

LOVE NEVER DIES IN SEATTLE

Andrew Lloyd Webber's sequel to *Phantom of the Opera*

May 10, 2018 - 4 Days



a world to experience



Fares Per Person:

\$1155 double/twin

\$1425 single

\$1085 triple



> Tour is exempt from GST.

> **Early Bookers:** \$60 discount on first 12 seats; \$30 on next 8

> **Experience Points:** Earn 28 points from this tour.

Redeem **28 points** if you book by **March 21**.

Includes

- Coach transportation for 4 days
- 3 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- 2 Puget Sound ferry crossings
- Bloedel Reserve tour of gardens and mansion
- Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park
- Love Never Dies at Paramount Theatre
- Choice of Chihuly Garden & Glass OR Seattle Space Needle
- Hairspray at Village Theatre
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotel
- **6 meals:** 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches

Love Never Dies — the long awaited sequel to *Phantom of the Opera*

The year is 1907. It is 10 years after his disappearance from the Paris Opera House and the Phantom has escaped to a new life in New York where he lives among the screaming joy rides and freak-shows of Coney Island. In this new electrically-charged world, he has finally found a place for his music to soar. All that is missing is his love – Christine Daaé. Now one of the world's finest sopranos, Christine is struggling in an ailing marriage to Raoul. So, it is with excitement she accepts an invitation to travel to New York and perform at a renowned opera house. In a final bid to win back her love, the Phantom lures Christine, her husband, and their young son Gustave from Manhattan to the glittering world of Coney Island. Christine soon discovers the true identity of her mysterious impresario and that all is not what it seems.

Andrew Lloyd Webber rose to fame in 1968 with the staging of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. This was followed by other memorable musicals such as *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Evita*, *Cats*, and *Sunset Boulevard*. His crowning achievement was *Phantom of the Opera* which is still playing on Broadway 28 years after opening. *Love Never Dies* opened in London in 2010 and played for nearly 18 months, followed by shows in Australia, Copenhagen, Tokyo, and Hamburg. The US National Tour will play in 30 cities across the USA in 2017-2018. The show is not coming to Canada, so Seattle is the nearest place to see it.

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Itinerary

Thursday, May 10:

Meals: L

We follow the Coquihalla to the lower mainland, then cross the border at Sumas. Our destination is Lynnwood on the north side of Seattle where we settle into the **Embassy Suites Hotel** for three nights. Consistently rated as one of our top lodgings, the hotel had a multi-million dollar renovation completed in 2016. It features a spacious atrium, a full cooked-to-order breakfast each morning, and a manager's reception with complimentary cocktails and snacks tonight and Saturday.

Friday, May 11:

Meals: B,L

We take the ferry from Edmonds to Kingston, then drive through quaint **Poulsbo** which maintains Scandinavian architecture. On Bainbridge Island, we visit **Bloedel Reserve**, a 150-acre garden created by Prentice and Virginia Bloedel (of MacMillan Bloedel fame). It was a private garden while they lived here from 1951 to 1986, then it opened to the public. Bloedel's 12 distinct gardens range from a bird marsh teeming with life, to a velvety-soft moss garden, to an award-winning Japanese garden. Our guided tour includes the gardens and the Bloedel mansion. Lunch is included in Winslow, then we take the ferry from Bainbridge Island into downtown Seattle. A stop is made at the **Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park** which explains the importance of Seattle to the gold seekers. At 8 pm, we are at the Paramount Theatre when the curtain rises for **Love Never Dies**.

Saturday, May 12:

Meals: B

This morning, choose from two attractions:

1) Seattle Space Needle — Ride the fast elevators to the observation deck of this landmark. Built for the 1962 World's Fair, it soars 605 feet and provides panoramic views of the city, harbour, and Mount Rainier on clear days.

2) Chihuly Garden and Glass. Stroll through this colourful spectacle of glass, founded on the international success of glass artist Dale Chihuly. The facility features his most popular series works, unique pieces, and architectural installations. Please select which you want to visit when you book this tour.

At 2 pm, we see **Hairspray** at the intimate Village Theatre in Issaquah. The year is 1962. The '50s are out and change is in the air. Baltimore's Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big hair and an even bigger heart, has only one passion – to dance. The songs take Tracy from the soundstage of a 1960s-style dance show to the streets of Baltimore to a downtown rhythm and blues record shop. *Hairspray* was nominated for Tony Awards in 13 categories in 2003 and won eight, including Best Musical, Best Original Score, and Best Costume Design.

Sunday, May 13:

Meals: B,L

There are short shopping stops at Bellis Fair Mall in Bellingham and the Duty Free Store, then we cross the border at Sumas and head for home.

Seating for *Love Never Dies*

- Seating is on the main floor (orchestra level) in section 2 (right centre), rows O to W. Seating is assigned from front to back in the order that customers book for this tour.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due March 21, 2018. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$60 discount on first 12 seats and \$30 on next 8 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after March 21. Seniors (65 & over) receive \$5 discount extended by Washington Ferries.

Cancellation Policy: Up to March 21, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From March 22 to April 9, the cancellation charge is 40% of tour fare. From April 10 to April 23, the cancellation charge is 70% of tour fare. After April 23, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to currency exchange rates and 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, 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. If you are not able to participate 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. The coach cannot carry a scooter. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require ongoing assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense. Travel insurance will probably not cover you.

E-points: This tour earns 28 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 March 21.

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