



Banish Boredom

These family-friendly attractions are so engrossing that kids won't realize they're learning something at the same time.

- 1 The Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre (pictured; page 32) features exhibits, storytelling, arts and crafts, and tours that bring to life the rich histories and traditions of the Squamish and Lil'wat peoples.
- 2 Budding railway buffs can't get enough of West Coast Railway Heritage Park (listed below), with its impressive collection of railway artifacts vintage locomotives.
- 3 Ziptrek Ecotours (page 37) offers a heart-pounding array of ziplines, including the longest one in all of Canada or the USA, but it also (very craftily) sneaks in tons of information about the surrounding old-growth temperate rainforest.—*Sheri Radford*

4584 Blackcomb Way; park in Day Lot 4 or 5. Toll-free 1-866-441-7522. www.slcc.ca & **Map C: E3**

WEST COAST RAILWAY HERITAGE PARK Home to the Royal Hudson steam locomotive and Western Canada's largest collection of heritage railway equipment, dating back to 1890. Explore cabooses and locomotives, and enjoy the picnic grounds, escape room and kids' play area (**year-round**). Or ride the

3-km (1.8-mi) miniature railway (**year-round**, weather permitting). Open daily, except Dec 21-Jan 3. Due to occasional closures, calling ahead is advised. From Hwy 99 in Squamish, turn west on Industrial Way and follow signs to 39645 Government Rd., Squamish. 604-898-9336. www.wcra.org Partial

WHISTLER OLYMPIC PARK Channel your inner Olympic athlete with hiking, electric-assist mountain biking,

disc golf, biathlon and sightseeing at this gorgeous park, a souvenir from the 2010 Winter Games. 5 Callaghan Valley Rd. 604-964-0059. www.whistlerolympicpark.com

WHISTLER SLIDING CENTRE Slide down the world's fastest track on a passenger bobsleigh (**Jun-Sep**) at this Olympic legacy venue, where professional athletes still train and compete. Introductory courses available for luge, skeleton and bobsleigh. Youth aged 12-18 slide for free in summer. Group or self-guided tours. 4910 Glacier Lane. 604-964-0040. www.whistlerslidingcentre.com

PARKS

GARIBALDI PROVINCIAL PARK Named after the magnificent 2,678 m (8,876 ft) Mount Garibaldi, the park's crown jewel. Hike 90 km (56 mi) of trails and observe some of the stunning alpine flowers in bloom through July and August. Fishing, canoeing, cycling and swimming permitted in certain areas (**year-round**). Access from five points along Hwy 99 between Squamish and Pemberton. 604-986-9371. www.bcparks.ca

JOFFRE LAKES PROVINCIAL PARK Observe glacial history over 1,460 ha (3,607 a), from the jagged mountain peaks to the striking, silt-laden turquoise-blue waters of the three Joffre lakes (**year-round**). Hiking, fishing and camping in summer. Located on Duffey Lake Rd. off Hwy 99, east of Pemberton. www.bcparks.ca

LOST LAKE PARK Former logging and mill site. Biking, walking and running trails, food trucks, picnic areas and dog swimming area at Canine Cove in summer (**year-round**). Access by Valley Trail. Free shuttle runs from Whistler Village in summer. 604-932-5535. www.whistler.ca & **Map B: B1**

TOURS & LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Adventures & Tours

A.E. VANCOUVER PRIVATE TOURS AND CHARTERS, INC. Fully narrated sightseeing excursions. Explore Whistler, or take a day trip to Squamish, Pemberton and beyond. Custom trips available. Tours provided in English, French, Dutch and German.



CATCH OF THE DAY Whistler Eco Tours and Pemberton Fish Finder (both listed on page 36) can lead you to fishing holes full of rainbow trout, char and salmon—and that's no fish tale.