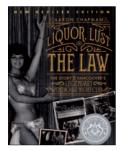
SHOPS & SERVICES

Top Titles for Travellers

Before boarding your next plane, train or automobile, stop by a bookstore (page 19) to pick up these entertaining reads.—*Sheri Radford*



Liquor, Lust, and the Law by Aaron Chapman (Arsenal Pulp Press): The new edition of this entertaining book explores the colourful history of Vancouver's legendary (and occasionally naughty) Penthouse Nightclub, which just celebrated its 70th anniversary.



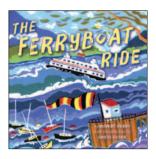
Culture Trails (Lonely Planet): Attention, culture vultures: this collection of itineraries for 52 weekend getaways covers Havana's music scene, Finnish sauna culture, Soviet ghosts in Bulgaria, vintage Hollywood, the Bob Marley reggae trail and more.

OAKRIDGE CENTRE A leading shopping centre 15 minutes from downtown and a short drive from the airport. Browse a mix of luxury shops, trendy independent boutiques and major brands such as Max Mara, Hugo Boss, Lacoste, Coach, Harry Rosen and Boys' Co. Also find modern essentials at Banana Republic, Gap, Lululemon and Hudson's Bay. Concierge services available. Free parking. Easy access with the Canada Line SkyTrain at Oakridge-41st Avenue station. M-Tu, Sa 9:30 am-7 pm, W-F 9:30 am-9 pm, Su and holidays 11 am-6 pm. 650 W. 41st Ave. at Cambie. 604-261-2511. www.oakridgecentre.com & Map 4: E3

PACIFIC CENTRE Downtown Vancouver's largest shopping centre includes stores such as Holt Renfrew, Harry Rosen, H&M, Max Mara, Hugo Boss, The Apple Store, Kate Spade, Bose, Hollister Co., Ted Baker, Sephora and much more. Adjacent to Robson St., the Vancouver Art Gallery and the Four Seasons Hotel. Close to downtown hotels and attractions, along with major bus routes and the Granville SkyTrain station. M-Tu 10 am-7 pm, W-F 10 am-9 pm, Sa 10 am-8 pm, Su and holidays 11-7 pm. 701 W. Georgia St. at Howe. 604-688-7235. www.pacificcentre.ca & Map 1: C5

RICHMOND CENTRE Located near the airport, this centre has 200 shops and services including Hudson's Bay, Aritzia, Forever 21 and an international mix of merchants. M-Sa 10 am-9 pm. 6551 No. 3 Rd., Richmond. 604-713-7467. www.richmondcentre.com & Map 3: D3

SINCLAIR CENTRE Four heritage buildings under glass comprise an elegant shopping mall of exclusive stores and services. Find fine fragrances at The Perfume Shoppe, and brand-name fashions at Leone and L2, then ship



The Ferryboat Ride by Robert Perry (Nightwood Editions): From whales and seagulls to lighthouses and tugboats, bright illustrations of a West Coast ferry ride delight tiny tots and parents alike. The beloved picture book is now available as a sturdy board book.

your purchases home from The UPS Store. M-Sa 10 am-5:30 pm. 757 W. Hastings St. www.sinclaircentre.com & Map 1: B6

ANTIQUES

JOYCE WILLIAMS ANTIQUE PRINTS

& MAPS Find an array of antique treasures and new art pieces, from Japanese woodblock prints to maps from the 1600-1900s to artist Charles Van Sandwyk's watercolour prints and illustrated books. 114-1118 Homer St. 604-688-7434. www.jwprintsandmaps.com & Map 1: D5

SALMAGUNDI WEST Looking for something esoteric, eclectic or just plain weird? This is the place to find treasures and oddities aplenty. For the truly strange stuff, venture down the rickety stairs to the basement which is reported to be haunted. Tarot readings, too. 321 W. Cordova St. Map 1: C6



LITTLE BLUE BOX If you want to make Valentine's Day extra special with the perfect engagement ring, you can't go wrong shopping at Tiffany & Co. (page 23).