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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVELS:



ACTIVITY LEVEL

Light Activity - walking short distances and some stairs.



ACTIVITY LEVEL

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



ACTIVITY LEVEL

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



ACTIVITY LEVEL

Rigorous Activity + - walking longer distances and at higher altitudes

DEPARTURE POINTS:



Interior



Vancouver Island



Lower Mainland

A detailed list of pickup locations is on our website

LOOK FOR OUR SMALL GROUP TOURS:

Tours indicated by these small group icons mean group capacity is limited to 15, 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.



GROUP SIZE



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In the digital edition of the *Experiences Brochure*, look for the link buttons for each tour and departure point to view the full tour itinerary.

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Experience

ROLAND'S RAMBLE

January and February have flown by. Some of our winter tours have already returned. Anne and I escaped from winter for 11 days on board an *Emerald Cruises* yacht in the Caribbean. The *Sakara* carries only 100 people, so it is a very small vessel compared to the mammoth ships that are usually cruising in the Caribbean. We boarded in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and sailed to some of the lesser-known islands such as Culebra, Vieques, and Tortola. Next January, we will be offering our first cruise on the *Sakara*. Prepare to be pampered with wonderful meals, beautiful balcony staterooms, open bar, and an intimate setting.

Don't miss our Spring Travel Shows when some new tours will be announced. Our very busy Kerrie has organized 14 shows around British Columbia, so I hope that one of them is close to you. I'm planning to attend a few of them and look forward to mingling with you.

I'm actually home for a few months. I will be directing the Palm Springs & San Diego to Vancouver cruise April 23 to May 3. Then I'm off to St. John's, NL, for the spring National Tour Association convention, along with four staff and Fraser who is the NTA chair for 2024. In June, I will be checking off one of my bucket list items which is Spitsbergen, way up in the Arctic north of Norway. This is the annual President's Cruise and is on the *Norwegian Star*. The 2025 President's Cruise, on the Mekong River in January, was announced last November and is $\frac{3}{4}$ full already, so be sure to book soon. Have you ever wanted to cruise in a suite? Book by April 10 to be entered in a draw for an upgrade to the fancy Grand Balcony Suite. Our ship is the *Emerald Harmony*, carrying about 70 passengers, so this is truly an intimate gathering of Wells Gray travellers. Anne and I look forward to meeting you on one of these trips.

Safety during a holiday is top of mind for many travellers and Wells Gray planners spend a lot of time monitoring situations which occasionally arise at our destinations. In all countries outside of Canada and USA, we utilize the services of receptive operators. These are people who actually live there and can closely watch for any

developing issues. Unfortunately, some media sensationalize incidents, even though they may be easy for tourists to avoid. I remember some widely reported rioting in Cairo 10 years ago, but our local colleague responded to our worried calls to say that it was confined to a single block far away from the tourist attractions. Sometimes we do cancel tours when our assessment is that it is unsafe to go there, based on our sources at that destination. For instance, we cancelled an April 2023 tour to Machu Picchu because there were uprisings in Cusco and near Lake Titicaca. A few weeks ago, we cancelled a November 2024 cruise through the Suez Canal because the Red Sea has experienced attacks on freighters. Our November 2023 tour to Egypt and Jordan was supposed to finish with two days in Israel, so we shortened the tour and flew home from Amman instead of Tel Aviv. Our Egyptian advisor was quite correct when she said there was absolutely nothing of concern happening in Egypt and Jordan, but many other tourists stayed away, presumably due to misleading information, and our group enjoyed uncrowded attractions for three weeks. Rest assured that Wells Gray Tours will never knowingly take you to an unsafe destination.

Welcome to our new and returning Tour Directors:

- Tour Director Julia Adams in Kamloops
- Tour Director Craig Smith in Kelowna who retired a few years ago and really missed us!

Wells Gray Tours now has 32 employees across southern British Columbia, looking after all your travel wishes, a far cry from 51 years ago when there was only one.

Happy travels in 2024.

Roland Neave

Owner and Founder, CTP, Hon.Doc.

NEW TOUR ACTIVITY LEVELS

We have moved to a new four scale activity level rating system

1

Activity Level 1

Light activity: You are a traveller who prefers to see places without a lot of physical activity. You can climb a flight of stairs, board a coach, stand for short periods and walk at a leisurely pace with breaks for up to 30 minutes without difficulty or assistance. Please be aware that on tours with flights and cruises you will be required to handle your own luggage and walk longer distances in airports and cruise terminals.

You may bring a walker or cane if needed. The coaches cannot carry a scooter or motorized wheelchair. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense; travel insurance will probably not cover you.

3

Activity Level 3

High activity: You are an active traveller who wants to explore wherever you go. You don't mind a mix of full days, early morning starts, and some late nights. You can walk longer distances, up to 4 km without difficulty which may be over uneven ground, beaches/shorelines, or at higher elevations; climb in and out of zodiacs or small boats without any assistance; walk on docks which may have steep ramps at low tide; and stand for prolonged periods. You can climb three flights of stairs easily and unassisted, can handle altitudes up to 9,000 ft (2800 metres) with no health issues, and can handle your own luggage in airports, cruise terminals, or at hotels where luggage handling may not be available.

This tour is not appropriate for people with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, or other mobility assistance devices. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense; travel insurance will probably not cover you.

Please note: Prior to accepting your booking, you will be required to sign a declaration that you are capable of travelling on an Activity Level 3 tour.

2

Activity Level 2

Moderate activity: As a traveller you like a variety of activities and walking up to 2 km with breaks such as a guided walking tour is very doable for you without assistance. You can stand for prolonged periods, negotiate a variety of terrain from cobblestone streets to moderate hills comfortably, and can climb two flights of stairs without assistance. Please be aware that on tours with flights and cruises you will be required to handle your own luggage and walk longer distances in airports and cruise terminals. In addition, you may need to handle your own luggage at hotels where luggage handling is not available.

You may bring a cane if needed. The coaches cannot carry a scooter or motorized wheelchair. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense; travel insurance will probably not cover you.

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Activity Level 4

Rigorous activity +: You want adventure and are ready to try anything. You lead an active life at home, walking, biking, hiking or skiing and 10,000 steps or more a day is normal for you. You can handle walking up to 3 hours or 8 km, traversing uneven terrain, steep slopes, standing for prolonged periods of time, and you can manage your own luggage. You don't mind a mix of full days; early morning starts and some late nights. You can handle altitudes of 13,000 ft (4000 metres) or higher with no health issues.

This tour is not appropriate for people with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, or other mobility assistance devices. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense; travel insurance will probably not cover you.

Please note: Prior to accepting your booking, you will be required to sign a declaration that you are capable of travelling on an Activity Level 4 tour.

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Spring Travel Shows

Join us for a delightful afternoon to reconnect with your fellow travellers and delve deeper into the exciting adventures we have planned. We invite you to indulge in tea, refreshments, engaging conversations, and be prepared for a chance to win some fantastic prizes!

Kamloops

Wednesday, March 6th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Sandman Signature Hotel, 225 Lorne Street Kamloops, BC

Salmon Arm

Thursday, March 7th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Comfort Inn & Suites, 1090 22 St NE, Salmon Arm, BC

Osoyoos

Friday, March 8th, 2024 — 10:30 to 11:30 am

Holiday Inn & Suites Osoyoos, 7906 Main Street, Osoyoos, BC

West Kelowna

Tuesday, March 12th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Fairfield by Marriott West Kelowna, 3460 Carrington Rd, West Kelowna, BC

Vernon

Wednesday, March 13th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Prestige Vernon Lodge and Conference Centre, 3914 32 St, Vernon, BC

Kelowna

Thursday, March 14th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Best Western Hotel, 2402 Highway 97N, Kelowna, BC

Victoria

Wednesday, March 20th, 2024 — 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Hotel Grand Pacific, 463 Belleville St., Victoria, BC
Centre/East Vancouver Island Ballroom.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Please make sure to RSVP, as we have limited seating at each event.

Other Locations We Are Visiting!

Berwick on the Park – Kamloops - Residents Only

Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 — 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

In the Theatre, 60 Whiteshield Crescent S, Kamloops, BC

55+ Lifestyle Show – Victoria

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 — 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Pearkes Recreation Centre, 3100 Tillicum Rd, Victoria, BC

Berwick on the Lake – Nanaimo - Residents Only

Thursday, March 21st, 2024 — 10:00 am to 11:00 am

In the Theatre, 3201 Ross Rd, Nanaimo, BC

Berwick Qualicum Beach – Qualicum - Residents Only

Thursday, March 21st, 2024 — 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

In the Theatre, 120 First Ave W, Qualicum Beach, BC

CRA Evergreen Club – Courtenay - Everyone welcome (not just members)

Friday, March 22nd, 2024 — 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Conference Hall, Filberg Centre, 411 Anderton Ave, Courtenay, BC

Berwick Comox Valley – Comox - Residents Only

Friday, March 22nd, 2024 — 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

In the Theatre, 1700 Comox Ave, Comox, BC

We will also be visiting Vancouver and Nelson in April. Stay tuned for dates.

We cherish the bond we share with each of our travellers, we hope to remain your favourite travel company, and we encourage you to spread the word. So, seize the opportunity to invite your friends and loved ones to join in on the adventures that await.

Introduce us to a new friend at one of our spring shows, and you both will receive a generous \$100 voucher towards a future tour! It's our way of saying thank you for sharing the joy of travel with others and expanding our community of adventurous spirits.

**Please make sure to RSVP yourself and your friend,
as we have limited seating at each event.**

Thank you!



British Columbia



HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

BC Interior: April 22 – 4 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
April 2, 2024 – 4 days

Discover the art of rejuvenation at the always popular Harrison Hot Springs Resort. 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 newer section) has a view of Harrison Lake, and is a quick elevator ride and walk away from the hot springs pools. On one evening, enjoy dinner in the elegant Copper Room with live dance music. This tour also features a 2-hour scenic lunch cruise on Harrison Lake, a tour of Kilby Historic Site, and a visit to Creekside Cheese & Creamery with tasty samples.

- I \$1,295 pp double, \$1,565 single
 - V \$1,395 pp double, \$1,675 single
 - L \$1,415 pp double, \$1,690 single
- Half full

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ACTIVITY LEVEL

GARDENS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Interior & Lower Mainland: May 5, 2024 – 6 days
Vancouver Island: May 6, 2024 – 5 days

Vancouver Island has always been known for its exceptional gardens and enthusiastic gardeners. This tour takes you up close in eight colourful gardens to admire the spring blooms. The gardens range from small gems like Abkhazi to world famous such as Butchart, and from the floral displays dominated by Hatley Castle to woodland glades lined with rhododendrons at Milner Gardens in Qualicum Beach. Several of our garden visits are accompanied by an expert gardener. Here is your opportunity to explore eight exquisite gardens on Vancouver Island, from Victoria to Comox, and admire the splendid spring blossoms.

- I \$2,290 pp double, \$2,860 single
 - V \$2,185 pp double, \$2,635 single
 - L \$2,315 pp double, \$2,885 single
- Half Full!

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ACTIVITY LEVEL

BC FJORDS

Vancouver Island: June 9, 2024 – 6 days

Some of the most thrilling sights along the BC coast cannot be reached by road, and the only access is by boat. This tour includes four boat excursions into these remote places. Nakwakto Rapids are the fastest tidal rapids in the world, according to Guinness, and during our visit the waters pouring out of Seymour Inlet and Belize Inlet will attain the incredible speed of 13 knots. Knight Inlet is the longest fjord on our coastline, extending 113 km deep into the Coast Mountains. A third boat trip departs Campbell River, weaves among the Northern Gulf Islands, and cruises through the magical beauty of Desolation Sound to Lund on the Sunshine Coast. A fourth cruise explores amazing Princess Louisa Fjord where sheer cliffs rise a thousand metres out of the water and thundering Chatterbox Falls dominates its upper end. Come and join this unique tour, cruising some fabulous scenic waterways.

- V \$3,195 pp double, \$3,695 single
- Book soon! This tour always sells out!

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ACTIVITY LEVEL



GROUP SIZE

INSIDE PASSAGE & SKEENA TRAIN

BC Interior: June 23, 2024 – 8 days
Lower Mainland: June 24, 2024 – 7 days
Vancouver Island: July 8, 2024 – 8 days



Explore the amazing North Coast by land and sea! The 500-kilometre journey from Port Hardy to Prince Rupert aboard BC Ferries' **Northern Expedition** takes 15 hours, all in daylight to permit great viewing of the rugged coastline and abundant wildlife. In Prince Rupert, we thrill to a 7-hour catamaran excursion to the Khutzeymateen Grizzly Sanctuary, tour the restored North Pacific Cannery, and the splendid Museum of Northern BC. Then we board VIA Rail's Skeena Train for a spectacular journey through the Coast Mountains to Houston. We drive south through the Cariboo with a visit to the historic gold rush town of Barkerville. This is a wonderful British Columbia circle tour!

- I \$3,375 pp double, \$4,080 single
 - V \$3,460 pp double, \$4,210 single
 - L \$3,515 pp double, \$4,100 single
- 6 Seats Left!

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VANCOUVER ISLAND TOE TO TIP

BC Interior & Lower Mainland:
May 8, 2024 – 10 days
Vancouver Island : May 9, 2024 – 9 days

Only a handful of people have travelled from toe to tip and experienced both ends of Vancouver Island: Race Rocks off Victoria and Cape Sutil (not Cape Scott) north of Port Hardy. There are no roads to either place, so we have chartered vessels to get you there. Other boat excursions are on MV Frances Barkley on its scheduled sailing to Bamfield, and a cruise that weaves among the northern Gulf Islands. In between the toe and tip, there is so much to see and do on the Island that a month would not be long enough. We have picked some highlights for this 10-day tour that are well-known and less-known. Come and explore wonderful Vancouver Island!



ACTIVITY LEVEL



GROUP SIZE



- I \$4,195 pp double, \$4,995 single
 - V \$4,045 pp double, \$4,725 single
 - L \$4,220 pp double, \$5,020 single
- 11 Seats Left!

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HAIDA GWAII

BC Interior: August 5, 2024 – 6 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
July 30, 2024 – 6 days

Haida Gwaii is an archipelago of more than 150 islands located off the northwest coast of British Columbia. Formerly called the Queen Charlotte Islands until 2010, Haida Gwaii is the westernmost point of Canada and is known for its vibrant Haida culture, rugged coast-lines, majestic mountains, stunning array of marine life, and giant old-growth cedars. One of the outstanding experiences is a Zodiac tour around Louise Island stopping at the abandoned Haida village of Skedans. Other highlights include the Haida Heritage Centre at Kaay'Inagaay, Tow Hill with its Blowhole, Balance Rock, a studio and artisan tour, and a fabulous traditional Haida Feast.

I \$3,695 *pp double*, \$3,995 *single*

V \$3,435 *pp double*, \$3,735 *single*

L \$3,385 *pp double*, \$3,685 *single*

Book Soon! This tour always sells out!

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GROUP SIZE

BELLA COOLA & TWEEDSMUIR PARK

BC Interior: August 12, 2024 – 6 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
August 11, 2024 – 7 days

Bella Coola is an isolated community on the central BC coast, surrounded by splendid mountain scenery. The only road access is Highway #20 from Williams Lake, a scenic drive across the Chilcotin and through the Coast Mountains. This tour travels both ways on the highway and stays 3 nights at Nimpo Lake. A full-day tour of the Bella Coola Valley with a local guide has many appealing stops and you have the thrill of "The Hill" twice. Another "wow" is the flight into Tweedsmuir Park to see Hunlen Falls, Canada's highest waterfall, the vast Monarch Icefields, and the colourful Rainbow Range. This tour is a remarkable opportunity to see a seldom-visited place close to home.

I \$2,695 *pp double*, \$2,930 *single*

V \$3,365 *pp double*, \$3,715 *single*

L \$3,315 *pp double*, \$3,665 *single*

Early Booking Bonus up to \$150!

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GROUP SIZE



WELLS GRAY PARK

BC Interior only:
September 19, 2024 – 4 days

Come and see the birthplace of Wells Gray Tours! Nicknamed 'Canada's Waterfalls Park' and 'Volcanoes Park,' Wells Gray is a wonderland of natural sights including Canada's 4th highest waterfall, Helmcken Falls. Late September is an excellent time to visit as the colourful fall foliage is starting and the waterfalls look quite different than during the spring runoff. The tour is directed by Roland Neave, owner of Wells Gray Tours and Wells Gray Gateway Guesthouse, and author of the popular guide-book, *Exploring Wells Gray Park*. Other highlights are Helmcken Canyon, Dawson Falls, Bailey's Chute, Ray Farm & Mineral Springs, Trophies Lodge, Spahats Falls, and an all-day boat tour on Clearwater and Azure Lakes to Rainbow Falls.

I \$1,560 *pp double*, \$1,760 *single*

Small group tour! Book Soon!

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ACTIVITY LEVEL



GROUP SIZE



TYAX RESORT

BC Interior: October 7, 2024 – 4 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
October 6, 2024 – 6 days

Escape to Tyax Lodge, a peaceful retreat on the shore of Tyaughton Lake with a fine view of snowy peaks. The lodge is one of the largest log buildings in western Canada and you are sure to admire its fine craftsmanship, especially the cathedral lobby with a soaring stone chimney. We stay here for all three nights of the tour. Nearby is Bralorne, once one of British Columbia's greatest gold mines. The fabulous Pioneer Mine produced \$140 million of gold between 1914 and 1960. A local historian accompanies us to explain the fascinating story of Bralorne, Bradian, Gold Bridge, the Haylmore Historic Site, and Gun Lake. Another highlight of this valley is the fall foliage which usually peaks in early October.

I \$1,765 *pp double*, \$2,245 *single*

V \$2,485 *pp double*, \$3,130 *single*

L \$2,435 *pp double*, \$3,080 *single*

Out for sale next week!



ACTIVITY LEVEL

VANCOUVER ISLAND WITH SMALL SHIPS

BC Interior: September 12, 2024 – 8 days
Lower Mainland: September 12, 2024 – 8 days

Vancouver Island has great diversity ranging from the capital city of Victoria to remote mountain peaks in Strathcona Park, and from narrow fjords that slice into the west coast to secluded harbours like Telegraph Cove. To explore Vancouver Island properly, you have to get out of your car (or coach) and head out on the water. This tour features a cruise on *MV Frances Barkley* from Port Alberni to Bamfield through Alberni Inlet, a private cruise on the *MV Uchuck III* from Gold River to Zeballos, and a whale-watching excursion at Telegraph Cove. Come and enjoy Vancouver Island from the water!

I \$3,395 *pp double*, \$4,105 *single*

L \$3,420 *pp double*, \$4,130 *single*

Out for sale next week!



ACTIVITY LEVEL

GHOST TOWNS OF THE KOOTENAYS

BC Interior: October 1, 2024 – 5 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
September 30, 2024 – 7 days

This is another of Wells Gray's popular themed tours. During five days, we visit ghost towns such as Retallack and Sandon, as well as a created one at Three Valley Gap, and historic towns like Revelstoke, Kaslo, Nelson, and Greenwood. Unique experiences include a ride on Nelson's heritage Streetcar #23, expert historians in Nelson and Sandon, 3 nights at Nelson's heritage Hume Hotel, and the 1897 powerhouse at Sandon. Guides are hired at each attraction or town to explain the historical details as only a local person can do. Come and join us on this exciting tour with a ghostly twist!

I \$1,795 *pp double*, \$2,205 *single*

V \$2,535 *pp double*, \$3,110 *single*

L \$2,485 *pp double*, \$3,060 *single*

Early Booking Bonus up to \$80!

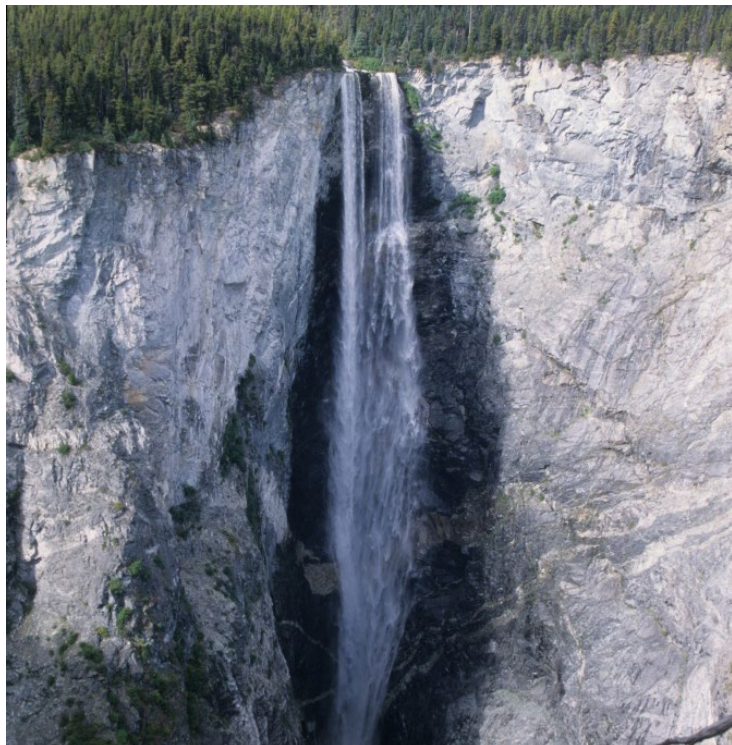
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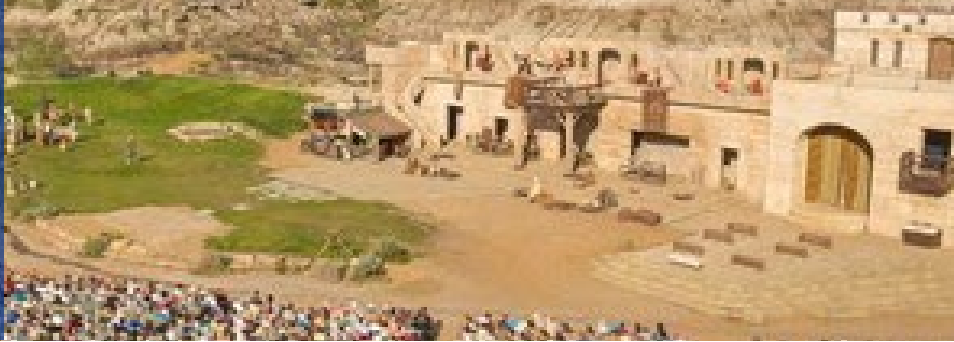
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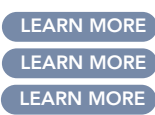
SUMMER THEATRE IN ALBERTA



BC Interior: July 16, 2024 – 6 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland: July 15, 2024 – 7 days

Alberta offers a great variety of summer theatre at venues around the province. This tour features 5 great shows in Calgary, Rosebud, and Drumheller. First is *A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline* at Stage West Dinner Theatre, followed by *Little Women* at Rosebud Theatre, the *Canadian Badlands Passion Play* at a natural amphitheatre near Drumheller, *The Brakeman* at Heritage Park's Canmore Opera House, and *Friends: The One with Ace Ventura* at Jubilations Dinner Theatre. The Passion Play only has 9 performances this summer. Add Radium Hot Springs, Royal Tyrrell Museum, and Heritage Park and you have a wonderful summer getaway.

- I** \$2,095 *pp double*, \$2,635 *single*
 - V** \$2,815 *pp double*, \$3,470 *single*
 - L** \$2,765 *pp double*, \$3,420 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$80!**



WINNIPEG FOLKLORAMA



All departures: August 6, 2024 – 6 days

Winnipeg's premier event, Folklorama, still the largest and longest running multicultural festival of its kind in the world, began modestly in 1970. Folklorama was conceived as a one-time event to celebrate Manitoba's Centennial. It was so successful that it has returned every year since. The event's 40 pavilions receive over 425,000 visits in the two week period, plus 15,000 visitors to the Kick-Off event held the night before pavilions open. In 1970, the festival was only 7 days long with 21 pavilions participating. Since then the festival has grown to two full weeks with 20 pavilions open each week. From traditional home-cooked meals to electrifying nightly performances by local, national and international entertainers, Folklorama creates a feast for the senses. During each of our 3 evenings at Folklorama, we experience 3 different pavilions with unique food, drink, and entertainment offerings. Folklorama operates in the evenings, but in the daytime there is lots to enjoy in Winnipeg – a locally-guided tour of highlights, Manitoba Museum, Mennonite Heritage Village, Royal Canadian Mint, Canadian Museum for Human Rights, and The Leaf conservatory. Celebrate the world at Folklorama this year!

- I** \$2,960 *pp double*, \$3,520 *single*
 - V** \$3,060 *pp double*, \$3,620 *single*
 - L** \$2,985 *pp double*, \$3,545 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$150!**



LEAVENWORTH SUMMER THEATRE



BC Interior only: August 11, 2024 – 4 days

Leavenworth will celebrate its 29th season of theatre in 2024, anchored by its signature production, *The Sound of Music*. Experience the magic of theatre under the stars as you watch the show outdoors at the Ski Hill Amphitheatre. The sun falls behind the ridge, the moon rises over the valley, and Maria starts singing her much-loved title song. The second show is *Beauty and the Beast*. We stay three nights at the lovely Enzian Inn, located near Leavenworth's town square and convenient to the shops. We also visit Rocky Reach Dam and fish ladder on the Columbia River, Aplets and Cotlets Factory, Leavenworth Reindeer Farm, and the Nutcracker Museum.

- I** \$1,660 *pp double*, \$2,165 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$80!**



CALGARY STAMPEDE



All departures: July 4, 2024 – 5 Days

Pull on your jeans and boots, don your cowboy hat, and get ready for a yee-haw good time at the annual Calgary Stampede! There is so much to see and do: wander through the barns to view the prizewinning animals, thrill to the rides on the midway, admire some of the greatest western artists in the world, explore the native village, live it up at Nashville North, visit the agricultural shows, and enjoy non-stop live entertainment throughout the day and night. We have included reserved seats to the premier Stampede events: the kick-off parade, the exciting afternoon rodeo, and the spectacular evening of chuckwagon races, stage show, and fireworks. Enjoy a leisurely drive home via Radium Hot Springs and Kootenay National Park. Come and join us for the 112th Anniversary of "The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth."



- I** \$2,060 *pp double*, \$2,620 *single*
 - V** \$2,660 *pp double*, \$3,220 *single*
 - L** \$2,610 *pp double*, \$3,170 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$100!**





Oh Canada!

Atlantic Canada!

COAST TO COAST BY TRAIN

BC Interior & Vancouver Island:

May 23, 2024 – 18 days

Lower Mainland: May 24, 2024 – 17 days

Experience Canada's national railway on this epic journey from Vancouver on the Pacific Coast to Halifax on the Atlantic Coast. From the soaring giants of the Rocky Mountains to the sea of grass in the vast prairies; from the unique mix of cultures in Montréal to the Scottish influence in the Maritimes; from the awesome view at Niagara's Skylon Tower to the iconic Peggy's Cove — all aboard for the adventure of a lifetime!

- I from \$11,295 pp double, \$14,885 single [LEARN MORE](#)
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- L from \$11,095 pp double, \$14,565 single [LEARN MORE](#)

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SURPRISING SASKATCHEWAN

All departures: June 24, 2024 – 7 days

You will never think of Saskatchewan the same way again. There are so many highlights on this tour! Visit three major museums, one dedicated to dioramas of flora and fauna, one about prairie transportation, and one that recreates a 1910 prairie boomtown. Tour the RCMP Heritage Centre in Regina, go underground in the Tunnels of Moose Jaw, cruise the South Saskatchewan River on a paddle-wheeler, and learn about Indigenous culture at Wanuskewin Heritage Park. Some unique hotels are featured: Temple Gardens and Manitou Springs where you can soak in therapeutic, mineralized waters, and the Bessborough Hotel which has been Saskatoon's waterfront landmark for nearly a century. Come and be surprised by splendid Saskatchewan!

GASPÉ PENINSULA & NEW BRUNSWICK COAST

All departures: July 11, 2024 – 11 days

Come and explore a unique region of eastern Canada on a route that is off the beaten path. Fly into Moncton and home from Québec City. Savour a lobster lunch. Experience the world's highest tides at Hopewell Rocks. Drive along New Brunswick's Acadian Coast to Bathurst. Enjoy a Kitchen Party at Le Pays de Sagouine. Walk the sand dunes of Bouctouche. Drive the seashore road along the Gaspé Peninsula with a cruise to famous Percé Rock and birdwatching at Bonaventure Island. Cruise the Saguenay Fjord where cliffs soar 350 metres from water's edge. Ride a cablecar past Montmorency Falls. Explore historic Québec City with a local guide. Savour dinner at a traditional Québec sugar shack. Enjoy the fabulous scenery along the New Brunswick and St. Lawrence coastlines.

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 - V \$5,390 pp double, \$6,585 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$5,315 pp double, \$6,510 single [LEARN MORE](#)
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- I \$2,985 pp double, \$3,490 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - V \$3,085 pp double, \$3,590 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$3,010 pp double, \$3,515 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$75!

NEWFOUNDLAND

All departures:

June 22, 2024 – 15 days

Come and discover all the things you never knew about this unique province. 2024 will be the third year that this tour of wild and wonderful Newfoundland has been offered, and the previous ones garnered rave reviews. The culture and heritage of Newfoundland runs deep. Highlights of this tour include visits to historic sites and stunning landscapes, 2 national parks, a puffin and whale watching cruise, an iceberg viewing cruise, 5 entertaining shows, and talks by local experts. In Gros Morne National Park, thrill to the boat trip on the fjord of Western Brook Pond. Get Screeched-In and kiss the cod during a cruise at Bonne Bay. Explore recreated sod houses at the ancient Viking settlement of L'Anse aux Meadows. Look out over the Atlantic Ocean from Cape Spear, North America's easternmost point. So much to see in 15 days!

- I \$6,995 pp double, \$8,190 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - V \$7,095 pp double, \$8,290 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$7,020 pp double, \$8,215 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- 14 Seats Left!



MARITIMES & NEWFOUNDLAND

All departures: August 26, 2024 – 24 days

2024 will be the 47th year that Wells Gray has offered Maritimes tours! No other company in British Columbia has organized this tour for so many years or knows Atlantic Canada better than we do. All our hotels, attractions, and restaurants are chosen carefully to ensure you have a memorable experience. Our 2024 tour stays 10 nights in Newfoundland because we strongly believe you should see this scenic province while you are touring eastern Canada. It has been a highlight of our Atlantic Canada tours since 1990. Many hotel stays are for 2 or 3 nights, so you do not have to put up with the inconvenience of repacking your suitcase every morning. A Wells Gray Maritimes tour is noted for its comprehensive itinerary, many included meals and attractions, and superb hotels in great locations. To reduce driving time, we fly to Halifax and return from St. John's, NL.

- I \$9,175 pp double, \$11,125 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - V \$9,275 pp double, \$11,225 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$9,215 pp double, \$11,165 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Filling Fast!





Explore America

SKAGIT TULIP FESTIVAL

BC Interior: April 15, 2024 – 4 days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
April 21, 2024 – 4 days

The Skagit Valley explodes in an abundance of colour when the tulips blossom. Although Mother Nature ultimately decides the dates, the second to third week of the month tends to be good timing for this showy display. Whether early or late, there are usually dainty yellow daffodils first, followed by a rainbow of tulips, then the irises and lilies after that. We visit the Tulip Festival on a weekday to avoid the crowds that come here on weekends from Seattle. This tour visits La Conner, a delightful waterfront town of heritage buildings and interesting shopping. A cruise from La Conner through dramatic Deception Pass with a cracked crab lunch is a highlight. This tour stays at the luxurious Tulalip Resort and Casino, located about 30 minutes drive from the focal area of the Tulip Festival. Come and admire the blossoms and colours of the Skagit Valley.

- I

\$1,185 *pp double*, \$1,430 *single*
- V

\$1,260 *pp double*, \$1,510 *single*
- L

\$1,285 *pp double*, \$1,535 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus - Interior up to \$30!



ACTIVITY LEVEL



SCENIC RAILWAYS OF COLORADO

All departures:
September 16, 2024 – 12 Days

Each year, Wells Gray Tours offers one or two tours with a theme of train travel and all of them are immensely popular. Some customers are retired railroaders, some want to enjoy sights that cannot be seen from highways, and some want to relive the nostalgia of steam locomotives. All are fascinated by the different experiences offered by the huge variety of trains and rail routes. Every May, we ride trains across Canada from Vancouver to Halifax. A 2013 tour featured six unique rail excursions in Montana, Colorado, and Utah. A 2017 tour travelled on the Trans-Siberian Railway from Moscow to Beijing. Of the 7 trains on this 2024 tour, 4 are pulled by steam locomotives – Georgetown Loop, Cripple Creek & Victor, Cumbres & Toltec, and Durango & Silverton. The others are the Pikes Peak Cog Railway, Royal Gorge, and Amtrak through the Rockies. All promise awesome scenery travelling through spectacular mountains and canyons, and alongside rushing rivers. Come to Colorado and ride the rails!

- I

\$6,880 *pp double*, \$8,585 *single*
- V

\$6,980 *pp double*, \$8,685 *single*
- L

\$6,905 *pp double*, \$8,610 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$250!



ACTIVITY LEVEL



YELLOWSTONE & CANYONLANDS

BC Interior: October 6, 2024 – 17 Days
Vancouver Island & Lower Mainland:
October 5, 2024 – 19 Days

From the erupting geysers of Yellowstone to the soaring peaks of the Grand Tetons, from the colourful spires of Bryce Canyon to the extraordinary formations of Arches Park, this tour has an amazing variety of natural wonders. The fall foliage, the brilliant red and orange rocks of southern Utah, and the multitude of hues around the geyser basins all combine to create this kaleidoscope of colour. We visit eight famous national parks: Yellowstone, Grand Teton, Dinosaur, Colorado, Arches, Canyonlands, Bryce Canyon, and Zion. Later in the tour, a contrast from the natural attractions is found in Salt Lake City with the museums of Temple Square and the splendid music of the Tabernacle Choir. Join Wells Gray Tours for this amazing journey through the wonderlands of Montana, Wyoming, and Utah.

- I

\$6,995 *pp double*, \$9,070 *single*
- V

\$7,745 *pp double*, \$9,995 *single*
- L

\$7,710 *pp double*, \$9,965 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$150!



ACTIVITY LEVEL



NEW ORLEANS & CAJUN COUNTRY

All departures: October 14, 2024 – 11 Days

New Orleans is one of the great cities of the western world, not a place you simply visit, but one you fall in love with during three nights staying in the vibrant French Quarter. Take a lunch cruise on the Mississippi River, experience Mardi Gras World, and savour the cuisine at New Orleans School of Cooking. History comes to life in Plantation Country as you travel back to the 1800s and the days of sprawling antebellum plantations. During two days exploring Cajun Country, experience the peaceful bayous where French Canadians settled, take a swamp boat trip, hear the Evangeline story, and tour the Tabasco Factory. A new addition to this long-time favourite tour is a stay in Alexandria and a tour of the remarkable architecture and historic mansions of Natchez.

- I

\$4,830 *pp double*, \$5,820 *single*
- V

\$4,980 *pp double*, \$5,970 *single*
- L

\$4,865 *pp double*, \$5,855 *single*
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$200!



ACTIVITY LEVEL





ST. LAWRENCE RIVER CRUISE

On the *Canadian Empress*

All departures: August 22, 2024 – 11 days

The St. Lawrence River begins at the foot of Lake Ontario near Kingston, and flows generally in a northeasterly direction about 1,300 kilometres to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Beyond the Gulf lies the vast Atlantic Ocean. The St. Lawrence waters originate in tributaries to Lake Superior, the largest freshwater lake on the globe, and flows through 3 other Great Lakes. This mighty river which Sir J.M. LeMoine called, “the noblest, the purest, most enchanting river on all God’s beautiful earth” acts as a natural boundary for many kilometres between Canada and the USA. The *Canadian Empress* cruises between Kingston and Montréal on the St. Lawrence River. The 7-day voyage passes through 10 locks of the Seaway round-trip. Experience the cities of Kingston and Montréal, smaller towns like Brockville and Cornwall, and lots of Canadian history during this fascinating cruise.



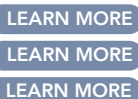
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- Early Booking Bonus up to \$150!
Cabins at single special rate still available!

MEXICO’S COPPER CANYON

All departures:
October 11, 2024 – 14 Days

Excite your senses with this wonderful tour of Mexico’s Copper Canyon, full of cultural riches and activities. We start our journey in Mazatlan and drive north along the coastal plain to the charming village of El Fuerte. We board the Chihuahua Al Pacifico Railroad’s train for the awesome all-day trip into the canyon through 86 tunnels and over 39 bridges. Stay at Divisadero Barrancas, perched on the rim of Copper Canyon, and gaze over 2,000 metres down into one of the world’s deepest canyons. A visit with the local Tarahumara People, a walk to 30-metre high Cusarare Falls, a ride on the aerial tramway with magnificent views, and a walk across the hanging bridge and glass floor are all thrilling experiences.

- I \$7,340 pp double, \$8,495 single
 - V \$7,490 pp double, \$8,645 single
 - L \$7,365 pp double, \$8,520 single
- 3 Seats left!



PRESIDENT’S CRUISE ON MEKONG RIVER

BC Interior & Vancouver Island:

January 9, 2025 – 19 days

Lower Mainland: January 10, 2025 – 18 days

Come and join Wells Gray Tours and the Neave Family for the 8th President’s Cruise. We will also be celebrating 53 years since the very first tour to Wells Gray Park in 1972! The President’s Cruise is on board the *Emerald Harmony* while cruising the storied Mekong River in Cambodia and Vietnam. This intimate ship carries only 84 passengers and was built in 2019. Discover a treasure trove of natural wonders, awesome structures, and ritualistic cultures while travelling on board a luxury ship. The tour begins with two nights on a traditional, but luxurious, junk cruising among the limestone towers of Halong Bay. In Siem Reap, explore the architectural wonder of Angkor Wat. The 7-day cruise on *Emerald Harmony* down the mighty Mekong River has many wonderful stops at palaces, monasteries, and temples, plus great cities such as Phnom Penh and Ho Chi Minh.



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 - L from \$11,595 pp double, \$16,350 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Only 14 Seats Left!

BOOK BY APRIL 10TH FOR A CHANCE TO WIN AN UPGRADE

Book by Wednesday, April 10, 2024

New bookings and everybody who is currently booked with deposit is **entered in a draw** to be held at 4 pm.

The winner will win an upgrade to the Grand Balcony Suite on the Emerald Harmony:

Enjoy one of the finest suites on the ship. At 398 square feet of space, these beautifully appointed suites offer a private balcony with drop-down window, as well as a separate bedroom and lounge area. A continental breakfast in your suite, canapés before dinner, and bedtime sweet treats are served each day. Your queen-size or twin bed is draped in high quality linens, plus you can select your preferred pillow from an extensive menu. A walk-in wardrobe makes unpacking a dream. You can even have two items laundered each day. In the morning, enjoy the perfect wake-up call with a fresh coffee from your Nespresso machine. Your luxurious bathroom features a shower complete with decadent toiletries, comfortable bathrobes, and slippers. Note that this prize is for an upgrade, so you still pay for the stateroom you originally booked.

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BEST OF THE BALTICS

All departures:
September 18, 2024 – 19 Days

“The Baltics” or the Baltic States refers to three countries on the eastern shore of the Baltic Sea in Northern Europe – Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia. They offer fascinating historical sites, cultural treasures, and culinary experiences. The capital of Lithuania, Vilnius, celebrated its 700th anniversary in 2023, and some castles and cathedrals date back even earlier. Some of the hands-on events are about traditional black bread baking and an overview of the ancient Estonians with a simple ritual experience. Tastings and samplings are frequent – Lithuanian Hard Cheese, Chaga tea, traditional Karaim food with Kibinai and Gira, smoked fish, Riga Black Balsam, beer, and cider. After visiting these 3 countries, we take the ferry over to Helsinki for a 2-day visit. Flights are from Seattle to Vilnius and return from Helsinki. This exciting tour with so many unique experiences has never been offered before by Wells Gray.

- I

\$10,250 pp double, \$11,520 single

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- V

\$10,425 pp double, \$11,695 single

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- L

\$10,275 pp double, \$11,545 single

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- Early Booking Bonus up to \$300!



SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS & DUBAI

All departures: September 26, 2024 – 23 Days

Embark on a journey of discovery to the land of colourful contrasts — from wildlife safaris in Hluhluwe-Imfolozi National Park and Kapama Game Reserve to the great cities of Cape Town and Johannesburg. Cape Town introduces us to the historic lessons of colonization and coexistence. Johannesburg and Pretoria offer an international flavour and the excitement of a developing economy, plus the pivotal history of the Nelson Mandela era. The 5 safaris are truly memorable with wonderful opportunities to view the Big Five – lion, elephant, buffalo, rhino, and leopard. The tiny kingdom of Eswatini displays the tribal culture that has existed for millennia. Victoria Falls is one of the world’s mightiest cataracts and we spend a day exploring awesome viewpoints with 2 nights at a luxury hotel on the banks of the Zambezi River. We fly to and from South Africa with Emirates. A stopover in Dubai each way is a chance to view stunning architectural wonders and skyscrapers such as Burj Khalifa.

- I

\$16,995 pp double, \$20,225 single

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\$17,145 pp double, \$20,375 single

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\$17,020 pp double, \$20,250 single

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A TASTE OF ITALY

BC Interior & Vancouver Island:
October 17, 2024 – 20 Days
Lower Mainland: October 18, 2024 – 19 Days

When thinking of Italy, food and wine is one of the first images to come to mind! But you can’t forget Venice with its canals, Rialto Bridge, and Piazza San Marco; the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Accademia with Michelangelo’s sculpture of David, the landmarks of Rome with its Colosseum, Forum, and the Sistine Chapel murals; the buried city of Pompeii, and the idyllic countryside in Tuscany filled with farms, castles, and wineries. There is so much to see and experience in Italy and this tour covers many highlights of the northern half of the country such as the great cities of Milan, Venice, Florence, Rome, and Naples. The tour features wonderful cuisine, local food products, and wine tasting. An expert bilingual guide is with you in Italy and there are local guides in many cities. Join Wells Gray Tours for a wonderful Italian vacation!

- I

\$13,470 pp double, \$16,645 single

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\$13,085 pp double, \$16,030 single

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- Early Booking Bonus up to \$200!



COSTA RICA

BC Interior & Vancouver Island:
January 3, 2025 – 15 Days
Lower Mainland: January 4, 2025 – 14 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. Enjoy the Tortuguero wildlife cruise, Arenal Volcano, Ecotermes Hot Springs, and Rincon de La Vieja National Park. Another highlight is a three-night stay at the Diria Resort at beautiful Tamarindo Beach. Come and admire the natural eco-wonders of Costa Rica and get away from a Canadian winter for two relaxing weeks.

- I

\$9,185 pp double, \$11,070 single

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- V

\$9,285 pp double, \$11,170 single

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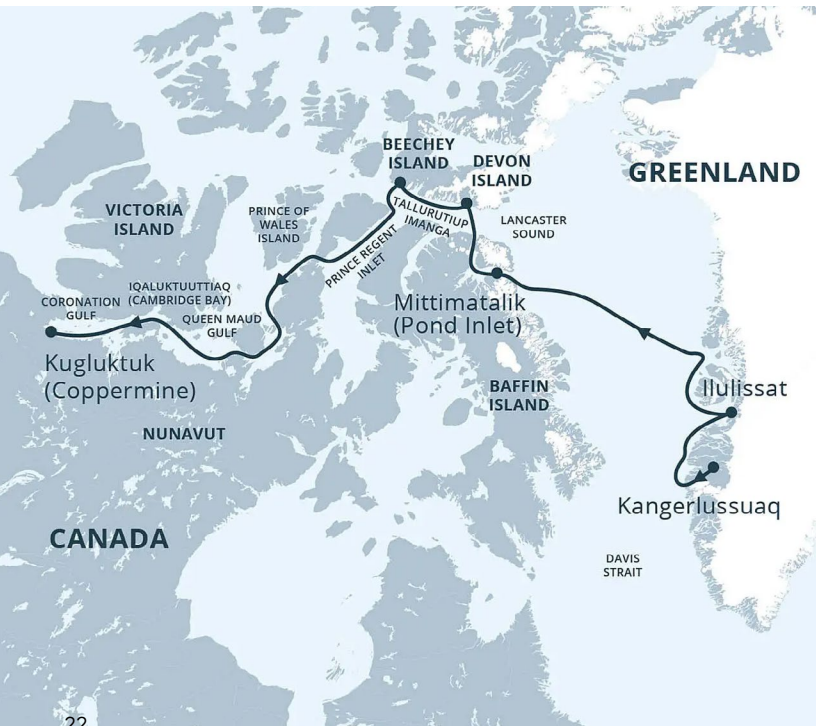
On board Ocean Endeavour

All departures: August 25, 2024 – 20 days

The fabled Northwest Passage represents the pinnacle of Arctic exploration. On this incredible journey, like the explorers before us, we experience the quaint villages, dramatic fjords, and calving glaciers of Greenland. After crossing Davis Strait, we visit Mittimatalik on Baffin Island and the vast Croker Glacier on Devon Island, and pay respects at the Franklin Expedition graves at 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. Join the ranks of the adventurers who have been lured by the legends of the Northwest Passage.

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Receive FREE charter flights, if you book a double occupancy cabin by April 1 (a savings of \$1700 US pp)!



BOSTON TO QUÉBEC CITY CRUISE

On Holland America’s Zuiderdam



All departures: September 18, 2024 – 13 days

With cruising proving to be more popular than ever, here is a wonderful 7-day cruise in New England and the Maritimes. We start with 1½ days in Boston hearing about historical sites like Old North Church, Boston Tea Party, and Paul Revere House, and strolling the campus of Harvard University. On board **Zuiderdam**, we make stops at Rockland, Maine; Halifax, Sydney, and Charlottetown, and cruise through the awesome Saguenay Fjord. We disembark in Québec City and spend 2 days strolling the cobblestone streets, exploring icons of Canadian history such as the Plains of Abraham and Place Royale, and enjoying the thrilling cablecar ride up Montmorency Falls.

- I \$6,585 pp double, \$8,705 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - V \$6,685 pp double, \$8,805 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$6,610 pp double, \$8,730 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$250!



VANCOUVER TO SAN DIEGO CRUISE
& LAS VEGAS



On Holland America’s Nieuw Amsterdam

BC Interior & Vancouver Island:

September 28, 2024 – 13 days

Lower Mainland: September 29, 2024 – 12 days

Here is a pleasant 5-day cruise on Holland America’s **Nieuw Amsterdam**. We board in Vancouver, spend a day in San Francisco, and disembark in San Diego. The ship has lots of veranda staterooms which are the most popular nowadays, but insides, outsides, and suites are also available. We spend 2 days in San Diego with attractions such as its famous zoo, the Birch Aquarium, and Maritime Museum. Then we head to the glamour and glitter of Las Vegas, with 4 nights at the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino. Two fabulous shows are included – Cirque du Soleil’s *Mystère* and *America’s Got Talent*. We also visit the Mob Museum and Hoover Dam, plus there is lots of free time to do things that interest you in Las Vegas. Join Wells Gray Tours for a wonderful cruise, plus San Diego and Las Vegas.

- I \$5,165 pp double, \$6,390 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - V \$5,315 pp double, \$6,540 single [LEARN MORE](#)
 - L \$5,035 pp double, \$6,145 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Early Booking Bonus up to \$250!



ANTARCTICA, ARGENTINA
& CHILE CRUISE



On Holland America’s Oosterdam

All departures: January 24, 2025 – 30 Days

Wells Gray Tours only offers this special opportunity to visit the 7th continent every few years. There are so many highlights on this tour, but the most astounding will likely be the four days cruising among the gigantic icebergs of Antarctica. On-board experts will present lectures about glaciers, geology, natural history, and history, plus 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, Darwin Channel, Glacier Alley, and the vast Amalia Glacier. What an incredible journey!

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 - L \$17,190 pp double, \$22,250 single [LEARN MORE](#)
- Half Full!





Mystery Tour

MYSTERY TOUR

All departures: May 15, 2024 – 11 days



This is Wells Gray Tours’ 60th Mystery Tour since 1985. The first Mystery Tour was only three days and travelled to Whistler. In the 39 years since then, Mystery Tours have been offered once or 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. The 2024 Mystery Tour route was checked out by Fraser Neave and several Wells Gray staff in 2023 and they couldn’t wait to offer it as a Mystery. You will travel by plane, coach and train, and two other methods of transport. Add 3 national parks, 3 capital cities, and a live stage show (sort of) and you have a very special tour experience. Enough hints for now!

- I** \$5,760 *pp double*, \$7,360 *single*
 - V** \$5,860 *pp double*, \$7,460 *single*
 - L** \$5,760 *pp double*, \$7,360 *single*
- 1 Seat left!

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Here are four clues to the mystery route. These clues are arranged in the order that they occur on the itinerary. Have fun guessing where we’re going!

- John walks home from work along a rural street, thinking about Jane cooking his favourite eggs recipe for breakfast.
- A 1970s pickup truck shares its name with an Indian capital.
- A French-Canadian fur trader paddled up his river, then visited the territorial prison to enjoy a Western movie.
- Steel ribbons lead to a forested glade with a Guinness swimming pool.

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Coming Soon!

Call our office or add your name to our “**Interested List**” for a specific tour. When the tour comes out for sale, we will notify you before it is advertised. 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.

Coming Soon in 2024:

Whitehorse & Glacier Bay Cruise - July

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Coming Soon 2025!

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