



April 12, 2022 UPDATE:

Planning on travelling in British Columbia? Plan ahead so you can travel safely and responsibly. Learn about the latest updates to provincial health orders & recommendations, air travel, winter driving, and more here: <https://www.hellobc.com/know-before-you-go>

Tips For Safe Travelling

We want you to know that we are committed to making sure your visit is a safe and healthy one – for you, our staff, and our residents. To that end, we are following all provincial and WorkSafeBC health and safety regulations and we respectfully request that you also do your part by being informed of current regulations and recommendations and abiding by them.

where to get a travel Covid-19 test

Travel tests are **not available in Tofino**. Please plan yours in advance and consult [this list of testing locations in BC](#).

Feel confident about your health

Your safety is our priority. We want our visitors to be confident that we've done our part to keep you safe and healthy during your stay. Our businesses have implemented rigorous sanitation, hygiene, and physical distancing practices in accordance with provincial and WorkSafeBC standards.

Masks

Wearing masks in public indoor settings is not required by B.C. public health. Wearing a mask is a personal choice. Individual businesses and event organizers can choose to continue requiring masks on their premises. It's important that we respect the choices of one another.

Proof of vaccination

As of April 8, 2022 proof of vaccination is no longer be required to access businesses, events and services in B.C

We thank you in advance for your patience

No one enjoys waiting, and current health and safety practices may result in line-ups and slower service times than we'd like. We ask for your patience as we work to keep things moving as quickly as possible, while providing a safe experience for all our visitors.

Physical distancing





It's easy to stay 2m (6ft) apart on expansive beaches but in other places, it's a little more difficult. Please be respectful of others and use your best judgment to maintain distancing. On trails and sidewalks, please step to the right to allow others to pass.

Reserve your accommodation

Reservations are required for all stays throughout the year – please book ahead.

Please: stay home if you're sick

Limited health care facilities exist in Tofino. Before you travel, please take stock of your health. If you or anyone traveling with you has been sick in the previous week, or currently has flu-like symptoms, we ask you to reschedule your trip. We'll be here to welcome you when you're feeling better.

Hot Springs Cove

Trips to the natural geo-thermal pools at Hot Springs Cove remain closed until further notice. Personal boats are also not permitted. Check with excursion providers for more information.

Highway 4 construction

Highway 4 between Port Alberni and the West Coast remains open, but travellers should expect delays due to ongoing construction around the east side of Kennedy Lake. Please check the [Drive BC website](#) for detailed road closure schedules prior to your visit.

Visiting First Nations

Currently, local First Nations communities, including Esowista, Ty-Histanis, Opitsaht, Ahousaht and Hesquiaht are unable to welcome visitors.

Things change

The spread of COVID-19 in BC is diminishing—but the situation remains fluid, with government regulations and health guidelines always subject to change. If the threat escalates, our community will respond to comply with provincial health protocols. We ask our guests to remain flexible and prepared to change plans according to the situation.

Latest BC travel information and updates

Destination BC is the authority on travel in our province. They provide [know before you go facts and updates](#) .

What to expect while you're here:

What do I do if I am feeling ill?





If you are feeling ill, use the COVID-19 online self-assessment tool at: <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en> or call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1.

What do I do if I am injured?

If you have been injured, go to the Tofino General Hospital at 261 Neill Street. If you have respiratory symptoms call 250-725-4010 before visiting the hospital.

Shopping

Tofino's [grocery stores and specialty shops](#) can provision you with everything you need. There's no need to bring supplies from home—shop local and give our small businesses a helping hand.

Restaurants

We highly recommend making reservations at Tofino restaurants. If you do not have a reservation, arrive early and plan a stroll while you wait.

Activities to keep you enthralled

Immerse yourself and connect with the natural world. Find information on whale and bear watching experiences, tours, fishing, kayaking, hiking, surfing and SUP and much more here, at [Tourism Tofino](#).

Check out our unique shops and arts scene

Tofino is home to a vibrant, eclectic art scene. Make sure to check out our numerous [galleries, artist studios](#) and [unique shops](#), and take home a bit of the West Coast with you.

Hit the surf the safe way

Interested in trying the West Coast's most exhilarating sport? If it's your first time, we strongly recommend you take a lesson. Lessons for all ages are provided. You'll not only learn how to stay up on your board, but you will learn important etiquette tips, as well as safety information about riptides and offshore currents.

Ocean safety

The ocean is a place of wonder. But it can also be a serious safety hazard for all ages. Learn how to keep yourself and your family safe on and around the water by being [CoastSmart](#).

Single-use plastic free zone





Tofino residents are committed to live in a way that reduces our impact on the environment and we invite you to join us while you're visiting. Bring re-usable bags, water bottles and coffee mugs.

Travelling from the US

US visitors should check www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca for border updates.

Helpful links:

<https://www.hellobc.com/what-you-need-to-know/>
Destination BC Travel Information

[BC Centre for Disease Control – COVID-19](#)

Helpful info on current COVID-19 information, along with tips on how to keep yourself safe.

