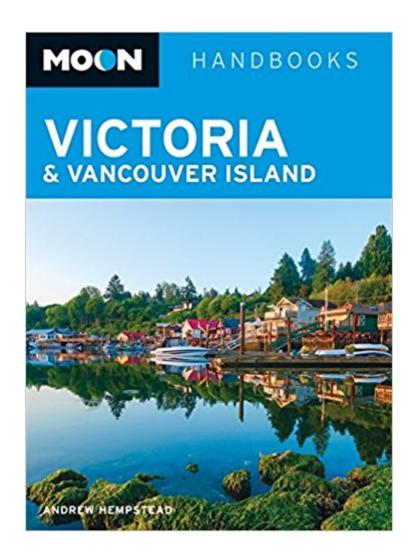


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# Moon Victoria & Vancouver Island (Moon Handbooks)





## Synopsis

See Your World Your Way with Moon Travel Guides! Stark mountains, lush rainforest, and a glittering city surrounded by the Pacific. Discover the rugged and the cosmopolitan with Moon Victoria & Vancouver Island. Strategic itineraries in an easy-to-navigate format, such as "The Best of Vancouver Island," "Family Camping Trip," and "First Nations Highlights" Curated advice from Canadian writer Andrew Hempstead, who shares the secrets of this beautiful island with youFull-color with vibrant, helpful photosDetailed maps and directions for exploring on your ownActivities and ideas for every traveler: complete one of the world's great coastal hikes, or try your hand at stand-up paddleboarding through protected fjords. Surf the rugged coast, or experience the thrill of hooking a giant salmon. Taste fresh seafood in downtown Victoria and admire the city's timeless architecture. Spend the day in the colorful Butchart Gardens, or learn about the region's natural history at the Royal BC MuseumIn-depth coverage of Victoria, Sidney, Southern Gulf Islands, Nanaimo, Port Alberni, Ucluelet, Pacific Rim National Park, Tofino, Oceanside, the Comox Valley, the Campbell River, Port McNeill, Port Hardy and the Far North, and moreBackground information on the landscape, culture, and neighborhood historyEssential insight on recreation, transportation, and accommodations, packaged in a book slim enough to fit in your daypackWith Moon Victoria & Vancouver Island's practical tips, myriad activities, and an insider's view on the best things to do and see, you can plan your trip your way. Expanding your trip? Try Moon British Columbia. Craving more of Canada's incredible wilderness? Check out Moon Banff National Park.

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Kayaking around Bowen Island, enjoying a powder day at Whistler Blackcomb, chowing down on pancakes at the Elbow Room, joining the mid-day crowd at Butchart Gardens, and surfing on the west coast - Andrew Hempstead has done all of this and more. He's out there not because it's part of compiling a guidebook, but because he loves Vancouver and Victoria. These diverse experiences, coupled with a deep respect for nature and an interest in local history, have been essential in his creation of Moon Victoria & Vancouver Island. Andrew spends as much time as possible out on the road, and rather than having an itinerary laid out for him by local tourism offices, he travels incognito so he can experience the many and varied delights of Vancouver and Victoria the same way his readers do. Since the early 1990s, Andrew has authored and updated over 60 guidebooks, contributed to dozens of major magazines, supplied content for online clients like Expedia and KLM, and been employed as a corporate writer for Parks Canada. His photography has appeared in a wide variety of media ranging from international golf magazines to a Ripley's Believe It or Not! Museum. Andrew has spoken on guidebook writing to national audiences, and he has contributed to a university-level travel writing textbook. Andrew and his wife Dianne own Summerthought Publishing, a regional publisher of nonfiction books. He and his family live in Banff, Alberta.

Over the past few years Moon has come to be my favorite publisher of travel guidebooks. In this brave new world of instant access to online reviews I mainly rely on guidebooks to answer that most basic of questions, "Do I want to go?" And Moon does a great job of giving you a feel for a place, what kinds of experiences you'll find, how well suited it is to your kind of travel, and what types of food and lodging are available. The Victoria & Vancouver Island Guide is no exception. With it's help I was able to decide "Yes, I want to visit" and where I want to spend my time on the island. My only suggestion - other than 'Buy this book' - is that if you already have Moon's British Columbia book you probably don't need this one as well.

This book seemed to do a good job touching briefly on sites to see in an area but I was hoping for more or better maps. It gives references on how to find something ("follow Hwy 19") without showing it in the map (there's no Hwy 19). Still, glad I had it with me.

Wonderful book with lots of useful information for both locations.

Very informative and useful during our trip.

love it

excellent guide.

I have used Moon guides for years. This one was updated in 2014. It's worth getting for planning and to take with you. I found the information very reliable.

This is a great book and I'm looking forward to using it on my vacation to British Columbia. I read it almost every day for planning.

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