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Staff News

Come say farewell to Wendy Syms at the Kamloops Tea, Tuesday, April 26th and help celebrate her last day with Wells Gray Tours after 21 years!

Stay Informed

Wells Gray Tours provides tour policies on every tour itinerary. This information varies slightly for each tour and addresses specific items pertaining to each tour such as payments, discounts, cancellation policies, fare changes, insurance and activity levels. Please be sure to read this area carefully and call your local office with any questions. We want your tour experience to be exceptional from the moment you book.

E-Newsletter

Sign up for our monthly E-Newsletter to get access to newly released tours, travel tidbits and information on upcoming events. All we need is your email address, so call your local office today or visit us online at www.wellsgraytours.com and click "Receive Tour & News Updates".

The Wells Gray Team

OFFICE HOURS

Kamloops 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Vernon 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Kelowna 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Penticton 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 Closed holidays & weekends

Full tour itineraries can be found online at www.wellsgraytours.com or at your local office.

- All tours include coach and/or air transportation, accommodation, knowledgeable tour director, and luggage handling at hotels, unless otherwise indicated.
- Tours depart from Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Vernon, Kelowna, Penticton and communities in between. Depending on the individual tour routing and number of people in a location, additional pick up points may be available or added.
- GST is charged where applicable.
- Single and triple fares are available on most tours.
- Consumer Protection BC Licenses: Kamloops 178, Vernon 655, Kelowna 588, Penticton 924

Cover photo: Get ready for a yee-haw good time on two of our western theme tours! Barkerville & Wells Gray Park, itinerary on page 3 and Calgary Stampede, itinerary on page 7. Photo Credit: Travel Alberta



HELP US CELEBRATE OUR ANNIVERSARY!

Join us for our 45th Anniversary Gala Event

Please set aside May 5 - 13, 2017.

Stay tuned for further information. Details will be in your mailbox in early June, 2016.



ACTIVITY LEVELS



Wells Gray Tours offers tours at three levels of activity. The symbol of one, two or three walkers appears on each tour brochure to indicate the activity level you can expect. A written description is also provided. In addition, on Activity Level 3 tours, every customer must sign a statement that he/she understands that the tour has lots of activity and is capable of handling it. Tours with Activity Level 1 or 2 have the following statement on the brochure:

If you are not able to participate in Activity Level 1 or 2, 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.

EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES AT HOME DISCOVER BRITISH COLUMBIA

INSIDE PASSAGE & SKEENA TRAIN

June 17, 2016 — 8 days

\$2395 pp double **\$2855** single

6 seats left!



B.C. Ferries' *Northern Expedition* was specially designed for Inside Passage voyages. The 500-kilometre journey from Port Hardy to Prince Rupert takes 15 hours, all in daylight to permit great viewing of the rugged coastline and abundant wildlife, marine life and birdlife. We also visit the Khutzeymateen Grizzly Sanctuary which was established in 1994 and preserves one of the largest populations of grizzly bears in B.C. Here we will board a 72-foot catamaran for an all-day excursion to the sanctuary. Next, you will be pampered all day in the deluxe "Touring Class" including seating in the dome car on VIA Rail's Skeena Train. This is a spectacular all-day journey east to Prince George. There are splendid views of passing scenery as we follow the broad Skeena River and the rushing Bulkley River through the Coast Mountains.

BARKERVILLE & SUN PEAKS RESORT

July 17, 2016 — 5 days

\$795 pp double **\$980** single

discounts up to \$20 pp



Enjoy the warmth of the BC Interior summer with an ideal combination of exploring the historic Gold Rush Trail and relaxing in luxurious mountain resort comfort. Barkerville celebrated its 150th anniversary in 2011, and the restored town is still bringing joy to visitors young and old, as they relive the days of the old west. Sun Peaks is one of BC's best four-season resorts, with summer welcoming outdoor adventurers and holiday-seekers alike. Relax at the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel, the finest of many in the village and ideally located in the midst of all the shops and restaurants of this come-of-age resort town. Ride the chairlift high onto Tod Mountain and admire the early display of colourful alpine blossoms.

CRUISING THE LOWER FRASER RIVER

September 20, 2016 — 5 days

\$1295 pp double **\$1575** single
discounts up to \$70 pp



During three cruises, this tour explores the last 130 km of the Fraser from its confluence with the Harrison River to its mouth at Steveston. The first is a nature-oriented trip from Mission to the historic Kilby Store at Harrison Mills, viewing bird and animal life with the benefit of an expert naturalist. The second cruise is on board the *MV Native*, an authentic replica of a Paddlewheeler, from Fort Langley to New Westminster, passing under four bridges. A second charter excursion on the *Native* continues downstream into the Strait of Georgia. All three cruises are unique experiences because they are available only to tour groups.

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WELLS GRAY PARK
October 1, 2016 — 3 days



\$725 pp double **\$810** single
discounts up to \$40 pp



Wells Gray Park is a vast wilderness area, nicknamed Canada's "Waterfalls Park" and the "Volcanoes Park". October is an excellent time to visit Wells Gray Park because the fall foliage is magnificent and the Clearwater Valley is filled with every shade of yellow imaginable. The tour is escorted by Roland Neave, owner of Wells Gray Tours and Wells Gray Gateway Guesthouse. Roland is also the author of the guidebook *Exploring Wells Gray Park*; the 6th Edition was published in 2015 and a complimentary autographed copy of this 400-page all-colour book is yours as a souvenir of this tour. This tour is limited to 20 travellers. With a small group, the boats are able to take us up Clearwater Lake, through the Clearwater River into Azure Lake, then to the beach at the east end of Azure Lake to view Rainbow Falls. We rarely offer this extended boat tour. Come and see the birthplace of Wells Gray Tours! There is a connection to the Park's name, dating back 44 years. An environmental organization offered tours of Wells Gray Park in 1972 as a means of protesting BC Hydro's plans to build seven dams. Roland and some university friends were volunteer guides. From this modest beginning with a single tour route, Wells Gray Tours has evolved to offer worldwide travel.

TYAX RESORT

October 3, 2016 — 4 days

\$930 pp double **\$1125** single
10 seats left!



Join us for a Fall Foliage Tour in the South Chilcotin and spend 3 nights at Tyax Wilderness Resort, a peaceful retreat on Tyaughton Lake with a fine view of snowy peaks. The lodge is one of the largest log buildings in western Canada and you are sure to admire its fine craftsmanship, especially the cathedral lobby with a soaring stone chimney. It was built in 1986 and totally renovated a few years ago. You will have a free day to relax at Tyax Resort and enjoy the beautiful setting as well as numerous entertaining and recreational activities. Enjoy a locally guided tour of Bralorne & Gold Bridge and a flight over the nearby glaciers and peaks of the South Chilcotin wilderness is offered as an option.

COMING SOON!

Thanksgiving at Long Beach - October 2016

Theatre Escape to Oak Bay Beach Resort - November 2016

Mekong River Cruise - January 2017

Palm Springs & Mexican Riviera Cruise on Westerdam - January 25, 2017

Caribbean Cruise with New Orleans - February 1, 2017

Natural Wonders of Iceland - June 3, 2017

Call our office to be put on our "Interested List"

2016 SHOW TOURS

MOTOWN & PAINT YOUR WAGON IN SEATTLE \$1135 pp double **\$1390** single

June 9, 2016 — 4 days



Theatre is a great way to celebrate the full range of human emotion, and these two musicals do just that — one that launched on Broadway in 2013 and one with great songs that have been around for 60 years. **Paint Your Wagon** opened on Broadway in 1951 and in London in 1953. A film version starring Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood, and Jean Seberg was produced in 1969. Revivals of the stage musical appeared in 2004 and 2007. The story centres on a miner and his daughter, and follows the lives and loves of the people in a mining camp in Gold Rush-era California. Popular songs from the show include *Wand'rin' Star*, *I Talk to the Trees* and *They Call the Wind Maria*.

Motown by contrast had its Broadway debut in 2013 and ran for nearly two years. It was nominated for four Tony Awards. It is a jukebox musical, based on the story of Berry Gordy's founding and running of the Motown record label, and his personal and professional relationships with Motown artists such as Diana Ross, Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye, and Michael Jackson. The musical has an incredible 66 songs packed into 2 hours 40 minutes.

BILLY ELLIOT & NEWSIES IN VANCOUVER

July 6, 2016 — 3 days

\$765 pp double **\$965** single
discounts up to \$20 pp



Direct from Broadway comes **Newsies**, the smash-hit, crowd-pleasing new musical from Disney. Winner of the 2012 Tony Awards for Best Score and Best Choreography, *Newsies* has audiences and critics alike calling it "A musical worth singing about!" (*The New York Times*). Filled with one heart-pounding number after another, it's a high-energy explosion of song and dance you just don't want to miss. Based on true events, *Newsies* tells the captivating story of a band of underdogs who become unlikely heroes when they stand up to the most powerful men in New York. It's a rousing tale about fighting for what's right...and staying true to who you are.

Thousands of standing ovations... Ten 2009 Tony Awards including Best Musical... One Broadway show that shines above the rest... This is **Billy Elliot**, the spectacular show with heart, humour and passion. Set in a small town, the story follows Billy as he stumbles out of the boxing ring and into a ballet class, discovering a surprising talent that inspires his family and his whole community, and changes his life forever. Experience the joyous celebration of one boy's journey against the odds to make his dreams come true. Based on the international smash-hit film, *Billy Elliot* is brought to life by a phenomenal cast, along with music legend Elton John, who has written what the *New York Post* calls "his best score yet!"

SUMMER THEATRE IN ALBERTA

July 8, 2016 — 5 days

Second
Departure
Added!

\$1290 pp double **\$1605** single



Alberta has numerous experiences to enjoy, ranging from natural attractions to superb theatre and fascinating museums. This tour spends a night at Radium Hot Springs, where you can relax in the soothing waters of Canada's biggest hot springs pool. From here we go to Calgary and to the Stage West Dinner Theatre for a superb buffet and the show **Legends of Rock 'n Roll**. It reunites four of the greatest singers who not only defined, but helped invent Rock 'n' Roll throughout the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s: Buddy Holly, Tom Jones, Neil Diamond, and Elvis Presley. Then it's off to Drumheller to the intimate 200-seat Opera House of Rosebud Theatre. Their summer play is **Tent Meeting** which unearths painful memories that threaten to bring a preacher and a drought-weary farmer to blows. We will also attend the **Canadian Badlands Passion Play**, one of only a few large scale dramatic productions in the world that portray the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Before heading home we will visit the impressive Royal Tyrrell Museum, a multi-million dollar tribute to the Dinosaur Age, and enjoy some sights in the Red Deer River Valley near Drumheller, such as the Rosedale Suspension Bridge and the Atlas Coal Mine.

LEAVENWORTH SUMMER THEATRE

August 2, 2016 — 3 days

\$670 pp double **\$820** single
discounts up to \$15 pp



Leavenworth celebrates the summer of 2016 with its 22nd season of theatre, anchored by its signature production, **The Sound of Music**. Experience the magic of theatre under the stars as you watch the show outdoors at the Ski Hill. The sun falls behind the ridge, the moon rises over the valley, and Maria descends the hillside — literally — singing the title song. Enjoy your favourite songs from this popular musical — *My Favorite Things*, *Edelweiss*, *Climb Ev'ry Mountain*, and *Do-Re-Mi*. A Bavarian Village classic! **Singin' in the Rain** is the other featured production which takes place at the Hatchery Park Stage. Embark with us on a dance-filled journey to the golden age of the cinema. Set in the 1920s, this musical has all the charm, romance, comedy, and glamour that Hollywood has to offer, and showers you with soaring dance numbers and a glorious score including *Singin' in the Rain*, *Temptation*, and *Good Mornin'*. It is all topped off with the famous rain scene. The film was released in 1952, but the stage musical was not performed until 1983 when it ran for over two years in London, followed by one year on Broadway. Enjoy wonderful professional theatre in a lovely mountain setting with some of the best natural surroundings and unique shops in Washington State.

ONTARIO THEATRE

October 11, 2016 — 9 Days



\$3420 pp double **\$3995** single
discounts up to \$180 pp



Ontario is the place to be if you want to experience Canadian Theatre at its best. Toronto has firmly established itself as the Broadway of Canada, plus the long running Shaw Festival and Stratford Shakespeare Festival consistently attract the best of the best in stage actors. This tour features three different theatre centres and six separate productions. Shows include: **Matilda the Musical**, **Cirque du Soleil Luzia**, **The Hypochondriac**; **The Lion**, **The Witch and the Wardrobe** or **Macbeth**, **Shakespeare in Love**, **A Chorus Line** and **Sweeney Todd**. You will also enjoy a sightseeing tour of Toronto with a local guide including the CN Tower and dinner in the revolving 360 Restaurant. You will have time to shop and even visit Canada's greatest Bavarian Festival, Oktoberfest in Kitchener-Waterloo. A sightseeing tour of the Niagara area is conducted by a local guide and you will ride the Hornblower (formerly Maid of the Mist) for an awesome view of the Horseshoe and American Falls. This is a tour filled with culture and wonder and one you don't want to miss!

BRANSON

October 26, 2016 — 10 days

\$3595 pp double **\$4170** single
17 seats left!



The entertainment in Branson, Missouri is non-stop, filled with music, laughter and legends of the stage. Bring your sense of fun and excitement to experience 14 musical shows including **Daniel O'Donnell's** annual performance in Branson. Other shows include: **Presley's Country Jubilee**, **George Dyer**, **The Dutton Family Show**, **Dixie Stampede**, **Clay Cooper's Country Music Express**, **Down Home Country Show**, **Million Dollar Quartet**, **Showboat Branson Belle**, **Pierce Arrow**, **Moses**, **Dublin's Irish Tenors & Celtic Ladies**, **Texas Tenors**, and the **Oakridge Boys**. Branson had its modest beginning in 1882 when Reuben Branson opened a general store and post office in the area. The first tourist attraction opened in 1894 when William Lynch bought Marble Cave, renamed it Marvel Cave, and began charging for tours. Branson began its transformation into a major tourist attraction in 1983 when the Roy Clark Celebrity Theatre opened and began to bring famous country music stars to Branson. Currently there are 40 theatres operating in Branson and it has more theatre seats than Broadway or Las Vegas. It has been named the #1 U.S. destination for groups for the past five years and entertains more than six million visitors annually, but has a year-round population of only 11,000. Branson's title today is the "live music show capital of the world."

CANADIAN GET-AWAYS

COAST TO COAST BY TRAIN

May 29, 2016 — 15 Days

\$6235 pp double **\$6975** single
3 seats left!



Experience Canada's national railway, VIA Rail, on an epic journey from Vancouver on the Pacific coast to Halifax on the Atlantic coast. Along the way, get to know the character of various parts of the nation, yet find that element that makes us all uniquely Canadian. From the towering giants of the Rocky Mountains to the sea of grass in the vast prairies; from the unique mix of cultures in Winnipeg and Montréal to the Scottish influence in the Maritimes; from the awesome view at the CN Tower to the spectacle of Niagara Falls, you will see it all. All aboard for the adventure of a lifetime!

CALGARY STAMPEDE

July 7, 2016 — 5 days

\$1185 pp double **\$1545** single
discounts up to \$60 pp



Pull on your boots, don your cowboy hat, and get ready for a yee-haw good time at the annual Calgary Stampede! There is so much to see and do: wander through the barns to view the prize-winning animals, thrill to the rides on the midway, admire some of the greatest western artists in the world, explore the native village, live it up at Nashville North, visit the agricultural shows, and enjoy non-stop live entertainment throughout the day and night. We have included reserved seats to the premier Stampede events: the kick-off parade, the afternoon rodeo, and the spectacular evening chuckwagon races and stage show. We have kept the five-day tour because customers told us in 2015 that they liked the more leisurely itinerary, and a visit to Kananaskis has been added. So come and join us at the 104th Calgary Stampede.

MARITIMES & NEWFOUNDLAND

August 28, 2016 — 25 days

\$6695 pp double **\$8350** single
Full - Please wait list!



2016 will be Wells Gray's 39th year of Maritimes tours! No other company in British Columbia has offered this tour for so many years or knows Atlantic Canada better than we do. All our hotels, attractions and restaurants are chosen carefully to ensure you have a memorable experience. Fly to Halifax and fly home from St. John's.

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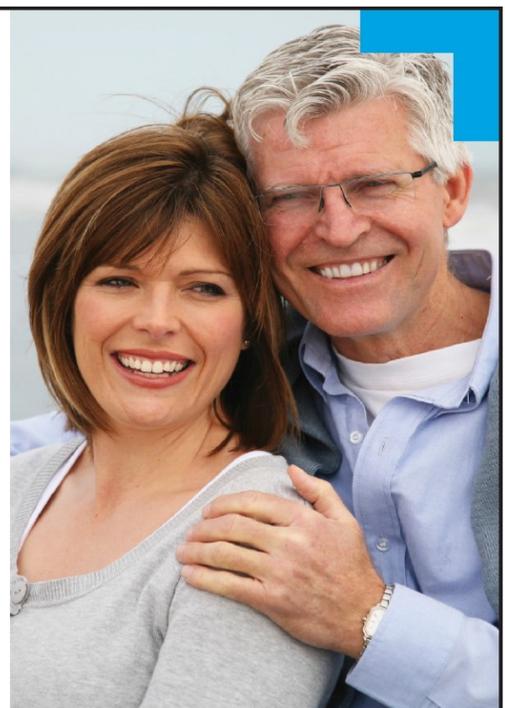
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CYPRESS HILLS & WATERTON LAKES

September 21, 2016 — 8 days

\$1780 pp double **\$2230** single



Southern Alberta has numerous attractions and each time we offer this tour we must select only a few to include, so the tour is often different from year to year. In 2016, we will return to Cypress Hills for the first time in 20 years; it is a naturalist's wonder with unique flora and fauna because the area was not glaciated during the last Ice Age. Other attractions celebrate history such as Frank Slide, Remington Carriage Museum, Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, and Brooks Aqueduct. We stay in one of Canada's less visited national parks, Waterton Lakes, which has rugged mountains rising from a stark prairie, surrounding an idyllic lake. Add to this the Alberta Birds of Prey Centre, Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens, the ancient carvings at Writing-on-Stone Park, and the emerging autumn colours, and you have the perfect fall getaway!

JASPER PARK LODGE SENIOR FALL GETAWAY **\$1185** pp double **\$1440** single
October 3, 2016 — 5 days *discounts up to \$60 pp*



Celebrate beauty and friendship in the majesty of the Canadian Rockies. Each fall, the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge invites seniors to head out to the mountains for fresh air, fall foliage, and lots of fun. Delicious food, classic entertainment and a multitude of activities make for a great getaway. With fitness programs, craft-making, lectures, walking tours, and entertainment, the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge program has it all! And you simply can't beat the value — a stay at the Lodge in summer with meals costs over \$500 per night. This tour offers extraordinary savings and lets you experience this renowned lodge, with exceptional meals and experiences included, at a very attractive price. Combine this with a night stay in Lake Louise and the spectacular drive along the Icefields Parkway, and you have an unbeatable fall tour.

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CHURCHILL POLAR BEARS
November 1, 2016 — 7 days

\$8175 pp double **\$9085** single
discounts up to \$100 pp



Experience one of the world's most wonderful natural phenomena — the annual polar bear migration on the Hudson Bay Coast. The world's largest polar bear denning area is 40 km southeast of Churchill and has been protected in the Wapusk National Park. The bears occupy this area through the summer and early fall. With October's snow and approaching winter, the polar bears start to migrate north to Churchill and wait for the ice to form on Hudson Bay where they spend the winter hunting seals. Therefore, early November is the prime viewing season and polar bear sightings are at their peak. While some tour companies offer only bear viewing, our tour is more diversified so you gain a full perspective of the region, history and eco-systems. As well as two days of polar bear viewing from a Tundra Buggy, we include museum visits, a town tour, Manitoba Conservation's Polar Bear Holding Facility, and a dogsled excursion. Our Churchill tour operator has been arranging tours here for three decades and boasts excellent naturalist guides with extensive experience in the natural and cultural heritage of the region. Get ready for the experience of a lifetime!

WAIT LIST ONLY!

CRUISING THE GULF ISLANDS - May 1 & 15, 2016 - 6 days

MYSTERY TOUR - May 21, 2016 - 9 days

COAST TO COAST BY TRAIN - June 5, 2016 - 15 days

VANCOUVER ISLAND TOE TO TIP - June 7, 2016 - 9 days

HAIDA Gwaii - August 6, 11 & 21, 2016 - 7 days



USA DESTINATIONS

NEW YORK CITY

June 26, 2016 — 6 days

\$3260 pp double **\$4220** single

2 Seats left!



New York City, the city of icons. Empire State Building. Statue of Liberty. Rockefeller Center. American Museum of Natural History. Top of the Rock. Macy's Fifth Avenue. Metropolitan Museum of Art. Ground Zero. Central Park. Museum of Modern Art. Times Square. Wall Street. Broadway. The list of familiar sights and experiences goes on and Wells Gray Tours is proud to take you there. The tour is planned for late June, traditionally a quieter time for the city. Temperatures are warm, but not too hot and humid. This tour is all about choices. There is a balance of organized activities and free time to help you maximize your exploration during your stay. We have included a two-day hop-on hop-off all loop pass for double decker touring, a great way to get around the city and get insider information as well. Your experienced Wells Gray tour director is available to assist you with your plans.

The time is now – New York, New York!

NEW ORLEANS & CAJUN COUNTRY

October 17, 2016 — 11 days

\$3595 pp double **\$4430** single

discounts up to \$200 pp



Fall in love with New Orleans and Louisiana. The state of Louisiana is divided into five distinct regions, and you experience three on this vacation. New Orleans is one of the great cities in the western world, not a place you simply visit, but a place you will be captivated by. The cultural riches, sensual indulgences and unparalleled service that define the New Orleans experience still flourish. History comes to life in Plantation Country. Wind along the Great River Road as you travel back to the 1800s to the days of sprawling antebellum plantations, glimpsing the lives of both master and slave. Cajun Country, along the peaceful bayous, is where the first French Canadians settled and forever changed the landscape and culture of the state. Resourceful, stoic and inventive, these were the people who turned soup into gumbo and washboards into musical instruments. New for the 2016 tour is the fascinating heritage town of Natchez, Mississippi, with incredible mansions dating to the 19th century.

At a glance...

Day 1	Renton, WA > Quality Inn
Day 2-4	New Orleans > Wyndham Hotel
Day 5	Bayou Lafourche, LA > Carmel Inn
Day 6-8	Lafayette, LA > Comfort Suites
Day 9	Natchez, MS > Hampton Inn
Day 10	Renton, WA > Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > Walking tour of the historic French Quarter
- > Locally guided driving tour of New Orleans with Audubon Park and famous St. Charles Avenue
- > Dinner at the Court of Two Sisters, the largest courtyard in the French Quarter
- > Jazz show at the Maison Bourbon Dixieland Club
- > Mardi Gras World, the famous float-making studio
- > Mississippi River sightseeing cruise on board the paddlewheel Natchez Riverboat with jazz band
- > Cooking lessons at the New Orleans School of Cooking featuring the taste of Louisiana, Cajun and Creole
- > Plantation Country along the Mississippi River with tours at Oak Alley and Laura plantations
- > The outdoor Rural Life Museum in Baton Rouge
- > Locally guided tour of Cajun Country with Avery Island (home of the Tabasco factory) and Martin Accordions, Jungle Gardens, Evangeline Oak
- > Boat cruise through the Cypress swamps
- > Visit Stanton Hall and Longwood House in Natchez
- > **15 meals included**

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MEXICO'S COPPER CANYON

October 11, 2016 — 15 days

\$4695 pp double **\$5460** single
6 seats left!



Excite your senses with this wonderful tour of Mexico's Copper Canyon. Enjoy a sightseeing tour around Mazatlan. Travel north along the coastal plain, nicknamed the "Bread Basket of Mexico" because of the fertile farmlands growing corn, wheat, sorgum, beans, oats, chile peppers, tomatoes and many other crops. Tour Tarahumara Indian land and hike to Cusarare Falls. Ride the amazing aerial tramway for magnificent views of the Copper Canyon. Enjoy 3 days of train excursions into the roadless terrain of one of the world's deepest and remotest canyons. This tour is full of cultural riches and activities.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Renton
> Quality Inn
- Day 2 Tucson
> Desert Diamond Hotel
- Day 3 Hermosillo
> Hotel Colonial
- Day 4 Alamos
> Casa de Los Tesoros
- Day 5 El Fuerte
> Hotel la Choza
- Day 6 -7 Creel
> Best Western Hotel
- Day 8-9 Divisadero
> Hotel Divisadero
- Day 10 Cerocahui
> Hotel Mision
- Day 11 El Fuerte
> Hotel la Choza
- Day 12 -13 Mazatlan
> Inn at Mazatlan Resort
- Day 14 Renton
> Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > Leisure time in Alamos, named a "Pueblo Magico," a town that offers a "magical" experience for its natural beauty, cultural riches and historical relevance
- > A walking tour in El Fuerte including the picturesque square and a 200-year old hacienda, now the city hall
- > Board the Chihuahua Al Pacifico Railroad for a thrilling ride in the first class "Ferromex" coach from El Fuerte to Creel
- > In Creel, view a Tarahumara cave dwelling, visit the Jesuit Mission of San Ignacio and the Boarding School
- > Optional walk to 30-metre high Cusarare Falls
- > Stay two nights at the Hotel Divisadero which literally perches on the edge of the Copper Canyon
- > Enjoy walks to several viewpoints at Copper Canyon
- > Shop for amazing bargains on Tarahumara crafts
- > Watch a video show about the Indians and the geology of Copper Canyon
- > Ride the remarkable Teleferico Aerial Tram nearly 1,000 metres down into Copper Canyon
- > Look down into the Urique Canyon, deepest of the complex of gorges comprising Copper Canyon
- > Stay 2 nights at one of the finest hotels in Mazatlan, Inn at Mazatlan Resort
- > Sightseeing tour around Mazatlan
- > **36 meals included**

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2016 INTERNATIONAL DESTINATION

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HIDDEN TREASURES OF ETHIOPIA September 23, 2016 — 19 days

\$8125 pp double **\$9175** single
discounts up to \$150 pp



What inspires you to travel to new destinations?

Is it the exposure to new experiences that delicately please all five senses? How about those special interactions with the locals, or the stories that you're able to share with family and friends upon your return home?

Those are just a few of the reasons I love exploring new places and Ethiopia is the perfect example of fully satisfying all the above. It was in Ethiopia that I finally found the ultimate hotel room view that I had always been searching for. As I was sipping my morning coffee and watching the sun rise across the valley from this hotel room, I realized that this was pure travel bliss. Later that day I was enjoying the peaceful interior of Bet Giyorgis, one of the rock-hewn churches of Lalibela. A few days later I was walking through the Konso Village in south Ethiopia where the harvest season was in full operation. The children excitedly gathered around us and enjoyed practicing their newly-learned English words. Again – pure travel bliss.

Submitted by: Fraser Neave, Director of Product Development

At a glance...

Day 1	Toronto > Sheraton at YYZ
Day 2	Flight to Addis Ababa
Day 3	Addis Ababa > Radisson Blu
Day 4-5	Bahir Dar > Khariftu Resort
Day 6	Gondar > Goha Hotel
Day 7	Simien Mountains National Park > Simien Lodge in Park
Day 8-9	Axum > Sabean Hotel
Day 10-11	Lalibela > Maribela Hotel
Day 12-13	Arba Minch > Paradise Lodge
Day 14-15	Turmi > Buska Lodge
Day 16	Konso > Kanta Lodge
Day 17	Awassa > Lewi Resort
Day 18	Flight to Kelowna

Highlights...

- > City tour of the large sprawling city of Addis Ababa
- > Visit the National Museum and see the skeleton of Selam and replica of Lucy
- > See precious pieces of Ethiopian Christian art
- > Take a boat trip on Lake Tana, the source of the Blue Nile, and travel across the lake to the monastery islands
- > Attend the Eve Meskel celebration, a national holiday also known as the Finding of the True Cross.
- > Afternoon stroll to the impressive Blue Nile Falls
- > Enjoy an afternoon visit to the Market at Bahir Dar and the Emperor Hailesilassie Palace
- > Tour the former capital city of Ethiopia, Gondar, known for its medieval castles and finely adorned churches
- > Visit the village of Waleka to see traditional pottery
- > Tour the UNESCO site, Axum, including the Kaleb and Gebremeskel tombs
- > Board boats for a trip on Lake Chamo, where crocodiles sunbath and hippos cool themselves in the water
- > Meet the Dorze tribe, famous for their beehive-shaped houses and weaving skills
- > Optional lunch at a private house with family
- > Take part in a traditional Ethiopian coffee ceremony and traditional Ethiopian food & music
- > **47 meals included**

2016 HOLLAND AMERICA CRUISES

WHITEHORSE & GLACIER BAY CRUISE from **\$1770** pp double; from **\$2550** single
July 5, 2016 — 9 days **6 seats left!** 

Fly to Whitehorse and take in the sights such as the Yukon Beringia Centre, SS Klondike, and a soak in Takhini Hot Springs. Then board the White Pass & Yukon Railway at Carcross for a thrilling five-hour journey through the rugged St. Elias Mountains to Skagway. Here board Holland America's MS *Volendam* for a 4-night cruise from Skagway to Vancouver. Sail through scenic Glacier Bay amidst floating ice castles, enjoy a day in Ketchikan and admire the magnificent scenery of BC's famed Inside Passage.

BALTIC CRUISE from **\$8880** pp double; from **\$11,255** single
August 30, 2016 — 21 days **discounts up to \$150 pp** 

A Baltic Sea cruise is the best way to experience the cultural wealth and historical beauty of Northern Europe. We start this tour by spending three nights in historic Amsterdam and enjoy a guided city tour, a narrated canal cruise, a tour of the famous Royal Delft Blue Porcelain exhibition and visit a cheese farm. We spend 14 days and nights on Holland America's newest ship, MS *Koningsdam*. She made her grand entrance into the cruising world in April 2016. On this tour you will drink in experiences at the following ports: Copenhagen, Warnemunde, Tallinn, St. Petersburg, Helsinki, Stockholm, Kiel, and Göteborg.

At a glance...

Day 1	Richmond > Fairmont YVR
Day 2	Overnight flight to Amsterdam
Day 3-5	Amsterdam > NH Hotel
Day 6-18	Holland America's > MS <i>Koningsdam</i>
Day 19	Overnight flight to Vancouver
Day 20	Richmond > Fairmont YVR

Highlights...

- > 3 days in Amsterdam including a locally-guided tour visiting Dam Square with the impressive Royal Palace, the New Church, the canals, and Waterloo Square
- > Visit the Rijksmuseum and the Anne Frank House
- > Tour the famous Royal Delft Blue Porcelain exhibition
- > In the village of Zaanse Schans visit a cheese farm, paint mill, and oil mill
- > All-day guided tour of Copenhagen with Tivoli Gardens, Danish Parliament, renowned Little Mermaid & experience the changing of the Royal Guards at the Amalienborg Palace
- > Tour the impressive Frederiksborg Castle
- > Visit the beautiful city of Berlin and enjoy an all-day guided tour of Berlin with Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate, Checkpoint Charlie & see the remains of the Berlin Wall
- > Walking tour in Tallinn, Estonia through Old Town, seeing the marvelous Dome Church and Alexander Nevsky's Cathedral
- > 2-day guided tour of St. Petersburg, visit the elegant Catherine's Palace & Hermitage Museum
- > A full day in both Helsinki and Stockholm with locally guided tours
- > In Kiel, Germany board the paddle steamer "Freya" for a cruise on the Kiel Canal
- > **45 meals included**



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QUEBEC CITY TO NEW YORK CRUISE

September 16, 2016 — 14 days

from **\$5805** pp double; from **\$7540** single
12 seats left!



Start this tour with a full day in Montréal and explore this vibrant centre of French Canadian traditions with a locally guided tour and free time for lunch in Old Montréal. In Québec City enjoy a sightseeing tour, and ride the cablecar at Montmorency Falls. Next we board the *Zuiderdam* and cruise the mighty St. Lawrence River. We have a full day in Charlottetown and an all-day tour includes highlights of Charlottetown, Preserve Co. gardens, Covehead Lighthouse and the famous Anne of Green Gables cottage. In Halifax a locally-guided tour includes the historic waterfront, Halifax Citadel and the Maritime Museum. Our next port is Boston where we enjoy a leisurely walk on a section of Boston's Freedom Trail and visit Old North Church. Then it's off to Rhode Island for a tour of the city and a visit to the Breakers and Marble House mansions. Our last stop is New York where you tour Manhattan, and go to a Broadway musical.

At a glance...

Day 1	Montréal > Hilton Garden Inn
Day 2-11	Holland America's <i>Zuiderdam</i>
Day 12	New York > Novotel Times Square
Day 13	Toronto > Airport Hotel TBA

Highlights...

- > A locally guided tour in Montréal that includes Mount Royal, Ile SteHelene, downtown landmarks and Olympic Park
- > In Old Montréal enjoy free time for lunch
- > A morning sightseeing tour of Québec City, and lunch in Le Vieux Québec
- > Ride the cable car to 275-foot Montmorency Falls
- > A relaxing day at sea, cruising the wide and mighty St. Lawrence River
- > An all-day tour in Charlottetown, Preserve Co. gardens, Covehead Lighthouse, and Dalvay by the Sea
- > Visit the famous Anne of Green Gables cottage
- > Enjoy lunch at Fisherman's Wharf in the tiny fishing village of North Rustico
- > All day in port to enjoy Sydney
- > Walk through the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site
- > Visit the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic
- > A city tour in Halifax with a local guide
- > Full-day tour in Boston including Beacon Hill, Paul Revere House, Old North Church, Boston Common, and Massachusetts State House
- > A leisurely walking tour along a one kilometer section of Boston's Freedom Trail
- > Tour the Breakers mansion and Marble House in Rhode Island
- > Sightseeing tour of Manhattan including Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Empire State Building, United Nations, Fifth Avenue, Little Italy and Central Park
- > See a Broadway musical - show to be announced
- > **28 meals included**



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MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

October 5, 2016 — 23 days

from **\$8855** pp double; from **\$10,750** single
discounts up to \$300 pp



This tour flies to Milan and includes a tour of Venice before boarding the *Norwegian Spirit*. Ports on this tour include: Montenegro, Dubrovnik, Athens, Mykonos, Naples, Rome, Florence, Toulon, and Barcelona.

At a glance...

Day 1	Vancouver > Blue Horizon
Day 2	Overnight flight to Frankfurt
Day 3	Milan > Hotel Rosa Grand
Day 4-5	Stresa > Grand Hotel Des Iles Borromees
Day 6-7	Venice > Luna Baglioni Hotel
Day 8-19	Norwegian > <i>Norwegian Spirit</i>
Day 20-21	Barcelona > Hotel HCC St. Moritz
Day 22	Richmond > Fairmont YVR

Highlights...

- > Ride the Centovalli Railroad for a stunning scenic journey through the Alps
- > Cruise through the famous Borromean Islands
- > Enjoy a sightseeing tour in Milan, including the Duomo Cathedral and La Scala Museum
- > Half-day walking tour in Venice with Piazza Marco, Basilica and Doge's Palace
- > Board a gondola for a relaxing ride through Venice's canals
- > In the port of Kotor a tour with a local guide is included as well as a boat trip to Gospa od Skrpjela
- > Visit the Franciscan Monastery and stroll along the ancient walls of Dubrovnik with a local guide
- > Ride the Srđ Mountain cablecar 500 metres up to admire a panoramic view of Dubrovnik
- > Step back in time in Athens while visiting the Temple of Olympian Zeus, The Acropolis, ruins of the Parthenon and the Temple of Poseidon
- > Enjoy an all-day tour in Naples visiting its historical wonders including Pompeii
- > In Rome enter the Coliseum and enjoy a guided tour of the Vatican, including entry into the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel
- > A local guide shows us all the highlights in Florence, such as the open-air museum of Piazza Della Signoria, Santa Croce, Giotto's Bell Tower and the city of Pisa
- > 2 days in Barcelona with a local guide and visits to Picasso Museum, Poble Espanol, Sagrada Familia, Casas Mila & Battio
- > **54 meals included**



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WEST COAST CRUISE & RAIL

September 25, 2016 — 14 days

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\$3480 pp double **\$4885** single
discounts up to \$180 pp



Enjoy 5 nights cruising on the *Norwegian Pearl* and four train excursions on this tour. We first dock in San Francisco and the day is yours to explore. Our next adventure is in Los Angeles where we will enjoy 5 hours touring the City of Angels with local guide and entertainer John Daugherty. Enjoy an ocean view room for an overnight in Ventura before boarding the Amtrak train from Oxnard to Salinas along California's coast. In Monterey we visit the famed Monterey Bay Aquarium and have time to explore Cannery Row. Near here we board the Roaring Camp Railroad on a steam locomotive through a grove of redwoods. Our next stop is in Sacramento where there is free time to browse the shops in the historic district and admission to the amazing California Railroad Museum. We then board the renowned Napa Valley Wine Train for a three-hour journey served with a fabulous three course gourmet lunch. For the journey home we board an Amtrak train for a daylight excursion with terrific scenery as we climb over the Cascade Range.

At a glance...

Day 1	Richmond > Fairmont YVR
Day 2-6	<i>Norwegian Pearl</i>
Day 7	Ventura > Crowne Plaza
Day 8-9	Monterey > Mariposa Inn
Day 10-11	Sacramento > Best Western Sutter House
Day 12	Klamath Falls > The Lodge at Running Y Ranch
Day 13	Olympia > Red Lion Hotel

Highlights...

- > Locally-guided tour of Los Angeles including the Grauman's Chinese Theatre, and Beverly Hills
- > Enjoy free time on the beach in Ventura
- > Board the Amtrak train for a 6½-hour journey along the California coast and Salinas Valley
- > A 1¼ hour excursion on the Roaring Camp Railroad with a barbecue lunch and local entertainment
- > View the new exhibits of jellyfish and seahorses at the Monterey Bay Aquarium
- > Admission to the California Railroad Museum which displays 21 restored locomotives and train cars
- > Ride past 60 wineries on the Napa Valley Wine Train
- > Ride the Amtrak train from Klamath Falls to Salem
- > **29 meals included**

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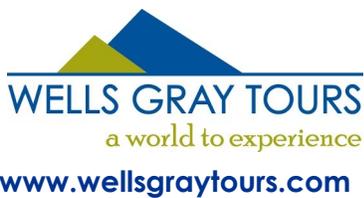


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Join us for an Arctic Safari cruise on board *Ocean Endeavour*. This epic expedition begins by exploring Greenland's dramatic fjords and dynamic maritime communities. We will spend our days searching for every exploratory opportunity. In the winding fjords of Greenland, in the multitudinous islands of Nunavut, we will live and breathe the natural history of some of the planet's most striking features. We will search for the animal life that ekes out their hardy lives in hostile conditions and find striking beauty in the immense and indomitable north. Expedition staff are experts on the Arctic including geology, glaciation, history, and flora and fauna. There are frequent lectures, educational presentations, and interactive workshops. Evening entertainment is offered. There is a fully-stocked library for additional reading about our destinations. During many days, there are expeditions ashore or to nearby attractions, using the ship's 20 zodiacs. All meals are included in the Polaris Restaurant and there are also on-deck barbeques and afternoon tea.

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