

Fernwood Neighbourhood Scavenger Hunt - Printable Version

For Week of May 4th

Explore these clues, and submit a photo, story, or video to us about your experience or something you discovered on this Scavenger Hunt challenge. **Submissions can be sent to us by filling out the short activity form on the GVCC website under ‘themed rides’ or via Facebook and Instagram by tagging us at @biketoworkvic or #yyjbike!** With every submission, you will be entered into a draw for a chance to win a gift card for take-out food from a local restaurant or bike shop near you. Prizes for this Fernwood challenge will be mailed to draw winners on May 18th.

Activities are designed with adult supervision in mind. Before undertaking any outdoor activities, please be sure to follow the latest COVID-19 Provincial Support and Information.

Clues:

1. Located on Haultain Avenue is a fragrant, edible boulevard garden. How many different types of herbs can you count in this garden?
2. Fernwood was once home to a variety of orchards including apples, pears, plums, and Spanish figs. Can you find one of these fruit trees? What street is it on?
3. A series of painted sunflowers can be found along Gladstone Avenue. Where are they?
4. Fernwood is situated on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen speaking peoples, and Songhees and Esquimalt Nations. Recently, residents in this neighbourhood have been working to restore native Garry oak meadows. Purple camas flowers are one of the native plant species found in such meadows. Can you find a purple camas flower blooming? What street did you find it on?
5. Victoria Highschool still has two old-school door entry signs that represent a bygone era. They are located on the South and East sides of the building. What do these signs say?
6. Located on Chambers Street is one of Dr. Seuss’s famous furry heros. What is the name of this character?
7. There are many brightly painted homes that colour the streets of Fernwood. However, there is one particularly fashionable home that wears blue exterior walls with red, blue, purple, and yellow trim with yellow pillars. What street is this house on?
8. There’s a tiny theatre on Denman Street that has been bringing entertainment to the community since 1995 from their truck camper! What three words, starting with the letter “A”, are painted on the side of this tiny theatre?

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9. Cats love wandering the quiet residential streets of Fernwood. Spot a cat and tell us what it was doing.
10. What is the name of the bike shop located on Cook Street, between Pandora Avenue and Pembroke Street? Read the sign out front and tell us the shop name and the year it opened in this location.
11. A legendary murder of crows can be found cawing away on the streets of Fernwood this time of year. Find a group of crows and let us know where you saw them.
12. This Community Well was the original public spring for Victoria. There is a plaque with the date this well was protected. Find this plaque and tell us the name of the Lieutenant Governor who dedicated this well project.
13. This Wishing Tree holds fruitful hopes and dreams on its branches all year round. Find a hanging tag that tugs on your heart-strings and tell us what it says.
14. Veggie garden boxes are becoming ever more common in Fernwood these days. Many of these gardens are growing different kinds of kales. Tell us how many front yards in Fernwood you can find that are growing kale plants.
15. Fernwood is home to the First Open Heart Society in B.C. Every week, more heart-shaped Canadian flags are being placed in residents' front windows in support of essential workers and health-care workers. Tell us how many houses in Fernwood have these flags in their windows.

