



SEA TO SKY GETAWAY

May 17, 2021 – 4 Days

*Harrison Hot Springs, Duffey Lake Road
& Whistler*

In 1966, the Garibaldi Lift Company opened its ski area on Whistler Mountain. Blackcomb Mountain opened in 1980, and Whistler Village was built at the base of these adjacent mountains. Its growth into an award-winning, international resort, is unparalleled in ski history. The Village was carefully designed to reap the benefits of the Coast Mountains' excellent geographical location, emphasizing sun exposure and mountain vistas.

During our stay in Whistler, we ride the gondola (if operating) to the top of Whistler Mountain, admire the fabulous art collection at the Audain Art Museum, and learn about the resort's history at the Whistler Museum. This tour also stays at Harrison Hot Springs with an evening of music and dancing in the Copper Room. Add a drive through the Fraser Canyon with the Hell's Gate Airtram and the scenic Duffey Lake Road and you have a wonderful short getaway.

Activity Level: 1



5 Meals Included:

1 breakfast, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

Fares per person:

\$1,195 double/twin; \$1,485 single; \$1,125 triple
Please add 5% GST.

Early Bookers:

\$60 discount on first 15 seats; \$30 on next 10

Experience Points:

Earn 28 points on this tour.

Redeem 28 points if you book by March 30, 2021.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Monday, May 17

We drive east through the Fraser Valley, arriving at **Harrison Hot Springs Resort** about 3 pm. Our rooms are in the East Tower with views of Harrison Lake. Bring your bathing suit in your carry-on, then you can head to the pools right after check-in. Tonight, dine in elegance in the lovely Copper Room featuring a three-course menu along with entertainment and dancing by the Lakeside Swing Band.

Meals included: Dinner

Accommodation: Harrison Hot Springs Resort

Day 2: Tuesday, May 18

We drive through the famous Fraser Canyon and ride the **Hell's Gate Airtram** down to this awesome spectacle where the Fraser River squeezes between sheer rock walls. At Lytton, the clear Thompson flows into the muddy Fraser. From Lillooet, we follow the scenic Duffey Lake Road through the Coast Mountains, passing glacial blue Seton Lake, the curious estate of Walden North, Cayoosh Canyon, and Joffre Glacier. We stay two nights in **Whistler** with convenient access to the town square.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Delta Whistler Village Suites

Day 3: Wednesday, May 19

This is a leisurely day to enjoy Whistler. We ride the **Whistler Village Gondola** (if operating) up Whistler Mountain for a terrific view of the

surrounding peaks. Back in the village, we admire the fabulous collection of British Columbia art at the **Audain Art Museum**. We also learn about the remarkable history of the valley at the Whistler Museum.

Meals included: Dinner

Accommodation: Delta Whistler Village Suites

Day 4: Thursday, May 20

We drive south along the Sea to Sky Highway with a stop at Shannon Falls. We explore the **West Coast Railway Heritage Park** in Squamish which has the second largest collection of heritage railway rolling stock in Canada, now numbering over 90 pieces. The Royal Hudson steam locomotive is the most famous. The oldest units are the business car British Columbia (1890) and a rare Canadian Pacific Colonist sleeping car (1905). Lunch is at Howe Sound Brewing Company with a tour of the brewery.

Meals included: Lunch



Royal Hudson

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Coach transportation for 4 days
- 3 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- Copper Room with Lakeside Swing Band
- Hell's Gate Airtram
- Whistler Village Gondola (if operating)
- Audain Art Museum
- Whistler Museum
- West Coast Railway Heritage Park
- Howe Sound Brewery tour
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **5 meals:** 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, 2 dinners

WHISTLER — A YEAR-ROUND RESORT

In 1966, the Garibaldi Lift Company opened its ski area on the west side of Whistler Mountain. The development of Whistler Resort just 14 years later, and its successive growth into an award-winning, international resort, is unparalleled in ski history. To complement Whistler Mountain, Blackcomb Mountain opened in 1980, and Whistler Village was built at the base of these adjacent mountains. The Village was carefully designed to reap the benefits of the Coast Mountains' excellent geographical location, emphasizing sun exposure and mountain vistas. The Fairmont Chateau Whistler opened its doors in 1989 which confirmed the resort's world-class reputation, then other top-notch hotels followed.

Over two million people visit Whistler annually, primarily for alpine skiing and snowboarding and, in summer, mountain biking. Its pedestrian village has won numerous design awards and Whistler has been voted among the top destinations in North America by major ski magazines since the mid-1990s. During the 2010 Winter Olympics, Whistler hosted most of the alpine, Nordic, luge, skeleton, and bobsled events.

This tour stays two nights at Delta Whistler Village Suites which has an excellent location on the village square with dozens of restaurants within walking distance.



TOUR NOTES



Activity Level 1: Light activity including short distances to walk and some stairs. There is walking in the Railway Heritage Park if you want to see all the exhibits and a short walk to Shannon Falls. The coach cannot carry a scooter. There are many stops during this tour and you must be able to get on and off the coach by yourself without delaying your fellow travellers. 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 and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due March 30, 2021. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$60 discount on first 15 seats and \$30 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after March 30, 2021.

Cancellation Policy: Up to March 2, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From March 3 to March 30, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From March 31 to April 30, the cancellation charge is 60% of the tour fare. After April 30, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up until 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 are available within Greater Vancouver for an additional charge of \$40 per person round trip. Please request no later than at final payment. Otherwise the coach will pick you up at Tsawwassen Mills, Scott Road in Surrey, or points in the Fraser Valley.

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Experience Points: This tour earns 28 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until March 30, 2021.

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