

# LIVING THE ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

Everything from kayaking and tennis to horseback riding, surfing and skiing is offered among these recreational properties on Vancouver Island and in the Okanagan.

## 1. SAILING/KAYAKING/ WHALE WATCHING

**Mariner's Village,**  
6585 Sooke Road, Sooke

One- and two-bedroom,  
condos and townhomes

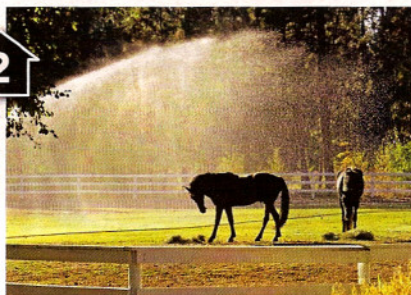
**LIST PRICE:** from \$249,000

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Inspired by its marinaside setting, Mariner's Village is a health-focused and sustainable LEED-targeted community located in Sooke on the rugged west coast of Vancouver Island. The natural topography of the development slopes down to the water, allowing for spectacular mountain and ocean vistas from each of the residences. At the centre of it all will be a vibrant courtyard filled with boutique shops, cafés and restaurants – a place to gather and discuss the catch of the day or the one that got away. The homes themselves have a contemporary West Coast style perfect for entertaining, with open floor plans, floor-to-ceiling windows, spacious decks and different colour palettes to suit individual taste. The first phase is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2011.



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## 2. EQUESTRIAN/TENNIS/ SWIMMING

**Mission Creek Park Equestrian  
Estate, 3015 Hall Road, Kelowna**

Four-bedroom, four-bathroom  
detached house on five acres

**LIST PRICE:** \$3,300,000

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This would be the ultimate property for those children (and adults) who dream of owning a horse: Five acres with pastures,

**Above:** The Mariner's Village development in Sooke, on Vancouver Island, includes cafés, restaurants and boutique shops.

**Left:** Mission Creek Park Equestrian Estate in Kelowna, with barns, paddock, stables and a four-bedroom house on five acres

barns, a paddock, stables, a tack room, even a riding arena, and the Kelowna Riding Club with its many competitions and horse shows, just a half-hour trot away. Equally desirable is the effortless flow-through house, which contains large reception rooms that open on to terrace gardens, a carriage house, a swimming pool and tennis courts. With more than 3,600 square feet spread across one easy level and four bedrooms, two with ensuites, the house can accommodate large gatherings or tranquil dinners with the option to cosy up to a wood-burning fireplace and enjoy the rural views from the expansive picture windows.





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This photo: Delta Residences at Sun Peaks Resort offer ski in/ski out condos situated next to the Delta Sun Peaks Hotel. Below: Cathie's Cottage, in fact, is a 3,700-square-foot oceanfront property in Tofino.

### 3. SKIING/GOLFING/ MOUNTAIN BIKING

Delta Residences at Sun Peaks Resort, 3250 Village Way, Sun Peaks

One-bedroom, one-bedroom + den and two-bedroom condos

LIST PRICE: from \$118,900

CONTACT: Peter Nixon at S. P. Valley Developments Ltd. Partnership. Phone: 1-877-578-7781

Looking for a vacation home without the stress of upkeep? The newly built 100 per cent ski in/ski out Delta Residences provides that and much more. Situated next to the Delta Sun Peaks Hotel in the heart of the village, owners enjoy full access privileges to all hotel amenities such as room service, health club, ski concierge, pool and hot tubs. Forget about cleaning up after your stay, all suites are maintained, managed and cleaned by the hotel. These fully furnished family-sized one- and two-bedroom condos are offered at quarter-ownership, allowing owners to invest and enjoy world-class

recreational property in a manner that suits busy lifestyles. Sun Peaks has emerged as a true four-season resort – a perfect mix of sun and snow with unending activities for the recreation enthusiast: champagne powder, golf, ATV tours, and mountain biking, to name a few.

### 4. SURFING/WALKING/ WILDLIFE WATCHING

Cathie's Cottage, 1381 Thornberg Crescent, Tofino

Five-bedroom, four-bathroom detached house

LIST PRICE: \$2,650,000

CONTACT: Clifford Stone at LandQuest Realty. Phone: 604-664-7200

There are few retreats that could surpass this. Currently being used as an executive corporate destination consisting of three separate suites, this 3,700-square-foot oceanfront property has been designed with every advantage in mind.



Nestled on a private half-acre overlooking the surfing mecca of Chesterman Beach, it boasts large skylights and a wrap-around glass wall facing the ocean for incomparable panoramic views of pristine beach and Pacific surf. The main living quarters house four bedrooms, a great room, a gourmet kitchen, an entertainment centre, an aroma steam and multi-head glass shower room, walk-in hydrotherapy tubs, and a deep, soothing soaker Jacuzzi. The other two suites comprise a one-bedroom and studio built to precise standards and again, with unrivalled views.

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## 5. SAILING/ WATERSKIING/FISHING

8372 Bloedel Drive, Port Alberni

Seven-bedroom, five-bathroom detached house

**LIST PRICE:** \$2,575,000

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This custom-built home sits on a private half-acre overlooking the crystal clear waters of Sproat Lake. Complete with a gourmet kitchen, numerous reception rooms, hand-scraped oak and custom tile flooring, low-E windows, a zoned heat pump for cooling and heating, even outdoor showers, this is a unique property. To enjoy the unobstructed views further, step out on to one of the many decks or meander down to the 1,200-square-foot wharf and boathouse, complete with telephone to call envious friends. Sproat Lake provides a haven for water sports with swimming, canoeing, kayaking, scuba diving and waterskiing to keep you busy. If more relaxing measures need taking, there is always the 1,200-bottle wine cellar back at the house to contemplate.

## 6. BOATING/QUADING/ BIKING/ANGLING

Merganser Bay Resort, 1681 Sugar Lake Road, Cherryville

Cottages, cabins, vacation home lots, cottage lots

**LIST PRICE:** from \$79,900 + HST

**CONTACT:** The Heidi Lussi Real Estate Team, RE/MAX Vernon. Phone: 250-503-3487 or 1-800-667-2040

Located on 8.5 acres in the heart of the Okanagan's Monashee Mountains, Merganser Bay Resort is a one-stop year-round vacation destination, east of Vernon. All age groups can enjoy the



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resort's many amenities as well as indulge in the endless sporting, recreational and cultural activities nearby. On the south shore of the glacier-fed Sugar Lake the 14 km of pristine waters provide an angler's treasure chest, offering up rainbow trout, Kokanee, whitefish and burbot, alongside boating and swimming fun. Buying into the resort is easy with many real estate opportunities to suit everyone, from established cabins and fully furnished cottages, to vacant lots ready for your building plans and design ideas. All options come fully serviced with hydro, sewer and water already in place.

**Top:** Custom-built, seven-bedroom house in Port Alberni overlooking Sproat Lake has its own wharf and boathouse.

**Above:** Cottages and cabins and vacation home lots at Merganser Bay Resort in the heart of the Okanagan's Monashee Mountains offer an invitation to enjoy life – fishing, boating, swimming and relaxing.

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