



## Explore the North Shore –

### 1. **Activity:** Talking Trees Tour Program with Talaysay Tours – 1.5 hrs

#### **Talaysay Tours - Talking Trees Tour North Shore – 1.5 hrs**

Local Talaysay guide and a trained Indigenous ambassador-educator will introduce the students to the forests, the cultural stories and shared practices of the indigenous ecological and spiritual perspectives that have sustained Coast Salish Indigenous people for centuries. We will walk and hike along the guided trails and explore the various species of trees and plants while your guide points out the diversity of local plants that were harvested by our people for food, shelter, art and medicine.

- This program shares indigenous practices of living, via sustainable and selective harvesting
- Local history and ecology of the North Shore, the Capilano River
- The Tree of Life – Cedar, it's sacred gifts: medicine, technology, shelter, clothing, transportation
- West Coast Temporal Rain Forest – an ultimate community network
- The Land is Us and We are the Land – land management techniques, the social practices. Selective burning, the various forms for practiced agriculture, transplanting, pruning
- Your class will learn about the maple tree, douglas fir tree, red alder tree, the western hemlock, and the many wild berries of this regions
- Plants as medicine, frog leaves, plantain, horsetail – the forest is our grocery story and pharmacy

**Start Time A:** 9:30 or 10 am                      **End Time:** 11:00 or 11:30 am

**Start Time B:** 1:00 pm                              **End Time:** 2:30 pm

**Custom Time** can be arranged in advance.                      **Duration:** 1.5 hours

There are some slopes and varying elevations throughout this trail route.

**Meeting Location:** Cleveland Park, 5077 Dam Rd, North Vancouver  
<https://goo.gl/maps/uhUe3FGq6PN2>

**Rate:** \$15 per student. This discounted student rate (60%) is effective with 20 or more students. Teachers and Chaperons are complimentary. Max of two complimentary members.

**To Book On Line:** [www.aboriginalecotours.com](http://www.aboriginalecotours.com) \*First ask us for a discount code.

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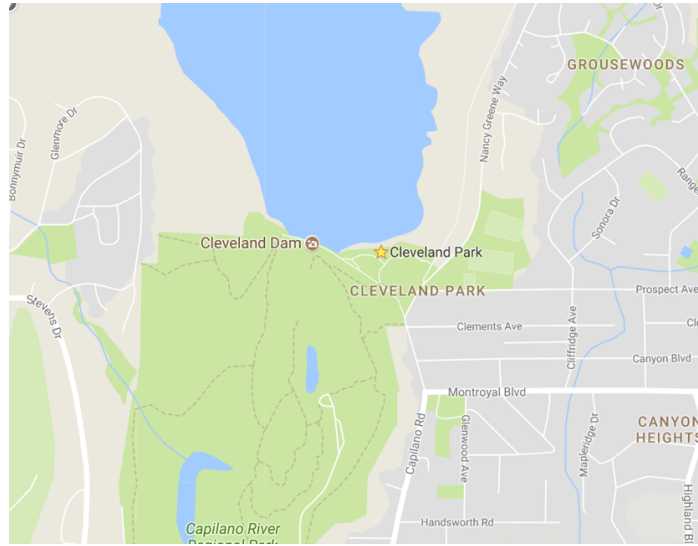
**What to bring:** Please ensure to wear comfortable walking shoes or runners, with layers of clothing. Dress for the weather. A water bottle and snacks are recommended.

**Bookings and** [info@talaysay.com](mailto:info@talaysay.com) or 1-800-605-4643 or call our Vancouver Line

**Inquiries**                      **Toll Free:** 1-800-605-4643                      **Vancouver Line:** 604-628-8555

**This tour includes:** Your cultural ambassador guide(s).

**Map of our Meeting Location:**



**In planning your land based learning activity with your class,** we invite all teachers to inform us of any curriculum connections you would like to meet in our tour program. Discussion of these curriculum goals require advanced planning.

**Talaysay Team Bio: A bit about the Team**

<https://www.talaysay.com/about/>

**Candace Campo – Educational Bio**

Candace, a trained teacher, is the owner/operator of a First Nations tour company Talaysay Tours, and has worked in a variety of areas in tourism, education, administration and research. Her eclectic work experience includes teaching secondary and elementary students she shashishalhem language, history, art and outdoor education. She has a background in administration, development and implementation of language curriculum, teaching language, First Nations, BC and Canadian history. Her other interests include strategic planning, facilitating corporate retreats and public speaking. Candace for the past 17 years, through her company Talaysay Tours, has designed and taught Indigenous land-based programs, cultural rediscovery and place based learning to public schools and private schools, and indigenous communities throughout the Vancouver and lower mainland.

**Our school programs rates (based on 20 or more students):**

1. Talking Trees Tour Program – Stanley Park - 1.5 hrs **\$15 per student**
2. Spoken Treasures Tour Program – Stanley Park – 1.5 hrs **\$15 per student**
3. Talking Trees Tour Program - Cleveland Park – North Van. 1.5 hrs or **\$15 per student**
4. Talking Trees and Salmon Tour Program – 3.0 hrs – Cleveland Park, North Shore 3.0 hrs **\$30 per student**
5. Custom locations with parks near your school can be accommodated. Any site over 20 km can include additional travel costs.

**Talaysay School Calendar 2018:** September to June. We do not operate in the month of November.

**How to book our land based programs:** We require a firm date, time and number of participants? Once this is completed your program will be confirmed as a scheduled tour. Talaysay Tours will email you a full itinerary and invoice

in advance. Your advanced booking and confirmation allows us to schedule our most experienced guides – educators for your class. You can also book on-line. We will provide you a discount code to acquire your group student discount. The on-line booking system requires credit card payment.

**Easy Book on-line:** <https://www.aboriginalecotours.com>

**Talaysay Customer Service and policies:**

Teachers and Chaperons are complimentary. 2 per 20 students.

Our tours and school programs proceed on rainy days. If weather is extreme with respect to severe rain or wind, we will contact you to re-schedule or cancel without cancellation penalty.

**Medical:** We ask the teachers to inform us in advance if there is any student or participants who requires an epi pen or if there are any participants with injuries or health matters that could affect their ability to experience our tour program in its full capacity.

**Group Cancellation:** 7 days or more are required for a refund; we will reimburse less a 20% administration fee.