

# Spirit Bear Over Vancouver



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**Day One** We fly to **Vancouver**, the host of the last Winter Olympics, and begin with a special tour of the city.

**Day Two** We head to the **Great Bear Rainforest** of British Columbia that is home to giant Grizzly Bears, coastal wolves, cougars, roaming pods of orcas and Humpback whales. It was first just a native American story, that white black bears roamed these distant boreal forests. Now you can be part of that experience as you venture to one of the most remote areas in North America, while staying in the true luxury. Only a few ever get to enter the realm of the **Spirit Bear**. We fly to northern BC today to ready ourselves for an unbearable good time.

**Day Three** We venture into the Rainforest today to find **Grizzly Bears grabbing salmon** out of streams that they swim up to spawn.

**Day Four** More bear viewing as we move to areas where the Spirit Bears are most often seen. We will be there alone as we hunt for the elusive white bear. We will also visit First Nation historical sites that are real and not designed for tourists.

**Day Five** We head to **Princess Royal Island** which is known as bear island for its concentration of Grizzly, black and especially spirit bears. Tonight we will visit a native Big House and learn local culture. We will also be looking for seals, elephant seals, **killer whales** and porpoises.

**Day Six** Today we are on the lookout for **wolves**, blacktail deer, fox and other wildlife as well as bears. The wolves here are a unique subspecies that actually swims miles between islands hunting for food. An educational evening program is also planned.

**Day Seven** We have one last morning **tour by boat** to explore additional historic and natural sites. We fly back to Vancouver this afternoon.

**Day Eight** We fly to **Yellowknife**, capital of the Northwest Territory today. Few people get to experience the true beauty and remote wilderness of the NWT. You will be one of the few, privileged to do so. We tour the city including the **Great Slave Lake**, second biggest in Canada and the deepest in North America.

**Day Nine** We travel to Fort Providence today and what a scenic wildlife oriented drive this is. We will tour the **Bison Management Area** where the largest pure blood wood Bison herd roam. These are large cousins of the prairie bison found in the US. Along the road, more chance to see bears as well as **moose**, lynx, sandhill cranes, fox and wolves.

**Day Ten** We travel in the morning to the Hayes River area which is also known as the Waterfall Highway area. We will visit **Twin Falls Gorge Territorial Park** to photograph two giant falls: Alexandria and the 114 foot high Louise Falls. More wildlife opportunities as we explore the park.

**Day Eleven** Fort Smith is our destination but it's the day in **Wood Bison National Park**, Canada's largest and a UNESCO site, that is the highlight. Large Bison herds, the **Whooping Crane breeding area**, wolves, bears, wolverines, lynx, moose, deer and hundreds of bird species make this one of the

great national parks of the world. Natural wonders like the untouched boreal forest or the extensive salt pan or one of the largest inland deltas in the world make this a one of a kind park.

**Day Twelve** We **explore the delta** looking for the large number of species and resident waterfowl. This is a day for watching the road because moose, bears and wolves are often seen not just by the road but on it.

**Day Thirteen** We arrive back in Yellowknife after passing thru more bison, bear and wolf territory and a few natural wonders.

**Day Fourteen** We fly home today having one of the best wildlife, scenic wonders and native American experiences possible in North America.

## By the Numbers...

- 2 Provinces of Canada
- 3 Types of Bears
- 1 UNESCO World Heritage Site
- 4 Wildlife Parks

## Your Tour Includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Chicago
- First class Hotel Accommodations
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- All Breakfasts , 5 Lunches & 10 Dinners
- Services of an Expert Guide
- Baggage Handling
- Roundtrip airport transfers
- All gratuities