

A group of people are in a canoe on a calm lake. A large, taxidermy bear head is mounted on the front of the canoe. The people are holding paddles and looking towards the camera. The background shows a clear blue sky and distant mountains. The water is still, reflecting the scene.

INDIGENOUS CULTURAL JOURNEY WITH PEOPLE, LAND & TRADITIONS

Departure 2021
04 – 08 November



Tour Overview

DAY	DESCRIPTION	ACCOMODATION
1	Arrival on the Traditional Welcoming Syilx Nation (Kelowna)	Delta Grand Okanagan Resort
2	Secwépemc Welcoming and Workshop	Delta Hotel Kamloops
3	Residential School Educational Tour, Indigenous World Winery & Sncewips Museum	Delta Grand Okanagan Resort
4	Osoyoos & NK'mip Cultural Centre with Quails Gate Winery	Delta Grand Okanagan Resort
5	Departure	

Tour dates 2021 :04 – 08 November 2021

Tour dates 2022 :



Itinerary details

Day 1



We are the Syilx-speaking people – the original inhabitants of a vast and beautiful territory that encompasses forests, grasslands, lakes and desert. We invite you to discover all we have to offer, from unsurpassed opportunities for travel and recreation to unique cultural experiences and opportunities

- **Arrival at Kelowna International Airport**

Meet and greet by Moccasin Trails guides

- **Hotel Delta GRAND Okanagan Resort**

Immerse yourself in a lakeside ambiance in the midst of British Columbia's Wine Country at Delta Hotels by Marriott Grand Okanagan Resort. Set on Okanagan Lake and surrounded by picturesque mountains, our urban resort offers stylish hotel rooms and suites with deluxe amenities. Dinner at Hotel

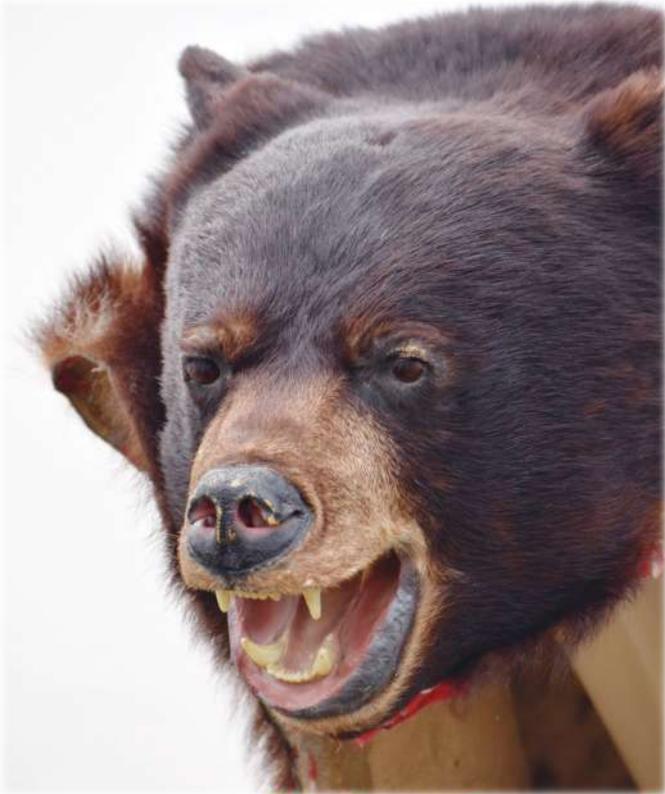
- **Dinner at OAK + CRU**

OAK + CRU Social Kitchen & Wine Bar is a sought after gathering spot with the kitchen and wine bar as the interactive hub of the hotel lobby. Sip a craft cocktail or beer on our lakefront patio while savoring our locally-sourced menu.

- **Traditional Welcoming Syilx Nation**

Itinerary details

Day 2



- Drive to Merritt and Kamloops
- Merritt, Quilchena and Douglas Lake
- Arrival in Kamloops late afternoon

- Delta Hotel by Marriott

Experience the best in streamlined travel at Delta Hotels Kamloops. Our recently renovated downtown hotel has been thoughtfully designed with the essential needs of a frequent traveler in mind. Our spacious hotel rooms and suites offer premium bathrooms, plush bedding, inspiring workspaces and free Wi-Fi.

- Dinner at Cordo Resto + Bar

Recharge at Cordo Resto + Bar, our downtown Kamloops restaurant with picturesque mountain views. British Columbia's natural bounty dominates the menu, from all-natural ingredients to a great selection of wines from the Okanagan region.

- **Secepwemc Welcoming and Workshop evening**

We acknowledge and give honour to the Secwepemc—the ancestral peoples who have lived here for thousands of years—upon whose traditional and unceded land Thompson Rivers University is located. The Secwepemc maintain a spiritual and practical relationship to the land, water, air, animals, plants and all things needed for life on Mother Earth. It is with that in mind that we owe this debt of gratitude.



Itinerary details

Day 3

- Breakfast at hotel
- Residential School Educational tour

This tour provides an excellent opportunity to learn about the untold history of residential schools in Canada. This tour includes:

20-minute introductory video, Eyes of the Children, directed by CBC

guided tour of our Kamloops Indian Residential School exhibits

guided tour of the Kamloops Indian Residential School rooms:

- Chapel
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Boy's Dormitory

- Heritage Park tour

This seasonal tour provides botanical information about the Secwépemc territory. This tour includes:

- 20-minute introductory video, Welcome to the Land of the Secwépemc
- guided tour of our ethnobotany gallery
- guided tour of our Heritage Park containing traditional plants such as:
- guided tour of our winter homes

- Kamloopa Arbour tour

Be in the Spiritual PowWow Arbor that hosts Western Canada's Largest Powwow.

- Depart to Kelowna
- Indigenous Winery Tour

When you taste an Indigenous World wine, you are tasting fruit from the land that has supported the Syilx people for over 10,000 years. The concept of Indigenous World Winery emerged as Robert and Bernice's way of combining the unique terroir of the valley and the Indigenous people's stewardship of these lands. Every effort is being made to produce world class wines in a respectful way to the environment and its people.

Itinerary details

Day 3 (2ND PART)

- **Sncewips Museum tour (WESTBANK)**

The Sncewips Heritage Museum began as a repository after Westbank First Nation achieved self-government in 2005. As our collection grew, we transitioned to the public sphere by opening our doors as a museum on June 14th, 2014. Five years later, we launched our much anticipated move and re-opened our space on February 1st, 2020. Through all of its changes, our museum continues to provide a protected place for sqilx^w culture and heritage. Our museum allows the public to experience the collections, histories, and oral stories of the syilx people from a sqilx^w perspective.

Check into Hotel Delta Grand Hotel Resort Okanagan

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Dinner at local restaurant Downtown Kelowna

Here you'll find our world-class kitchen, where our chef and his crew create flavourful and unique dishes, along with some classic comforts. Join us for dinner with the family, drinks with friends, date night, and everything in between! Our boutique bowling lanes are on the second floor, where you can also grab a craft beer from our converted airstream bar.





Itinerary details

Day 4

- Breakfast at hotel
- Departure to Osoyoos

Welcome to Osoyoos - a treasure in the sun. Osoyoos is Desert Wine Country's Sweet Spot with the charm of a beach town surrounded by the only living desert in Canada. Taste award winning wine bottled where it is grown, savour sun-warmed fruit straight off the tree, visit centres devoted to preservation of our ecology, native culture and local history and then refresh yourself in the warmest fresh water lake in Canada.

Nk'mip Cultural centre tour

See legends come alive in two multi-sensory theatre experiences. Explore the "Living Lands" outdoor exhibit and sculpture gallery. Smell the wild sage along our network of walking trails and admire the view from the Chief's lookout. Visit a reconstructed village and explore the rich living culture of the Osoyoos Indian Band. The spectacular Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre (pronounced in-ka-meep) is a state-of-the-art interpretive centre is an architectural marvel sensitively constructed into a hillside. Extensive indoor and outdoor exhibit galleries create a fun, interactive learning environment with hands-on displays, education stations and two multi-media theatre experiences. Discover the fascinating stories of Canada's only desert and share in the rich living culture of the Okanagan people.

Nk'mip Wine tour and Lunch

The Nk'Mip Cellars were designed by Robert MacKenzie, a Penticton-based architect with a passion for celebrating the Okanagan character and advancing sustainable practices. The Cellars are as much about the people who visit and tour it as the building itself, offering a memorable and pleasurable experience that provides a powerful insight into our way of life. Nestled in our vineyard overlooking the town of Osoyoos, the Cellars include a world-class restaurant offering a locally sourced and lavishly prepared menu enjoyed on our expansive patio and enhanced by spectacular views of the lake and surrounding hills.

The outdoor Patio Restaurant offers contemporary North American cuisine in a picturesque location, with fresh Farm-to-Table innovations.

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Day 4 (2nd part)

- Departure for Peachland (Downtown walk)

Situated on eleven kilometers of Okanagan lakefront, Peachland is in the very heart of the recreation paradise that is the Okanagan Valley. Positioned midway between Kelowna and Penticton, it is the perfect location to draw from both population centres, and is well positioned to act as a hub for wine and other agri-tourism activities.

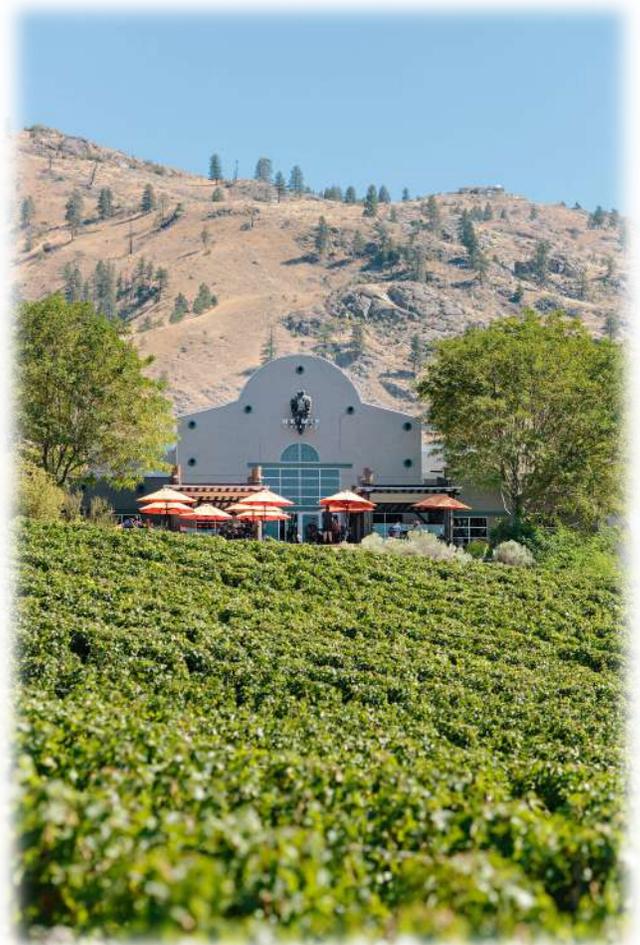
- Arrival at the hotel
- Dinner at Winery (Quails Gate Winerey)

As one of the original winery restaurants in West Kelowna and one of the top-ranked in the Okanagan.

- Ceremonial gift exchange

In many Indigenous cultures, the practice of gift giving has unique significance. The tradition shows respect to the receiver of the gift, as well as to their family and ancestors. It is also a way to show appreciation of knowledge that is exchanged – when seeking guidance or advice, or for assistance from those with distinct abilities such as healers and ceremonialists.

Gift giving is also sharing one's resources to benefit and support others. Gifts are an intrinsic part of the sharing ethos of Indigenous people; sharing has always been a necessary aspect of survival.



Itinerary details

Day 5

Day 5 (Departure)

Moccasin Trails guides shuttles to Airport for departure back home hearts and minds filled with authentic souvenirs of indigenous cultures of the Okanagan Valley

