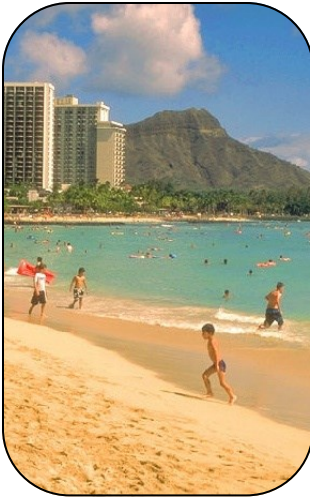


HAWAII CRUISE

Cruise to 5 islands on Norwegian's *Pride of America*
November 6, 2019 - 12 Days



a world to experience



Fares Per Person: based on double/twin

\$6865 Inside Category IA

\$7270 Oceanview Category OK

\$8195 Balcony Category BC

> Other categories, plus single fares are also available.

> Please add 0.4% GST.

> **Early Bookers:** \$250 discount on first 15 seats; \$125 on next 10

> **Experience Points:** Earn 101 points from this tour.

Redeem **101 points** if you book by **July 9**.



Includes

- Transportation to/from Vancouver Airport
- Flight from Vancouver to Honolulu and return
- 4 nights hotel accommodation & taxes
- Traditional flower lei greeting at Honolulu
- Transfers from airport to Honolulu hotel and hotel to cruise terminal
- 7 days and nights on board *Pride of America*
- Cruise gratuities
- Port charges and cruise taxes
- 4 specialty restaurants on the ship
- \$200 per stateroom shipboard credit for additional shore excursions
- Entertainment and other services on the ship
- Locally-guided tour of Maui and Lahaina
- Locally-guided tour of Hawaii (Big Island)
- Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
- Akatsuka Orchid Nursery
- Rainbow Falls
- Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Factory
- Locally-guided tour of Kauai
- Waimea Canyon
- Boat excursion at Fern Grotto
- Locally-guided tour of Honolulu highlights
- Gratuities to guides & drivers on 4 Hawaii tours
- Knowledgeable Wells Gray tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels, ship and airline
- **23 meals:** 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 8 dinners

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Pride of America

Pride of America was launched in 2005 and was completely refurbished in 2016. Carrying 2,186 passengers, the *Pride of America* is one of the smaller vessels in the Norwegian fleet of 17 ships. *Pride of America's* gross tonnage is 80,000 and she is 279 metres long with 11 decks and 10 elevators. Facilities include the Hollywood Theatre for live entertainment, 12 bars and lounges, casino, duty-free shops, beauty shop, library, games room, internet access, spa, fitness centre, 2 pools, and 5 hot tubs.

Pride of America is a USA-registered ship which is unusual in the cruise industry. This allows her to operate exclusively in Hawaii, whereas most ships are required, under the Jones Act, to stop at a foreign port during every cruise. She has 927 crew and many are Americans instead of the predominately international staff on other ships.

Pride of America offers 15 places to eat. The complimentary dining rooms include Liberty and Skyline, and Aloha Café is the buffet. The five specialty restaurants are Cagney's Steakhouse, Jefferson's Bistro (French), Moderno (Brazilian), La Cucina (Italian), and Teppanyaki (Asian), each with gourmet menus. Your tour fare includes the extra fee for four dinners in these specialty restaurants. You can also dine in the privacy of your stateroom by ordering from the room service menu 24 hours a day (extra fee). You can enjoy a different venue for each of your seven dinners on board. You should reserve in advance for specialty restaurants and you can show up when you are ready for the main restaurants.


Staterooms have TV, music, telephone, and bathroom with toilet, sink, and shower or bathtub. A great variety of stage shows is presented in the Hollywood Theatre and Norwegian is known for its extravagant entertainment. Every day has a full schedule of optional activities: dance class, bridge, bingo, shuffleboard, table-tennis, karaoke, board games, and fitness classes.

Cruise & Tour Notes

Five ports: This cruise features five ports in the Hawaiian Islands: Honolulu on Oahu, Kahului on Maui, Hilo and Kona on Hawaii, and Nawiliwili on Kauai. The ship stays overnight in Kahului and Nawiliwili, giving you extra time to explore the area and enjoy services on shore.

Four shore excursions included: On many cruises, shore excursions are a significant additional expense. On this cruise, shore excursions are included in Honolulu, Kahului, Hilo, and Nawiliwili. These range from four to six hours and visit some of the highlights of each island. Attraction admissions are included and one tour has lunch included as you are away from the ship most of the day. Shore excursions are not included for your second day in Kahului and in Kona. Your \$200 shipboard credit (per stateroom) can be used to purchase tours of interest here.

Importance of booking early: Norwegian has confirmed a block of staterooms for this tour and they are normally held until 90 days before sailing. However, any unsold staterooms can be taken away from us at any time if the ship fills and this has happened on the last five Hawaii cruises. We had to turn away disappointed customers, even though we had seats available on the connecting motorcoach. This cruise is especially popular with travellers staying for an extended time in Hawaii. **Please book early.**

 **Activity Level:** Light activity including short distances to walk and some stairs during the shore excursions. At Kona, you board the ship's tenders to go ashore. The coaches cannot carry a scooter. If you think you may have difficulty participating in Activity Level 1, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director, local guides and drivers have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

Itinerary

Wednesday, November 6: *Meals: D*

Transportation is provided to Vancouver Airport and we stay overnight at the Fairmont YVR Hotel. A welcome dinner in Globe @ YVR is an opportunity to meet your fellow travellers.

Thursday, November 7:

Walk downstairs to the Westjet check-in. The flight is about six hours to Honolulu which is two hours earlier than Pacific Time. **Welcome to Hawaii** — with a traditional flower lei greeting. A transfer is provided from the airport to the Beachcomber Hotel in Waikiki where we stay two nights.

Friday, November 8: *Meals: B*

This is a free day to do as you wish around Honolulu. The Beachcomber Hotel is located on Kalakaua Avenue, two short blocks from the beach and across from the bustling International Marketplace. There is a full-serve restaurant and fast food in the hotel, or there are numerous restaurants nearby. The hotel is also within 15-20 minutes walking distance to the Honolulu Zoo, Waikiki Aquarium, and Kapiolani Park.

Saturday, November 9 *Meals: B,L,D*

A transfer is provided to the cruise terminal and we board the **Pride of America** about noon. An embarkation lunch buffet is served in the Aloha Café. Explore the ship this afternoon. You should be on deck or your balcony at 7 pm as we cast off and cruise away from Honolulu. Enjoy your first wonderful dinner on board in one of the two main dining rooms or the five specialty restaurants. Later, take in the entertainment in the Hollywood Theatre or one of the lounges.

Sunday, November 10: *Meals: B,L,D*

Pride of America docks at **Kahului** on the north coast of **Maui** at 8 am. This is the major shopping centre for Maui residents. Our guided tour for 4½ hours travels from the sugar cane plains to a tropical rainforest in the lovely Iao Valley. Standing on the valley floor, marvel at the 60-metre stone pinnacle and all the flora, fauna and abundant native bird species. We continue to the historic whaling town of **Lahaina**, once the capital of the Hawaiian Kingdom. Explore its rich history and culture by walking the Lahaina Historic Trail marked by bronze plaques on and around Front Street. There

is time to browse the many art galleries. After returning to the ship, the afternoon is free time. The *Pride of America* stays docked in Kahului overnight.

Monday, November 11: *Meals: B,L,D*

Today is free to do as you wish. You may want to book a shore excursion from the ship or on the dock to take you to a different part of Maui than you saw yesterday. The ship departs at 6 pm.

Tuesday, November 12: *Meals: B,D*

The *Pride of America* arrives at **Hilo** on the east coast of **Hawaii, the Big Island**, at 8 am and departs at 6 pm. This is the wet or windward side of the island and has a jungle-like environment. Today's six-hour tour visits **Hawaii Volcanoes National Park** where Kilauea has been erupting regularly since 1983. Other attractions are Akatsuka Orchid Nursery, 25-metre tall Rainbow Falls, and Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Factory. During the evening, the ship cruises along the rugged coast providing more views of **Kilauea Volcano**.

Wednesday, November 13: *Meals: B,L,D*

Overnight, we cruise around Hawaii and anchor at **Kona** on the west coast and the dry side of the island. This is a tender port, meaning that you take a small boat ashore instead of disembarking onto a dock. We arrive at 7 am and depart at 5:30 pm. Stroll the town or book a shore excursion.

Thursday, November 14: *Meals: B,L,D*

Kauai is the westernmost of the five major islands. It is the island where Hawaiians vacation, a circle of steeply rumpled green velvet known for its primeval splendour and nicknamed The Garden Isle. The ship docks at 8 am at **Nawiliwili Harbor** near Lihue, the largest town. Today's tour visits awesome **Waimea Canyon** which is 16 km long, up to 1,000 metres deep, and filled with vivid colours of red and green. Next, we take a boat ride along the Wailua River to the romantic **Fern Grotto** where several weddings may be held every day. We also see Old Koloa Town, Hawaii's first sugar cane plantation, and Waimea town where Captain Cook first set foot in Hawaii in 1778. The ship stays overnight at the dock.

Friday, November 15:*Meals: B,L,D*

The morning is free time if you wish to take a shore excursion to a different part of the island. After departure at 2 pm, the *Pride of America* cruises slowly along the rugged **Na Pali Coast**, where cliffs rise 300 metres from the ocean.

Saturday, November 16:*Meals: B*

We arrive in **Honolulu** and disembark the *Pride of America*. Our locally-guided tour visits highlights of Honolulu such as **Waikiki Beach**, Diamond Head,

the Governor's Mansion, State Capitol Building, Chinatown, Iolani Palace, and the King Kamehameha statue. The tour ends at Honolulu Airport, then we fly on Westjet to Vancouver and stay overnight at the Fairmont Hotel in the airport.

Sunday, November 17:

Transportation is provided to your Victoria area pickup point.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$600 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due July 9, 2019. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$250 discount on first 15 seats and \$125 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after July 9.

Cancellation Policy: Up to June 7, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$100 per person. From June 8 to July 9, the cancellation charge is \$300 per person. From July 10 to September 6, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. From September 7 to October 4, the cancellation charge is 80% of the tour fare. After October 4, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to currency exchange rates and taxes, and surcharges from the airline, cruise line, and other tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up until the time of departure.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause for medical and cancellation claims, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Please contact us for details.

Home pickups may be offered in Greater Victoria, depending on the number of people booked and coach size. Decision is made about 2 weeks before departure and you will be contacted about your pickup point and time.

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E-points: This tour earns 101 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until July 9.

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