



Victoria & Skagit Valley Tulips

*Discover the Enchanting Pacific Northwest
Featuring Charming Victoria, British Columbia*

APRIL 11-18, 2027

This extraordinary journey features the coastal treasures of Washington state's Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, breathtaking waterfront views from our hotel on Fidalgo Island, and three magical nights in Victoria, BC! Delight in the elegance of High Tea at the iconic Fairmont Empress and embark on a captivating cruise to witness majestic whales set against stunning landscapes.

DAY 1: WELCOME TO WASHINGTON!

Fly into Seattle and arrive in Fidalgo Island to unpack for a 3-night stay at Swinomish Lodge and Casino where your rooms include remarkable views of the Swinomish Channel, San Juan Islands, and Mount Baker. **D**

DAY 2: WHIDBEY ISLAND

Cross over then stroll under the Deception Pass Bridge to observe its iconic engineering from above and below. Ignite your curiosity at the Fort Casey Historical State Park and walk amongst the historic military batteries and 1903 lighthouse. The Cascades and Skagit River create fertile soil for prime vineyards, so enjoy a swirl, swish, and sip at a local vineyard before arriving at a regional eatery for dinner. **B, D**

DAY 3: SKAGIT VALLEY TULIP FESTIVAL

Attend the annual Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, a Washington State award-winning tradition featuring over a million blooming tulips. At RoozenGarde, a site with half a million hand planted tulips, a Washington State University Master Gardener details how their research influences sound agricultural practices. Enjoy a savory lunch before a visit to Tulip Town's windmill garden and art gallery along with a trolley ride for a closer encounter in the vibrant



tulip fields. Return to the hotel for an evening at leisure to relax or try your hand at lady luck in the casino. **B, L**

DAY 4: CANADA'S VANCOUVER ISLAND

Cross the border into Canada and board the BC Ferry boat to relax and soak in jaw dropping scenery as the ferry squeezes through the very scenic Active Pass.

Arrive at Vancouver Island, featuring waterfront scenery in spring color and abundant marine life. Experience an explosion of color at Canada's National Historic Site, Butchart Gardens, featuring 55 acres of meticulously kept gardens.

Unpack for a 3-night stay at the Delta

Ocean Pointe Resort with an upgraded accommodation featuring stunning views of Victoria's Inner Harbour and its picturesque island city which provides an escape from the hurried world. **B, D**



Travelers outside of Parliament

DAY 5: VICTORIA, BC

With a local expert, experience Victoria's combination of old-world history and new world cosmopolitan centers, including Fisherman's Wharf, Oak Bay Avenue, Old Town, behind the scenes in the Fairmont Empress and more. At the Fairmont Empress Hotel, a social centerpiece since 1908, indulge in the world-famous High Tea, a coveted meal served to royalty and celebrities for over a century. Later, explore the Inner-Harbour, with the sounds of buskers and enjoy dinner on your own at a local favorite. **B, L**

DAY 6: WHALE WATCHING CRUISE

The morning is free to relax at the hotel or plan to explore the area, perhaps a visit to the Royal BC Museum, shopping on Government Street or possibly join your Tour Director for a guided tour of The Parliament Building showcasing Neo-Baroque architecture and rich historical significance. This afternoon board the *Prince of Whales* boat with 360 degree panoramic views and a certified marine mammal expert narrating while cruising the Salish Sea through the Strait of Juan de Fuca's currents, known as one of the best places to view whales in the world! Have your camera ready to try and capture an Orca or Humpback fluke or breach while bald eagles soar overhead. **B, D**

DAY 7: OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK VISITOR CENTER

Board the MV *Coho* Ferry for a scenic journey to Port Angeles, WA offering views of the Olympic Peninsula from the Salish Sea. In Port Angeles, enjoy history of some of the acclaimed Art Murals including the "Sluicing the Hogback" and "MV Kalakala" murals. Step into Olympic National Park's Visitor Center to learn about the park from rangers and exhibits. In Poulsbo, WA, explore this unique Norwegian town and famous Sluy's Bakery known for their world-famous Poulsbo bread! Travel to Tacoma, WA, for a farewell dinner and overnight stay. **B, D**

DAY 8: FLIGHT HOME FROM SEATTLE **B** ☀



TOUR DETAILS

Apr 11-18, 2027

8 Days • 14 Meals

Price Per Person:

DB \$3,999, TP/QD \$3,649, SG \$4,739

Depart/Return:



St. Louis
Kansas City

Passport Required

HIGHLIGHTS

- Tulips as far as the eye can see at the acclaimed Skagit Valley Tulip Festival
- Whale watching cruise in the Salish Sea
- Guided tour of Victoria, BC
- Ample time to explore award-winning Butchart Gardens
- Iconic High Tea at the Fairmont Empress hotel in Victoria
- Breathtaking views on Ferry cruises to/from the Mainland
- Upgraded Deluxe Waterview Rooms at the Ocean Pointe Resort in Victoria, BC

ACCOMMODATIONS

Nights 1-3: Swinomish Lodge and Casino, Anacortes, WA

Nights 4-6: Delta Ocean Pointe Resort, Victoria, BC

Night 7: Country Inn and Suites, Tacoma, WA

// Butchart Gardens was the highlight of the tour! Visiting the Parliament Building was nice, and I enjoyed the High Tea at The Empress Hotel very much! //

—Maudie M.
2025 TRAVELER