

WHISTLER SPRING GETAWAY

Staying at Fairmont Chateau Whistler

April 10, 2017 - 5 days



a world to experience



Fares Per Person:

\$1345 double/twin

\$1615 single



- > Rates for upgraded room categories are also available.
- > Please add 5% GST.
- > **Early Bookers:** \$80 discount on first 15 seats; \$40 on next 10
- > **Experience Points:** Earn 34 points from this tour.
Redeem **34 points** if you book by **February 23.**

Includes

- Coach transportation for 5 days
- 4 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- Historic Ashcroft Manor
- All programming, activities and gratuities at Chateau Whistler during Spring Celebration
- 2 receptions at Fairmont Chateau Whistler
- Audain Art Museum in Whistler
- Ticket to *Cinderella* at Queen Elizabeth Theatre
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **11 meals:** 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners

Whistler & Fairmont's Spring Getaway

In 1966, the Garibaldi Lift Company opened its ski area on the west side of Whistler Mountain. The development of Whistler Resort just 14 years later, and its successive growth into an award-winning, international resort, is unparalleled in ski history. To complement Whistler Mountain, Blackcomb Mountain opened in 1980, and Whistler Village was built at the base of these adjacent mountains. The Village was carefully designed to reap the benefits of the Coast Mountains' excellent geographical location, emphasizing sun exposure and mountain vistas. The Fairmont Chateau Whistler opened its doors in 1989. The stunning structure was built with an architectural mandate to infuse the charm and style of earlier Canadian chateaux, into a modern structure. It is still one of Whistler's most renowned hotels.

Each spring, Chateau Whistler hosts a celebration for guests 55 plus but young at heart. It is an entertaining, enlightening and thoroughly enjoyable three-night package with all meals included. Among the many scheduled activities, free time has been allotted daily for you to enjoy at leisure. It could be a refreshing swim in the lap pool, a treatment at the spa, hot toddies around the fire on The Mallard Terrace, a walk on Whistler's many nature trails, or shopping at the Village Square.

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Itinerary

Monday, April 10:

Meals: L,D

We follow the Trans-Canada Highway to Cache Creek. Lunch and a tour are included at historic Ashcroft Manor, built in the 1860s to serve Cariboo Wagon Road travellers. We drive through Marble Canyon to Lillooet then along the scenic **Duffey Lake Road** through the Coast Mountains. We pass glacial blue Seton Lake, the curious estate of Walden North, Cayoosh Canyon, and Joffre Glacier. In Whistler, we settle into the luxurious **Fairmont Chateau Whistler**. This fabulous hotel has 550 rooms, a huge atrium lobby, several lounges, and over 600 staff to ensure your comfortable stay. Events for 2017 have not been finalized, so the following are 2016 events. At 6 pm, there is a welcome reception, followed by a gourmet dinner in the Frontenac Ballroom and a game show.

Tuesday, April 11:

Meals: B,L,D

The day starts with a hot buffet breakfast in the Frontenac. Activities from the 2016 schedule include yoga class, a naturalist talk about black bears, Whistler Valley walk including the new Audain Art Museum, a documentary film about Whistler history, aquatic fitness, table tennis tournament, dance class, and a movie matinee. A buffet lunch and dinner are included, followed by a talk by an astronomer, the Hawaiian hot tub social, and various games.

Wednesday, April 12:

Meals: B,L,D

Today's activities are an exercise class, lectures on several topics, craft flowers, golf clinic, comedy improvisation, "Secrets of the Chateau" walking tour, and an edible art class with the pastry chefs. Tonight, there is a farewell reception, gala dinner and dancing.

Thursday, April 13:

Meals: B

The morning is leisure time. We depart at 1 pm for the two hour drive into Vancouver with a stop at **Brandywine Falls**. We stay overnight at the renowned Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. Tonight, we see **Cinderella** at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. This Tony Award-winning Broadway musical has been delighting audiences with its contemporary take on the classic tale. The lavish production features an incredible orchestra, jaw-dropping transformations and all the moments you love — the pumpkin, the glass slipper and the masked ball. Rediscover some of Rodgers & Hammerstein's most beloved songs including *In My Own Little Corner*, *Impossible/It's Possible* and *Ten Minutes Ago* in this hilarious and romantic Broadway experience. Cinderella was composed in 1957 and this 2013 revival is getting rave reviews.

Friday, April 14:

Meals: B,L

We travel home along the Coquihalla.

Chateau Whistler room choices

All rooms are about 400 square feet and have amenities such as coffee maker, bathrobes, hair dryer, safe, iron, ironing board, and clock. A Fairmont room is included with the tour fares quoted on the other side. You can upgrade to deluxe room categories as follows. These rooms have preferred locations in the hotel and a better view. There are limited numbers of rooms available in each of the upgraded categories.

Deluxe View Room — \$1395 per person double or twin, \$1710 single.

Deluxe Slopeside View Room — \$1440 per person double or twin, \$1795 single.

Junior Suite — \$1535 per person double or twin, \$1980 single.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due February 23, 2017.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$80 discount on first 15 seats and \$40 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after February 23.

Cancellation Policy: Up to February 23, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From February 24 to March 9, the cancellation charge is 40% of the tour fare. From March 10 to March 23, the cancellation charge is 70% of the tour fare. After March 23, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up until departure.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Please contact us for details.

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Activity Level: Light activity including short distances to walk and some steps. The walk to the Audain Art Museum is about 15 minutes each way. If you think you may have difficulty participating in Activity Level 1, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

E-points: This tour earns 34 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until Feb. 23.

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