

Frequently Asked Questions

Where is Penticton?

Penticton is located in the south central region of British Columbia, in an area known as the Okanagan Valley. It is one, of only two cities in the world, situated between two lakes – Okanagan Lake & Skaha Lake.

How big is Penticton?

Penticton has a population of around 34,000 people, which makes it easy to navigate around the city.

How do I get to Penticton?

- Drive 4 hours East of Vancouver, on Highway 5 and Highway 97 or via Highway 3
- Drive 45 minutes South on Highway 97 from Kelowna
- Penticton Regional Airport services up to 5 direct, daily flights from Vancouver and Calgary on board Air Canada, Westjet or Pacific Coastal
- Penticton Regional Airport is less than 5 km to downtown Penticton

Which major hotels are located in Penticton and how many guest rooms are there in total?

Penticton offers more than 1,700 guest rooms, many within walking distance of downtown, lakeshores, local restaurants and attractions. Our major hotels in order of room capacity are the Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Centre, Sandman Hotel Penticton, Ramada by Wyndam Penticton Hotel & Suites, Days Inn & Conference Centre, Fairfield Inn & Suites, Best Western Inn and Hotel Penticton.

What's the proximity of hotels to meeting space?

- **The Penticton Trade and Convention Centre** has over 770 hotel rooms available within a short stroll. Just steps away from beaches, parks and golf course.
- **The Penticton Lakeside Resort and Conference Centre** houses 273 rooms available to your guests with other local accommodations nearby.

What activities are available?


We want to make sure that your stay with us is unforgettable and the list below highlights just some of the activities that make Penticton so special.

- Tour and taste at any of the **80 plus wineries** within 20 minutes of the city
- Did someone say beer! Penticton is home to **7 craft breweries** – group tastings!
- Bike or hike the historic **Kettle Valley Railway Trail** – perfect for tours and teambuilding
- Go vertical at the world renowned **Skaha Bluffs Rock Climbing Area** – small groups welcome
- Stroll through one of BC's biggest and best **Farmers' Markets** (every Saturday, May to October)

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What's the weather like?

With over **2,100 hours of sunshine** and only 15 inches of rain annually, the Penticton area has a comfortable climate year round.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
 HIGH	0.9°C 33°F	4.3°C 39°F	10.1°C 50°F	15.6°C 60°F	20.5°C 70°F	24.5°C 76°F	28.1°C 82°F	27.6°C 81°F	21.9°C 71°F	14.3°C 58°F	6.3°C 43°F	1.4°C 34°F
 LOW	-4.3°C 24°F	-3°C 26°F	-0.7°C 30°F	2.3°C 36°F	6.7°C 41°F	10.3°C 50°F	12.7°C 55°F	12.5°C 54°F	7.8°C 46°F	3°C 37°F	-0.2°C 31°F	-3.7°C 25°F
 RAINFALL												
MILLIMETRES	26.8	22.5	22.3	26.6	37.3	38.9	27.9	30.7	24.7	19.7	27.1	28.4
INCHES	1.06	0.89	0.88	1.05	1.47	1.53	1.10	1.21	0.97	0.78	1.07	1.12

Is there an airport in Penticton and how far is it from Downtown Penticton?

Penticton Regional Airport is conveniently located just 3.3 km southwest of the City Centre just ten minutes drive from Downtown. Rental cars are available on site.

Which Airlines serve Penticton Regional Airport?

Air Canada provides direct flights from Vancouver International Airport (YVR)

WestJet provides direct flights from Calgary International Airport (YYC) and flights from Edmonton International Airport (YEG) are offered on a seasonal basis

Cascadia Air provides direct flights from Vancouver International (YVR) South Terminal with connections/charters/seasonal routes available throughout the Fraser Valley and Okanagan.

Pacific Coastal provides direct flights from Vancouver International Airport (YVR)

How big is your Convention Centre/Conference Centre?

- **Penticton Trade and Convention Centre** - With six air walls, the 60,000 square feet of flexible space can be contoured to fit your event's needs. The two ballrooms can be divided into four rooms or opened into 28,731 square feet of pillar free meeting space.
- **Penticton Lakeside Resort Conference Centre** - The resort's event facilities include a new 15,000 square foot panoramic East Ballroom, a 9,000 square foot West Ballroom, seven breakout rooms with views of the surrounding Okanagan, and a private outdoor courtyard, totalling 32,000 square feet of conference and event space.