



Notable features:

- Many residents work in nearby Victoria, establishing Sooke as a "bedroom community" of the capital. It is the westernmost of the Greater Victoria region's "Western Communities", situated to the north and west of the Sooke Basin.
- Main industry today is Scenic Tourism
- 3 large provincial parks are located in the Sooke basin
- One of the most mild climates in Canada
- Ideal placement for students who would enjoy hiking or mountain biking on local trails, or sea kayaking/sailing in the local waters

Main Attractions: (not including those in Victoria proper)

- Sooke Region Museum: www.sookeregionmuseum.com
- Galloping Goose Trail: www.gallopinggoosetrail.com
- Juan de Fuca Marine Trail: www.juandefucamarinetrail.com
- West Coast Trail: www.westcoasttrailbc.com
- Sooke Potholes Provincial Park: www.sookepotholes.com
- Sooke Fine Arts Festival: sookefinearts.com
- Several local parks including Whiffin Spit and Witty's Lagoon:

http://www.explorevancouverisland.com/whiffen_spit_park_sooke_vancouver_island_bc.htm

SOOKE

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- www.sooke.org
- Located at the southern tip of Vancouver Island
- Approx. 40 km (45 minutes) from Victoria
- Population: 11,435

Small Town

WHERE THE RAINFOREST MEETS THE SEA

Located a scenic half hour drive from BC's capital city of Victoria, Sooke has one of the most mild climate in Canada. Sooke offers something for everyone, appealing to interests such as music, drama, arts and crafts, photography, gardening and a wide variety of sports. It is also world famous for its marine ecology and ecotours, including whale-watching. Considered a bedroom community for Victoria, Sooke offers the best of both worlds - small town friendliness with urban amenities.

Libraries: 1 public library

Shopping Malls: closest shopping centres are located in Victoria proper (10+ shopping centres across the city)

Movie Theatres: closest theatres are located in Victoria proper (10+) or in Langford

High Schools: 3 Public High Schools

Public Transit: Public bus system servicing all Greater Victoria Area + BC Ferries to Mainland BC

Transit to school may include: Public transit / School Bus / Walking

Average Temperatures: [o c]





Discover: Vancouver Island



AMAZING SKIING-SNOWBOARDING

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OCEANSIDE - WHALE WATCHING, SURFING
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WILDLIFE VIEWING



ABORIGINAL HERITAGE

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VICTORIA: CAPITAL CITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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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 • Rollerblading • 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

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