



Community Profile

LADYSMITH BRITISH COLUMBIA

www.ladysmith.ca

the Region:

Vancouver Island

The Island with Everything

Just off the coast of mainland British Columbia and a ferry-ride from Vancouver lies Vancouver Island, known for its mild climate and scenic beauty. Marine parks with abundant sealife, alpine lakes and top notch mountain ski resorts offer visitors endless recreational opportunities combined with safe and peaceful community living.

Location: off southern BC mainland

Outdoor Sports: Boating • Canoeing • Cross-Country Skiing • Cycling • Diving • Fishing • Fly Fishing • Golfing • Hiking • Horesback Riding • Kayaking • Mountain Biking • Roller-blading • Skating • Skiing • Snowboarding • Whale Watching • White Water Rafting

Recreation for students:

• Aboriginal Heritage • Art Galleries • Coffee shops • Festivals • Libraries • Music concerts • Movies • Museums • Parks • Restaurants (formal and fast food) • Ski Resorts • Shopping malls & centres • Sports • Theatre • Youth recreational centres

Why Vancouver Island?

- Beautiful region - mountains and ocean views
- Excellent recreation - skiing/ snowboarding, wildlife viewing etc.
- No where does climate allow you to you to ski and kayak in the same day!

COMMUNITIES IN THIS REGION:

- Victoria
- Comox / Courtenay
- Ladysmith / Nanaimo
- Parksville / Qualicum Beach
- Saanich / Sooke

www.vancouverisland.travel

Small Town

"Heritage by the Sea"

Located in the beautiful Cowichan Valley on Vancouver Island, the Town of Ladysmith features all of the warmth and charm of small town living with a full range of services and amenities. Ladysmith offers world-class outdoor recreational opportunities; a renowned trail system through picturesque forests; first-class shopping and dining in the historic downtown area; and fun-filled waterfront activities at pristine Transfer Beach. Above all, Ladysmith is known for its abundance of community spirit and the opportunity to try anything: swim, play, shop, eat, stroll, hike, bike, kayak or sail.

- Located in the Cowichan Valley, on the eastern shore of Vancouver Island
- Population: approx. 7500
- 88 km north of Victoria and 23 km south of Nanaimo

Notable features:

- In 2000, Ladysmith was named one of the 10 prettiest towns in Canada by Harrowsmith Country Life Magazine
- Mediterranean-like climate features mild winters and warm summers
- Turn-of-the-century architecture, a rich history as well as delightful festivals and special events
- Has a harbour so rich in shellfish it supports three oyster companies
- Shares a school board with Nanaimo, so students may be placed in either community

Main Attractions:

- Holland Creek Trail & Ladysmith trail system: www.ladysmith.ca/parks_rec.php
- Festival of Lights: www.ladysmithfol.com
- Ladysmith Harbour (kayaking): www.sealegskayaking.com
- Outdoor amphitheatre
- Frank Jameson Community Centre
- Artisan studios
- Fisherman's Wharf: www.ladysmithfishermanswharf.com

Libraries: 1 branch of the Vancouver Island Regional Library

Shopping Malls: Coronation Mall

Movie Theatres: closest theatres are located in Nanaimo

Public Transit: Taxi service only

Transit to school may include: Walking

Average Temperatures: [° c]

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High	6	8	11	13	17	21	24	24	21	14	9	6
Low	-2	-1	1	3	6	9	11	11	8	4	1	-1