



WELLS GRAY TOURS

# Experiences

GUIDED GROUP TRAVEL SINCE 1972

Vol 06 – Summer 2020



## BC GETAWAYS

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stay close to home this  
fall in beautiful BC

## HOLIDAY CHEER

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spend Christmas or  
New Years Eve with friends

## EXPLORE THE WORLD

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get ready to explore  
when it's safe to do so

# THE WELLS GRAY TOURS ADVANTAGE

WE PLAN | YOU PACK | NO WORRIES



guided tours with experienced tour directors



local offices with friendly, helpful staff



early booking discounts and loyalty rewards program



pick-up points in BC Interior, Vancouver Island, and Lower Mainland



single, double and triple fares available



## how to use this guide

### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVELS:



**Light Activity** - walking short distances and some stairs.



**Moderate Activity** - walking medium distances (up to 2 km).



**High Activity** - walking longer distances (up to 4 km).

### DEPARTURE POINTS:



BC Interior



Lower Mainland



Vancouver Island

*Detailed list of pick-up locations on our website*

TOUR



Tours indicated by these icons are Tour 25 and Tour 30 departures, meaning group capacity is limited to 25 or 30 participants or less. Travelling in smaller groups allows us to access unique places and offers more personal encounters. It is one more way we are working to meet your evolving travel preferences.

TOUR



### Do I really need travel insurance?

Unexpected emergency medical treatment is the single most expensive hidden cost you can incur.

#### Why Travel Guard?

- No medical questionnaire!
- Insurance is fully refundable if tour is cancelled.
- No maximum age.
- 24/7/365 assistance services.

#### What about extra coverage?

- Waiver of Pre-existing Conditions, when purchased within seven days of the initial trip payment:
- Insured must be medically able to travel at the time of purchase.
  - Pre-existing medical waiver applies to a maximum of \$35,000 per person for trip cancellation.
  - Pre-existing medical waiver applies to a maximum of \$2.5M when the medical upgrade is purchased.

### Travel Guard®

#### Is there anything else?

- If a claim is denied, a personal call to the client will be made to explain why.
- If Travel Medical Assistance is required, direct medical payment will be arranged when available.

The insurance products available through Travel Guard Group Canada, Inc. ("Travel Guard") are underwritten by AIG Insurance Company of Canada. The insurance policy will contain reductions, limitations, exclusions and termination provisions. Coverage may not be available in all provinces. 1962\_002 09/18/19



# Experience

## SAFE TRAVEL WITH WELLS GRAY TOURS

As Covid-19 continues to change our lifestyles, Wells Gray Tours is doing just fine, albeit with no imminent tour departures to get excited about. We have now postponed or cancelled 35 tour departures, up until the end of July. I know many of you are as disappointed as we are that your tour has been cancelled. If it was a tour we were able to postpone to 2021, hopefully you can look forward to that date instead.

I want to thank all of our team members who are working so hard—most of them remotely at home—on a myriad of tasks. Our team has been busy cancelling bookings with hundreds of suppliers, re-booking all of those services for the rescheduled tours, and arranging new tours to provide lots of choices when you are ready to travel. Our staff in each office location have been busy answering phone calls because, despite the uncertainty of future travel dates, we are getting lots of enquiries and bookings.

We are not in a hurry to re-open our office locations to walk-in customers at the moment, because the safety and health of our employees and customers is paramount. If you call any of our offices during normal office hours, our staff will be ready to assist you. When we are ready to re-open, we will likely take appointments in order to maintain physical distancing guidelines.

We expect some tours to resume this fall and you will be pleased to hear that we have committed to a maximum of 30 passengers on each of our fall tours. This will allow our travellers to be able to maintain more personal space, especially on coach tours.

I believe that when we are able to travel again, Canadian tours will be very popular. Therefore, we're busy planning lots of trips within British Columbia and across Canada. International and U.S. tours will follow, depending on the travel regulations and safety of each destination. We will keep you informed as the situation unfolds.

Please enjoy this Experiences Quarterly and I hope you find a few tours that entice you to travel later this year or in 2021.

Keep exploring,

*Roland Neave*

President & Owner  
Wells Gray Tours

# BC Fall & Winter Getaways



## CRUISING THE GULF ISLANDS

*BC Interior & Lower Mainland: Sept 6, 2020 - 6 Days*  
*Vancouver Island: Sept 7, 2020 - 5 Days*

This tour stays four nights at Poets Cove, the premier luxury resort in the Gulf Islands. Nestled in Bedwell Harbour on South Pender Island, the resort has every amenity you could wish for. The main building has beautifully appointed bedrooms, all with ocean view and a deck. The Aurora Dining Room serves our breakfasts and dinners, and Syrens Bistro offers a pub atmosphere for casual evening get-togethers. Spa treatments are available in the Susurrus Spa and there is free time for you to enjoy this service. An outdoor pool and hot tub are tucked into the hillside above the lodge. Other highlights include two full days of cruising in the Gulf Islands on Orca Spirit's *Pacific Explorer* led by a certified marine naturalist, equipped with hydrophones to bring the underwater experience to light. One full day is dedicated to touring Pender Island and one full day is spent at Salt Spring Island with a tour up Mt. Maxwell and free time at Ganges.

- I** \$2,585 pp double, \$3,125 single
- V** \$2,410 pp double, \$2,815 single
- L** \$2,525 pp double, \$3,065 single  
waitlist only...call for availability



## Introducing TOUR 30

We are pleased to announce that in light of Covid-19 concerns, the majority of our tours this fall will be limited to 30 travellers or less. Our goal is to provide more personal space and a safer experience for all travellers. Look for the Tour 30 logo to identify these tours.



## KOOTENAYS GHOST TOWNS & HOT SPRINGS

*BC Interior: October 4, 2020 - 5 Days*  
*Van. Island & Lower Main.: October 3, 2020 - 6 Days*

During this five-day tour we visit ghost towns at Retallack and Sandon, a heritage village at Three Valley Gap, and the historic towns of Revelstoke, Kaslo, Nelson, and Greenwood. We also visit the gardens at Blaylock, the Kootenays' grandest mansion. Unique experiences include a ride on Nelson's heritage Streetcar #23, lunch with a Nelson historian, an overnight at Nelson's old Hume Hotel, and the historic powerhouse at Sandon. Guides are included at each destination to explain the historical details as only a local guide can do. We stay two nights at Ainsworth Hot Springs where you'll have unlimited use of the pools. Come and join us on this ghostly tour!



- I** \$1,380 pp double, \$1,670 single
- V** \$1,895 pp double, \$2,260 single
- L** \$1,845 pp double, \$2,210 single  
discounts up to \$80 pp





## HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

*BC Interior: Nov 8, 2020 - 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 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 a quick elevator ride and walk away from the hot springs pools. On the first evening, enjoy dinner in the elegant Copper Room with dance music provided by Hayley and the Lefties. A one-hour scenic cruise on Harrison Lake is also included..

**TOUR**  
**30**

**1** \$725 pp double, \$860 single  
discounts up to \$40



## STORM WATCHING AT WICKANINNISH INN

*BC Interior: November 16, 2020 - 6 Days*  
*Lower Mainland: Dates and Prices TBD*

Perched on the edge of the wild, west coast of Vancouver Island, the Wickaninnish Inn near Tofino combines heritage and elegance with untamed natural beauty. Framed by ancient rainforest and the Pacific Ocean, each room at the Wickaninnish Inn is designed to charm with its attention to detail and connection with nature. Perhaps your visit will coincide with watching an awesome West Coast storm? This tour offers extraordinary savings and lets you enjoy this renowned property, and some exceptional meals, at a very attractive price. We also stay one night at the Best Western Chemainus Inn.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**1** \$2,125 pp double, \$2,695 single  
discounts up to \$50 pp



## SQUAMISH EAGLE WATCHING

*BC Interior: January 19, 2021 - 4 Days*

Squamish, just 45 minutes north of Vancouver, boasts the second-highest bald eagle count in the world and one of the most densely populated gatherings in North America. Annually over 3,000 eagles flock to the Squamish and Cheakamus Rivers from Alaska and the Yukon, staying from mid-November to mid-February to feed on the abundance of spawned chum salmon. The largest gathering was 3,766 eagles, counted in January 1994, coinciding with the four-year cycle of salmon spawning. Along with the eagle migration come the avid bird watchers and hikers who walk along the banks of the river, enamored with these powerful birds. One of the quietest and most interactive ways to view the eagles is from the river. Using expedition-class river rafts, we float quietly down the Squamish River wearing warm and cozy survival suits with boots. The next day, we visit the George Reifel Migratory Bird Sanctuary, one of Vancouver's premier birding locations, which is home to thousands of birds each winter.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**1** \$1,220 pp double, \$1,420 single  
discounts up to \$70 pp



# Canadian Journeys



## WATERTON LAKES & CYPRESS HILLS

*BC Interior: September 12, 2020 - 8 Days*  
*Van. Island & Lower Main.: Sept 11, 2020 - 9 Days*

Southern Alberta has numerous attractions, so this tour is often different from year to year. Cypress Hills is a naturalist's wonder with unique flora and fauna, as it was not glaciated during the last Ice Age. Historical attractions include Brooks Aqueduct, Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, Remington Carriage Museum, Frank Slide, and Coleman Museum. Tap your toes to the 'Music Legends' show at Great Canadian Barn Dance. We stay two nights in beautiful Waterton Lakes National Park. Add to this the ancient carvings at Writing-on-Stone Park, the Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens, Fairmont Hot Springs, and the emerging autumn colours, and you have the perfect fall getaway.

**TOUR**  
**30**

- I** \$2,390 pp double, \$3,020 single
- V** \$2,940 pp double, \$3,670 single
- L** \$2,890 pp double, \$3,615 single  
discounts up to \$140 pp



## JASPER PARK LODGE SENIOR FALL GETAWAY

*BC Interior: October 12, 2020 - 5 Days*  
*Van. Island: October 12, 2020 - 6 Days*

Celebrate beauty and friendship in the majesty of the Canadian Rockies. Each fall, Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge invites seniors 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! This tour offers extraordinary savings and lets you enjoy this renowned lodge, with exceptional meals and experiences, at a very attractive price.

**TOUR**  
**30**

- I** \$1,450 pp double, \$1,730 single
- V** \$1,690 pp double, \$2,040 single  
discounts up to \$30 pp



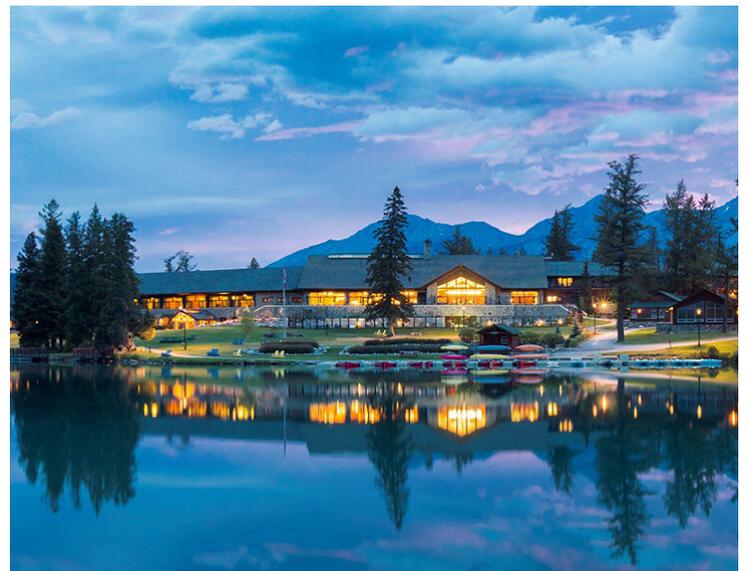
## YUKON'S NORTHERN LIGHTS

*BC Interior, Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:*  
*November 4, 2020 - 5 Days (waitlist only)*  
*November 12, 2020 - 5 Days (waitlist only)*

The Northern Lights are magical, mystical, and always mesmerising. This tour includes four sessions of Northern Lights viewing with a local guide who will share their Yukon experiences and knowledge. Viewing activities take place outside the city in a heated, cozy cabin or wall tent. The facility is located near some trees for shelter from the wind, yet the northern exposure is over an open field for perfect viewing conditions. Other highlights include a locally-guided tour of Whitehorse, a swim in Takhini Hot Springs, the Beringia Center, the Yukon Museum of Transportation, the MacBride Museum, and the option to go dog sledding!

**TOUR**  
**25**

- I** \$2,225 pp double, \$2,480 single
- V** \$2,225 pp double, \$2,480 single
- L** \$2,175 pp double, \$2,430 single  
waitlist only...call for availability





# Thanksgiving Tours

## THANKSGIVING AT TSA-KWA-LUTEN LODGE

*Vancouver Island: October 8, 2020 - 4 Days*

Our first night is spent at the Kingfisher Oceanside Resort which is nestled in a coastal forest near Courtenay and offers wonderful ocean and mountain views. Pamper yourself in the luxury of the Pacific Mist Spa where therapies focus on the rich ingredients of the sea, leaving you feeling completely relaxed. We then board the ferry to Quadra Island and stay two nights at Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge. Relax on your private balcony and enjoy the panorama of the ocean with the mountains of Vancouver Island beyond. All meals at Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge are included due to its isolation, and they are served in the main dining room with an entrancing view. The Lodge is a wonderful place to celebrate Canadian Thanksgiving.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**V** \$1,055 pp double, \$1,345 single  
discounts up to \$60 pp



## THANKSGIVING ON THE ISLAND

*BC Interior & Lower Main.: October 9, 2020 - 6 Days*

A perfect Thanksgiving getaway! We overnight at the Listel Hotel on Robson Street located in the heart of downtown Vancouver with many shops and restaurants nearby to enjoy. We then head to Quadra Island for a relaxing two-night stay at the magnificent Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge. The lodge was built by the Kwagiutl people and its vast lobby resembles a traditional 'big house' with massive timbers, a soaring cathedral ceiling, and huge windows overlooking Discovery Passage. All meals are included due to the isolation of the lodge, and they are served in the main dining room with a gorgeous view. We also spend one night at the Beach Club in Parksville, located directly on the sandy beach of Parksville Bay and once again all rooms have a wonderful ocean view.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**I** \$1,640 pp double, \$2,020 single  
**L** \$1,520 pp double, \$1,805 single  
discounts up to \$50 pp



## THANKSGIVING ON THE OREGON COAST

*BC Interior: Oct 10, 2020 - 8 Days*

*Van Island & Lower Mainland: Oct 9, 2020 - 9 Days*

Oregon's nearly 550 km of pristine, public coastline is made up of diverse terrain that changes from rugged cliffs, to lush ever-green forests, to Sahara-like dunes, and boundless sandy beaches. Join Wells Gray Tours as we follow the Pacific Coast Scenic Byway between Coos Bay and Lincoln City. Stroll the beaches and do some beach combing. Explore a world-class aquarium. Get close to a myriad of marine life during a Yaquina Bay cruise. Yell out loud as you ride the sands in a dune buggy. Watch waves crashing into the narrow slot of Devil's Churn.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**I** \$2,440 pp double, \$3,055 single  
**V** \$2,795 pp double, \$3,475 single  
**L** \$2,695 pp double, \$3,385 single  
discounts up to \$70 pp



# Christmas Tours



## LEAVENWORTH CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

*BC Interior: November 29, 2020 - 4 Days*

*Van Island & Lower Main: December 1, 2020 - 4 Days*

The beauty of the Christmas season in the quaint Bavarian-themed town of Leavenworth is a magical experience. Browse the shops, savour the pastries, and enjoy the entertainment. All the buildings are decorated and adorned with lights, so in the evening the town twinkles like a fairyland. The Interior tour stays three nights at the lovely Enzian Inn, located across from Leavenworth's town square and convenient to the shops. The Vancouver Island and Lower Mainland tour stays at the lovely Bavarian Lodge, also located across from Leavenworth's town square. The Leavenworth Village Voices present an exclusive Christmas concert for our groups. Other highlights include a Christmas concert by Leavenworth's acclaimed harpist Bronn Journey, an optional sleigh or wagon ride at Red Tail Canyon Farm, and a trip to the Aplets & Cotlets factory in nearby Cashmere.

- 📍 **\$1,055 pp double, \$1,260 single, \$980 triple** 🚶
- 📍 **\$1,140 pp double, \$1,460 single, \$1,065 triple**
- 📍 **\$1,110 pp double, \$1,430 single, \$1,035 triple**  
discounts up to \$60 pp

**TOUR**  
**30**

## CHRISTMAS IN VANCOUVER

*BC Interior: December 21, 2020 - 6 Days*

This tour stays all five nights at the Granville Island Hotel, located on False Creek at the east end of Granville Island. The hotel is surrounded by interesting shops and restaurants, including many art galleries and craft shops. Stroll the waterfront boardwalks, relax in the jacuzzi, or ride the Aquabus to downtown Vancouver. There will be a delicious Christmas brunch and dinner served at the hotel and lots of fun activities. We will enjoy an afternoon tea with a charter of a Paddlewheeler in New Westminster, an evening at VanDusen Gardens, an evening on the Christmas Carol Ships, a tea ceremony at Sun Yat Sen Garden, Bloedel Conservatory, Vancouver Art Gallery OR BC Sports Hall of Fame, and Vancouver Maritime Museum OR Space Museum.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**Coming soon! Prices TBD.**



## CHRISTMAS IN VICTORIA

*BC Interior: December 22, 2020 - 6 Days*

Christmas in Victoria is an annual tradition for Wells Gray Tours. We have stayed at the Chateau Victoria for many years and our guests love the Christmas décor and spirit. The hotel has a fine location near the corner of Burdett and Douglas, close to the Inner Harbour and Legislative Buildings. We have four nights here and the fifth night is in Vancouver at the Granville Island Hotel. Highlights for Christmas 2020 include: a reception with entertainment by the Victoria Operatic Society, Christmas Brunch at Vista 18 atop the Chateau, Christmas Dinner at Grand Pacific Hotel, a festive Christmas lunch at Abkhazi Garden Teahouse, the Butchart Gardens Festival of Lights, a Dinner & Show at Ambrosia Events Centre, a Tour of Victoria with local guide Danda Humphreys, IMAX at the Royal BC Museum, a tour of the Craigdarroch Castle OR Helmcken House, and Van Dusen Gardens.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**Coming soon! Prices TBD.**





## CHRISTMAS AT SPOKANE'S DAVENPORT HOTEL

*BC Interior: December 22, 2020 - 6 Days*

Enjoy the beauty of the Christmas season at the historic Davenport Hotel for five nights. For 70 years, the Davenport hosted the world's elite, but it fell on hard times and closed in 1985. It reopened in 2002 after a \$38 million renovation and now boasts AAA's prestigious 4-diamond award. This tour is full of delicious meals, including a fantastic Christmas brunch and Christmas dinner at the hotel, a dinner at Steam Plant Grill, a dinner at the historic Greenbriar Inn, and lunch and a sleigh ride at the High Country Orchards in Green Bluff. Other highlights include a driving tour of Spokane, the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture, the Campbell House, the Gaiser Conservatory at Manito Park, a distillery tour and tasting at Warrior Liquor, a Christmas Lights cruise on Lake Coeur d'Alene, a tour of Bing Crosby's childhood home, the musical *Anastasia* at First Interstate Center for Arts (Opera House) and even an optional Christmas Eve service at St. John's Cathedral.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**Coming soon! Prices TBD.**



## CHRISTMAS IN VANCOUVER & HARRISON

*Vancouver Island: December 22, 2020 - 6 Days*

This tour stays two nights at the renowned Fairmont Hotel in Vancouver. While in Vancouver we enjoy an afternoon tea with a charter of a Paddlewheeler in New West, the Van Dusen Gardens Christmas Lighting, dinner on board the Christmas Carol Ships, the Museum of Anthropology, the Bloedel Conservatory, and the Vancouver Art Gallery OR BC Sports Hall of Fame. We then retreat to the soothing waters of Harrison Hot Springs. Two days are free for you to relax and indulge in the hotel's facilities plus enjoy Christmas dinner in the Copper Room with the Jones Boys band.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**Coming soon! Prices TBD.**



## NEW YEAR'S IN VANCOUVER

*BC Interior: December 30, 2020 - 4 Days*

*Vancouver Island: December 30, 2020 - 4 Days*

Ring in 2021 in style and enjoy the annual performance of *Salute to Vienna* performed by the Vancouver Symphony with an outstanding cast of 75 musicians, singers, and dancers, which has been billed as the world's greatest New Year's concert. We have reserved superb seats in the Centre Orchestra at the Orpheum Theatre. Another highlight is a morning at the Vancouver Art Gallery.

**TOUR**  
**30**

**I** \$1,345 pp double, \$1,690 single, \$1,290 triple  
**V** \$1,420 pp double, \$1,765 single, \$1,365 triple  
discounts up to \$35 pp



**DON'T  
MISS  
OUT**

Our remaining Christmas tours will be released soon!

Our holiday tours always sell out quickly, so call your local office to join the 'interested list' to ensure you don't miss out.



# Theatre Tours



## COME FROM AWAY IN VANCOUVER

*Kamloops & Salmon Arm: Mar 12, 2021 - 3 Days*

*Kelowna & Vernon: Mar 13, 2021 - 3 Days*

*Kelowna, Penticton, & Osoyoos: Mar 19, 2021 - 3 Days*

*Vancouver Island: Mar 20, 2021 - 3 Days*

*Come from Away* is a Canadian musical with book, music, and lyrics written by Irene Sankoff and David Hein. It is set in the week following the attacks on September 11th, 2001 and tells the true story of what transpired when 38 planes were ordered to land unexpectedly in the small town of Gander, as part of Operation Yellow Ribbon. The characters in the musical are based on (and in most cases share the names of) real Gander residents as well as some of the 7,000 stranded travellers they housed and fed. The musical has been received by audiences and critics as a cathartic reminder of the capacity for human kindness in even the darkest of times and the triumph of humanity over hate. A visit to the Bloedel Floral Conservatory in Queen Elizabeth Park OR a trip to the Vancouver Lookout Tower is also included.

📍 \$815 pp double, \$995 single

📍 \$825 pp double, \$1,025 single

**this show has sold out every time we've sold it!**



## HAMILTON IN SPOKANE

*BC Interior: April 12, 2021 - 3 Days*

*BC Interior: April 19, 2021 - 3 Days*

*Vancouver Island & Lower Main: April 18 - 4 Days*

*Hamilton* is a sung-and-rapped-through musical about the life of American Founding Father Alexander Hamilton. He was an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington's right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and was the new nation's first Treasury Secretary. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, *Hamilton* has achieved both critical acclaim and incredible box office success. We are thrilled *Hamilton* is returning to the west and will be presented at the First Interstate Arts Center (formerly Spokane Opera House). We stay two nights at the fabulous Davenport Hotel where we enjoy a historic tour of the Hotel and a city tour of Spokane, including Riverfront Park, Spokane Falls, the stunning mansions on "The Hill", majestic Saint John's Cathedral, and the Conservatory in Manito Park.

📍 \$945 pp double, \$1,170 single

📍 \$1,485 pp double, \$1,785 single

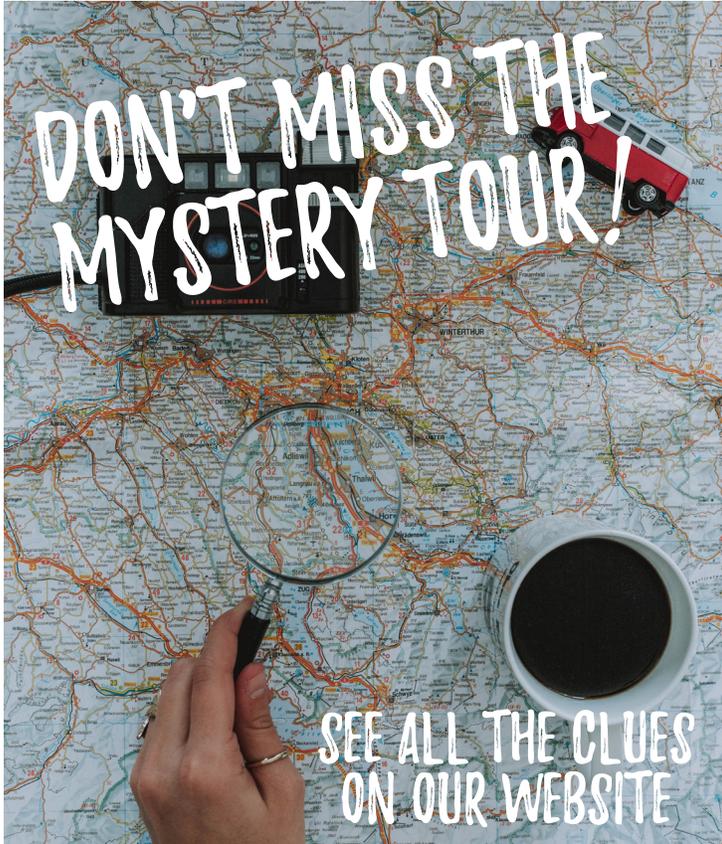
📍 \$1,410 pp double, \$1,710 single

**this popular show will sell out fast!**





# Unique Tours



## MYSTERY TOUR

*BC Interior, Vancouver Island, & Lower Mainland:  
Sept 20, 2020 - 10 Days*

This is Wells Gray Tours' 58th Mystery Tour since 1985! The first Mystery Tour was only three days and travelled to Whistler. In the 35 years since then, Mystery Tours have generally been offered twice a year and have taken curious customers to destinations all over Canada, the USA, and even Iceland and Costa Rica. We never tell you where you will go or what you will see. You may be amazed when the coach pulls up beside a cruise ship, or you board a plane for an overseas flight, or you arrive at a unique hotel. Each day of the tour has surprises, as the mystery route is revealed only as we travel along from day to day. However, we can promise you that our route or destination has interesting sights and unusual experiences. See our website for tour-specific clues!

- I** \$4,695 pp double, \$5,555 single
- V** \$4,795 pp double, \$5,655 single
- L** \$4,645 pp double, \$5,505 single  
almost sold out...only 5 seats left!



# YOU COULD WIN A \$300 TRAVEL VOUCHER



**This year there are two ways to win:**

1. Send us your favourite photo from a Wells Gray Tours adventure.
2. Send us your "Most Memorable Moment" traveling with Wells Gray Tours.

Submit your photo or memory by December 15th, 2020 by email to [kerrie@wellsgraytours.com](mailto:kerrie@wellsgraytours.com). Make sure to include your name, names of people appearing in photos, date, destination and tour. There is no limit on the number of entries. See our website for more details.

# Cruises

## ANTARCTICA, ARGENTINA & CHILE CRUISE

On Holland America's Westerdam  
 BC Interior, Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:  
 January 26, 2021 - 28 Days



Wells Gray Tours only offers this very special opportunity to visit the 7th continent every few years. There are so many highlights on this tour, but the most memorable will likely be the four days cruising among the gigantic icebergs of Antarctica. On board experts will present lectures about glaciology, geology, and natural history. The ice pilot may take a break from the bridge to explain his route finding skills. Other memorable experiences include elegant Buenos Aires, awesome Iguazu Falls, the isolated Falkland Islands, the thrill of rounding Cape Horn, Ushuaia (the world's southernmost city), the Chilean Fjords and Darwin Channel, and cruising past the vast Amalia Glacier.

- I** from \$13,995 pp double, \$18,730 single
  - V** from \$14,145 pp double, \$18,880 single
  - L** from \$13,945 pp double, \$18,680 single
- almost sold out...only 7 seats left!**

**TOUR**  
**25**



## COLUMBIA RIVER CRUISE

On The American Empress Paddlewheeler  
 BC Interior: April 18, 2021 - 11 Days  
 Van. Island & Lower Main: April 17, 2021 - 12 Days

Come and admire the spectacular sights along the storied Columbia as we cruise from Clarkston to Portland. All shore excursions and daily lectures by a Columbia River expert are included. Highlights include Nez Perce National Park, Bridablik House, Lewis and Clark Center for Arts & History, Franklin County Historical Society, First Territorial Capitol Interpretive Center, The Reach Interpretive Center, Sacajawea State Park, Original Courthouse Museum, Fort Dalles Museum & Interpretive Center, Bonneville Dam, Flavel House Museum, and the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center.

**TOUR**  
**30**

- I** from \$6,570 pp double, \$11,175 single
- V** from \$7,020 pp double, \$11,755 single
- L** from \$7,020 pp double, \$11,755 single



# BOOK CRUISES EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

Early booking is essential for cruises as cruise lines can recall our unsold staterooms as departure dates approach or when ships get close to capacity.





## PRESIDENT'S CRUISE

On the Danube River with Avalon Waterways

BC Interior: June 1, 2021 - 20 Days

Van. Island & Lower Main: June 2, 2021 - 18 Days



For the seventh annual President's Cruise, Wells Gray Tours is returning to Avalon Waterways. Roland and Anne Neave invite you to join them for this exciting cruise from the mouth of the Danube River on the Black Sea upstream to Budapest, Hungary. Some of Europe's major capital cities are along the Danube River, a testament to its importance in history. Award-winning land programs help you experience each destination with guided sightseeing in every port, engaging port lectures, VIP access into key destinations, no waiting in lines, and great cultural immersion and storytelling thanks to skilled cruise directors and guides. There will also be a tour of Budapest highlights and multi-day tours before and after the cruise in Romania and Slovakia.

- I** from \$11,160 pp double, \$15,550 single
  - V** from \$10,995 pp double, \$15,205 single
  - L** from \$10,845 pp double, \$15,055 single
- book soon...only 8 seats left!**



## SCOTLAND SLOWLY CRUISE

With Adventure Canada

BC Interior, Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:

June 11, 2021 - 15 Days

Scotland, like good whisky, is best savoured slowly. Nature and culture thrive on the isles. Hear music and stories. Revel in wildlife. Absorb the scenery. Immerse yourself in history. Visit Glasgow, the Western Isles, Orkney, the Shetland Islands, and Aberdeen. Learn from Scottish experts as we go. Search for whales and seabirds by Zodiac. Get a glimpse of island life. Raise a dram at world-famous distilleries. Wander among Neolithic ruins. Savour Scotland, slowly!

- I** from \$12,610 pp double, \$13,055 single
- V** from \$12,610 pp double, \$13,055 single
- L** from \$12,610 pp double, \$13,055 single



# International Tours



## EGYPT & JORDAN

*BC Interior & Van Island: Nov 13, 2020 - 20 Days*  
*Lower Mainland: Nov 14, 2020 - 19 Days*



The ancient lands of Egypt and Jordan are a world of wonder—a window to a long past age of extravagance, massive wealth, and ample acts of tribute. The stunning, colossal monuments of Ancient Egypt never fail to astonish and no other place has the same magic and mystery. Some of the highlights include: The Pyramids of Giza and The Sphinx, the Temples of Abu Simbel, High Dam, a motorboat tour of the Aswan islands, a Camel ride to St. Simeon Monastery, a sailing tour on a classical felucca boat, the Botanical Garden at Kitchener Island, a Nile River cruise from Aswan to Luxor for 3 nights on *MS Acamar*, a guided tour of awe-inspiring Petra, a Jordanian cooking class, a city tour of Amman and a float in the Dead Sea! Embrace the wonder as you experience Egypt & Jordan.

- I** \$9,760 *pp double*, \$11,430 *single*
- V** \$9,910 *pp double*, \$11,580 *single*
- L** \$9,425 *pp double*, \$11,025 *single*  
**book soon...filling fast!**



**TOUR**  
**25**

## COSTA RICA

*BC Interior & Van Island & Lower Mainland:*  
*January 15, 2021 - 15 Days*



Costa Rica covers only 0.03% of the planet's surface but is home to 5% of all living organisms on earth. Active volcanoes, lush cloud forests, lowland jungles, rolling savannas, and coral beaches create a spectacular setting to experience the country's natural beauty and exotic flora and fauna. During this unique tour, we travel through some of the richest habitats of Costa Rica, from Caribbean lowland rain forests to central volcanic highlands, from a cloud forest interior to coastal resorts. One highlight of the tour is our three-night stay at the Diria Hotel at beautiful Tamarindo Beach.

- I** \$7,780 *pp double*, \$9,580 *single*
- V** \$7,880 *pp double*, \$9,680 *single*
- L** \$7,730 *pp double*, \$9,530 *single*  
**discounts up to \$200**



**TOUR**  
**25**



## AMAZING AUSTRALIA

*BC Interior, Van Island & Lower Mainland:  
February 12, 2021 - 21 Days*



## SUPER NATURAL NEW ZEALAND

*BC Interior: Mar 13, 2021 - 22 Days  
Van. Island & Lower Main. Mar 14, 2021 - 21 Days*



Breathtaking natural landscape, vibrant cities, and friendly locals are only some of the reasons why you should travel to Australia. We begin with four days in Melbourne with a full day devoted to the Yarra Valley. Next, we head west along the Great Ocean Road. Then it's off to Adelaide, South Australia's cosmopolitan coastal capital for three nights before boarding the legendary Ghan Train. We'll take in the incredible monolith of Uluru (Ayers Rock) and the spectacle of the sunrise in the vast Australian Outback. Then it's on to Cairns for a three night stay and a catamaran trip out to the Great Barrier Reef. Our last four nights are in Sydney where we visit the Rocks district, Darling Harbour, the Parliament House, Hyde Park, Mrs. Macquarie's Chair, Bondi Beach, and the renowned Sydney Opera House.

**TOUR**  
**25**

- I** \$13,290 pp double, \$16,885 single
  - V** \$13,440 pp double, \$17,035 single
  - L** \$13,250 pp double, \$16,845 single
- discounts up to \$200



We fly into cosmopolitan Auckland and head north to the famed Bay of Islands. We'll visit the geysers of Rotorua, the Waitomo Glow-worm Cave, the Hobbiton Movie Set, the Te Papa National Museum, and the beautiful capital city of Wellington. Next it's the South Island with high peaks, glaciers and splendid coastlines. Highlights are the International Antarctic Centre, Sir Edmund Hillary Alpine Centre, Mount Cook, a Zodiac trip among the icebergs of Tasman Lake, the Blue Penguin Colony, Royal Albatross Centre, Larnach Castle, and the spectacular drive and cruise at Milford Sound.

**TOUR**  
**25**

More details coming soon...prices TBD



# International Tours



## TURKEY & GREECE

*BC Interior: March 27, 2021 - 22 Days*

*Vancouver Island: March 28, 2021 - 21 Days*

*Lower Mainland: March 28, 2021 - 20 Days*



Turkey and Greece are fascinating countries, thanks to a long and varied history. The Hittite, Greek, Roman, Byzantine, Seljuq, and Ottoman civilizations are represented in beautifully preserved monuments. During this tour, you will explore the modern cities that have sprung up among the ancient sites, cruise the stunning Aegean Islands, and discover the fascinating history of the Turks and Greeks. This tour flies to Istanbul and returns from Athens on Lufthansa, so no time is wasted driving. The leisurely schedule includes four nights in Istanbul and Athens, several two-night stays, and a three-day Aegean cruise with stops at four islands. Expert multilingual guides travel with us on the drives through Turkey and Greece and conduct sightseeing tours in several cities.

**TOUR**  
**25**

- I** from \$8,910 pp double, \$10,270 single 
- V** from \$8,695 pp double, \$9,985 single
- L** from \$8,565 pp double, \$9,775 single  
**book soon...filling fast!**

## MAJESTIC JAPAN

*BC Interior & Van. Island, & Lower Mainland:*

*March 29, 2021 - 16 days*



Experience the ancient traditions and modern life on the first in-depth tour of Japan we have ever offered. This tour explores the highlights of Honshu, starting with two days in bustling Tokyo. A full day is devoted to visiting Mount Fuji and Hakone National Park. We take a cruise on a majestic replica pirate ship across Ashinoko Lake and a scenic ride on Hakone Tozan switchback train, zigzagging through the mountains with terrific views. We will ride the famous Bullet Train from Kyoto to Hiroshima and finish the tour with four nights in Kyoto, the historic centre of the country. This tour will be an unforgettable journey with many intimate discoveries along the way, rich in both scenic beauty and cultural heritage.

**TOUR**  
**25**

**More details coming soon...prices TBD**





## NATURAL WONDERS OF ICELAND

*BC Interior: June 1, 2021 - 18 Days*

*Vancouver Island: June 2, 2021 - 17 Days*

*Lower Mainland: June 2, 2021 - 16 Days*



Iceland offers unspoiled nature, breathtaking landscapes and vibrant culture. Everywhere you turn there are glaciers, waterfalls, lava fields, rainbows, streams and mountain ranges. We begin by exploring the capital city of Reykjavik, and then visit the boiling hot springs and hissing fumaroles in the Geysir area. We take a boat excursion around the rocky islands of Breiðarfjörður viewing many nesting birds including puffins. An awesome sight awaits us at Vatnajökull, the largest glacier in Europe. Then, at the Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, we board an amphibious boat and sail among huge floating icebergs. A soothing swim in the beautiful Blue Lagoon hot spring is a must. We will also visit an Icelandic horse farm and enjoy a whale watching excursion.

- I** \$10,765 pp double, \$13,175 single
  - V** \$10,660 pp double, \$12,980 single
  - L** \$10,430 pp double, \$12,660 single
- book soon...filling fast!**



**TOUR**  
**30**

## IRELAND

*BC Interior, Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:*

*June 2, 2021 - 16 Days*



This is the 6th time that Wells Gray Tours has offered a tour to Ireland and our travellers have been thrilled with the experience each time. We have partnered again with Discover Ireland Tours, a company based in Cork that is committed to connecting groups to the real people of Ireland. Our tour circles the island and includes not only the major cities and iconic sights of Ireland, such as Giant's Causeway, Ring of Kerry, and Blarney Castle, but also those personal experiences that put you in touch with the people, such as a horse-drawn cart trip through Muckross Park, Irish entertainment at Kate Kearney's Cottage, and an overnight stay in a castle. So don your richest green, pocket your lucky shamrock, and go where Ireland takes you.

- I** from \$6,995 pp double, \$8,695 single
  - V** from \$7,095 pp double, \$8,795 single
  - L** from \$6,995 pp double, \$8,695 single
- almost sold out...only 7 seats left!**



**TOUR**  
**25**

# Congratulations

## to our 'Travel vs. Quarantine' contest winners!

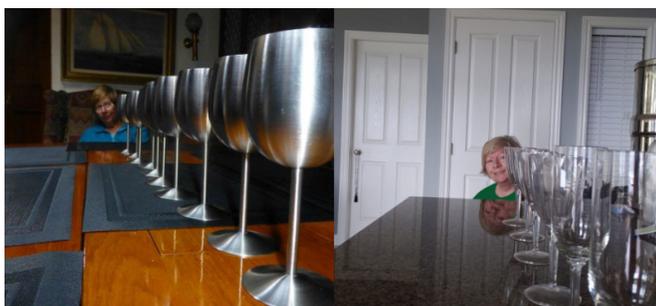
Thanks to everyone who participated in this contest and sent in some hilarious photos. Here are the winners:



**1st Place \$300** - submitted by Anne (original photo taken in Drumheller on Alberta Summer Theatre tour)



**2nd Place \$200** - submitted by Caroline (original photo taken in Dubai)



**3rd Place \$100** - submitted by Barb (original photo taken while waiting for happy hour in Haida Gwaii)



**Roland's Pick \$300** - submitted by Vera (original photo taken at Matamata, New Zealand in Hobbiton)



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**save \$150** on tours over \$10,000

*Expires June 30, 2020*

*Valid on new bookings only and cannot be combined with any other voucher.*

*This voucher has no cash value.*

# Customer Appreciation Teas

UPDATE



**Unfortunately, our 2020 Client Appreciation Teas were cancelled for the safety of our customers and staff during Covid-19**

If possible, we may reschedule the teas at a later date, so stay tuned.

We are hopeful our Fall Travel Shows will be able to proceed, with safety measures in place, so hopefully we'll see you there!

## Coming Soon!

### 2020 & 2021 Tours

Call our office to be added to our "interested list" for a specific tour and when the tour comes out for sale, we will notify you before releasing the tour.

Belize Getaway – February 2021

Palm Springs Winter Getaway – February 2021

Western Cuba – February 2021

Shen Yun in Vancouver – March 2021

San Diego to Vancouver Cruise – April 2021

Machu Pichu & Lake Titicaca – April 2021

Ottawa Tulip Festival & St. Lawrence Cruise – May 2021

Wells Gray Park – May 2021

Coast to Coast by Train – May 2021

Vancouver Island Toe to Tip – May 2021

Surprising Saskatchewan – June 2021

BC Fjords – June 2021

Inside Passage & Skeena Train – June & July 2021

Haida Gwaii – July & August 2021

Whitehorse & Glacier Bay Cruise – July 2021

Road to the Arctic – July 2021

Maritimes & Newfoundland – August 2021

St. Lawrence & Ottawa Rivers Cruise – Sept 2021

# Experience

## The Wells Gray Tours Difference

Wells Gray Tours is a well-established tour company with over 48 years of experience providing packaged travel. We are proud to be BC-owned and operated with five regional offices to provide you with exceptional, personalized service. We are committed to offering quality guided vacations that allow you to explore the world stress-free at a good price. Whether you are looking for BC getaways, international tours, cruises, or senior guided tours, we can help. Unforgettable experiences. Unbeatable value. Uncomplicated travel. Are you ready? It's time to explore!

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**\*Please note: Our offices are currently closed for walk-in visitors due to Covid-19. Our phones are operating on normal business hours, so don't hesitate to call!**

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