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SOUTHERN OKANAGAN VALLEY
A YEAR ROUND DESTINATION

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THE OKANAGAN VALLEY: DESTINATION INSIGHTS

THE OKANAGAN IS GREAT FOR

• Local indigenous cultural experiences
• Food and wine enthusiasts
• Golfing, with over 30 golf courses of all skill levels to choose from
• Boating on Osoyoos Lake or maybe canoeing or kayaking Vaseaux Lake
• Groups that enjoy a place that is totally authentic, still has family run businesses and where the heart of the destination shines

WEATHER

• Longest summer season in Canada
• Warm, dry summers with low humidity
• The area is a semi-arid climate in a long valley between two mountain ranges, but kept mild by its many lakes

SOUTH OKANAGAN FACTS

• Canada’s only desert environment
• Osoyoos Lake is the warmest fresh water lake in Canada
• Osoyoos receives over 2,000 hours of sunshine per year and less than 12 inches (318mm) of rain
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OKANAGAN AIR ACCESS

KELOWNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
- Approx. 15 min north of downtown Kelowna – 2 hours to Osoyoos
- 70 daily flights, nine different airlines
- Daily direct flights from Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria, & Seattle

SECONDARY AIRPORTS
- Penticton Regional Airport
  - Multiple daily direct flights from Vancouver and Calgary
  - Serviced by Air Canada & Westjet
  - 45 minutes from Osoyoos and 1 hour from Kelowna
  - In the heart of wine country
- Charter services available from Seattle, Vancouver and Calgary
- Osoyoos also has a landing strip for charters

HELICOPTERS
- Available from Vancouver
  - Large 14 passenger or small 4 passenger helicopters
  - Landing areas throughout the Okanagan including Area 27, vineyards, farms, select hotels and airports

SUMMARY
- Air access into the Okanagan from across Canada may require a transfer from a major hub. Charters are available and would keep travel time to a minimum. (Note: costs in Okanagan are very reasonable, so groups often budget a bit extra for flights)
SPIRIT RIDGE BY HYATT

You’ll know when you’ve arrived at Spirit Ridge; there’s no mistaking the gently sloping vineyards, glittering Osoyoos Lake, and dramatic Okanagan Range, part of the Cascade Mountains, that surround the luxury resort. Welcome to Canada’s only desert, a place sacred to the Osoyoos Indian Band. Discover for yourself the natural landscapes and delicious food and wine that make Spirit Ridge a true wellness-centered oasis.

Each of Spirit Ridge’s 226 condos, suites, and villas boast an ambience that encourages guests to settle in right away, with spacious kitchens and cozy fireplaces. Take in sweeping views of Anarchist Mountain and Osoyoos Lake from the room, then experience the scenery up close at the NK’MIP Desert Cultural Centre, where boardwalks lead you to learn about the South Okanagan’s diverse grasslands.

There are also ten venues totaling approximately 12,000 square feet to accommodate all types of meetings at Spirit Ridge.

Take a stroll along a secluded private beach on Lake Osoyoos, Canada’s warmest lake. Or lounge on the expansive sundeck with all-day sun and enjoy an impressive year-round outdoor heated pool, enjoying a beverage from the wine bar.

The 102 carefully crafted designer hotel suites give you luxurious comforts of home. Relax by the hot tub, play golf year round, check out the local wineries and enjoy the laid back atmosphere of the South Okanagan.

With choices of indoor and outdoor venues, Walnut Beach Resort is a stunning backdrop of golden sands, shimmering waters and azure blue skies that caress the mountaintops is what makes an event at Walnut Beach Resort memorable.

Private beach
Hot tub & outdoor pool

• Banquet Capacity:
  • Vineyard Ballroom: 140 seated/225 reception
  • Courtyard Lawn: 150 seated/200 reception

• [https://www.walnutbeachresort.com/](https://www.walnutbeachresort.com/)
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Walnut Beach Resort
Discover the South Okanagan “good life” at the Okanagan resort that defines easy living, where attention to detail and personal service is as unmatched and unique as the experience and amenities at Watermark. Experience the Watermark difference. You’re steps to everything: beach, dining, shopping, marina, and groceries for your full gourmet kitchen. Come see what makes Watermark a top-rated choice for Osoyoos hotels and accommodation.

Watermark Beach Resort is a favourite event venue in the South Okanagan. With one and two bedroom suites making up most of the 153 suites the resort can accommodate your entire guest room requirements.

Two hot tubs, outdoor pool
Steam room
Spa

Banquet Capacity
• Square footage: 3,080 + additional venues
• Capacity: 260 seated

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Watermark Beach Resort
SOUTH OKANAGAN ACTIVITIES
Introducing Area 27

Designed by Canadian racing champion and icon Jacques Villeneuve, Area 27 is quickly becoming a ‘must visit’ for speed enthusiasts.

Opened in the fall of 2016 in the south Okanagan, Area 27 has been designed to capture the essence of a Classic Grand Prix track. With 16 corners, a 4.83 km/3 mile length and 250 ft. of elevation change, it captures drivers imaginations while challenging and rewarding them at all skill levels.

A new 11,000-sq-ft multipurpose events centre with an additional 3,000-sq-ft outdoor space overlooks the circuit and features on-site food and beverage service and event space for private group functions.

**Ride Along Experience**

Everyone will have an opportunity to join a professional driver for a few laps in a vehicle designed for the course. A truly exhilarating experience!

**One-Day Introductory Track Day**

The one-day track session covers track safety, techniques, driving drills and follow-the-leader lapping. Ideal for groups of 12 - 20 drivers and offers clients an all-inclusive track day experience with use of the full facility, instructors, insurance, track side refreshments and lunch.

**Kartplex**

The new world class kart racing centre is an exciting and fun way to entertain and reward your employees, VIPs or clients. The events allow you to chose how many races, the type of educational or entertainment components as well as rewards and keepsakes from the event. Your team can refresh, destress and compete for fun in an event they will never forget.

[https://vimeo.com/246607683](https://vimeo.com/246607683)
WINE REGION

- The second largest wine growing region in Canada with over 4,000 hectares (9,900 acres) currently planted.
- Osoyoos is the home of the first Aboriginal winery in North America.
- The majority of Okanagan’s vineyard acres are right across the US border around Osoyoos and Oliver.
- Same latitude as the Champagne and Rheingau regions of France.
- The Okanagan Valley runs 160 kms from the US border north and you will find over 200 vineyards and over 120 wineries.

https://matadornetwork.com/read/underrated-canadian-wine-region-napa-valley/

Wine Tours

Custom designed tours with private guides and access to areas not available to the general public.

- Small intimate coach tours
- Large group coach tours
- Helicopter tours

Duration: 3 to 6 hours
GOLFIN G

Averaging over 2,000 hours of sunshine a year, the Okanagan offers one of the longest, driest golf seasons in Canada. Vineyards, orchards, semi-desert terrain, rolling hills, and expansive lakes make the golf courses in the area some of the most picturesque in the country.

• Osoyoos Golf & Country Club
  • Desert Gold Course – 6,500 yards, par 71
  • Park Meadows – 6,351 yards par 72

• Fairview Mountain Golf Club
  • 7,000 yards, par 72

• Nk’Mip Canyon Desert Golf Course
  • 6,800 yards, par 71

• Sonora Dunes Golf Course – 9 holes
  • 2,523 yards, par 35
Cultural Desert Centre Tour & Hike

An award winning interpretive centre in Osoyoos BC, Nk’Mip Desert Culture Centre is situated on the edge of one of the most endangered ecosystems in Canada. The northern-most point of the Great American Desert which extends south to the Sonoran Desert in Mexico.

Duration: 2 to 4 hours

Hike McIntyre Bluff

A hike to the top of nʕaylintn (pronounced ny-lin-tn), a cultural site rich in Indigenous history and a place of worship for the Osoyoos First Nations. A three-hour round-trip hike takes you to the top of the wonder where you will gaze upon the Okanagan Valley from 673 metres (2,208 feet) up. It’s a stunning vista that reveals the breadth of the landscape around you.

After the hike relax, enjoy a glass of wine and locally sourced charcuterie plate at of Covert Farms.

Duration: 4 hours

Horseback Riding

An opportunity to see viewpoints and scenery that would be exhausting to reach on foot whether it is a valley bottom or up in the hills overlooking Okanagan, Kalamalka or Osoyoos Lake, the experience becomes nothing short of exhilarating. Experienced trail ride operators will match you with the perfect horse for the trip. Work in a custom catered lunch to make a day of it.

Duration: 3 to 5 hours
## OKANAGAN SAMPLE PROGRAM (APRIL – OCTOBER)

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| **MORNING**    | Welcome to the Okanagan Airport Arrival  
Meet & Greet | Opening General Session  
Team Activity  
- Great Canadian Grape Stomp | South Okanagan Full Day Tour  
Heli. Sightseeing from Hotel  
- Area 27 – Luxury Car Race Track | Optional Activities  
- Vineyards & Winery Tours  
- Bike Tours  
- Horseback Riding  
- Fishing  
- Vinstitute Wine Education | Departure to Airport  
45 min transfer time  
Bon Voyage!  
Average June Temperature:  
High ~26°C – 79°F  
Low ~9°C – 48°F |
| **AFTERNOON**  | Transfer to Resort  
Leisure Time | Optional Activities  
- Watersports  
- Spa & Golf | Rustic Farm Lunch  
With Culinary Activity | Optional Activities  
- Kayaking  
- Sailing | |
| **EVENING**    | Welcome Reception & Dinner  
At the Resort | Winery Dine Around | BBQ on the Beach | Final Night Gala  
At Winery | |
VENUE OPTIONS
Miradoro

Completed in 2011 as part of Tinhorn Creek Winery, Miradoro with its modern passive solar design is a comfortable stop even on the hottest summer days. The simple yet elegant design incorporates salvaged redwood and pine beetle wood while the two full walls of glass ensure everyone can appreciate the panoramic views from every seat in the house.

Five time gold winner of Vancouver magazine’s Best Winery Restaurant, Miradoro showcases local producers and suppliers for their Mediterranean influenced cuisine.

- Inside – 65 seats
- Patio – 65 seats
Chef's Table Inspired by an “old world” approach to eating, Backyard Farm Chef's table can host up to 20 guests. Menus are developed and enhanced by Chef Chris Van Hooydonk’s extensive culinary industry experience.

Chef’s food philosophy encompasses the approachable side to healthy eating and farming, with emphasis put on sourcing the freshest and organic when possible, highest quality, seasonal and sustainable ingredients. Importance is put upon supporting the local, dedicated farmer’s and producers in the area which share his passion for food.

Tailored workshops can be developed with direct interaction with an individual client. Based on an approximate 4 hour timeline, groups up to 10-12 guests can be hosted for an intimate and informal cooking demonstration. Workshop attendees will enjoy sampling the “fruits of their labour”, while enjoying a glass of wine from a local winery. Groups can “get your hands dirty” alongside Chef, for a fun evening or afternoon of approachable food, in a fully functional and inspiring commercial kitchen.
COVERT FARMS

A true organic farm situated on 650 acres. Covert Farms is a third generation family endeavour. Guests have the opportunity to hike McIntyre Bluff then come down for a lunch and wine tasting or we can organize live music with a reception then dinner.

With two acres of the site available for events the perfect spot for any group can be found: a small dinner at the wine lounge, the timber pole barn for up to 200 or setting up tents for a larger dinner and or reception.

- Wine Lounge – 36
- Timber Pole Barn – 200
- Farm tours – 35 per tour
WEATHER
IN THE SOUTH OKANAGAN VALLEY

GENERAL FACTS
• Longest summer season in Canada
• Warm, dry summers with low humidity
• Classified as Canada’s only desert, the area has the lowest annual precipitation and warmest annual temperatures in Canada.

OSOYOOS AVERAGE DAILY HIGHS DURING SUMMER SEASON

APRIL – OCTOBER
• April: 18°C / 64°F
• May: 22°C / 72°F
• June: 26°C / 79°F
• July: 30°C / 86°F
• August: 30°C / 86°F
• September: 24°C / 75°F
• October: 16°C / 61°F

KELOWNA
• 2 hours north of Osoyoos
• On average 4°C / 7°F cooler
Thank You

On behalf of Cantrav Services and Destination Osoyoos, We look forward to welcoming your group to the beautiful South Okanagan Valley.

We would be pleased to discuss your particular event needs and prepare a proposal meeting your specific needs. Let us know how we can be of service and customize an experience for your group to remember and cherish for years to come.

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