

THE WHARF AT THE BUTCHART GARDENS

The wharf is open year-round, except from December 1st to January 6th.

In the summer, staff will be present to take your admission. If for some reason staff is not present, please press the intercom button on the locked Gate and an attendant will speak to you.

Due to limited space, we only permit dinghies to tie up to our wharf. We ask larger vessels anchor adjacent to the cove and use their tenders to access the wharf. A clear fairway through which float planes can access the dinghy dock must be maintained at all times.

We do not permit overnight moorage on our wharf and ask all dinghies be gone from our wharf at the time of The Gardens closing.

Visitors are welcome to tie up overnight (24 hour maximum stay) to one of our five buoys in Butchart Cove, available at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis. Stern ties are mandatory.

Many boaters drop anchor in nearby Tod Inlet, which is an excellent all weather anchorage for many vessels (3 fathom depth at low water). There are other safe anchoring locations nearby, some of which might require a stern tie depending on the number of vessels in the area. We do not recommend anchorage in the entrance fairway to Tod Inlet, with or without a stern tie, as the passage is narrow and the water relatively shallow. It is not unusual for afternoon warming to create local gusting winds that funnel down the fairway causing vessels to drag anchor and swing around on their stern lines.

We ask boaters be familiar with local tide-tables, and please be aware the west side of Butchart Cove can become very shallow at low tide.

There are two marinas very close by:

Anglers Anchorage Marina (250-217-7494) info@anglersanchorage marina.com

Brentwood Bay Marina (250-652-3151, 1-888-544-2079) marina@brentwoodbayresort.com

The location of Butchart Cove

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| The Lat./Long. of Butchart Cove is: | Latitude | 48 deg. 34 min. 0 sec. |
| | Longitude | 123 deg. 28 min. 0 sec. |

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| The UTM coordinates are: | Northing | 5381441.9751 (NAD 27) |
| | Easting | 465580.2779 (NAD 27) |

Note - The Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinate system is a grid-based method of specifying locations on the surface of the Earth. The Butchart Gardens uses Nad 91 (GPS).

TIDES

Tidal information for Patricia Bay and Finlayson Arm can be found at:

<http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca/cgi-bin/tide-shc.cgi?queryType=showZone&language=english®ion=1&zone=9>

PRIVATE BOATS ENTERING CANADA

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If you arrive in Canada aboard a private boat, you must proceed directly to the nearest designated telephone reporting marine site. Upon arrival in Canada, the master of the boat must report to the CBSA by calling 1-888-226-7277. The master of the boat will provide details of the voyage, the passengers and their declaration. No one except the master may leave the boat until authorized to do so by the CBSA. As proof of presentation, masters will be provided with a report number for their records. Masters must provide this number to a border services officer upon request. You do not have to report to the CBSA when you leave by private boat unless you are exporting goods that need to be documented. To get a list of the designated telephone reporting marine sites, call 1-888-226-7277 before you arrive in Canada.