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GREETINGS FRIENDS!

It has been a busy autumn and we are hard at work planning lots of exciting tours, cruises and international destinations. So sit back, relax and enjoy the read. If a particular destination interests you, call your nearest Wells Gray office or booking agent for details. Remember to book early so that you have access to the early booking discounts.

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 contact information, so call your local office today or visit us online at www.wellsgraytours.com and click "Receive Tour & News Updates".

No one likes getting sick

To support the health and wellness of customers and employees and to help prevent sickness, Tour Directors will be carrying hand sanitizer with them and everyone will be required to use it when boarding the coaches. They are gels that contain alcohol in order to kill the germs present on the skin. The alcohol works immediately and effectively in order to kill bacteria and most viruses. Tour directors will also now have face masks available at no charge. Please also take a supply of cold and sinus relief medication along with your own personal prescriptions. Drug stores are not always located easily and stops for shopping take extra time. If you do become ill before a tour departs, out of consideration of your fellow travellers, please consider staying home.

Seating Rotation

Seat rotation is mandatory on all tours and your tour director will describe the pattern and the frequency of the moves. To be fair to all clients, exceptions will not be made.

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Monday - Friday

Kamloops 8:30 am to 4:30 pm - **Wednesday 9:00 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 **now picking up in Oliver and Osoyoos**. 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: The Lion King In Seattle, itinerary on page 7.

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Attention all Osoyoos, Oliver and Okanagan Falls Clients! Great News!

We are now picking up in these communities at the following locations.

Osoyoos -- Husky (beside Visitor Center)

Oliver -- No Frills Grocery

Okanagan Falls -- OK Falls Hotel

Kaleden -- Petro-Canada

Tours From Greater Vancouver!

Wells Gray Tours is expanding its offering on some tours to neighbourhoods in the Greater Vancouver area. All passengers booking on Tours from Greater Vancouver have the option of meeting the tour at the designated coach meeting place (varies by tour) or arranging with Wells Gray Tours for a home pickup to take them to the coach meeting place. The home pickup must be requested at the time of final payment and pickup rates will be confirmed at that time

Visit our website www.wellsgraytours.com and click on the Greater Vancouver tour button for all tours that are available.



We hope we are your favourite travel company and that you will tell your friends about us too!

That's why we are rewarding you when you REFER A FRIEND. Introduce someone new to Wells Gray Tours, and if they book on a tour, you are both eligible for a discount. The discounts will be based on the value of the tour you each have booked. Only one discount given per tour & per household.

It's just our way of saying "Thank You" for your recommendation.



ACTIVITY LEVELS

Wells Gray Tours offers three levels of activity on our tours.



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 declaration that he/she understands that the tour has a lot of activity and that they are physically capable of participating. 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.

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Visit our home page and click on Wally

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COMING SOON 2019!

Whistler Spring Getaway - April
Whitehorse & Glacier Bay Cruise - June
Summer Theatre in Alberta - July
Wicked in Seattle - July
Bella Coola & Tweedsmuir Park - July
Haida Gwaii - July & August
Maritimes & Newfoundland - August
Leavenworth Summer Theatre - August
St Lawrence River Cruise - Kingston to Quebec City - September
Mystery Tour - September
Tyax Resort - October
Ontario Theatre (Toronto, Stratford, Shaw) - October
Tanzania & Victoria Falls - November

CALL OUR OFFICE TO BE PUT ON OUR "INTERESTED LIST"

When the tour comes out for sale, we will notify you. Please note, this does not mean you are automatically booked on the tour. To book you on the tour we must speak to you and collect a deposit.

FUTURE TOUR 2020!

Oberammergau Passion Play - Call us to pre-book on this tour!
August 2 - for 24 days

In 2020 the 42nd Passion Play will be performed in the small Bavarian town of Oberammergau. Every 10 years the play is performed to bring to life the story of Christ and fill a promise made almost 400 years ago. This incredible production involves over 2,000 performers, musicians and stage technicians, all residents of the village. Join us and experience this amazing event! In addition to this performance we will also explore the best of Germany, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, and the Italian Alps. Book early to ensure your spot on this special tour as it won't be offered for another ten years!

Facebook Photo Contest

Every year we plan incredible trips to show you the world. Now we want to see the world through your eyes. Send us your favourite shot from your Wells Gray Tours adventure and we'll enter it in our Facebook Photo Contest. Contest runs June 1 to December 31, 2018.

What we're looking for: Pictures you've taken while travelling with Wells Gray Tours that show your exceptional experiences. Action photos, close-ups, destinations, people, places, nature or culture – give us your best shot!

How to enter: Submit your photo by December 15th. Email to kerrie@wellsgraytours.com. Include your name, names of people appearing in photo, date, destination and tour. There is no limit on the number of entries per person.

How to win: Photos appear in the Wells Gray Tours Facebook page photo album titled "Photo Contest 2018". The picture with the most "Likes" will win – get your friends to "Like" your picture on Facebook! You can only win once per year.

Prizes: 1st Place - \$300 Travel Voucher 2nd Place - \$200 Travel Voucher 3rd Place - \$100 Travel Voucher and **Roland's Favorite Picture of the Year wins a \$100 Voucher!**

LAST MINUTE FALL GETAWAYS!

WEST EDMONTON MALL

\$1195 pp double; **\$1485** single

November 3, 2018 — 5 days



Save big on your holiday shopping this year in Alberta, where there is no PST! West Edmonton Mall is North America's largest shopping and entertainment centre and Alberta's #1 tourist attraction, featuring more than 800 stores and services, over 100 eating establishments and nine world-class attractions. It's the only Mall of its kind — a shopper's paradise and a world of adventure and excitement. This amazing structure is often called the "8th Wonder of the World" and spans the equivalent of 48 city blocks in the west end of Edmonton. If you tire of shopping, the entertainment choices are numerous. This tour stays two nights at Fantasyland Hotel, located right in West Edmonton Mall. It is so convenient to be able to drop off your shopping with just an elevator ride up to your room. Also included are tickets to the Canadian Finals Rodeo in Red Deer.

FLEETWOOD MAC IN VANCOUVER

\$825 pp double; **\$950** single

November 13, 2018 — 3 days

8 Seats left!



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 November, 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. The Chateau is fully-decorated for Christmas and the splendid lighting displays are a sight to behold. This tour offers extraordinary savings and lets you experience this renowned hotel with exceptional meals and experiences included, at a very attractive price. Each day starts with a hot buffet breakfast in the Frontenac Ballroom. Activities may include a visit with raptors, soapstone carving, a Zumba class, writing your memoirs, a visit to the Squamish Lil'Wat Cultural Centre, "Secrets of the Chateau" walking tour, a table tennis tournament, a naturalist talk "Aliens Among Us", or a painting class. Dinner is followed by games or a movie.

WHISTLER WINTER CELEBRATION

from **\$1460** pp double; from **\$1740** single

November 18, 2018 — 5 days



Fleetwood Mac was founded by Peter Green in 1967 and was named after Mick Fleetwood and John McVie. After Green left in 1969, Fleetwood and McVie remained as original members, and the band has since featured a cast of brilliant talents. The enduring spirit of Fleetwood Mac stands for an incredible body of great music that has connected with generations of people all over the world for more than 50 years. Fleetwood Mac has sold more than 100 million records worldwide and the GRAMMY-award winning band was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1998. Produced by Live Nation, the tour will feature the newly announced line-up of Mick Fleetwood, John McVie, Stevie Nicks, and Christine McVie along with newcomers Mike Campbell and Neil Finn. There are only four other Canadian cities included in their tour schedule. We stay two nights at the Blue Horizon Hotel which enjoys an excellent location on Robson Street with lots of shopping and restaurants nearby. We also visit the Burnaby Heritage Village and take a ride on the historic carousel.

WAIT LIST ONLY!

Theatre Escape to Victoria - November 22

Leavenworth Lighting - November 26

Christmas in Vancouver - December 22

Christmas in Victoria - December 22

Costa Rica - January 18

Amazing Australia - March 2

Wells Gray Park - June 1 & June 6

Road to the Arctic - August 2

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S

CHRISTMAS IN SEATTLE

December 21, 2018 — 6 days

\$2525 pp double **\$2995** single



Join Wells Gray Tours this holiday season for a relaxing get-away to the historic Hotel Ändra. Now one of Seattle's premier luxury hotels, the building first opened in 1926 as efficiency apartments and became a boutique hotel in the 1970s, then was completely recreated to become Hotel Ändra. It has an excellent location at the corner of 4th and Virginia, surrounded by shops and restaurants. We stay one night at Tulalip Resort and four nights at Hotel Ändra. Along with four outstanding shows (**Annie**, **In The Heights**, **The Lion King**, and **The Nutcracker**), a choice of two top rated Seattle attractions (Museum of History & Industry OR Seattle Art Museum), and Christmas Dinner at the historic Fairmont Olympic Hotel, this Christmas getaway offers plenty of opportunities to relax with your fellow travellers, enjoying the company of old and new friends alike.

CHRISTMAS ON VANCOUVER ISLAND

December 21, 2018 — 7 days

\$2390 pp double **\$2840** single

2 Seats left!



We take the ferry from Horseshoe Bay to Nanaimo, and stay two nights at the Beach Club in Parksville. All rooms have a splendid view of the beach and bay. We visit the Robert Held Glass Studio for a demonstration of glass blowing and an opportunity to buy some beautiful glass art and then to Morningstar Farm, where we enjoy cheese sampling and wine tasting. The rest of the day is leisure time. Then we head into Victoria with lunch and the matinee of **Little Women** at Chemainus Theatre. The hotel has a great location near the corner of Burdett and Douglas, close to the Inner Harbour and Legislative Buildings. Highlights for Christmas 2018 include the new exhibit at Royal BC Museum *Egypt: The Time of Pharaohs*, a reception with entertainment by the Victoria Operatic Society, **Beauty and the Beast** at the Stanley Theatre, and a night at the Pan Pacific Hotel in Vancouver. Some wonderful meals are planned including a festive Christmas lunch at Abkhazi Garden Teahouse, a Christmas Eve concert at Ambrosia Events Centre, Christmas Brunch at Vista 18 atop the Chateau, and the legendary Christmas Dinner at the Fairmont Empress Hotel.

NEW YEAR'S IN VANCOUVER

December 30, 2018 — 4 days

\$1195 pp double; **\$1495** single

8 Seats left!



Ring in 2019 in style with two shows and three nights at the Listel Hotel in Vancouver. We go to Canada Place to experience **Fly Over Canada** and have a free evening to visit family and friends. A three-course New Year's Dinner is included in Gastown at the popular Steamworks Grill. Choose one of these shows for New Year's Eve: **Beauty and the Beast** at the Stanley Theatre or **It's a Wonderful Life** at the Gateway Theatre. On January 1, we enjoy the annual performance of **Salute to Vienna** which has been billed as the world's greatest New Year's concert. 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. We have reserved superb seats at the ornate Orpheum Theatre in Right and Left Centre Orchestra.

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THEATRE TOURS!

***THE LION KING* IN SEATTLE**

January 4, 2019 — 4 days

\$1195 pp double **\$1510** single
discounts up to \$60 pp



The animals are back! **The Lion King** is quite simply one of the biggest phenomena that Broadway has ever seen. Giraffes strut, birds swoop, gazelles leap! The entire savanna comes to life and, as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly rises out of the stage. Marvel at the breathtaking spectacle of animals miraculously brought to life by a cast of over 40 actors. Wonder at the inspiration of award-winning director/designer Julie Taymor, as one of the most successful films in history is stunningly recreated live on stage. Thrill to the pulsating rhythms of the African Pridelands and an unforgettable score featuring songs by Elton John and Tim Rice such as *The Circle of Life*, *I Just Can't Wait to Be King*, and *Hakuna Matata*. Also included is the Museum of History & Industry OR Seattle Art Museum and the afternoon performance of **Matilda the Musical** at Village Theatre. We stay in downtown Seattle all three nights at the historic Hotel Ändra, one of Seattle's premier luxury hotels.

***SHEN YUN* IN VANCOUVER**

March 21, 2019 — 3 days

\$830 pp double **\$975** single
Filling Fast!



Shen Yun Performing Arts is a premier classical Chinese dance and music company that performs classical Chinese dance, ethnic and folk dance, and story-based dance, with elaborate costumes and orchestral accompaniment. We have excellent seats at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre for this spectacular show. Prior to the performance a local expert guides us on a historical walking tour of Vancouver's Chinatown and we enjoy an authentic Chinese dinner. There is also an option to see a performance of **The Orchard** (After Chekhov) at the Stanley Theatre which is based on Anton Chekhov's *The Cherry Orchard*, but told through the lens of a Punjabi-Sikh family in the Okanagan Valley.

***CATS & MARIE* IN SEATTLE**

March 28, 2019 — 4 days

\$1195 pp double **\$1470** single
discounts up to \$30 pp



Enjoy two fantastic shows on this tour—an old musical favourite and a Best Choreography winner. **Cats**, by Andrew Lloyd Webber, is one of the best loved musicals of all time. It won two Olivier Awards, seven Tony Awards, and as of 2018 is the 4th longest-running show in Broadway history with about 9,000 performances. **Marie** (formerly titled *Little Dancer*) is a stage musical with music by Stephen Flaherty and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, based on the 1881 statue "*Little Dancer of 14 Years*" by Edgar Degas. **Marie**, when titled as *Little Dancer*, won a Helen Hayes Award for Best Choreography in 2015. We will stay at the Embassy Suites in Lynnwood on the north side of Seattle for three nights, which gives us plenty of time to explore some of the local highlights including Whidbey Island, La-Conner, and your choice of the Pacific Science Center or the Chihuly Garden and Glass exhibition.

THEATRE ON THE ISLAND

March, 2019 — days

\$ pp double **\$** single



Embrace spring on the Island with a five-day getaway featuring five varied theatrical shows: Lunch & show at Ambrosia Events Center. **That Elusive Spark** - Written by Janet Munsil, this play is a colourfully instructive and insightful romantic comedy about change and new beginnings, and how they interrelate — or not. **Victoria Symphony Presents Wizard of Oz** – A presentation of the classic film accompanied by live orchestra. **Classical Masters at Alix Gooden Hall** – Chiaroscuro String Quartet: Quartets of Haydn, Beethoven, and Schubert). **Show TBD at Chemainus Theatre**. During our four-night stay at the Chateau Victoria we will also have time to visit the Royal BC Museum, take a guided historical walking tour of downtown Victoria, and enjoy afternoon tea at the Abkhazi Teahouse.

Wells Gray Tours is proud to provide the Tour 25 travel experience.

Tours indicated by this icon on our website and brochures are Tour 25 departures, meaning group capacity is a maximum 25 participants or less. Each individual tour 25 itinerary will indicate the maximum number on that tour. This allows Wells Gray Tours to create a more personal, flexible and authentic experience, which is perfect for many destinations. Travelling in smaller groups allows us to access exciting new places and to offer more up close, personal and unique encounters. It is one more way we are evolving to meet your travelling preferences.

Look for the Tour 25 logo for a more intimate travel experience

INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS!

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GALAPAGOS ISLANDS & ECUADOR

February 8, 2019 — 24 days

\$16,995 pp double; **\$18,685** single

1 Seat left!



We spend 13 days exploring the cultural and natural wonders of mainland Ecuador. Then we fly to the Galapagos Islands for a cruise aboard the first-class passenger vessel M/C Seaman Journey. For 8 days and 7 nights, we cruise from island to island with an expert naturalist and observe the unique flora and fauna made famous by Charles Darwin. The ship carries only 16 people in 8 cabins. Picture yourself walking around nests carelessly built by blue-footed boobies on the trail.

**2 Brand New
Tours!**

25

WALES - With a touch of Southern England

June 18, 2019 — 15 days

\$7540 pp double; **\$7950** single

9 Seats left!



With over 2,700 km of coastline, soaring mountains, and spectacular castles, Wales has a lot to explore. We have partnered with a British tour operator who has created this unique itinerary featuring lesser-known sights of Wales with personal experiences that put you in touch with local people. Tour ancient roman baths. Visit numerous castles. Explore the natural beauty of the Wye Valley, Brecon Beacons National Park, and the Elan Valley. Tour a whiskey distillery and a woolen mill. Visit a town nicknamed "the town of books. Take a horse-drawn canal boat. Visit a medieval city. Ride a cable car to the top of Great Orme. Take the cogwheel mountain railway to the summit of Mount Snowden. Visit Anne-Hathaway's cottage at Stratford-upon-Avon. If you want a taste of everything Wales has to offer, this tour is for you!

25

SCENIC SWITZERLAND BY RAIL

July 8, 2019 — 14 days

\$11,285 pp double; **\$12,350** single

18 Seats left!



Switzerland has a remarkable network of rail lines throughout the country, making it a sought-after destination for railway enthusiasts. This tour includes nine railways and many diverse experiences. Admire the engineering marvels of some of the rail routes, such as the Glacier Express with over 291 bridges and 91 tunnels. Visit the village of Zermatt at the foot of the Matterhorn where access is only by train. Climb through the Eiger Tunnel on the Jungfrau Bahn on the way to Europe's highest railway station at 3,454 m. Marvel at the alpine scenery along the Bernina Express, then descend to Tirano, Italy. First class seats are booked on all trains where this service is offered. This tour also includes cruises on Lake Lucerne and Lake Geneva, a cable car on Mount Rigi, and tours of a chocolate factory and a Gruyères cheese factory. Come and enjoy Switzerland by Rail!

ESCAPE THE COLD THIS WINTER!

KOOTENAYS HOT SPRINGS

February 18, 2019 — 5 days

The Kootenays region is known for many incredible wonders, one of which is the great variety of hot springs. February is a beautiful time to admire the winter wonderland of this area. Soaking up the snowy mountain scenery from the warmth of a steaming outdoor pool is nothing short of magical. This tour visits three hot springs: Fairmont, Radium and Ainsworth. Accommodation is right next to the hot pools at Fairmont for two nights and Ainsworth for two nights. A 1-hour step on guided drive around Nelson with George Miller and lunch at Hume Hotel in Nelson are included. Just bring your swim suit and be prepared to relax.

\$1115 pp double **\$1390** single
discounts up to \$60 pp



PALM SPRINGS WINTER ESCAPE

February 19, 2019 — 7 days

Head south to Palm Springs and spend six nights at Palm Mountain Resort which has an excellent location, a block off Palm Canyon Drive where many shops and restaurants are found. A welcome dinner is planned. We thrill to one of the city's highlights - the spectacular Palm Springs Aerial Tramway which ascends nearly 2,000 metres into the San Jacinto Mountains. We also tour Joshua Tree National Park and explore The Living Desert, a 1200-acre preserve featuring exotic birds and animals, botanical gardens, nature trails and the Wildlife Wonders show. There is a choice of one of two attractions: The Palm Springs Air Museum which features a large collection of flying World War II airplanes or The Palm Springs Art Museum which features a sophisticated collection of art, loaned or donated by the area's affluent residents. There is also a free afternoon plus a full day to relax, enjoy the sunshine and activities of your own choosing.

\$2715 pp double; **\$3375** single
discounts up to \$60 pp



LONG BEACH STORM WATCHING

February 19, 2019 — 6 days

Long Beach is known for its wild winter storms. Snuggle up by a warm fire and watch the rain and wind lash the hotel windows or put on your wet weather gear and enjoy the wild weather outdoors. We begin our trip with one night in Nanaimo, followed by a scenic drive to Tofino with a stop at Rathrevor Beach and a walk among the towering fir trees at Cathedral Grove. We stay 3 nights in Tofino at the oceanfront Tin Wis Resort where you will have plenty of time to stroll picturesque Mackenzie Beach. We will also visit the famed Long Beach at Pacific Rim National Park and watch the big waves roll in at the Amphitrite Lighthouse in Ucluelet. We will end our tour with one night in

\$2715 pp double; **\$3375** single
Filling Fast!



HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

March 12, 2019 — 3 days

Discover the art of rejuvenation at the always popular Harrison Hot Springs Resort & Spa. Nestled on the south shore of Harrison Lake, this lovely hotel has been welcoming guests for over 125 years. With five indoor and outdoor natural mineral hot springs pools, plus the Healing Springs Spa, there is something to please everyone. A whole day is free for you to relax and indulge in the hotel's facilities. Your room in the East Tower (the newest section) has a view of Harrison Lake and is just an elevator ride and short walk away from the hot springs pools. On the first evening, enjoy dinner in the elegant Copper Room with dance music provided by the Jones Boys.

\$570 pp double; **\$710** single
discounts up to \$20 pp



CANADIAN GETAWAYS!

CRUISING THE LOWER FRASER RIVER

May 13, 2019 — 5 days

\$1595 pp double; **\$1935** single
discounts up to \$80 pp



We start our tour riding the cablecar down to awesome Hells Gate and spend two nights at Harrison Hot Springs Resort. With five indoor and outdoor natural mineral hot springs pools, plus the Healing Springs Spa, there is something to please everyone. We dine in elegance in the Copper Room with music by Hayley & the Lefties Band and dancing. 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 five bridges. A second 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.

**A Ladies Only
Getaway!**

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LADIES GETAWAY TO ECHO VALLEY RANCH

May 21, 2019 — 4 days

\$1755 pp double; **\$1885** single
discounts up to \$100 pp



Looking for a relaxing getaway alone or with a group of friends? Join us as we spend the weekend at the Echo Valley Ranch & Spa, a luxurious, all-inclusive resort that is an experience unlike any other. Part ranch, part spa, part indescribable, the ranch sits amid hundreds of acres of pristine mountains, lush valleys, pine forests, and desert canyons. Start the day with a Thai yoga class, wander the ranch with the faithful border collies, get pampered in the award-winning world class spa, take a wine tasting or Thai cooking class, and gather around the campfire at the end of the day to enjoy some s'mores. Many options are available at additional cost including horseback riding, guided fishing, and gold panning.

COAST TO COAST BY TRAIN

May 24, 2019 — 17 days

\$8350 pp double; **\$9575** single
discounts up to \$300 pp



On this tour we begin our epic adventure aboard Via Rail's The Canadian in Vancouver and travel through the Fraser Valley, pass soaring Mount Robson and into Jasper National Park. We continue east through the towering giants of the Rocky Mountains and through the sea of grass in the vast prairies. We experience Toronto's big city lights, the majestic beauty of Niagara Falls, the unique mix of cultures in Montréal, and the Scottish influence in the Maritimes. We end our journey with three nights at the Cambridge Suites Hotel in the center of Halifax and fly home from Halifax. Locally-guided tours are included in Saskatoon, Toronto, Niagara Falls, Montréal, and Halifax.

BC FJORDS CRUISE

June 5, 2019 — 7 days

\$2320 pp double; **\$2710** single
discounts up to \$100 pp



The great fjords of the British Columbia Coast rival those of Norway in length and depth and have even higher mountain scenery. This tour takes you to Knight Inlet, British Columbia's longest fjord, an option to Desolation Sound, British Columbia's largest marine park, Jervis Inlet, and the Princess Louisa Fjord. Experience the wild rush of the Nakwakto Tidal Rapids and view grizzly bears up close at the Glendale River estuary. Of the seven days on this tour, 3½ days are devoted to cruising the sheltered waters near Vancouver Island. Come and join this unique tour, cruising some fabulous scenic waterways. This tour is limited to 32 passengers to ensure comfort for everyone on the vessels.

SURPRISING SASKATCHEWAN

June 3, 2019 — 7 days

Saskatchewan is sometimes viewed as a province with few attractions, but the reality is far different as travellers discovered on our Mystery Tour in 2015. By the end of that tour, many people declared that they had no idea there was so much to see in Saskatchewan! That itinerary has been duplicated for this tour. Join us as we tour the RCMP Heritage Centre in Regina and watch the Sergeant Major's Parade. Visit two provincial museums, one dedicated to prairie transportation and the other which re-creates a 1910 Saskatchewan boomtown. Go underground in the Tunnels of Moose Jaw where rum-running and gambling were rampant 100 years ago. Soak in the therapeutic mineralized waters of Temple Gardens and Manitou Springs. Stay at the historic Bessborough Hotel, built by the CNR in grand chateau fashion in 1928. Learn about First Nations history and watch traditional dancing at Wanuskewin Heritage Park. Admire incredible pieces of art at the newly opened Remai Modern gallery. Cruise the South Saskatchewan River on a paddlewheeler. Speak to a succulent plants expert at his Solar Gardens greenhouse. You will never think of 'Surprising Saskatchewan' the same way again.

\$2295 pp double; **\$2695** single

18 Seats left!



INSIDE PASSAGE & SKEENA TRAIN

June 15, 2019 — 8 days

Explore the stunning North Coast by land and sea on this exciting tour. We begin our trip by travelling north to Prince George with a stop at the historic gold rush town of Barkerville. From there we board VIA Rail's Skeena Train for a spectacular all-day journey west to Prince Rupert where you will enjoy being pampered in deluxe 'Touring Class' including seating in the dome car. From Prince Rupert we take an all-day catamaran excursion to the Khutzeymateen Grizzly Sanctuary and tour the restored North Pacific Cannery. The 500-kilometre journey from Prince Rupert to Port Hardy aboard BC Ferries' Northern Expedition takes 15 hours, all in daylight to permit great viewing of the rugged coastline and abundant wildlife.

\$2915 pp double; **\$3450** single

discounts up to \$150 pp



CANADA DAY IN OTTAWA

June 24, 2019 — 9 days

Celebrate Canada's 152nd birthday in the Nation's Capital! We spend three nights in Montreal, two nights in Kingston, and three nights in Ottawa giving you enough time to explore each city. In Kingston, Canada's first capital city, we visit Fort Henry, tour the Canadian Penitentiary Museum, and take a dinner cruise through the 1000 islands. In Ottawa we enjoy a guided tour of the Parliament Buildings, visit the Canadian Museum of History, shop at bustling Byward Market, and experience the official Canada Day celebrations! We will enjoy a Canada Day themed dinner/reception at the Marriott followed by viewing the dazzling fireworks show.

\$3870 pp double; **\$4765** single

discounts up to \$180 pp



Loyalty Rewards Program

Redeem your e-points: Visit your local office or ask your Tour Director to find out how many experience points you have, or how many days or tours you have accumulated.

e-points Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points or e-points. 1 e-point equals \$1.

We are delighted to announce as of April 1st we have increased our loyalty rewards! We recently reviewed all of our reward levels and have increased them to show our appreciation of your many travels with Wells Gray.

Bronze - Take 15 tours or travel 90 days: Receive a black vest with the Wells Gray Tours logo on it & a \$100 Travel Voucher for future travel with Wells Gray Tours.

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7 Continents - Travel 7 Continents with Wells Gray Tours: Receive a \$1000 Travel Voucher for future travel with Wells Gray Tours & a special gift commemorating your worldwide journeys.

* Couples get a voucher for each person.

EXCITING NORTH AMERICAN GETAWAYS

SKAGIT TULIP FESTIVAL

April 9, 2019 — 4 days

\$995 pp double; **\$1255** single
discounts up to \$50 pp



Every spring the Skagit Valley explodes in an abundance of colour when the tulips blossom. Although Mother Nature ultimately decides the dates, the middle of April tends to be good timing for this showy display. Whether early or late, there are a variety of flowers to enjoy—dainty yellow daffodils arrive first, followed by a rainbow of tulips, then the irises and lilies after that. A local guide takes us through this floral extravaganza, taking advantage of a midweek day when the roads and gardens are far less crowded. We also spend a morning in La Conner, a delightful waterfront town, and take a cruise along Swinomish Channel through Saratoga Passage to Deception Pass. Local delicacies including a salmon bake and crab feast as well as multiple shopping opportunities make this a perfect getaway. This tour stays at the luxurious Tulalip Resort and Casino. Come and enjoy the blossoms and

HANDS ON OREGON

April 29, 2019 — days

\$TBA pp double; **\$TBA** single



Looking for a different kind of holiday? Join us in beautiful Oregon where we will explore the state and get 'hands on' with a variety of local experiences. Crafty? Then try your hand at leather work, learn to build and fly your own kite from master kite flyers, and take a glass art class. Learn more about local foods and beverages with a brewery tour and a "taste of Oregon" buffet dinner. Get active on an electric bike tour and go beach combing for glass balls with an expert guide. This tour spans the length of Oregon beginning in uber-hip Portland and then heading south to Mt. Hood in the Cascade mountains. From there we visit the outdoor paradise of Bend and then head back up the stunning coastline to Florence, Newport, and Lincoln City.

NEW YORK CITY

July 2, 2019 — 7 days

\$3870 pp double; **\$4780** single
discounts up to \$200 pp



New York City, the city of icons—The Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, Central Park, Rockefeller Center, the American Museum of Natural History, Top of the Rock, Macy's Fifth Avenue, the Radio City Rockettes, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Ground Zero, Times Square, Broadway, and Wall Street. The list of world-famous sights and experiences is huge and Wells Gray Tours is proud to take you there. The tour is planned for early July, traditionally a quieter time for the city, when hotel rates are not as exorbitant, and temperatures are warm but not too hot and humid. This tour has lots of choices with 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. We will also take in two Broadway musicals. This year we will also be there for the 4th of July fireworks!

SCENIC RAILS OF COLORADO

September 17, 2019 — 12 days

\$ pp double; **\$** single
discounts up to \$ pp



All aboard! Perfect for the train enthusiast, this trip weaves through Colorado on seven different railways. Ride the Royal Gorge Incline Railway, one of the world's steepest railways, to the breathtaking Royal Gorge Bridge. Hop aboard the impressive Georgetown Loop, famous for its narrow-gauge track, as it snakes through jaw-dropping mountain terrain. Or, take a ride on the historic Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad, that has been used in many movies and TV shows including Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade. In addition, we will visit the Colorado Railroad Museum, sample beer at the Coors Brewery, explore Mesa Verde National Park, relax at the Glenwood Hot Springs Resort, and visit the Denver Art Museum.

EXOTIC CRUISING

MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE

April 11, 2019 — 18 days

from **\$10,125** pp double; from **\$13,750** single
8 Seats left!



We start this tour by flying to New Orleans and stay three nights at the Wyndham Hotel, located in the French Quarter. There is something magical about the energy in New Orleans. This city will put a spell on you like no other American city. The food is bold and flavourful, the music is loud and soulful, and history is on display on every corner. Highlights include: Maison Bourbon Dixieland Club with drink, Mardi Gras World, historic tour of Oak Alley Plantation, and the New Orleans School of Cooking. We then board the *American Queen* for 7 days which is said to be the largest river steamboat ever built. She is a six-deck recreation of a classic Mississippi riverboat, built by McDermott Shipyard for the Delta Queen Steamboat Company. The *American Queen* has 222 staterooms for a capacity of 436 guests and a crew of 160. The Mississippi River rises in Lake Itasca in Minnesota and flows 3,734 km to the Gulf of Mexico. Along the way, it gathers major tributaries such as the Missouri River and Ohio River. As history plays such a large part of your cruise experience, the Riverlorian (an expert guide on board) imparts the history and lore of the Mississippi River. There is also a diverse lineup of guest historians who take to the stage and transport you to another era. These noted speakers offer astounding insights on the culture and heritage of America's Heartland and the Deep South. Relive a tale from Mark Twain for an enchanted evening and you will retire to your room convinced that you've just had a conversation with history.

NORTHWEST PASSAGE EXPEDITION CRUISE from **\$23,750** pp double; from **\$23,960** single
August 16, 2019 — 19 days **4 Seats left!**



The Northwest Passage represents the pinnacle of Arctic exploration. On this trip, like the explorers before us, we experience the quaint villages, dramatic fjords, and calving glaciers of Greenland. After crossing Davis Strait, we visit Qikiqtarjuaq, the iceberg capital of Nunavut, and pay respects at the Franklin Expedition graves on Beechey Island. Somerset and Devon Islands offer opportunities to spot caribou, polar bear, walrus, and muskox, and for visits to ghostly RCMP and Hudson's Bay posts. Parry Channel and Peel Sound afford a passage to Queen Maud Gulf and onward along Victoria Island to our destination, Kugluktuk, the end of our epic journey above the Arctic Circle. To sail the Northwest Passage is to sail living history. Meet the Inuit who have called this remarkable place home for generations. Attend daily presentations on the ship and listen to experts in many fields related to the Northwest Passage and the Arctic. Explore secluded bays and channels using the ship's fleet of zodiacs and get very close to stunning glaciers and icebergs. Join the ranks of the adventurers who have been lured by the legends of the Northwest Passage.

We spend 17 days on board the *Ocean Endeavour* which was built in 1981 and has operated as a cruise ship in the Baltic, the Mediterranean, and throughout Scandinavia. Adventure Canada has leased the ship since 2014 and has undertaken major renovations to equip it for Arctic voyages. The ship is 137 metres long and has nine decks with six of them open to passengers. The ship carries 198 passengers. 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 the cruise destinations. During many days, there are expeditions ashore or to nearby attractions, using the ship's 18 zodiacs. All meals are included in the Polaris Restaurant and there are also on-deck barbecues and afternoon tea.

*** NOTE FOR ALL CRUISES ***

Early booking is essential. Unsold staterooms are taken away by the cruise company when the ships get close to being full.

**3 Seats
Left!**

4 GREAT RIVERS OF EUROPE

June 16, 2019 — 21 days

from **\$15,240** pp double; from **\$21,485** single



Roland and Anne Neave invite you to join them for this exciting 6th President's Cruise from Luxembourg to Budapest on the Moselle, Rhine, Main, and Danube Rivers. With 14 days on 4 different rivers of Europe, this amazing cruise on Avalon's *Imagery II* takes in a wonderful variety of sights. We start in Remich, Luxembourg, and cruise down the Moselle River for 2 days to the Rhine, then upstream on the Rhine and the Main Rivers for 4 days. Our cruise takes in a very scenic portion from Kelheim, Germany, to Budapest, Hungary, with 5 relaxed days to enjoy the vistas from the river and local excursions in the cities.

EXCITING CRUISES WITH HOLLAND AMERICA



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SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE

January 20, 2019 — 16 days

from **\$5560** pp double; from **\$8060** single

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We fly from Seattle to Fort Lauderdale and spend two nights at the Embassy Suites which has a convenient location downtown between the airport and cruise terminal. There is a free day to relax around the hotel or visit the many shops and restaurants nearby. Then treat yourself to an 11-day cruise aboard Holland America Line's newest ship, *MS Koningsdam*, which made her grand entrance into the cruising world in 2016. Savour a vacation defined by enriching activities, fine cuisine, room to move and intuitive personal service. You are sure to create memorable adventures on your Caribbean cruise that will inspire you for a lifetime. Life on the islands offers more than awe-inspiring views of vast blue waters and hilly scenery. Each port city has its own unique flavour and rhythm. The ports of call on this tour are Philipsburg in Saint Maarten, Castries in Saint Lucia, St. Thomas in US Virgin Islands, St. John's in Antigua, Bridgetown in Barbados, Fort-De-France in Martinique, and Half Moon Cay in the Bahamas.

MEXICAN RIVIERA CRUISE

January 22, 2019 — 13 days

from **\$3975** pp double; from **\$5225** single

7 Seats left!



Fly to Palm Springs and spend three nights at the excellent location of Palm Mountain Resort. We thrill to one of the city's highlights - the spectacular Palm Springs Aerial Tramway which ascends nearly 2,000 metres into the San Jacinto Mountains. We also tour Joshua Tree National Park and go to Palm Canyon Theatre for a show. We stop in San Diego for two days of sightseeing including a visit to the Safari Park, a cruise around the busy San Diego harbour seeing the lofty Coronado Bridge, the shipyards, Point Loma, and the Naval Air Station. Afterwards we visit the Maritime Museum on the waterfront which features many nautical displays and three historic ships including: the *Star of India*, the world's oldest active ship. From here we board Holland America's *Eurodam* for a seven-night cruise. Our first port is Cabo San Lucas situated at the southern tip of the Baja Peninsula. Overnight we cruise east to the mainland of Mexico and dock for a full day in Mazatlan. Our last port of call along the Mexican Riviera is the original colonial town of Puerto Vallarta. We have two relaxing days at sea before docking in San Diego and flying home on Westjet to Calgary, connecting to Kelowna.



PANAMA CANAL CRUISE
April 10, 2019 — 25 days

from **\$7980** pp double; from **\$11,210** single
discounts up to \$250 pp



A dream more than 400 years in the making, the Panama Canal opened in 1914 and this epic man-made marvel changed the world in the process. A Panama Canal expert is on board to explain its history and technical operations as your ship passes through the locks. Enjoy 21 days aboard the *Oosterdam*. Before boarding the ship we fly to Fort Lauderdale and stay two nights at the Embassy Suites near the airport and cruise terminal. Then during our first two days at sea, we sail between Cuba and Haiti to enter the Caribbean Sea. We also cross the Tropic of Cancer. Ashore there is everything from Costa Rican rainforests to Old World cities like Cartagena that recall the Age of Exploration. Locally guided tours in Cartagena, Panama City, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Guatemala are included. Our tour in Costa Rica features a boat trip on the Tarcoles River and Guacalillo Estuary. We see one of the world's largest colonies of crocodiles, the richest mangrove forest in the mid-Pacific Coast, and the country's most important conservation area for the scarlet macaw. We enjoy a locally guided tour to the colonial city of Leon in Nicaragua and in Guatemala we take a trip up to the highlands and the picturesque town of Antigua.

NORWAY FJORDS CRUISE
July 3, 2019 — 20 days

from **\$10,095** pp double; from **\$14,085** single
discounts up to \$250 pp



We travel to Vancouver and stay overnight at the Pacific Gateway Hotel near the airport before flying to Amsterdam. We stay for two nights here and visit Dam Square with the impressive Royal Palace, the New Church, the canals, Waterloo Square, the renowned Rijksmuseum and explore the city via a narrated canal cruise, passing gabled warehouses, arched bridges, noble mansions, and colourful houseboats. We then board Holland America Line's newest ship, *MS Nieuw Statendam*, which will make her grand entrance into the cruising world in December 2018. During the first day of our cruise, we sail across the North Sea to Norway. Highlights include: the Vøringsfossen Waterfalls, Hardangervidda Nature Centre, Gamle Bryggen Museum, Fløibanen funicular up Mount Fløyen, Cathedral and Archbishop's Palace, North Cape Visitor Centre and Museum, National Park with Nigardsbreen Glacier, Breheim Visitors Centre and Park Centre, train excursion from Flåm to Myrdal and return, Flåm Railway Museum, and Olav's church and Viking Farm. Locally guided tours are included in Måbødalen Valley, Bergen, Ålesund, Jostedalbreen, and Haugesund. Come and enjoy a spectacular cruise of the Norway Fjords on Holland America's magnificent new ship.



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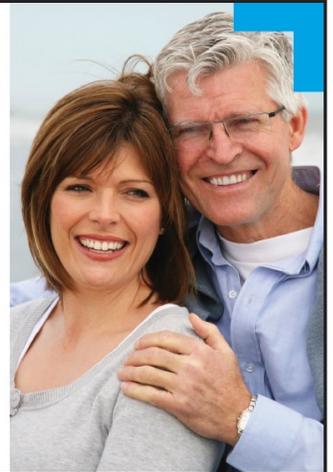
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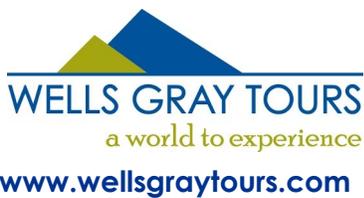
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