

TOUR REVIEWS

“It was such a meaningful trip to me and really filled in the personal detail to give the whole story of Lt.Col John McCrae. A sincere thank you to Susan.”

- Lt.Col Andrew Beckett - RCMS, War Surgeon,
CD MD, Toronto, ON

“The rest of our trip into wine country was amazing, but your Great War tour was the highlight!!”

- L.Knight, Calgary, Alberta

“We took the trip of a lifetime with Susan as we explored the paths of our family members who fought in both wars. It served to connect us with the past events made it real in a way that could only happen with her expertise and knowledge. Highly highly recommended. We needed more time!”

- Debra Garside, Longview, Alberta

“We first met Susan at the 2018 Calgary Outdoor Travel and Adventure Show, bought one of her books and after getting to know her decided to book a customized Cdn War History Tour. Our trip last fall turned out to be a wonderful experience - I recommend Susan both as a researcher and tour guide.”

- Jim and Tammy Little, Diamond Valley, AB



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Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Currie when he was a young Artillery Officer in Victoria at right, and poet and WWI Ambulance Driver **Robert W. Service**.

My specialty is research and story telling.

Many famous and fascinating military characters connected to Victoria will be brought to life with colourful details.

For example:

Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Currie

was Canada's legendary General Officer Commanding the entire Canadian Corps. Known as a brilliant tactician during WWI, he began his military career in Victoria as a Gunner Officer in the Militia.

Robert W. Service

was known for his Gold Rush poems, most famously *The Cremation of Sam McGee*. He was a guard at a bank in downtown Victoria during the Gold Rush, and slept with a gun under his pillow. What is lesser known is that he drove an ambulance in the Great War and wrote a powerful book of poetry, *Rhymes of a Red Cross Man*.

Canadian War History Tours has the life-long learner in mind. If you're a military history buff and enjoy exploring - delving into histories and mysteries, these tours are for you.

We will explore Victoria's rich Army, Artillery, Navy and Airforce history and its fascinating military sites.

Full days include lunch at one of Victoria's three most historic pubs: **Garrick's Head Pub, 6 Mile Pub or the Bard & Banker**, institutions that come with their own colourful and haunted histories.

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1. FORT RODD HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE AND FIGSGARD LIGHTHOUSE

Fort Rodd Hill is a well preserved coastal artillery fort 100+ years old. Guns and batteries range from Victorian Era to First and Second World Wars.



1. Fort Rodd Hill and Figsgard Lighthouse



2. CFB Esquimalt Naval and Artillery Museum

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Extensive Naval and Military Museum devoted to preservation of Naval History on Canada's west coast and the Military History on South Vancouver Island.

3. BRITISH COLUMBIA AVIATION MUSEUM

Aviation Museum in Sidney, B.C. with many exhibits and vintage airplanes.



3. British Columbia Aviation Museum



4. Canadian Scottish Regiment Museum

4. CANADIAN SCOTTISH REGIMENT MUSEUM - BAY STREET ARMOURY

Museum of the storied 16th Battalion Canadian Scottish Infantry. Museum details Battle Honours from WWI and WWII.

5. 5TH REGIMENT ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY MUSEUM - BAY STREET ARMOURY

Devoted to preserving and displaying the history of this Artillery Regiment which has defended Victoria since 1878, before colonial days.



5. 5th Regiment Royal Canadian Artillery Museum



6. Stories of the Fallen

6. STORIES OF THE FALLEN

In beautiful Ross Bay Cemeteries and God's Acre, we explore the fascinating stories of some of British Columbia's fallen heroes.