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COMOX & COURTENAY

BRITISH COLUMBIA > VANCOUVER ISLAND

- www.comox.ca // www.courtenay.ca
- Located on Vancouver Island
- 225 km (2.5 hours driving) north from Victoria
- Population: Comox: 13,630
Courtenay: 24,100

Small Town

FROM ALPINE TO OCEAN

The sister towns of Comox and Courtenay lie in Comox Valley - the centre of a rich agricultural area on Vancouver Island. The adjacent ski slopes of Mount Washington Alpine Resort make it a popular winter sports centre. The Comox Recreation Commission offers 130+ different recreational programs each quarter featuring arts programs, sports, recreation and culture. The area is also home to Vancouver Island's largest provincial park and one of its largest mountain bike trail systems. Warm dry summers and mild winters make this a highly desirable destination for students.

Notable features:

- Friendly village lifestyle and great Canadian immersion for international students
- Public transit joins both communities for recreation and entertainment
- Downhill skiing/snowboarding located nearby at Mt. Washington
- Vancouver is accessible by Ferry (Comox to Powell River)
- Both communities combine culture, sports, education, breathtaking scenery and outdoor recreation
- Day trip options include Tofino, famous for surfing and whale watching

Main Attractions:

- Mount Washington Alpine Resort: www.mountwashington.ca
- Forbidden Plateau/Comox Lake: <http://islandmountainrides.com>
- Comox Glacier
- Courtenay Museum and Palaeontology Centre: www.courtenaymuseum.ca
- Courtenay Youth Music Centre: www.cymc.ca
- Crown Isle Golf Course: www.crownisle.com
- Strathcona Provincial Park: www.vancouverisland.com/parks
- Comox Valley Sports Centre: www.rdc.bc.ca

Libraries: 2 public libraries (one in each town)

Shopping Malls: 3 shopping centres (Driftwood Mall, Washington Park (Courtenay) + Comox Mall (Comox), including clothing and music stores and fast food eateries)

Movie Theatres: 2 Multiplex in Courtenay

High Schools: 1 Public High School in Comox, 2 in Courtenay (some students living in Comox attend Courtenay schools)

Public Transit: Public bus system servicing all Comox Valley. Direct Sea Ferry [1 h 15 min] from Comox to Powell River which is famous for SCUBA diving. Vancouver is a further 130 km by bus.

Transit to school may include: Public bus / School bus / Walking

Average Temperatures: [° C]

Ave	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
High	5	7	9	12	16	19	22	22	18	13	8	6
Low	-1	1	2	4	7	10	12	12	9	5	2	1

Discover: Vancouver Island



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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 western shore of mainland British Columbia

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, kayaking, wildlife viewing, whale-watching, surfing and more!
- No where does climate allow you to you to ski and kayak in the same day!
- Wide choice of communities - from urban centres to charming smaller towns



AMAZING SKIING-SNOWBOARDING
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OCEANSIDE - WHALE WATCHING, SURFING
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YEAR-ROUND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



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