

ESSENTIAL

VANCOUVER

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FASHION *Fun for Modern Flappers*

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Seasons in the City

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Pretty in Pink

Photogenic year-round, Vancouver is in the pink during cherry-blossom season, when it blushes like a pretty bride. As the breathtakingly beautiful blossoms of over 40,000 ornamental cherry trees take it in turns to kiss goodbye the chill of winter, *sakura* aficionados take to the streets, guided by the Cherry Blossom Festival's online map. Keep camera at the ready as you cycle through pink-petal tunnels in the West End, stroll under blossom clouds at Nitobe Gardens, or take alfresco inspiration from the seasonal splendour and plein-air painting sessions at VanDusen gardens. A photo of the ephemeral beauty of white Shirotae, the gentle blush of Akebono and the candy-cotton-pink of Kanzan is the perfect souvenir of Vancouver's "fifth season." Wherever the cherry blossom trail takes you, the fragrant spring air is sure to inspire you, maybe even to a haiku —

Pink petal tunnels
En route from winter to spring.
Don't miss a moment!



Blooming beautiful, flowering cherries overlook the Burrard bridge, False Creek and downtown towers