

# Stanley Park

- Information Booth
- Pay Parking
- First Aid Station (seasonal)
- Washroom\*
- Universal Access Washroom\*
- Water Drinking Fountain
- Gift Shop
- Restaurant
- Concession Stand
- Picnic Area
- Public Telephone
- Bus Stop
- Shuttle Stop (June 7 to Sept 4)
- Mobi Bike Share

## Attractions

- Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours
- Brockton Point Interpretive Centre & Gift Shop (Totem Poles)
- Malkin Bowl/Theatre Under the Stars
- Stanley Park Train
- Prospect Point Lookout & Gift Shop
- Vancouver Aquarium

## Sports Clubs

- BCP Brockton Cricket Pavilion
- LBC Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club
- VRC Vancouver Rowing Club
- RVC Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

## Activity Areas

- A Bike Rentals (Yes Cycle)
- B Brockton Oval
- C Ceperley Playground (inset A)
- D Harbour Cruises
- E Lumberman's Arch Picnic Area
- F Summer Cinema (Ceperley Field)
- G Pitch & Putt Course
- H Prospect Point Picnic Area
- I Putting Green
- J Second Beach
- K Second Beach Picnic Area (inset A)
- L Second Beach Swimming Pool
- M Stanley Park Nature House
- N Tennis Courts (Lost Lagoon)
- O Tennis Courts (English Bay)
- P Third Beach
- Q Variety Kids Water Park (inset B)

## Restaurants

- Stanley's Bar & Grill
- Prospect Point Bar and Grill
- The Teahouse
- Waterfall Café (seasonal)

- Cliffs
- Field/Lawn
- Forest
- Golf Course
- Beach
- Garden

- Big Tree
- Dog Off-Leash Area
- Ecology Society Garden
- Viewpoint
- Stanley Park Train
- Basketball
- Golf
- Playground
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Water Park
- Road (two-way)
- Road (one-way)
- Walking Path
- Shared Bike/Walking Path
- Universal Access Path
- Wheelchair Accessible Parking
- Bike/Rollerblade Path (two-way)
- Seawall Walk/Bike/Blade Path (note direction of travel around park)
- Forest Trail (soft surface)
- Boardwalk
- \*Trans people welcome



## A Century-Old Family Favourite



Horses have featured in Stanley Park for well over a century.

At first, miners and loggers used them for hauling and clearing trails. In fact, some of the park's existing trails were cleared by logging companies. (Oxen were used, too.) Not long after the park was dedicated in 1889, a gentler use for horses began.

A century later, the clip-clop of horses still echoes in the park. Some of these gentle giants stand 2.4 m tall, have feet the size of frying pans, and consume 27 kg of food and 100 L of water a day.

Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours has been transporting people around the park in these colourful trams since the early 1980s. The trams today are designed with the comfort of the horses in mind, using a freestanding tongue and aluminum frame. They have some features the old Tally-Ho drivers would find astonishing, including signal lights and hydraulic brakes.

But one thing hasn't changed, these are still 'organically powered' vehicles, running on hay and oats: a fun, environmentally friendly way to see the jewel of Vancouver.



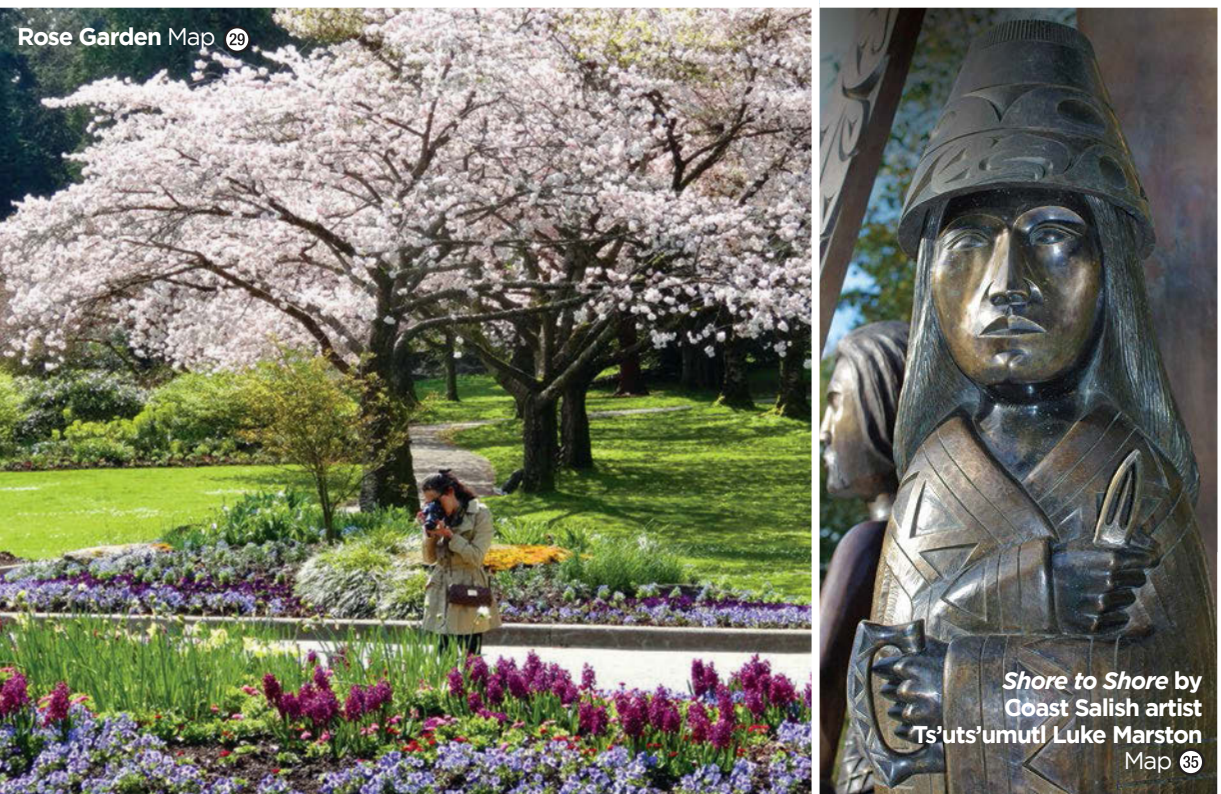
**One Hour Narrated Tour**  
**Daily March 1 - November 12**  
 stanleypark.com 604.681.5115

## Getting Here

- DRIVING** From Vancouver, take Georgia Street or Beach Avenue and follow signs. From the North Shore, take Lions Gate Bridge (Hwy 99) and exit at Park Drive. Park Drive is one-way.
- PAY PARKING** Pay parking is in effect in most areas of the park. Buy tickets at pay stations for hourly or all-day parking. For the totem poles area, The Teahouse, Prospect Point and Brockton Point, parking is by-the-hour only (no day rates available).
- TRANSIT** Public transit services Stanley Park from points throughout the Lower Mainland. Several routes serve the perimeter of the park and the No. 19 stops near the Rose Garden and Malkin Bowl. [translink.ca](http://translink.ca)
- TOUR BUSES** Several tour bus companies include full-service and hop-on/hop-off tours of the park as part of their city tours.
- WALKING** The park is within easy walking distance from downtown and the West End. The Seawall is a popular walking route.

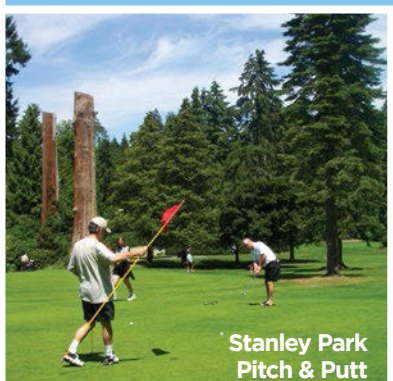
## Getting Around

- WALK, BIKE, OR BLADE** The best way to see the park is up-close and on your own schedule. The Seawall runs counter-clockwise around the perimeter of the park and several roads, trails and paths connect the many points of interest. Bike and rollerblade rentals are just outside the park on Denman near Georgia Street, and on Davie Street.
- CARRIAGE TOUR** Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours offers one-hour narrated tours of the park's eastern side. Buy tickets next to the Information Booth by the Georgia Street entrance. Operating March 1 to November 12 daily, rain or shine.
- UNIVERSAL ACCESS** Many facilities and attractions, including the Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours, Seawall, Beaver Lake and Ravine Trails, are wheelchair accessible. The Stanley Park Train has a wheelchair accessible car.
- STANLEY PARK SHUTTLE** The Vancouver Trolley Co. offers a narrated hop-on/hop-off tour to 15 stops around the park, June 7 to September 4.



- ### Points of Interest
- Air Force Garden of Remembrance (inset B)
  - Air India Memorial (inset A)
  - Beaver Lake
  - Biofiltration Pond
  - Brockton Point Lighthouse
  - Chief of the Undersea World, Bill Reid (inset B)
  - Cob House (inset B)
  - Community Garden
  - Empress of Japan Figurehead
  - Girl in a Wetsuit Statue
  - Harry Jerome Statue
  - Heron Colony (inset A)
  - Hollow Tree
  - Japanese Canadian War Memorial (inset B)
  - Jubilee Fountain (Under Restoration)
  - Lord Stanley Statue (inset B)
  - Lumberman's Arch (inset B)
  - Nine O'Clock Gun
  - Painters' Circle (inset B)
  - Pauline Johnson Memorial
  - Port of Vancouver Viewpoint
  - Portrait Painters (inset B)
  - Prospect Point Lighthouse
  - Prospect Point Lookout
  - Queen Victoria Memorial (inset B)
  - Restoration Donor Monument
  - Robert Burns Statue (inset B)
  - Rock Garden (inset B)
  - Rose and Perennial Garden (inset B)
  - Salmon Demonstration Stream (inset B)
  - Shakespeare Memorial and Garden (inset B)
  - Siwash Rock
  - Siwash Rock Viewpoint (Old Searchlight)
  - Jubilee Fountain (Under Restoration)
  - Stanley Park Pavilion (inset B)
  - Susan Point's People Amongst the People, Luke Marston's Shore to Shore, Robert Yelton's Yelton Memorial Pole, Totem Poles
  - Ted and Mary Greig Rhododendron Garden (inset A)

Vancouver's parks, beaches and golf courses are smoke-free



# Vancouver's Stanley Park



Forest

## The Seawall

Stanley Park is consistently ranked No. 1 in the world! And the spectacular 9-km Seawall—the city's most popular recreation spot—is a huge part of that: stunning views of the downtown skyline, Lions Gate Bridge, English Bay, sandy beaches and lush, old-growth forest. Paved and mainly flat, the Seawall is divided for your safety: one side for pedestrians; the other for cyclists/roller bladers. Use caution on busy summer days.

**STATS**  
 World's longest uninterrupted waterfront path  
**Length** 26 km (16 mi) Seaside Greenway is an uninterrupted pathway, including the Seawall, that extends from the Vancouver Convention Centre to the foot of Trafalgar St.  
**Around Stanley Park** 9 km (5.5 mi)  
**Walk** 2-3 hours **Bike** 1 hour

**Water Lily**

## Buds and Blooms

Stanley Park gardeners have been planting unusual and exotic plants, trees and shrubs for years. There are many gorgeous gardens throughout the park, at their showiest from June to October. See [vancouver.ca/stanleyparkgardens](http://vancouver.ca/stanleyparkgardens) for what's in bloom when.

**Ted & Mary Greig Rhododendron Garden** blooms from March through early summer. ☺ The 1920 **Rose Garden** ☺ has grown in number to 3,500 showy shrubs! Around the Rose Garden and Stanley Park Pavilion, the **beautiful gardens** showcase bulbs in spring, and perennials and annuals in summer. The **Shakespeare Garden** ☺ plays homage to the Bard—45 trees mentioned in his plays and poems grow here. The **Rock Garden** ☺ is the city's first public garden, finished in 1920. → Map 🗺️



# Welcome!

Stanley Park is one of the great urban parks of the world, with 400 hectares of west coast rainforest, manicured lawns, lush gardens, sports fields, quiet trails, Seawall, stunning views, beautiful beaches and a host of cultural attractions. Take an hour, a day, or a lifetime to explore this national historic site and world-renowned green oasis in the heart of Vancouver.



## West Coast Rainforest

Stanley Park features one of the world's premiere urban forests—and much of the 400-hectare (1,000-acre) public park is still as densely forested today as it was back in the late 1800s. There are nearly a half a million trees, some hundreds of years old and as tall as 76 m (249 ft).

To experience the real Stanley Park, take one of the many paths less travelled. There are 27 km (17 mi) of trails winding through this lush rainforest of towering red cedar, hemlock and Douglas fir.

Much of the park was logged in the 1800s and early 1900s; some trails are actually old skid roads. There are stumps that still bear the tell-tale notches of early lumberjacks and their springboards. A few of the large, old coniferous trees in the park remain: check the "Big Tree" icon on the map to find them. → Map 🗺️

Though a hurricane-force windstorm struck Vancouver in December 2006, destroying 10,000 Stanley Park trees and damaging the Seawall, an award-winning restoration plan created a stronger, more balanced and resilient urban forest in Vancouver's oldest, largest and most beloved park.



Seawall

## The Park Story

Since time immemorial, this place we call Stanley Park today has been the territory of the Coast Salish people of three local First Nations: the x'm 8k' y' m (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and s'flw taʔ (Tsleil-Waututh). Many of the natural formations in the park have important First Nations stories and significance.

The creation of Stanley Park in 1888 gave rise to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation, one of a few elected boards of this kind in Canada. Today the Park Board oversees Vancouver's 240 parks and 24 community centres, plus many pools, rinks, golf courses, marinas, sports fields and beaches.

**Siwash Rock, 1890**  
→ Map 🗺️

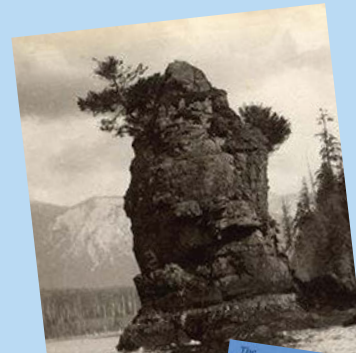


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## DIGITAL MAP

[vancouver.ca/stanleypark](http://vancouver.ca/stanleypark)



Pick up a copy of the *Vancouver Parks Map + Guide*, showcasing parks and beaches throughout the city.

**Mounted Police**

For more details, go to [vancouver.ca/stanleypark](http://vancouver.ca/stanleypark), phone 3-1-1, or visit the Information Booth at 715 Stanley Park Drive (near the Vancouver Aquarium), 604.681.6728. You can also visit the Vancouver Park Board administration office at 2099 Beach Avenue, Mon-Fri, 8:30 am to 5 pm.

Lock your vehicle, and don't leave valuables inside. Make a note where you've parked your car. Need assistance? Want to report something? Call 3-1-1 to reach Park Rangers. Watch for fire safety information during hot, dry summers.

First aid is available at seasonal lifeguard stations at beaches and pools. For emergencies call 911.

Smoking is not permitted at Vancouver's parks, beaches and golf courses.

Lost and Found? Phone 3-1-1.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Stanley Park hosts numerous special events, charity runs, walks and celebrations, as well as outdoor concerts and movies, musical theatre, dance lessons, fitness classes and sports tournaments.

For details on all seasonal events, visit [vancouver.ca/stanley-park-events](http://vancouver.ca/stanley-park-events).

**Support your favourite city park**  
Help preserve Vancouver's urban parks for generations to come by making a tax deductible donation today. [vancouver.ca/donate](http://vancouver.ca/donate)



Stanley's Bar & Grill

## Hungry?

**QUICK BITES** Concession stands and food trucks featuring healthy, local fare offer everything from a cup of coffee to a gourmet panini sandwich. Many grocery stores and hotels also offer meals to go.

**Lumberman's Arch**  
604.683.1956

**Information Booth**  
604.681.6728

**Second Beach Concession**  
604.681.8029

**Railway Café**  
604.683.5026

**Third Beach Concession**  
604.685.9549

**Waterfall Café**  
604.659.3474

**Gift shops located at Prospect Point and at Brockton Point near the totem poles also serve quick snacks. Park food carts open for business each summer!**

**PICNIC** Pack your own or buy take out from a concession stand and dine *al fresco*. Many grocery stores and hotels also offer meals to go.

**FINE DINING** Enjoy stunning views and a gourmet meal at one of the park's four classic restaurants. Reserve in advance and check websites for details.

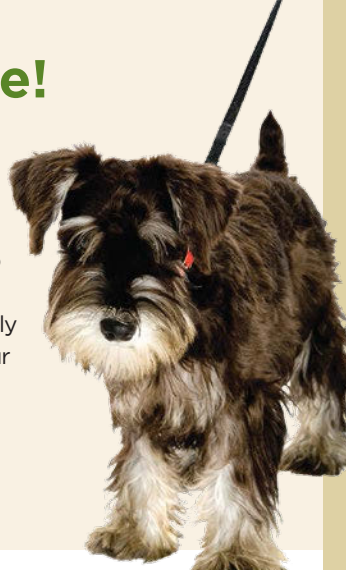
**Stanley's Bar & Grill**  
604.602.3088  
[stanleyparkpavilion.com](http://stanleyparkpavilion.com)

**The Teahouse**  
604.669.3281  
[vancouverdine.com](http://vancouverdine.com)

**Prospect Point Bar & Grill**  
604.669.2737  
[prospectpoint.ca](http://prospectpoint.ca)

## Dogs Welcome!

**DOGS** Your pooch can have a great time in Stanley Park, too! Please follow a few important rules: Dogs must be on a leash and under control. Handlers must pick up after their pets. Please don't let dogs chase wildlife or enter environmentally sensitive areas. Take advantage of our fenced, off-leash area for small dogs near the Park Drive tennis courts. → Map 🗺️



## For the Family

Families and kids of all ages will find plenty to do in Stanley Park. The free **Nature House** on Lost Lagoon offers programs for adults and children, as well as interpretive displays. Stop in for nature books and cards. All proceeds benefit the Stanley Park Ecology Society. At the **Vancouver Aquarium**, one of the world's top aquariums, you can discover over 50,000 aquatic creatures up and close. Unique opportunity to enjoy some of the mysterious underwater species as a family or school. Build sandcastles on the shores of **Second Beach** or **Third Beach**, or play tag on one of the grassy meadows throughout the park.

**PLAYGROUNDS** There are four playgrounds in the park, including **Ceperley Playground** at the vintage red fire engine near **Second Beach**.

**WATER PARK** The **Variety Kids Water Park** at **Lumberman's Arch** is a kid's dream come true with water cannons, fountains and sprays. Don't forget sunscreen!



Second Beach

## Wild, Wild Life

With its diverse habitats—from coniferous forest to boggy wetlands and rocky shores, Stanley Park teems with an amazing variety of wildlife. Douglas squirrels, raccoons, river otters, beavers, salamanders, purple sea stars and Pacific Great Blue Herons—at least 500 species are known to live in the park. Vancouver's spectacular oasis also plays a crucial role for many migratory birds that use the park as a stopover habitat where they can rest before continuing their long journey. Watch the Pacific Great Blue Herons live from Stanley Park: [vancouver.ca/heron-cam](http://vancouver.ca/heron-cam).

**Stanley Park Ecology Society** plays a leadership role in the stewardship of Stanley Park through collaborative initiatives in education, research and conservation. The society offers weekly walks and talks on the flora and fauna of the park and operates the **Nature House** under the Lost Lagoon viewing plaza at the end of Alberni Street. Featured here are interpretive nature displays, resources and a kids' wildlife craft area. [stanleyparkecology.ca](http://stanleyparkecology.ca) → Map 🗺️



Pacific Great Blue Heron



Douglas Squirrel

**PLEASE RESPECT WILD ANIMALS. GIVE THEM PLENTY OF ROOM AND NEVER FEED THEM.**

## Recreation

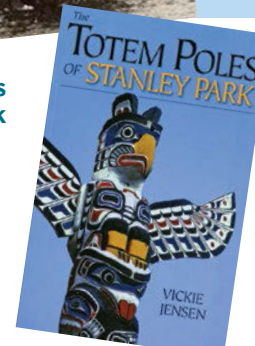
**SWIMMING** **Second and Third Beaches** and **English Bay Beach** (just outside the park) are great for swimming. A spectacular **outdoor pool** near the water's edge at **Second Beach** is open late May to early September.

**WALK, RUN, BIKE OR BLADE** Work up a sweat, take a leisurely walk or just explore. Do the **Seawall** or try the 27 km of walking trails and paths that take you from the water's edge through towering forests. Cycling only permitted on designated paths. See map for details.

**Yes Cycle Bike Rentals**  
604.569.0088  
[yescycle.com](http://yescycle.com)



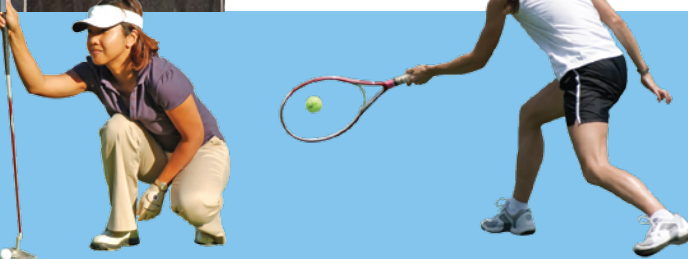
Totem Poles Guide Book



## First Nations

Coast Salish artwork in the park expresses the history of the land and people who lived here and surrounding regions. Installed in 2008, the first Coast Salish carvings are three cedar gateways by renowned Musqueam artist **Susan A. Point** at Brockton Point. Her *People Amongst the People* (pictured here) provides a formal welcome to all visitors. The second Coast Salish work is the *Yelton Memorial Pole*. Created by seven carvers led by Squamish artist **Robert Yelton**, it honours his mother, Rose Cole Yelton, who was born in Stanley Park and lived at the site until 1935. The most recent is Coast Salish artist **Luke Marston's** 2015 *Shore to Shore* bronze sculpture. It commemorates the ancestral connection between this area's Aboriginal and Portuguese communities. → Map 🗺️

*People Amongst the People*, by Susan A. Point



**GOLF** A scenic **par 3 pitch & putt course** is nestled in landscaped gardens near **Ceperley Meadow**. Allow one to three hours to play.

**TENNIS** 17 **tennis courts** are located north of Park Lane at Beach Avenue and four courts can be found just below South Lagoon Drive. Free on a first-come, first-served basis. In summer, six of the courts can be booked; phone 604.605.8224. Pay tennis from 3 pm daily (not including free courts on lower side), and weekends and holidays 9 am to dusk.

## The Stanley Park Train

**SPRING** Ride the Easter Train, visit the Easter Bunny and go on an egg hunt; also games, crafts and face painting. The train is covered on rainy days.

**SUMMER** Jump on the train and travel 2 km of rails through the flora and fauna of Stanley Park.

**AUTUMN** For a creepy fall evening of fun, take the covered Ghost Train through a magical, Halloween-themed world. Festivities include a spooky barn, pumpkin patch, dress-up, pumpkin carving and lantern-lit nature walk.

**WINTER** During the holidays, the Bright Nights Christmas Train and Train Plaza sparkle with three million twinkling lights. Proceeds benefit the BC Professional Fire Fighters' Burn Fund. Daytime and evening train rides.

Phone: 604-257-8531  
Website: [stanleyparkrailway.ca](http://stanleyparkrailway.ca)  
Instagram: [stanleyparkrailway](http://stanleyparkrailway)  
Facebook: Stanley Park Railway (@StanleyParkRailway)

The Stanley Park Train

