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We are so excited to feature our very own friend of the community, Tasha Walsh. If you recognize the name, that's because Tasha has been a guiding force in this community for the past 17 years, and we mean that in the literal sense, because she has clocked in over 15 years of volunteer service with the Girl Guides of Canada. She is a great supporter of the Ups & Downs Society and finds time in her busy schedule to volunteer at many community events with her husband and 2 daughters. Tasha graduated from U of C with a Bachelors of Hotel & Resort Management, and her many years of experience in the Hotel & Restaurant Industry have given her the skills and knowledge to help you book your next trip with confidence and ease.

So why, in a world of computers, do we need a travel consultant? Have you ever wondered if the photo on the travel website matches the actual view when you arrive? Are you looking for the most up-to-date travel restrictions and Covid guidelines? Tasha can answer these questions for you! She has developed relationships with suppliers, has firsthand knowledge on many destinations, and can provide clarity on some of the misinformation that we all know is out there! Each country is different, so working with a travel professional can alleviate the stress of finding that perfect spot, knowing what hoops to jump through and matching your expectations with a realistic budget.

We asked Tasha for any words of wisdom. Her recommendation for travelers (especially now) is:

- BE PATIENT and understanding of things that are beyond your control
- BE OPEN to new experiences
- PACK A SWIMSUIT in your carry on. If your room isn't ready when you arrive at least you can hit the beach!



"There are so many amazing experiences out there... food, culture, theatre, adventure. I love working with my couples and groups. If you are vaccinated and you are observing all the safety rules, there is no reason you can't travel this winter!"

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