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Dear Traveler:

Welcome to Carson Tours. We bring you carefree tours in Alberta's most luxurious 2008 Setra motor coach, combining professional service with a personal touch. On most tours, Mike, your guide and driver is able to show you nifty little places that will make your travel memories even more special! With your tour family, you'll see new places, meet new faces and share new experiences. You'll return home with photos, memories, and lots of stories to share with those who will wish they'd come along. Please note that we have updated and improved our schedules to make your vacations even more enjoyable.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS, B.C.

Highlights

B.C. Ferry Prince Rupert to Skidgate. Helicopter Ride, Totem Museum, Port Clement Museum, Old Massett, Naikoon Provincial Park, Tow Hill Ecological Reserve, 1 Supper, Graham Island Rain Forest, City tour of Prince Rupert, North Pacific Cannery Museum, Ksan Indian Village, Jasper.

Double Fare \$1689.00 + GST Single Fare \$1989.00 + GST

DEPARTURE; August 14, 2008

RETURN; August 22, 2008

The Queen Charlotte Islands lie on the extreme western edge of British Columbia like a dream scarce remembered. These islands are mythical and elusive, full of meaning and great beauty, yet incomprehensible to the waking mind. Impossible not to marvel at, and revel in, these are the Queen Charlotte Islands of British Columbia, arguably one of the most beautiful and diverse landscapes in the world. The islands are the ancestral home of the Haida - the West Coast First Nations who have lived here for thousands of years.

Day 1: We begin our discovery of the culture of the Haida Gwii by traveling westward on Highway 16 through Jasper and along the Fraser River to the central B.C. city of Prince George.

Day 2: Following the route of the old Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad, we pass through Vanderhoof, Burns Lake, Smithers, Hazelton and Terrace before descending the spectacular Skeena River valley to Prince Rupert.

Day 3: We will have an informative and entertaining tour of Prince Rupert prior to boarding a B.C. Ferry for a 6-½ hour sailing across Hecate Strait to Skidgate. We will spend the next three nights in the Village of Queen Charlotte. As we depart Prince Rupert, watch for the new Prince Rupert Port Authority's Container Terminal. Located off the west coast of British Columbia, the archipelago of the Queen Charlotte Islands of more than 150 islands is sometimes referred to as Canada's Galápagos. Watch for bald eagles that are as common as a pigeon in a park! Overnight: Village of Queen Charlotte.

Day 4: Spending most of the day on Morseby Island, we will experience an unforgettable helicopter ride to either the ancient Haida village of Skedans, or to the Rainforest. What an introduction to both the amazing west coast culture and nature. Today's helicopter ride is weather dependant. Overnight: Village of Queen Charlotte

Day 5: Today we will travel to the northernmost point of Graham Island and visit old Masett. On the way to Massett, we'll make some unique stops along the way. Past Masett, we'll enter Naikoon Provincial Park, along scenic Tow Hill Road that cuts through a rain forest with the trees draped in moss. Supper will be included in the tour. Overnight: Village of Queen Charlotte.

Day 6: The daytime Ferry ride will take us from Skidegate to the mainland of Prince Rupert. Overnight, Prince Rupert.

Day 6: We begin our day with drive through tour of Ridley Island, where both grain and coal are loaded into ocean going vessels for international exportation. We'll visit the oldest fish cannery on the Canadian West Coast, the North Pacific Cannery Museum. We will then depart for Hazelton where we visit the Ksan Indian Village and spend the night.

Day 7: Continuing eastbound on the Yellowhead, we will view Prince George from the top of Conn Aught Hill in Prince George before arriving in the very popular snowmobile town of McBride B.C. for the night.

Day 8: After a leisurely visit of a couple of hours in Jasper, we will head for home, filled with many pleasant memories of an unforgettable experience of one of our great Canadian ecological treasures.

Included in your holiday is first class transportation on **Alberta's most luxurious motor coach**, standard accommodations and taxes at all hotels, baggage handling (one piece per person), and 8 full-filled days of memories. We hope that you will decide to join us for this exciting and ecological fun-filled tour of the Queen Charlotte Islands. We look forward to offering you luxury. You deserve it!

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Questions? Please feel free to call us at

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Sincerely,

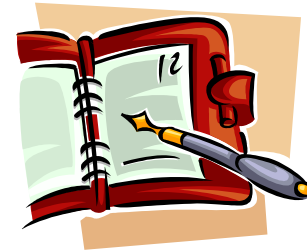
Mike & Diane Lorentz

Note: The West Coast of British Columbia is subject to a lot of rain. Please ensure you have waterproof clothing and appropriate footwear.

Travel Notes

To help you enjoy a safe and relaxing holiday, we remind you of the following:

- ❑ The medical information and liability waiver must be completed to assist you in the event of an emergency. Bring this form when first boarding the coach.
- ❑ We clearly tag your baggage for easy handling and identification. In order to accommodate all passengers, we ask that you restrict luggage to one large suitcase (for hotel staff to handle) and one carry on bag (that is your responsibility) per person.
- ❑ In order to keep the coach clean and neat, and for your comfort, we ask that you refrain from eating and drinking (except water!) on the coach. Our frequent stops (every 2-3 hours) allow plenty of opportunity for filling our tummies.
- ❑ If you are diabetic, or have a medical condition that requires food more often, let us know. We'll be pleased to meet your needs.
- ❑ While your rooms, tours and special events are included, in order to accommodate the variety of individual tastes, meals are your responsibility. We endeavor to arrange suitable eating establishments en route – enjoy!
- ❑ If you have questions or concerns, please let us know at once. We look forward to making your holiday a memorable experience.
- ❑ Trip cancellation and medical insurance are available, call for details.



- ❑ Don't forget your camera!