

# ABOUT US

Hello, we are Joost and Joanne. Thank you for taking the time to get to know us. Where to start..... We will fast forward through a few years of adventures and life and give you a glimpse into our lives as they are today.. We have been happily married for over 5 years and are blessed to say we have found our best friends in life. We live our lives full of each other, family, friends, God, and nature.



We live in the Fraser Valley in a town out in the country away from the hustle and bustle. We live in a cul-de-sac and are backing onto green space, with a park across the road from us. We have shops, a pool, a recreation center, trails, hikes, and lakes minutes away. The best part is we are only 15 minutes away from everything you might need in a city.

# OUR HOME



# ADOPTION

Having discovered early in our marriage that biological children were not an option for us, we knew we wanted to adopt. We have been privileged to have close friends and acquaintances who were blessed to be parents by adoption and it was an easy decision to make.



# OUR PROMISE

We have dreamed and pray for the day we become parents.

We promise to provide a home that is full of love, laughter and joy.

It is our desire to raise a family with a focus on God, love to each other, our neighbors and the earth.

We promise to tell them their whole story.

The gift of us becoming adoptive parents that starts with birth parent(s) and a culture that can be talked about, lived, and respected.

We wish to have an open adoption where we can exchange pictures and communicate.

If possible we are also open to visits.







# JOANNE

Outgoing, warm and passionate Joanne embraces the changes in life and is always up for an adventure with the people she loves. She enjoys gardening, loves anything old and full of history, going on adventures with her nieces and nephew, and exploring nature with Joost. She is an educational assistant and loves teaching and helping students achieve their best selves.



# FAMILY

We are blessed to be surrounded by a great family. Joanne's family is local and with 2 married siblings, lots of nieces and a nephew around, our life is never dull. Joost is originally from Holland so his parents and a sister with her family are still there while his brother's family lives in Alberta. We are fortunate to still be able to see them fairly often and have enjoyed combining family visits with world travels.



# TOGETHER

Together is the best place to be. We thrive on a home full of love and shared moments. We value eating meals together around the table, taking time for our families, helping the less fortunate, exploring nature, and working on various projects and fun hobbies around our home. One of our favorite places to go is the ocean. Together we love to explore the west coast from its gorgeous beaches to the breathing taking ocean.



# JOOST

A true gentle soul, full of ideas and creativity he thrives on deep connections with people, nature and art. He spends his days leading irrigation project teams at his work where he leads by example. His passions include gardening, nature, drawing, reggae music and cooking with Joanne. He is always up to find a new book on plants and takes the time to listen to a story or even read our nieces and nephews a story.

