

The Nature of Small Ship Travel

Great Bear Rainforest

This expedition is best described as a soft adventure—designed for those who enjoy nature, learning, and exploring in comfort. Guests should be fit enough to manage active days outdoors and live comfortably in shared spaces aboard a small ship. Shore excursions are optional, but participation enhances the depth of the experience.

MV *Cascadia* is a purpose-built expedition catamaran designed for smooth and comfortable sailing along the remote, scenic coastline of British Columbia. Her twin-hull design offers exceptional stability as we navigate sheltered channels, deep fjords, and narrow inlets throughout the Great Bear Rainforest. Each evening, the vessel anchors in a tranquil bay or cove, and days are spent exploring the surrounding wilderness through guided shore landings, forest walks, and water-based excursions.

Landings are made via custom-designed landing craft-style tenders, which feature bow ramps for safe and direct access to beaches or shoreline rocks—no ladders or inflatable Zodiacs required. While disembarking is generally stable and assisted by crew, guests should be comfortable walking on potentially slippery or uneven terrain in rainforest environments.

All cabins aboard *Cascadia* are double occupancy and feature private ensuite bathrooms with showers and large windows.

The ship also carries a fleet of six double and two single kayaks for optional paddling excursions in calm, protected waters. Kayaking requires moderate agility to enter and exit the boats safely and is always guided and weather dependent.

This is a guided expedition led by experienced crew and naturalists. When ashore, we travel as a group, and it's important that guests follow safety instructions and guidance from the team.

If you have any questions about your ability to participate fully in the experience, please contact our office before travel—we are happy to discuss accessibility, mobility, or activity considerations with you at any time.