# SAN FRANCISCO~BEST OF THE BAY AREA

May 23, 2019 — 6 days



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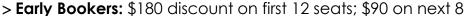
## Fares Per Person:

\$3425 double/twin

**\$4185** single

**\$3250** triple

> Tour is exempt from GST.



> Experience Points: Earn 75 points from this tour.

Redeem 75 points if you book by February 19.

### Includes

- Transfers to and from Victoria Airport
- Westjet return flight Victoria to San Francisco
- Current air transport tax and security fees
- 2 transfers between airport and hotel
- 5 nights of accommodation and hotel taxes
- Coach transportation in San Francisco for 3 days
- Locally-guided city tour of San Francisco
- San Francisco Harbor cruise

- Choice of Alcatraz tour OR Aquarium of the Bay
- Napa Valley Wine Train
- Roaring Camp Railroad
- Winchester Mystery House
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Gratuities for local guide and driver
- Luggage handling fees at hotel and airline
- 6 meals: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

# San Francisco ~ the City by the Bay

Most tours with Wells Gray to San Francisco have only a day or two for its many attractions and experiences. On this tour, you can enjoy 5 nights at the Hotel Zephyr with an ideal location at Fisherman's Wharf. During 4 days in and near San Francisco, we have arranged a variety of activities — a harbour cruise, an excursion on the Napa Valley Wine Train, a choice of visiting Alcatraz or the Aquarium of the Bay, Roaring Camp Railroad, and the Winchester Mystery House. A locally-guided city tour features the renowned Golden Gate Bridge, twisting Lombard Street, colourful Chinatown, the green oasis of Golden Gate Park, and the panoramic view from Twin Peaks. Convenient flights are arranged from Victoria to San Francisco and return. Some world travellers say San Francisco is their favourite city. Come and see for yourself!

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## Itinerary

Thursday, May 23: Meals: D

We fly on Westjet from Victoria via Vancouver to **San Francisco**, arriving in mid-afternoon. Your tour director provides a brief orientation on the way to the Hotel Zephyr at Fisherman's Wharf. A getaquainted dinner is included.

Friday, May 24: Meals: B

A local guide takes us on a sightseeing tour around San Francisco including the south view-point of the **Golden Gate Bridge**, Chinatown, Golden Gate Park, ocean beaches, a panoramic view from Twin Peaks, and many historical and architectural sights. This afternoon, we see the city from the water with a one-hour **harbour cruise** past Pier 39, under the Golden Gate Bridge, and close to the infamous Alcatraz Island prison. The rest of the day is free time.

#### Saturday, May 25:

The morning is free time. You may want to browse the shops of **Pier 39**, visit the Ghiradelli Chocolate Factory or the Maritime Museum, or ride a historic cable car over the hills to downtown. This afternoon, the following choices are offered. Please select one by final payment.

- 1) **Alcatraz** was the site of a notorious federal prison from 1934 to 1963. It became a National Historic Site in 1972. The visit includes ferry from San Francisco and a guided tour of the island and abandoned buildings. The tour includes many stairs and an uphill walk from the dock. Don't choose this option if you have mobility challenges.
- 2) **Aquarium of the Bay** is located at Pier 39. It is filled with about 4,000 fish with 100 unique species

indigenous to San Francisco Bay. There is an introductory film, then you walk past three pools, and take an elevator down to a glass tunnel through two giant tanks.

Sunday, May 26: Meals: L

One of California's most famous regions is the Napa Valley, noted for extensive vineyards and over 60 wineries. Today, we board the renowned **Napa Valley Wine Train**. A gourmet lunch is served during the three-hour journey while admiring the passing view. The railway was founded in 1864 and sold in 1885 to the Southern Pacific Railroad which operated it for 102 years until the Wine Train took over in 1987.

Monday, May 27: Meals: L,D

Near San Jose, we board **Roaring Camp Railroad** for a 1½-hour excursion pulled by an 1890 steam locomotive through a grove of redwoods. A barbecue lunch is followed by some local entertainment. This afternoon, we tour the extraordinary 160-room **Winchester Mystery House**. Sarah Winchester, heiress to the rifle fortune, believed that an ongoing building project would protect her from spirits, so she kept carpenters and craftsmen working for 38 years until her death in 1922. The Queen Anne Victorian mansion is famous for its architectural curiosities. Back in San Francisco, a farewell dinner is arranged.

**Tuesday, May 28:**Meals: B
With treasured memories of San Francisco, we fly
on Westjet via Calgary to Victoria. Transfers are
provided to your pickup point.

#### Tour Policies

**Payments:** A deposit of \$300 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due February 19, 2019. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

**Discounts:** Early bookers receive \$180 discount on first 12 seats and \$90 on next 8 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after February 19.

**Cancellation Policy**: Up to January 18, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$100 per person. From January 19 to February 19, the cancellation charge is \$300 per person (your deposit). From February 20 to March 19, the cancellation charge is 40% of the tour fare. From March 20 to April 19, the cancellation charge is 80% of the tour fare. After April 19, there is no refund.

**Fare Changes:** Changes to currency exchange or 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.

Activity Level: Moderate activity including walking and steps. The coaches cannot carry a scooter. If you are not able to participate in Activity Level 2, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director and drivers have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. 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

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**Experience Points:** This tour earns 75 points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points. One point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until February 19.

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