# **Things to Do in Victoria**

## **Local Indoor Activities**

## 1. City Centre Park

- a. Bowling
- b. Indoor and Outdoor Ice Skating
- c. Mini Golf



## 2. Haunted Manor Mini-Golf + Ping Pong Lounge

a. Putt your way through an 18-hole course set in a haunted manor



#### 3. Royal BC Museum

- a. Founded in 1886 and has many exhibitions to explore
- b. The IMAX theatre is also located in the museum with daily and nightly showings.



#### 4. Board Game Cafés

- a. Two different board game cafes in Victoria
  - i. **Board With Friends**
  - ii. Interactivity Board Game Cafe
- b. Hundreds of different games to play



## 5. Victoria Royals Hockey Games

a. Games take place at Save-On-Foods Memorial Arena



## 6. Iron & Wood Golf Simulators

- a. Golf Simulators,
- b. Multisport Simulators: "Zombie Dodgeball," basketball, carnival games,hockey and many others



## 7. Miniature World

- a. Over 85 exciting miniature dioramas and displays. Rated in the Top 3 places to see in Victoria (2018).
- b. No reservations. First-come first-serve basis. Tickets can be purchased online.



## 8. Victoria Bug Zoo

a. Excellent opportunity to view and experience live tropical bugs from around the world. Has been open in Victoria since 1997.





## 9. Recreation Centres

- a. Swimming
- b. Gym
- c. Ice-skating
- d. Various programs

## **Various Locations**

- **Saanich Recreations Centers**
- Esquimalt Recreation Center
- Oak Bay Recreation Centers
- Victoria Recreation Centers
- **YMCA Centers**





## 10. Escape Rooms

a. Participants solve a series of puzzles and riddles to figure out how to escape from a locked adventure room.

https://www.victoriaescapegames.com/



## 11. Butterfly Gardens

a. Thousands of tropical butterflies (up to 70 species)



## **Local Outdoor Attractions**

## 1. Fort Rod Hill

- **a.** Free for youth under 18. \$6.90 per adult. Only open on weekends from 10AM-4PM.
- **b.** Great place to wander around the historic artillery fortress and see the Fisgard Lighthouse.



## 2. Hatley Castle

- a. Beautiful castle that was built in 1908. Used as a military college for many years. The movie Dead Pool had portions of their filming done at this location
- b. Great outdoor park to explore. Royal Roads University is located here as well.



## 3. Esquimalt Lagoon

a. Features miles of breathtaking ocean beachfront with a view across to the city of Victoria at one end and the amazing snowcapped peaks of the Olympic Mountains at the other.



## 4. Macaulay Point/Fleming Beach

a. A hidden gem of a park that even most locals don't know about. Beautiful views of the ocean and Olympic mountains, along with a great little beach (Fleming Beach) and some neat old military ramparts to wander through.





# **Local Day Trips**

## 1. Sidney, BC

- a. The picturesque town of Sidney by the Sea is situated within the traditional territory of the WSÁNEĆ People on the southern tip of Vancouver Island
- b. Walk along pier and see people fishing and crabbing. Be careful of seagulls who might steal your food!
- c. Visit the Shaw Centre for the Salish Sea
- d. Visit the Lego Exhibition at The Sidney Museum and Archives 2423 Beacon Ave.





## 2. Goldstream Provincial Park

- a. Hotdog/marshmallow roast (would need to be with host family) they have 4 or so fire pits and picnic tables. These are at the day use area.
- b. Camping (would need to be with host family)
- c. Hiking
- d. Waterfalls





## 3. Local Walks/Hiking

- a. Songhees West Song Walkway
- b. Rockland Walk
- c. Dallas Road
- d. Fisherman's Wharf
- e. Ogden Point Breakwater
- f. Gorge Waterway
- g. Cattle Point
- h. Mt Tolmie
- i. Mt Douglas
- j. Swan Lake



## 4. Malahat Skywalk

- a. Accessible 600m walk through the trees to a spectacular spiral ramp that takes you up to a sightseeing lookout
- b. For more information and fee schedule: <a href="https://malahatskywalk.com/">https://malahatskywalk.com/</a>



## 5. Blenkinsop Golf

- a. Mini Golf open seasonally check hours before you go
- b. Driving Range