

NEW YEAR'S IN VANCOUVER

With *Salute to Vienna* and *Cirque du Soleil Kurios*
December 30, 2017 - 4 Days



a world to experience



Fares Per Person:

\$1055 double/twin

\$1270 single

\$1015 triple



- > Please add 5% GST.
- > **Early Bookers:** \$60 discount on first 15 seats; \$30 on next 10
- > **Experience Points:** Earn 25 points from this tour.
Redeem **25 points** if you book by **October 27**.

Includes

- Coach transportation for 4 days
- 3 nights accommodation at Fairmont Hotel Vancouver and lodging taxes
- Fly Over Canada multi-media show
- Ticket to Cirque du Soleil's *Kurios*
- Ticket to *Salute to Vienna* at Orpheum Theatre
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotel
- **6 meals:** 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner

Ring in 2018 in Style with two fabulous shows!

Cirque du Soleil was founded in 1984 in Gaspé as part of the celebrations around the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier's arrival in Quebec. Cirque was based on a totally new concept: a striking, dramatic mix of the circus arts and street entertainment, featuring outrageous costumes, staged under magical lighting with original music, and not one animal. With its fame growing across Canada (including a performance at Expo '86), Cirque offered its first show in California in 1987 and became an overnight success. The Mirage Resort in Las Vegas signed Cirque to a year-long contract in 1992. Today, Cirque du Soleil has about 4,000 employees with headquarters still in Montreal, and 19 shows with different themes are currently performing around the world. Over 90 million people have seen a Cirque show since 1984. We have excellent seats in the Grand Chapiteau in Section 201 Rows H to L.

Salute to Vienna has been billed as the world's greatest New Year's concert. For over 60 years, the Vienna Philharmonic's "Neujahrskonzert" broadcast has thrilled 1.2 billion people annually around the globe – a joyous celebration of the musical legacy of Johann Strauss Jr. In 1995, concert producers, Attila and Marion Glatz, presented their first *Salute to Vienna* in Toronto and it was modelled carefully after the original. Now, 22 years later, the show has become a New Year's tradition in North America featuring glorious music performed by the Vancouver Symphony with an outstanding cast of 75 musicians, singers and dancers. The show is staged almost simultaneously in 21 cities throughout Canada and the United States. We have reserved superb seats at the ornate Orpheum Theatre in Right and Left Centre Orchestra Rows 11 to 13.

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Itinerary

Saturday, December 30:

Meals: L

We drive to Vancouver and stay three nights at the renowned **Fairmont Hotel Vancouver**. Opened in 1939 at a cost of \$12 million, it was the third Hotel Vancouver and a downtown landmark with its copper green roof and a height of 17 storeys. A \$12 million renovation in 2014 has brought this magnificent hotel back to being among the finest in Vancouver. The Hotel Vancouver has an excellent location on West Georgia Street, surrounded by dozens of shops and restaurants, and a block from Pacific Centre Mall.

Sunday, December 31:

Meals: B,D

Start the day with the Fairmont's fabulous breakfast buffet. Then we go to Canada Place to experience **Fly Over Canada**. Soar from coast to coast on a breathtaking aerial journey using the latest in virtual flight ride technology. This is a fully immersive experience including wind, scents, mist, and state-of-the-art sound.

Option: If you have previously seen Fly Over Canada and prefer to do something else, you can opt out and your fare will be reduced \$16.

Later, we go to the Grand Chapiteau and thrill to **Cirque du Soleil's Kurios**, starting at 1:30 pm. A three-course New Year's Dinner is included in Gastown at the popular Steamworks Grill. Back at the hotel, you may want to ring in the New Year in the lounge at midnight.

Monday, January 1, 2018:

Meals: B

At 2 pm, we go to the Orpheum Theatre to enjoy the annual performance of **Salute to Vienna**. Here is a welcome message from the creators of the world's greatest New Year's concert, Attila and Marion Glatz:

The tradition of ringing in the New Year with the waltzes, marches and operetta arias of the beloved Viennese Strauss family, Lehár, Stolz and others surely sets the tone for an exceptional year to come. In fact, since 1995, when we first transposed this tradition to North America, audiences have delighted in the performances. The new tradition has quickly spread across the continent, featuring leading orchestras, internationally renowned conductors, and soloists trained in this unique repertoire. We look forward to celebrating the musical magic of the Viennese masters with you for many years to come.

Tonight is free time as you may want to visit relatives or friends around Vancouver, or enjoy an elegant first dinner of 2018 in one of the many restaurants near the Hotel Vancouver.

Tuesday, January 2:

Meals: B,L

We journey home from Vancouver.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due October 27, 2017.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$60 discount on first 15 seats and \$30 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after October 27.

Cancellation Policy: Up to October 27, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From October 28 to November 23, the cancellation charge is 40% of the tour fare. From November 24 to December 8, the cancellation charge is 70% of the tour fare. After December 8, 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 the time of 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 for medical and cancellation claims, 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, mainly to and from your seats in the Grand Chapiteau and Queen Elizabeth Theatre. There is a walk of nearly 2 blocks along the length of Canada Place to Fly Over Canada. 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 25 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 October 27.

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