

Maple Ridge

<http://www.mapleridge.ca/>

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The District of Maple Ridge lies on the north shore of the Fraser River, 45 km east of the City of Vancouver. Nestled against the Coast Mountains, Maple Ridge is a community that combines small-town atmosphere with the convenience of being in close proximity to a major city.

Maple Ridge is a perfect place to enjoy nature. Thirty-three parks and numerous trails offer unlimited opportunities to enjoy the beauty of the surrounding mountains, rivers, and marshes. Recreational facilities include a national award winning and well equipped leisure centre, a recreation complex with craft studios, banquet facilities and meeting rooms, a curling rink, ice arena, and a golf course.

Weather

Maple Ridge's climate is one of the mildest, enjoying the longest frost-free period and growing season in Canada. Spring and Fall can often be very warm and pleasant, especially in June and September. Maple Ridge experiences an estimated 1,400 to 1,800 sunshine hours annually with 73% of the total occurring during April through September. Winters are mild, and if snow falls it doesn't stay long.



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Average Yearly Precipitation

Annual Total Rainfall: Approximately 1,788 mm
Most rainfall occurs between October and March

Seasonal Average Temperatures (°C)

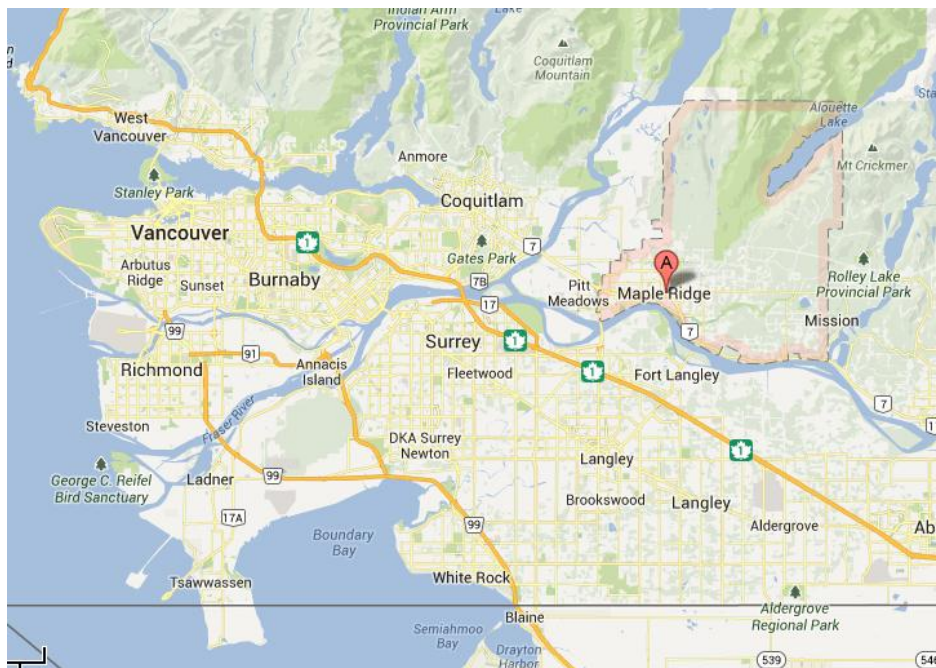
Average Low for December/January: 2 to 4 °C
Average Range for Summer Months: 22 to 28 °C

Additional Information

For further information about annual climate data for Maple Ridge, please use the following links to visit [The Weather Network](#) or [Environment Canada](#)

Location

Spanning the Fraser River, the Golden Ears Bridge connects the communities of Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge to Langley, Surrey and beyond. The six-lane bridge and 14 kilometre road network provides a quick and convenient link for residents and businesses that reduces travel times and regional traffic congestion.



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Driving Distances

Whistler..... 164km (approx. 2 hours)
Seattle, Washington..... 214km (approx. 2 hours 25 minutes)
Vancouver..... 45km (approx. 48 minutes)

Transportation

Airport

The closest international airport (41km from Maple Ridge) is the Abbotsford International Airport which serves direct flights to Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, etc. - <http://www.abbotsfordairport.ca/Page3543.aspx>

Public Transit

TransLink provides bus service to, from, and within Maple Ridge connecting various parts of Maple Ridge with the central Haney Place Mall. In addition, there is a route linking the community to the rest of the Lower Mainland to communities such as Port Moody, Pitt Meadows, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam through the Coquitlam station - http://infomaps.translink.ca/Schedules_by_Region/Coq.p.1-44.pdf

West Coast Express

West Coast Express operates Monday to Friday during peak commuter periods. Trains are made up of four to eight cars each with seating capacity for 148 people. The cars are wheelchair accessible and are equipped with bicycle tie-downs, computer plug-ins, work stations, and washrooms. Stops are located at 22300 River Road and 20010 Dunn Avenue in Maple Ridge, as well as 12258 Harris Road in Pitt Meadows – www.westcoastexpress.com

Health Services

Ridge Meadows Hospital

11666 Laity Street
Maple Ridge, BC V2X 5A3

Ambulatory care, day surgery, maternity services, the surgical unit, intensive care, a medical laboratory, and x-ray lab are among the services the hospital provides. As well, an array of psychiatric and social services is offered for patients on both an



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in-patient and out-patient basis. Ridge Meadows Hospital is a combined facility offering both acute and long-term care to our residents.

Medical Clinics

Ridge Meadows Care Clinic (East)
22932 Lougheed Hwy

Ridge Meadows Care Clinic (West)
19800 Lougheed Hwy

Wellness Program

Leisure Centre
11925 Haney Place

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Parks & Leisure Services offers an extensive wellness program dedicated to assisting residents in obtaining a healthy, productive, and balanced lifestyle. The Leisure Centre has within its Municipal operation several health and fitness entrepreneurs enabling residents "one-stop" access to exercise management and physical-based rehabilitation.

For more information on healthcare services in Maple Ridge, BC visit [Fraser Health](#).

For information on provincial health insurance (required for all permanent residents in B.C.), visit [Medical Services Plan of B.C.](#)

Education

Schools

There are a number of elementary and secondary schools in Maple Ridge.

Public elementary and secondary schools in the Maple Ridge area are part of School District 42. You can visit their website for more information - <http://www.sd42.ca/>

There are several independent schools in the Maple Ridge area offering instruction in English or French as a first language.

For more information regarding independent schools whose primary language is English, visit <http://www.fisabc.ca/>



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For more information regarding independent schools whose primary language is French, visit <http://www.csf.bc.ca/>

Universities and Colleges

There are several colleges and universities in Mainland, BC.

- British Columbia Institute of Technology - www.bcit.ca
- Douglas College - www.douglas.bc.ca
- Kwantlen College - www.kwantlen.bc.ca
- Langara College - www.langara.bc.ca
- Ridge Meadows College - www.rmcollege.ca
- Simon Fraser University - www.sfu.ca
- Trinity Western University - www.twu.ca
- University of British Columbia - www.ubc.ca
- University of the Fraser Valley - www.ufv.ca

Accommodation

As of July 2013, the average list price in Maple Ridge was \$496,000. There are 11 communities in Maple Ridge to look for housing options; Albion, Cottonwood, East Central, Northeast, North Maple Ridge, Northwest Maple Ridge, Silver Valley Southwest Maple Ridge, Thornhill, Websters Corner, West Central, and Whonnock. An average rental price for a 2 bedroom apartment in the Maple Ridge area is approximately \$800 per month.

Taxes

British Columbia has some of the lowest tax rates among Canadian provinces. To see how taxes compare across Canadian provinces and territories, visit: <http://www.taxtips.ca/taxrates/taxcomparison/taxcomparison2012.htm>

For detailed information on taxes in BC, visit: <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/theme.page?id=4DE87E7EE0859251309F8142B9BD4824>



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