Grizzly Bears of Knight Inlet

Highlights of Alert Bay & U'mista Cultural Centre

Highlights:

- Qualicum
- Campbell River
- Port McNeill
- Grizzly Viewing Cruise to Knight Inlet
- Knight Inlet
- Alert Bay
- U'Mista Cultural Centre
- T'sasala Dancers
- Alert Bay tour
- Telegraph Cove
- Johnstone Strait
- Robson Bight Ecological Reserve
- Whale Watching at Robson Bight
- Courtenay
- Cumberland
- Cumberland Museum

Tour includes:

- Four nights accommodation
- Four breakfasts
- Three lunches
- Two dinners
- Meal gratuities
- Coach and driver ferry tolls
- Seven hour Grizzly Bear cruise & tour*
- U'Mista Cultural Centre
- Three & a half hour whale watching tour
- All side tours and admissions
- Transfer driver gratuities

Accommodation:

Port McNeill Black Bear Resort

Tour group size is limited to 23 passengers

**Passengers are transported in two enclosed vessels (30-ft & 32-ft) with washrooms on board. At the Grizzly Bear hot spot, passengers switch to open skiffs to get closer to the bears. Lunch, coffee & tea are served on board the enclosed vessels.*

AGELESS PEACE OF MIND PLAN:
$75.00

July 30 - August 3

9 Meals - 4 nights & 5 days

Day One: ***Vancouver – Port McNeill*** **Meals: D**

Board the morning ferry to **Vancouver Island**. Lunch is on your own in the quaint community of **Qualicum**. Follow the beautiful **North Island Highway** past **Campbell River** for a four night stay in the marine community of **Port McNeill** at the **Black Bear Resort.**

Day Two: ***Port McNeill – Knight Inlet – Port McNeill*** **Meals: B, L**

Depart by boat for **Knight Inlet** located on the coastal mainland. View the grizzly bears in their natural surroundings in this spectacular inlet, as they interact and feed in the estuary and on the beaches near the river. The pristine beauty of the area enhances this rare opportunity to view these magnificent grizzlies. It's the middle of the **salmon run** and it will be typical to find the bears chasing the fish around in the low tide pools at the river mouth.

Day Three: ***Port McNeill – Telegraph Cove – Port McNeill*** **Meals: B, L**

Telegraph Cove is a whale-watchers paradise. From the comfort of the 60-ft coast guard certified vessel this excursion takes the tour group into **Johnstone Strait** and **Robson Bight** to see **killer whales** in their natural habitat. Robson Bight is a world famous coastal area and ecological reserve for killer whales, also called Orca. Lunch is served at the **Killer Whale Cafe.** There will be time to visit the quaint community of **Telegraph Cove** before returning to Port McNeill.

Day Four: ***Port McNeill – Alert Bay – Port McNeill*** **Meals: B, L, D**

Depart by ferry for **Alert Bay** and a guided tour of the **U'Mista Cultural Centre** which houses one of the finest collections of historical artifacts and elaborately carved cedar masks depicting the **Potlach Ceremony** of the **Kwakwaka'wakw People.** Enjoy traditional dances and performances by the **T'sasala Dance Group** before departing on an island tour with a local first nations guide highlighting an ancient burial site, memorial pole descriptions and other historical sites. Return to the centre to partake in a traditional seafood feast before boarding the ferry back to Port McNeill.

Day Five: ***Port McNeill – Vancouver*** **Meals: B**

Travel south to the coal mining town of **Cumberland** with a stop en route at **Sayward.** There will be a lunch break in downtown **Courtenay.** The **Cumberland Museum** is an important stop on today's journey home. Get a sense of the way of life for those who lived and worked during the peak of the coal mining industry on Vancouver Island.

Price Per Person:

Double or Twin: **$1,836.00**

Single: **$2,216.00**

Adults under 55: **Add 5% to the above rates**

Adults 56 - 64 or Non BC seniors 65+: **Add $27.00 to the above rates**

Prices include all taxes

Must be able to negotiate boarding and disembarking from a small vessel

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