

# GETTIN' THERE

## aviation information for local destinations

### Destination:

Boundary Bay (CZBB)

### Why Go?

One of the best reasons to go to Boundary Bay is for the accomplishment – it is a difficult airport to find, especially the first time. But once you have managed

this, the effort is well worth it. Boundary Bay has a relatively new main terminal building with a nice little restaurant. If you have the time, a short walk from the airport is a bus stop that will take you to downtown Vancouver in about an hour. If you are in a bit more of a hurry and can afford it, you can make arrangements with rental car agencies

to have them deliver a rental car to the airport for your use.

### Getting There

As mentioned, CZBB can be difficult to find. It is a very good idea to review the VTA carefully prior to departure and to plan on following the shoreline of Boundary Bay itself until the



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airport is in sight. If you continue to have difficulty locating the airport do not hesitate to ask Boundary Bay tower for help. When you have found the airport once, it is much easier to find on subsequent trips. As with Vancouver, you may want to climb to 3500 feet crossing the strait to avoid the need for a rapid descent when you get close to Boundary Bay.

Boundary Bay has two runways – 07/25 and 12/30. Coming from Victoria you will usually be given 12/30. Have a close look at the CFS to determine which is which.

Also coming from Victoria, you may be switched over to Vancouver Terminal prior to Boundary Bay tower. Vancouver Terminal may insist that you fly over Point Roberts (Point Roberts arrival) to ensure you are clear of Vancouver airspace – especially when Vancouver is busy. Alternatively, you may be given a West Point arrival which, as the name implies, is just to the west of Point Roberts. These arrivals are clearly laid out on the back of the VTA.

## Local Knowledge

Boundary Bay can be quite busy as there is a rather large flight training school located at the airport. Also review the CFS prior to departure as there are noise-sensitive areas that you will need to avoid. Also notice that the CFS indicates that circuit height for CZBB is 800 feet.

## Weather

There's no METAR / TAF for Boundary Bay but you can have a look at those for Vancouver, although there is sometimes local weather at Vancouver that may not be present in Boundary Bay (mostly marine layers). If you have two radios in your aircraft, it is a good idea to listen to Boundary Bay ATIS as soon as you can after take-off. You can also have a look at the winds at Boundary Bay on the live RVR – that will give you an idea of what runway to expect.

## Important Links & Contacts

**Boundary Bay Airport -**  
[www.czbb.com](http://www.czbb.com)