



MILE ZERO TOURS

Victoria, BC

SOUTHERN BC FEATURING THE FABULOUS KOOTENAYS 10 DAYS: MAY 13 - 22, 2024

SAVE \$250
early booking
First 10 seats only!

\$4299 per person
Includes all taxes and fees
Single Add: \$950
Triple Deduct: \$200

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- ✓ Pick up at your door (Greater Victoria / Greater Vancouver)
- ✓ 9 nights hotel accommodations
- ✓ 16 meals
- ✓ Transport on deluxe charter vehicle
- ✓ NK'Mip Desert Cultural Centre
- ✓ Winery Tours and Tastings
- ✓ Touchstones Nelson Museum of Art and History
- ✓ City Tour Nelson
- ✓ SS Moyie Sternwheeler National Historic Site
- ✓ Ainsworth Hot Springs
- ✓ Kootenay Lake Ferry
- ✓ City Tour Cranbrook

- ✓ Canadian History Centre
- ✓ Revelstoke Railway Museum
- ✓ Revelstoke Dam
- ✓ Last Spike
- ✓ Summerland Ornamental Gardens
- ✓ Luggage Handling at hotels
- ✓ All mandatory fees and taxes
- ✓ Gratuities on included meals
- ✓ Service of professional Tour Director
- ✓ Gratuities for Tour Director & Driver

HOTELS:

Day 1 Spirit Ridge Resort

Osoyoos

Day 2-3 Prestige Lakeside Resort

Nelson

Day 4 Ainsworth Hot Springs

Ainsworth

Day 5 Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort

Cranbrook

Day 6 -7 Coast Hillcrest

Revelstoke

Day 8 -9 Summerland Waterfront Resort

Summerland

Complimentary home pickup/return - Travel that starts at your door!

DAY 1: MONDAY MAY 13, 2024 — HOME TO OSOYOOS

This morning, set sail from Victoria with BC Ferries, embarking on a journey to the mainland. From there, we'll traverse the scenic Fraser Valley towards Hope, before journeying along the picturesque Crowsnest Highway, which winds through the stunning landscapes of Southern British Columbia. Our day concludes in the delightful town of Osoyoos, an oasis nestled amidst Canada's only living desert. Check into your hotel, beautifully ensconced among lush vineyards, and spend the evening unwinding. Join your Tour Director and fellow travelers for a relaxed and enjoyable welcome dinner. **Today's dinner is included**



DAY 2: TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 — OSOYOOS TO NELSON

Following breakfast, immerse yourself in the rich cultural tapestry of the region with a visit to the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre. Here, an enthusiastic guide will share insights into the local ecology, as well as the fascinating history and legends of the First Nations. As we journey towards Nelson, the Queen City of the Kootenays, we'll pause in Grand Forks. This historic town, established in 1870 by seven pioneers on a 9-acre plot, is ripe with captivating stories. Discover the intriguing origins behind its slogan, "famous for sunshine and borscht," which promises both warmth and culinary

delight. After lunch, we'll continue to our lakeside hotel, where you can relax and soak in the serene beauty of the Kootenays. The day culminates with a celebratory dinner, marking our arrival in this enchanting region.

Today's breakfast and dinner are included

DAY 3: WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2024 — NELSON

Enjoy a relaxed breakfast before embarking on a picturesque journey aboard the historic Streetcar #23, gliding along Nelson's scenic waterfront. Next, delve into the artistic and historical treasures at the Touchstones Nelson Museum of Art and History, where captivating art and local history come alive. Your exploration continues with a guided tour of Nelson, a town celebrated for its unique blend of Victorian-era architecture and rich heritage sites. As evening falls, the town is yours to discover at your leisure. Wander through its charming streets, and you might find yourself echoing the New York Times' praise of Nelson as "the prettiest small town in Canada."

Today's breakfast is included

DAY 4: THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024 - NELSON — AINSWORTH

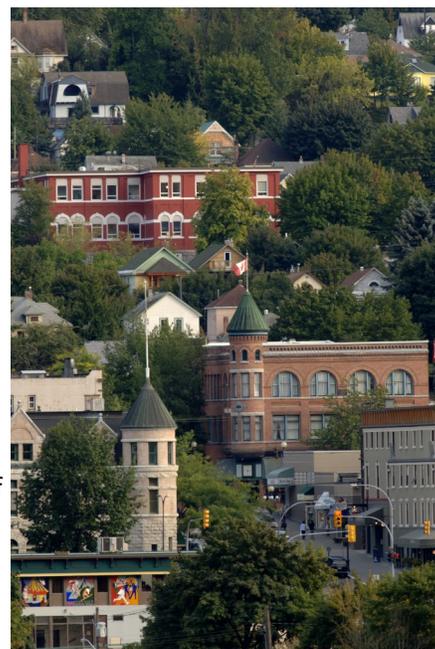
This morning, set off for Kaslo, affectionately known as "the little Switzerland of Canada." Nestled on the shores of Lake Kootenay, Kaslo is one of British Columbia's most picturesque villages. Here, you'll discover the SS Moyie, the world's oldest intact passenger sternwheeler, offering a fascinating glimpse into maritime history with an engaging tour of the ship. Later, journey to the quaint village of Ainsworth, the oldest settlement on Kootenay Lake, established in May 1883. Here, indulge in the therapeutic embrace of hot, mineral-rich waters at the renowned hot springs. Choose from a variety of pools, each naturally heated to different temperatures, for a soothing and rejuvenating experience. Ainsworth is celebrated for its unique, horseshoe-shaped underground caves, a legacy of past mining endeavors. These formations create a remarkable setting for your hot springs experience, allowing you to soak amidst stalactites in a truly unique environment.

Today's breakfast and dinner are included

DAY 5: FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024 — AINSWORTH TO CRANBROOK

This morning, embark on a picturesque ferry journey across Kootenay Lake, heading towards Cranbrook, the largest city in the Kootenay region. En route, we'll make a stop at the idyllic Twin Bays, a rare sand beach nestled in a tranquil community on the eastern shore of Kootenay Lake. Take a moment to stretch your legs on the soft sand and be ready to capture the breathtaking panoramic views with your camera. Upon arrival in Cranbrook, visit the Royal Alexandra Hall, a gem within the Canadian Museum of Rail Travel. Renowned for its elegance, it stands as one of the most sophisticated public venues in southeastern British Columbia. Then, experience Cranbrook through the eyes of a local with an engaging city tour. Breathe in the fresh Rocky Mountain air as you explore this charming city, beautifully situated with the Purcell Mountains to the west and the majestic Rockies to the north and east.

Today's breakfast and dinner are included



DAY 6: SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024 — CRANBROOK TO REVELSTOKE

After breakfast, we set off for Revelstoke, a unique destination nestled within one of the world's rarest rainforests and famed as the site of North America's first ski-jump. As we traverse the highway, you're presented with a visual feast: whether you gaze downwards, upwards, or to the sides, spectacular views unfold in every direction, becoming increasingly breathtaking as we journey through the Rocky Mountain Trench. Embrace a sense of adventure by stepping onto the Kicking Horse Pedestrian Bridge, Canada's longest freestanding timber frame bridge. As we continue our journey, we'll pass through the awe-inspiring Rogers Pass, flanked by majestic mountains, and ascend to the Trans-Canada Highway's second-highest point at 1,330 meters. As we approach Revelstoke, keep an eye out for the iconic peak of Mount Begbie, a landmark amidst the heart of British Columbia's Monashee Mountains. Upon arrival, take some time to refresh and unwind before enjoying a delightful dinner with your fellow travelers. **Today's breakfast and dinner are included**

DAY 7: SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024 — REVELSTOKE

Get ready for an exhilarating day full of discoveries, starting at the Revelstoke Railway Museum. Here, delve into the captivating history of the Canadian Pacific Railway, a monumental project that traversed the rugged mountains of Western Canada and played a pivotal role in uniting the young Dominion of Canada. Next on our itinerary is the impressive Revelstoke Dam, a marvel of engineering that stands as one of the most powerful hydroelectric dams on the Columbia River. After marveling at this feat of human ingenuity, we'll take a short drive to the Three Valley Gap Heritage Ghost Town, located at the eastern end of Three Valley Lake. Step back into the late 1800s, a time when gold fever lured thousands to this region, and explore meticulously restored historic buildings that bring the past to life. As the day progresses, indulge in a taste of local craftsmanship with a sampling of some of the finest craft beers and spirits from award-winning breweries and distilleries in the area. Revel in the breathtaking mountain terrain, renowned for boasting the most vertical in North America at an astonishing 5,620 feet. **Today's breakfast is included**

DAY 8: MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024 — REVELSTOKE TO SUMMERLAND

Leaving Revelstoke behind, we set off towards the renowned wine regions, ready for a delightful tasting experience. En route, we'll take a moment to pause at a significant historical site - Craigellachie. This is where, in 1885, the ceremonial last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven, marking a pivotal moment in Canadian history. This event symbolized the end of a challenging journey plagued by natural disasters, financial crises, and rebellion, and it played a crucial role in uniting Canada from coast to coast with its first transcontinental railway. Our journey then leads us to Summerland, which will be our charming base for the next two nights. Upon arrival, enjoy a leisurely evening at the hotel. Unwind by the pool with a selection of fine wines and cocktails, or perhaps take a serene stroll along the lakefront boardwalk after dinner.

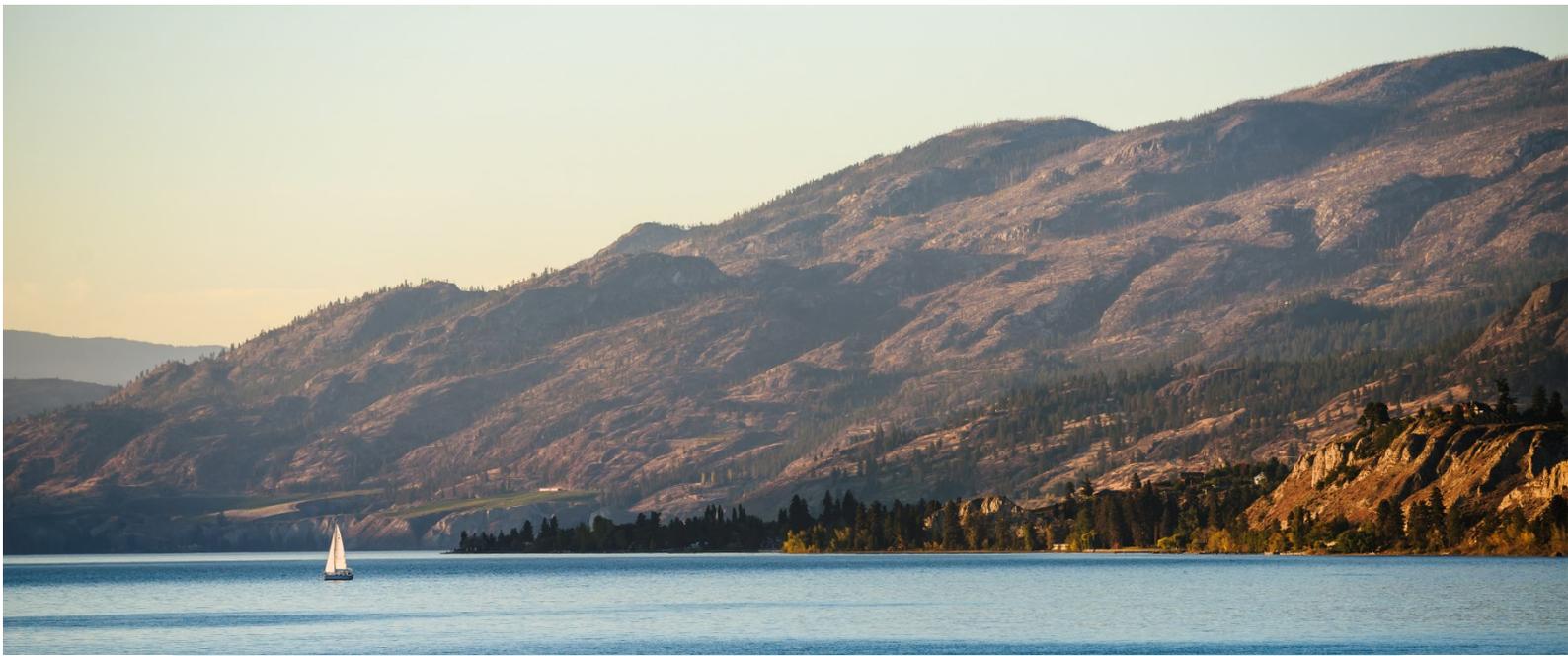
Today's breakfast and lunch are included

DAY 9 — TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024 — SUMMERLAND

This morning, immerse yourself in the tranquil beauty of the historic Summerland Ornamental Gardens. A knowledgeable guide will lead us through these stunning grounds, sharing insights into the gardens' preservation and sustainable practices that maintain their splendor. After lunch, embark on a delightful journey through the local vineyards of Summerland. This is an opportunity to sip and savor the exquisite wines of the region, with the chance to purchase bottles that encapsulate the area's rich history. Experience the enchanting aromas and flavors that are a hallmark of Summerland's orchards. After a day indulging in the local delights, return to your hotel, euphorically on 'cloud wine', ready for an evening filled with cheerful dining and spirited conversations. Reflect on the wonders of the Kootenays, sharing stories and experiences from your journey in this fabulous region. **Today's breakfast and dinner are included**

DAY 10 — WEDNESDAY MAY 22, 2024 — SUMMERLAND TO HOME

After a delightful breakfast, step aboard your spacious motor coach, now filled with a treasure trove of unforgettable moments and cherished experiences. As your journey comes full circle, take a moment to reflect. This tour signifies not just the conclusion of a wonderful adventure but also serves as an invitation to many more in the future. **Today's breakfast is included**



Tour Policies:

Early Booking: A \$250 early booking discount is offered off the first 10 seats booked and \$100 is offered off the next 10 until Feb 12, 2024.

Deposit and Payment: A \$400 deposit per person is required at booking or booking may be cancelled. Full payment is required by Mar 11, 2024

Price Changes: In the event of significant changes in taxes or surcharges by suppliers or local government Mile Zero Tours reserves the right to increase price up until final payment is made.

Cancellation Policy: Full refund less \$50 per person admin fee if cancelled before February 12, 2024, from February 12-March 11, 2024 non-refundable amount increases to \$150. After March 11, 2024 only 35% is refundable and after April 13, 2024 only 15% is refundable. There are no refunds offered after April 29, 2024. We strongly recommend purchasing trip cancellation insurance as Mile Zero Tours cannot issue refunds, no matter the reason, beyond the scope of the above-mentioned policy.

Terms of Travel: Please also review our Terms of Travel before booking.

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