



Classically beautiful Vancouver sits on the chilly Pacific coast of Canada's British Columbia, and boasts some of the best seafood restaurants in the world. How could anyone go wrong by sitting down, putting on a bib and enjoying salmon and other sea creatures that were swimming nearby just hours before? Here are just a few examples of Vancouver's best seafood restaurants:

Go Fish! is at 1505 West 1st Avenue, right on the city's famed Fisherman's Wharf. You can't possibly get any closer to fresh seafood than in this wharf cafe, unless you're actually out there swimming with your next fish dish. The eye-catching blue corrugated steel shack sitting next to False Creek specializes in fried salmon, cod and halibut. The generous servings come with chips and slaw.

Blue Water Cafe & Raw Bar is located at 1095 Hamilton Street. If you like your fish and shell products sushi pickled and raw, this is the place to find them. Bring your appetite on the night you order the Blue Water Tower, three kinds of sushi piled almost as high as Japan's Mount Fujimama.

The Cannery Seafood House sits at 2205 Commissioner Street. It looks like a kind of Northern California cannery that John Steinbeck extolled in his book, with wonderful ocean and mountain views. If you're lucky and have a table near the pier when the seals decide to serenade you from below, you couldn't ask for better dinner music. Some menu items include broiled salmon steak, Dungeness crab and tiger prawn risotto, and spicy steamed Chilean sea bass on beds of ginger-flavored black beans.

The Fish House address is 8901 Stanley Park Drive in one of the most beautiful parks in America. The restaurant is in the park's former sports pavilion next to the Aquarium. If you're there on a chilly Vancouver night, have your meal in the Fireplace Room, and dine comfortably on broiled salmon, ahi tuna steak Diane or enormous prawns scorched with flaming ouzo.