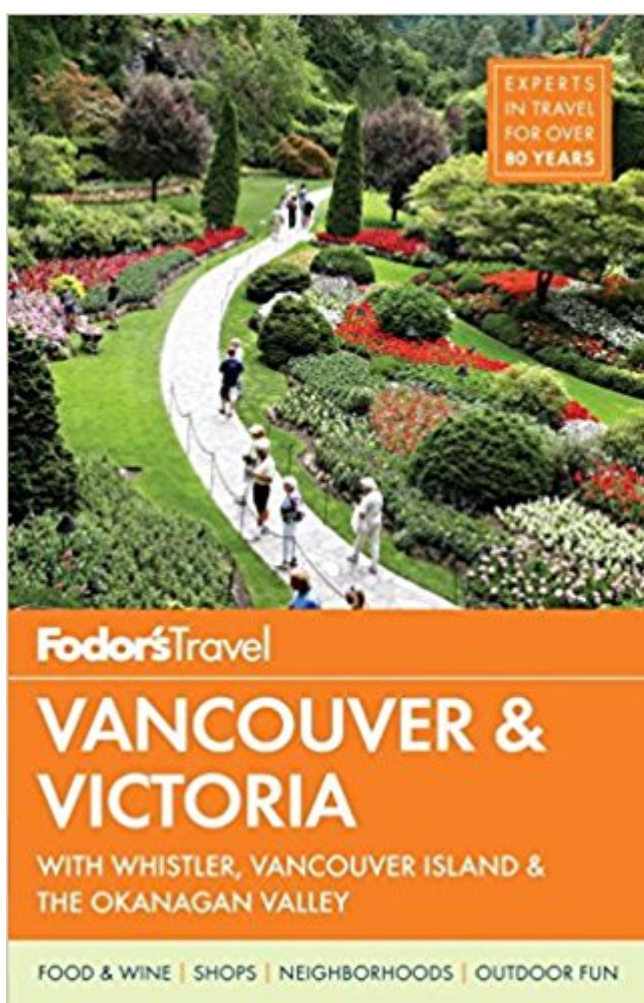


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Synopsis

Written by locals, Fodor's travel guides have been offering expert advice for all tastes and budgets for more than 80 years. Vancouver has a bit of everything, and it's all top-notch: fantastic food, excellent local wine, stylish shopping opportunities, boutique hotels, friendly people, world-class skiing in nearby Whistler (site of the 2010 winter Olympics), and gorgeous terrain for hiking, biking, boating, and beach-going. Fodor's Vancouver & Victoria is the guide to help you plan your time from the slopes to the surf and everything in between. This travel guide includes:

- Dozens of full-color maps
- Hundreds of hotel and restaurant recommendations, with Fodor's Choice designating our top picks
- Multiple itineraries to explore the top attractions and what's off the beaten path
- Coverage of Vancouver, Vancouver Island, Victoria, Whistler, and The Okanagan Valley

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I live in northern WA state about 13 miles from the Canadian border and a 45-minute drive from Vancouver. I've visited both Vancouver and Victoria a number of times, so I was curious to see what Fodor's guide would recommend. This is a good comprehensive guide -- not too detailed, but it hits most of the "must see" spots in both cities. The two cities are very different, and not just in terms of size. Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, always "feels" more British to me, a little more formal. Vancouver is more eclectic, more cosmopolitan. I like both, but I find myself drawn to Victoria more often. That said, if you are planning your first visit to either city, this is a good guide to start with. Everything seems to be current -- restaurants, major attractions, etc. -- and the recommendations for what time of year to explore the area is spot on. I'll be taking another trip to Victoria in a few weeks and plan to check out a few places I haven't yet explored. I always like finding new areas to visit -- and this couldn't have come at a better time. Good stuff, for sure.

Meh. Wouldn't recommend it unless you have weeks to spend in the area. Does a poor job of helping you prioritize and create a short itinerary and devotes more of the book to "not Vancouver" than it does to Vancouver. For my 3d short trip, this was a waste of space and weight in my luggage.

I love Fodor's books and use them extensively when I travel. However this book was bound with all of the type crooked and when I received it it was poorly packaged so all of the pages were bent at the corner. Unfortunately I did not return it in time.

Authentic and comprehensive travel guide. Reinforces my faith in Fodor's guides.

This is one of those travel books that expose you to an area that you have visited a number of times before but still are exposed to much more than you expected. I have visited Vancouver at least three times for a week or so at a time and when reading this book found a number of places I simply did

not know about. I found a number of tips about getting around town and surrounding areas I guess I missed and the best restaurants satisfy just about any number of tastes and price. There is a really good review of Stanley Park and the eating and viewing attractions in the downtown area are quite good. Not only is Vancouver and Victoria covered but also Whistler, Vancouver Island and the Okanagan Valley which should give just about any visitor more than enough to see and do. I know there are a lot of books about travel to this area available but for the price and smaller size this just about does it for me. I will go again but must take this book. For the traveler/explorer of the area I suggest this book without any doubt. It is not the ultimate travel guide for the area but for most it should do just fine.

Lately, most of the travel guides I've flipped through have taken a "here are 12 vineyards in each section of a map, and what kind of wine they produce" approach or, sometimes, a "here are 35 sites everyone knows everything about, so we'll just tell you how much they cost and where to park" approach. Fodor's Vancouver and Victoria is much better. It describes sites of interest--not just to wine aficionados or people who are already intimately familiar with the area in question, but to people who bike, people who walk, people who are interested in art, people who are interested in anthropology, people who have kids, etc. It has quite a few photos, although I would have appreciated more; it offers practical advice about costs and logistics; it even offers rumination about whether it's cool to carry an umbrella in the area or not. If the book had more photos, I'd probably give it five stars. As it is, it's still the best travel guide I've seen in a while, and I'd like to see more of this nature.

This travel guide is crammed full of information. I thought I would just skim it, but I keep reading deeper into the details, because it's interesting. I've learned quite a bit. I'm much more knowledgeable now about what I want and don't want in a hotel, for example, and there's lots of really helpful restaurant information. I like the fact that there is information on how far an area is from another one, which has made planning easier, knowing how far I am willing to travel in the amount of time I have available.

Makes me want to pick up at visit Canada's west coast. Book is full of helpful information including where to stay, eat, shop, and tons of things to do. Plus you will learn about the local vernacular and customs. Laid out in an easy to follow format, you will find clear and detailed maps and touring tips. Very nice travel guide. I highly recommend.

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