to a suspension bridge hanging high above the Bedwell River. Navigate down to Bedwell Falls to enjoy the view or perhaps a refreshing swim. Featuring steep, stony inclines, slippery rocks and narrow pathways, this experience is a good challenge for active explorers.

Tariff
Included

Duration
3-4 hours

Level
Intermediate



Signature experiences on a private basis

Signature adventures may be undertaken on a private basis, ensuring an experience of Clayoquot Sound in the exclusive company of immediate fellow travellers. Bookings are subject to availability and required in advance.

Duration	Tariff for 1-4 guests
Half day	CAD\$500
Full day	CAD\$1,000

How to book
Please call +1 250 266 0397 from 9am-5pm (PST) daily or email the Clayoquot team.

Optional experiences

For guests wishing to explore more or pursue a special interest, a range of optional experiences offers inspiration. These activities are included in the tariff and offered on a shared basis with fellow guests.

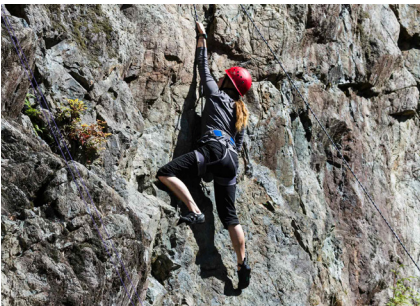


Archery

Learn the fundamentals of archery including how to shoot a recurve bow using instinctive techniques. Hone your skills at the practice range then set your sights and steady your nerve for the final test on the faux 'hunting trail'.

Tariff
Included
(on a request basis)

Duration
2 hours



Rock Climbing

Clayoquot's dedicated rock-climbing wall is integrated into an expansive natural rockface. The climbing experience boasts seven climber ropes with multiple routes promising a rewarding and spectacular view for anyone daring to make the ascent.

Tariff
Included
(on a request basis)

Duration
2-3 hours



West Coast Fishing

Relax and enjoy the west coast of Vancouver Island aboard a specialised fishing boat. Benefit from the knowledge of a local captain and discover what variety of fish might be biting below. Each fishing experience is tailored according to the tides and time of year.

Tariff
Included
(on a request basis)

Duration
4 hours



Horseback Riding

Don cowboy boots and saddle up to learn the basics of 'western riding' guided by the lodge's equine team. Experience the lush and diverse landscape on horseback, from river valley meadows, old-growth forest and Jurassic fern gardens to glacial river crossings.

Horseback riding is available for guests twelve years and over. Younger guests are able to meet the herd and get to know them by name.

Tariff
Included
(on a request basis)

Duration
3 hours

Optional experiences on a private basis

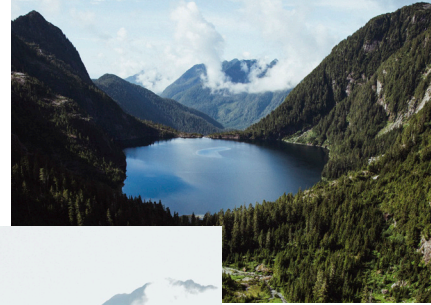
Many travellers value the option of private touring, ensuring an exclusive experience of Clayoquot Sound with family and friends. Optional experiences may be undertaken with a personal adventure guide. Bookings are subject to availability and required in advance.

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Half day	CAD\$500
Full day	CAD\$1,000



Bespoke heli experiences



Bespoke heli experience rates valid 1 June 2024 to 22 September 2024

All rates quoted in Canadian Dollars; additional charges and taxes not included.

To make a stay truly unforgettable, Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge offers a menu of bespoke helicopter experiences designed to suit every interest and occasion. From sipping sparkling wine atop a mountain to capturing a bird's eye view of a glacier or reaching remote, secret fishing spots accessible only by helicopter, there's plenty of exhilarating options to get airborne.

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Scenic Tours

From valley low to mountain high, gain a new perspective and discover the remote beauty of Vancouver Island with an unforgettable aerial tour.

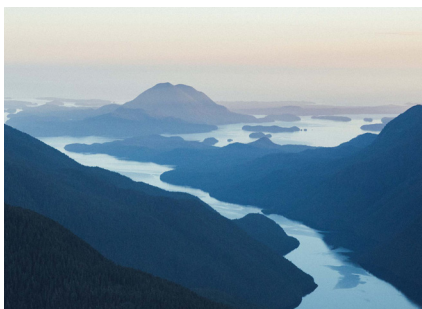


Ursus Return

Combine a popular wilderness hike through the Ursus Valley with an unforgettable heli adventure. Swap the walking shoes for wings and hop in a heli for a scenic tour of the Mount Mariner Glacier, flying high above the mountains before skimming down over the Bedwell River to land at the lodge.

Tariff

CAD\$500 per person

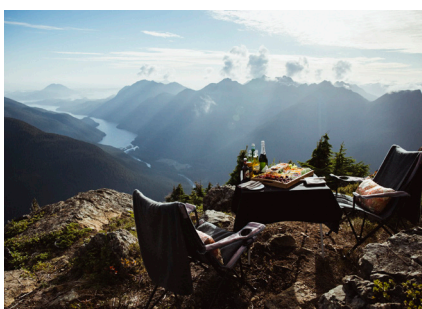


Sunset Scenic

Discover the remote beauty of Vancouver Island with a sunset aerial tour of the Bedwell River Valley and the surrounding alpine mountains. Soar over the Mount Mariner Glacier (which feeds the lodge's own Bedwell River) and gain a unique perspective of Vancouver Island's stunning natural formations.

Tariff

CAD\$500 per person



Sip to Sky

Lift off from the Outpost for a 'sea to sky' scenic flight before landing on-top of Ursus Mountain. Enjoy signature drinks and charcuterie and take in the breathtaking views of Clayoquot Sound and Strathcona Provincial Park - all at 4,000 ft above sea level. Perfect for all special occasions.

Tariff

CAD\$800 per person



Half Day Experiences

Gather your loved ones and set out on the dream of a lifetime – an exclusive, unforgettable aerial experience at the world's edge.



Heli Hiking

Explore the transformative landscapes of Vancouver Island on foot at a higher altitude and gain a new-found appreciation for the richness of the forests and rocky coastlines. Enjoy lunch alfresco with unparalleled 360° views and connect deeply with the natural beauty of Clayoquot Sound.

Tariff

1-3 guests CAD\$1,800
4-6 guests CAD\$3,200
7-10 guests CAD\$4,800



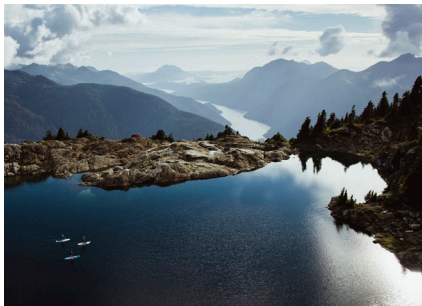
Heli Fishing

Experience an unforgettable fishing adventure touring some of the world's most remote rivers and lakes in the company of a professional fly-fishing guide. Fiercely guarded and only accessible by helicopter, Clayoquot Sound's secret fishing spots offer keen anglers exclusive access to prime fishing locations.

Limited availability, reservation in advanced required.

Tariff

1-3 guests CAD\$2,800



Ultimate Heli - Sea to Sky

Be whisked away for an incredible day out high above Clayoquot Sound and tailor a personalised heli getaway to suit a couple, family, or everyone. Choose your own adventure to reach inaccessible lakes, streams and forests deep in the wilderness to hike, swim and picnic among the clouds.

Tariff

1-4 guests CAD\$4,000
5-8 guests CAD\$7,000

There's more to explore

There are endless possibilities for exploring Clayoquot Sound. The Clayoquot team can choreograph a personalised itinerary tailored to guest preferences, featuring experiences from this guide and beyond. Ascend a majestic 250-year-old Sitka spruce, enjoy yoga atop a mountain or explore the rainforest on two wheels. Please call +1 250 266 0397 from 9am-5pm (PST) daily or email reserve@clayoquotwildernesslodge.com to contact the team.

Terms & Conditions

Helicopter tours are operated by Atleo River Air Service Ltd and additional charges apply. For cancellations within 24 hours of the booking date, a 100% cancellation fee applies. Heli operation is subject to weather conditions. *V1 / July 2024*