

# MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE: ATHENS TO BARCELONA

October 2026

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Acropolis

## President's Cruise on Holland America's Oosterdam

The 9<sup>th</sup> President's Cruise is in the Mediterranean, timed to miss the heat of the summer months and take advantage of the less-crowded tourist sites in the fall. After a few days of highlights in Greece, we board the *Oosterdam* and cruise west through the Mediterranean to Barcelona. There are several places that Wells Gray has never been to before such as Sarandë, Albania; Valletta, Malta; Messina, Sicily; and Ajaccio, Corsica. Shore excursions are included at every port, hosted by knowledgeable guides, so you don't have to book any expensive ship tours. There is also guided touring before the cruise in Greece and after in Barcelona. The *Oosterdam* is a medium-sized ship carrying only 1,800 passengers.

What an incredible journey! And the President of Wells Gray Tours, Roland Neave, and his wife Anne will be on board with you!



CRUISE TOUR



ACTIVITY LEVEL

### ► Departure from:

- BC Interior:** October 18, 2026 - 21 days
- Vancouver Island:** October 18, 2026 - 21 days
- Lower Mainland:** October 19, 2026 - 19 days

### ► Fares per person

- L** from **\$13,605** double/twin, **\$17,505** single\*

\*Pricing details for all departures provided on page 2.

### ► Earn 270 Experience Points



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# DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Your departure point will be discussed at the time of booking.

**I**

**BC Interior:** We travel to New Westminster on Sunday, October 18 and overnight at the Inn at the Quay. We fly to Athens the following day from Vancouver. We fly from Barcelona to Vancouver on Friday, November 6 and overnight at the airport. We travel home on Saturday, November 7. Transportation is provided from your pickup point on the day of departure, and back again when we return.

**V**

**Vancouver Island:** We travel to New Westminster on Sunday, October 18 and overnight at the Inn at the Quay. We fly to Athens the following day from Vancouver. We fly from Barcelona to Vancouver on Friday, November 6 and overnight at the airport. We travel home on Saturday, November 7.

**Departure from Victoria:** Depending on the number of people booked and coach size, home pickups may be offered in the Greater Victoria Area. The decision is made about 2 weeks before departure and you will be contacted about your pickup point and time.

**Departure from Up-island:** There is an additional cost to join this tour from Nanaimo or Comox. Transportation to/from Nanaimo or Comox Airport is not provided. Please note that while we always prioritize convenient connections for our clients, sometimes it is not possible given the airline schedule and availability. You will be contacted regarding your schedule after final payment. Please request departure from Nanaimo or Comox at the time of booking.

**L**

**Lower Mainland:** We fly from Vancouver to Athens on Monday, October 19. We return on Friday, November 6, flying from Barcelona to Vancouver.

**Departure from Vancouver:** Home pickup for clients in the Greater Vancouver Area may be arranged at the time of booking.

**Departure from Langley, Abbotsford, or Chilliwack:** Pickup and drop off is by the BC Interior Coach. Please refer to the BC Interior dates and tour fares below.

## FARES PER PERSON

Departure Point	Inside Stateroom Category I	Oceanview Stateroom Category C	Veranda Stateroom Category VA	Neptune Suite Category SA
<b>I</b> BC Interior	<b>\$13,995</b> double/twin <b>\$18,180</b> single	<b>\$14,345</b> double/twin <b>\$18,875</b> single	<b>\$15,435</b> double/twin <b>\$21,050</b> single	<b>\$19,670</b> double/twin <b>\$29,430</b> single
<b>V</b> Vancouver Island	<b>\$14,170</b> double/twin <b>\$18,355</b> single	<b>\$14,520</b> double/twin <b>\$19,050</b> single	<b>\$15,610</b> double/twin <b>\$21,225</b> single	<b>\$19,845</b> double/twin <b>\$29,605</b> single
<b>L</b> Lower Mainland	<b>\$13,605</b> double/twin <b>\$17,505</b> single	<b>\$13,955</b> double/twin <b>\$18,200</b> single	<b>\$15,045</b> double/twin <b>\$20,375</b> single	<b>\$19,280</b> double/twin <b>\$28,755</b> single

- Please add 0.3% GST.
- Other cruise categories including suites may be available.
- There is an additional cost to join this tour from Nanaimo or Comox.

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

## ► Meals

- **146 total:** 17 breakfasts, 13 lunches, 16 dinners
- **V44 total:** 17 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 16 dinners
- **143 total:** 17 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 15 dinners

## ► Transportation

- Transfers between Vancouver Airport and the BC Interior, Greater Victoria, or Greater Vancouver Areas
- Flights from Vancouver to Athens
- Current air transport taxes & fuel surcharges
- 1 checked bag per person
- Transfer from Athens Airport to hotel
- Coach transportation in Greece for 4 days
- 11 days cruising on *Oosterdam*
- Coach transportation for all shore excursions
- Coach transportation in Barcelona for 2 days
- Transfer to Barcelona Airport
- Flight from Barcelona to Vancouver

## ► Accommodation

- **V8** nights hotel accommodation & taxes
- **6** nights hotel accommodation & taxes
  - Stateroom for 11 nights on board *Oosterdam*
  - Port charges & cruise taxes
  - Luggage handling at most hotels & ship

## ► Key Highlights

- Orientation tour of Athens
- Locally-guided tour of Athens
- Acropolis & The Parthenon
- Acropolis Museum
- Delphi & Sanctuary of Apollo Pytheus
- Athenaeum Treasury
- Truffle hunting with cooking demonstration
- Monasteries of Meteora

- Entertainment & expert lecturers on *Oosterdam*
- President's Cruise receptions on ship
- Locally-guided tour of Ancient Olympia
- Olympic Stadium
- Archaeological Museum of Olympia
- Locally-guided tour of Sarandë, Albania
- Visit to Butrint National Park, Albania
- Locally-guided tour of Valletta and Mdina, Malta
- St. John's Cathedral
- Locally-guided tour of Messina, Sicily
- Fountain of Orion
- Messina Cathedral astronomical clock
- Locally-guided tour of Naples
- Walking tour of Pompeii
- Locally-guided tour of Rome
- Rome Colosseum, The Forum & Palatine Hill
- Locally-guided tour of Ajaccio, Corsica
- Tour & tasting at an Ajaccio wine estate
- Locally-guided tour of Cannes
- Little train panoramic excursion in Cannes
- Bellet appellation at Château de Crémant
- Locally-guided tour of Barcelona
- Walking tour in the Gothic Quarter
- Hospital de Sant Pau
- Sagrada Família
- Musical Performance in Barcelona

*Attractions are subject to change. Please see Tour Policies for more information.*

## ► Guides & Gratuities

- Cruise gratuities
- Gratuities for European guides & drivers

## ► Knowledgeable Wells Gray tour director throughout tour & cruise

## 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, board the ship's tenders, and climb two flights of stairs without assistance. At airports and cruise terminals, you must handle your own luggage and often walk long distances. You may need to handle your own luggage at hotels if luggage service is not available.

You may bring a cane or walking poles if needed. Walkers are not appropriate for this tour. 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.



**Tour Size 40**

This tour can accommodate up to 40 participants.

# ITINERARY

## Sunday, October 18

Passengers from the BC Interior and Vancouver Island travel to New Westminster. We stay overnight at the Inn at the Quay, built on a pier jutting into the Fraser River. Every room has a view of the river and you can watch all the shipping traffic going by. Meet your fellow travellers during a get-acquainted dinner.

**Meals included:** Lunch (BC Interior), Dinner (BC Interior & Vancouver Island)

**Accommodation:** Inn at the Quay (BC Interior & Vancouver Island)

## Monday, October 19

Passengers from Vancouver join us at the Vancouver Airport. Our flight connects in Toronto, then continues non-stop overnight to **Athens**.

## Tuesday, October 20

We arrive in Athens at midday and the time is 10 hours ahead of Pacific Time. **Welcome to Greece!** Our local guide, driver, and coach meet us at the airport. The guide provides a scenic introduction to Athens during the drive into the city and there is time to stroll the historic neighbourhood called the Plaka. We stay two nights at the 4-star Stanley Hotel with a great location in the centre of Athens. Cloud 9 is the rooftop terrace with swimming pool, bar, open-air restaurant, and panoramic views of Athens with the Acropolis. A welcome dinner is planned.

**Meals included:** Dinner

**Accommodation:** Stanley Hotel

## Wednesday, October 21

During a tour of Athens highlights, we pass or make short stops at the Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, the Panathenean Stadium, site of the first modern Olympic Games in 1896; Constitution Square (Syntagma), the House of Parliament, the Memorial to the Unknown soldier, the National Library, and the Presidential Palace. At **The Acropolis**, we visit the architectural masterpieces of the Golden Age: the ruins of the amazing **Parthenon**, the Propylaea, the Temple of Athena Nike, and the Erechtheion. A walk through the galleries of the **Acropolis Museum** is a walk through history between

the masterpieces of the Archaic and Classical periods. The afternoon is free time and there are many shops to browse near the hotel.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Stanley Hotel

## Thursday, October 22

**Delphi** was once considered the centre of the Ancient World and its prestige extended far beyond the borders of the Hellenic world. Set on the slopes of Mount Parnassus, in a landscape of great beauty, lie the remains of the **Sanctuary of Apollo Pytheus**, dating from the 4<sup>th</sup> century BC. The Athenaeum Treasury contains masterpieces of Ancient Greek sculpture as the bronze Charioteer and the famous athlete Aghias. We stay overnight a short drive away from the peaceful town of Delphi.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Domotel Anemolia Mountain Resort

## Friday, October 23

We head to **Kalambaka**, a small town situated at the foot of the astonishing complex of Meteora's gigantic rocks. Experience a unique **truffle hunting adventure** in the forests near Kalambaka, guided by expert hunters and trained dogs. Learn the secrets of truffle hunting, participate in the search, and then enjoy a live cooking demonstration featuring a delicious truffle pasta dish. Near sunset, we visit the **Monasteries of Meteora** which are perched on the tops of rock towers hundreds of metres high. They were built between the 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> centuries and are now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Within the monasteries are exquisite specimens of Byzantine art.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Amalia Hotel Meteora

## Saturday, October 24

We return to Athens and board the **Oosterdam** about 1 pm. An embarkation buffet lunch is served at the Lido Market. The afternoon is free time to get settled into your stateroom and explore the ship. Enjoy a festive "Farewell to Athens" deck party as we cast off at 5 pm. Savour a sumptuous dinner in the dining

room, followed by a lively stage show in the theatre or music in many smaller lounges.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## **Sunday, October 25**

During the night, the ship rounds the Peloponnese Peninsula and docks at Katakolon at 8 am. Our coach is waiting for a private guided tour of Ancient Olympia, **birthplace of the Olympic Games**. Upon arrival at this UNESCO World Heritage site, we explore the ancient sanctuary dedicated to Zeus, where temples, training grounds, and altars once stood at the heart of Greek religion and sport. We walk through the **original Olympic Stadium**, imagining the energy of athletes and spectators who gathered here over 2,000 years ago. Your expert guide brings history to life, revealing stories of competition, glory, and worship. Complete the experience at the Archaeological Museum of Olympia, home to priceless artifacts and masterpieces such as Praxiteles' Hermes. Lunch is included in Olympia, then we return to the ship for sailing at 4 pm.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## **Monday, October 26**

We arrive in the port of **Sarandë, Albania**, at 10 am and ride ashore on the ship's tenders. Our afternoon tour goes to **Butrint National Park**, an impressive archaeological site dating to the 10<sup>th</sup> century BC. Excavations have shown that Butrint was a colony during the 7<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> centuries BC and was used by the Roman aristocracy as a vacation destination. Back in Sarandë, our guide leads a walking tour along the city's pedestrian promenade. The ship departs at 6 pm.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## **Tuesday, October 27**

During our first day at sea, we cross the **Ionian Sea** between Greece and Italy. On board, there is always some interesting activity scheduled and the daily ship's newsletter keeps you informed, whether you want a stage show, movie, bingo game, or a walk around deck. The culinary experiences on board are amazing. Every meal is a treat and the menu changes daily. For example, appetizers at dinner could be

Seafood Louis, Yukon Wild Berry Fruit Melange, or Sweet Tomato and Fresh Mozzarella. Entrees could be Halibut Caddy Ganty, Grilled Venison Loin, or Spruce Hen with Almond Rice Stuffing. Sample desserts are Baked Alaska, Crème Brûlée, or Banana Brittle Sundae. These are a few selections from a recent Holland America cruise.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## **Wednesday, October 28**

**Malta** is a sun-drenched Mediterranean archipelago with a history stretching back over 7,000 years. Shaped by Phoenicians, Romans, Arabs, Knights of St. John, and British, its layered past is visible everywhere. Visitors can explore the fortified capital of Valletta, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, admire the medieval city of Mdina, and visit prehistoric temples older than Stonehenge. Dramatic coastlines, crystal-clear waters, and charming fishing villages add to the appeal. Malta consists of three inhabited islands and dozens of islets. The Oosterdam arrives in **Valletta** at 8 am and stays until 8 pm. Our guided tour includes the **old capital city of Mdina**, a panoramic view of half of Malta from Mdina Bastions and a view of the Grand Harbour, Rabat, Valletta, and St. John's Cathedral, built in 1578 with Baroque architecture.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## **Thursday, October 29**

The ship calls at **Messina, Sicily**, from 8 am to 5 pm. Sicily is a crossroads of civilizations, shaped by Greek, Roman, Arab, Norman, and Spanish influences, and nowhere is this blend clearer than in Messina, the island's gateway city. Founded by the Greeks, Messina has long been a vital port overlooking the strait that separates the island from Italy. During our driving and walking tour, admire the remarkable Messina Cathedral, famous for its **astronomical clock**, one of the largest and most complex in the world. Nearby, the Fountain of Orion celebrates Renaissance artistry, while panoramic viewpoints reveal sweeping coastal scenery.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Friday, October 30

Our next port is **Naples, Italy**, and the ship is docked from 7 am to 6 pm. First settled by Greeks in the second millennium BC, Naples is one of the world's oldest continuously inhabited cities. Mount Vesuvius dominates Naples, and its huge eruption in AD 79 buried nearby **Pompeii** under nearly six metres of ash and pumice. Mostly preserved under the ash, the excavated city offers a unique snapshot of Roman life, frozen at the moment it was buried and providing an extraordinary insight into the everyday life of its inhabitants. It was a wealthy town with fine public buildings and luxurious houses with lavish decorations, furnishings, and works of art. Our guide interprets this remarkable story during a two-hour walking tour.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Saturday, October 31

**Rome** is called the Eternal City, a term coined by ancient Roman poets, and its 2,500 years of history have proven the name to be true. The birthplace of western civilization, the city remains an important cultural and political centre in the modern world. The Oosterdam docks at Civitavecchia, about 90 km away from Rome, from 7 am to 10 pm (that's the nearest port for cruises). Our guided "Ancient and Classic Rome tour" stops at many famous attractions and lasts 12 hours due to the long drive between port and city. Admissions are included for the **Colosseum**, the largest amphitheatre in the Roman Empire, and the **Forum**, the centre of public life in ancient Rome. Palatine Hill is one of the Seven Hills of Rome, an ancient part of the city, and has been called "the first nucleus of the Roman Empire." Lunch is on your own and a light dinner is included before heading back to the ship.

**Note:** Rome is a very busy city for tourists and there are often long lines to enter attractions which uses up our time there. Entrance tickets go on sale one month prior and our Italian tour company buys them for us, but sometimes all tickets are gone for a day. Patience and flexibility is the key to enjoying Rome at its finest.

**Note:** Due to extreme overcrowding and slow-moving admission lines, the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica are not included today.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Sunday, November 1

**Corsica** is a rugged Mediterranean island with a population of roughly 350,000 people, known for dramatic mountains, crystal-clear seas, and a fiercely independent spirit shaped by centuries of Genoese and French rule. The Oosterdam docks at **Ajaccio**, the island's capital and birthplace of Napoleon Bonaparte. Our half-day tour starts with a walk through Ajaccio past the home of singer and actor **Tino Rossi**, his tomb, the Cathedral, Church of Saint Erasmus, and the Bonaparte house. On the coach, we follow the scenic Sanguinaires Islands road and stop at a wine estate where a passionate winemaker leads a tour and tasting.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Monday, November 2

The ship arrives adjacent to Nice, France at **Villefranche-sur-Mer**, and we ride on tenders to the dock. Our guided seven-hour tour explores highlights of the French Riviera, starting with **Cannes**. We ride a little excursion train for a charming tour through the picturesque old town to the iconic Croisette and the Palais des Festivals. Back towards Nice, we learn about the prestigious Bellet appellation during a visit to **Château de Crémat** which has been a wine-growing estate since Roman times. This includes a tour of the cellars and tastings of several local wines.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Tuesday, November 3

This is a day at sea. Many activities are offered or you may want to take it easy during our last day on the Oosterdam.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Oosterdam

## Wednesday, November 4

We arrive in **Barcelona, Spain**, and bid farewell to the Oosterdam. Barcelona blends ancient history with bold modern creativity. Founded by the Romans, it later flourished as a medieval Mediterranean power. Our guided tour passes Montjuïc viewpoint, Olympic sites, de Gràcia architectural highlights such as Casa Batlló and La Pedrera, Las Ramblas, Sagrada Familia, Parque Guell, and Casa Mila. After lunch, there is a walking tour in the **Gothic Quarter** and a visit to the

Hospital de Sant Pau, the architectural wonder of Lluís Domènech i Montaner.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Accommodation:** Barcelona Center Hotel

### **Thursday, November 5**

We visit **Sagrada Familia**, Antoni Gaudi's extraordinary unfinished church, which has been under construction since 1882 and is renowned for its intricate façades, soaring towers, and unique blend of Gothic and Art Nouveau styles. The afternoon is leisure time. Our farewell dinner is at El Xalet de Montjuïc with a **private musical performance**.

**Meals included:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Accommodation:** Barcelona Center Hotel

### **Friday, November 6**

We fly from Barcelona to Vancouver. Passengers from Vancouver are transferred home and Vancouver Island and BC Interior customers stay overnight.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Fairmont Hotel YVR (BC Interior & Vancouver Island)

### **Saturday, November 7**

Transportation is provided for Interior and Victoria customers to their pickup points.

**Meals included:** Lunch (BC Interior)

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## **PRESIDENT'S CRUISE #9**

Roland and Anne Neave invite you to join them for this fascinating cruise itinerary from Athens to Barcelona.

About once a year, the Neaves choose a cruise route somewhere in the world and host their President's Cruise. Roland founded Wells Gray Tours in 1972 and is the company's President. Previous President's cruises have featured the Eastern Mediterranean, Panama Canal, Norway Fjords, Dubai to Singapore, Sydney to Auckland, four rivers of Europe (Moselle, Rhine, Main, and Danube), Spitzbergen, and Mekong River. Some of these were on ocean ships and some on river vessels.

During this President's Cruise, Roland and Anne will host several receptions and social gatherings. Enjoy a favourite beverage and appetizers along with lots of conversation. Some group dinners will also be arranged. Roland and Anne look forward to renewing old acquaintances or meeting you for the first time.

## **MS OOSTERDAM**

### **Learn More**

Holland America's **MS Oosterdam** made her inaugural cruise in 2003. She was the second of four Vista-class ships launched, preceded by **Zuiderdam** in 2002 and followed by **Westerdam** in 2004 and **Noordam** in 2006. Carrying 1,848 passengers, these ships are Holland America's third largest design, but they still have an intimate feel to them. **Oosterdam**'s gross tonnage is 82,000 and she is 300 metres long. Her 11 decks feature a 900-seat live entertainment theatre, seven lounges, casino, shopping arcade, movie lounge, beauty shop, library, games room, Internet centre, spa, gymnasium, and two swimming pools (one with sliding dome cover). **Oosterdam** has 14 elevators and four of them are glass with panoramic views.

Dining is one of the highlights of a cruise. The elegant two-floor Dining Room serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner with full choice of menu. The Lido Market offers six buffet-style serving stations for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and the 11 pm buffet. The Pinnacle Grill and Canaletto Restaurant offer extraordinary service, reserved seating, and gourmet menus for an extra charge. You can also dine in the privacy of your stateroom by ordering from the complimentary room service menu 24 hours a day.

Staterooms have twin lower beds (some convert to queen-size double), television, music, telephone, and bathroom with toilet, sink and shower or bathtub. A crew of over 800 ensures top-quality service and entertainment. Every day has a full schedule of optional activities: dance class, bridge, bingo, shuffleboard, table-tennis, karaoke, and board games. The movie theatre presents recent films frequently, there is an entertaining live stage show every evening, and musicians are playing in most lounges.

# CRUISE & TOUR NOTES

**Please book early:** Cruises are incredibly popular nowadays. Ships are filling up faster and earlier than they once did, so waiting too long to book usually means "Sorry, wait until another year." Holland America has confirmed a block of staterooms for this cruise and they are normally held until 4 months before sailing (mid-June 2026). However, any unsold staterooms can be taken away from us at any time if the ship or even a category fills. This often occurs on our group cruises, then we must turn away disappointed customers, even though seats are available on the motorcoach. Please don't delay booking this tour.

**Shore excursions included:** On most cruises, shore excursions are a major additional expense during your holiday. For this trip, Wells Gray has arranged a private guided tour at every port: Olympia, Greece; Sarandë, Albania; Valletta, Malta; Messina, Sicily; Naples, Italy; Rome; Ajaccio, Corsica; Villefranche-sur-Mer, France; and Barcelona, Spain. Gratuities to drivers and guides are included. If you are comparing prices, please keep in mind that these nine tours with admissions and some meals are worth about US\$2,000 if booked on the ship.

**Documentation:** A passport is required with an expiry date at least 3 months after you return to Canada. A visa is not required for a Canadian to enter any of the countries on this tour.

**Currency & expenses:** As this tour has been planned and priced 11 months before departure, it is possible that exchange fluctuations between the Canadian dollar and the Euro could affect the fare, in which case you will be notified of the increase or decrease. Your purchases on the ship are charged in US dollars. The Euro is used in all countries visited except Albania which uses the Lek, but Euros are widely accepted in tourist areas. As of January 2026, one Euro costs C\$1.63. You should order Euros from your bank 1-2 weeks before departure, or plan to use ATMs. Credit cards are accepted almost everywhere.

**Gratuities** are included for the local guides and coach drivers for the Wells Gray shore excursions. If you buy a shore excursion on the ship or at the dock, bring cash for gratuities. The standard crew gratuities on board the ship are included, but a gratuity is normally charged extra for your purchases such as drinks or spa. Gratuities to the Wells Gray tour director and Canadian drivers are not included and left to your discretion.

**Flight seating:** We are unable to take requests for window or aisle seating on the planes. The airline will not accept them, as group seating is assigned as a block. If this is important to you, we suggest you take the "No Flight" option with a fare reduction of \$1,500 and book your own flight which allows seat selection. See our [Terms & Conditions](#) for further detail.

**Flight upgrades:** Please enquire about current prices for upgrades on the flights from Vancouver to Athens and return from Barcelona. Premium economy and business class may be available.

**Flight delays or cancellations:** In the event flights are delayed or cancelled by airlines due to weather or other reasons, there may be additional costs to you. Wells Gray Tours will not pay for hotel rooms and meals during the delay. Most travel insurance policies cover expenses incurred for flight delays.

**Food Allergies:** You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy. During the pre-cruise and post-cruise touring and the included shore excursions, some restaurants may not be able to satisfy all food allergies. An allergy causes medical distress, a preference does not. Most food allergies can be handled at meals on the ship, but you may have to order 24 hours in advance. For some allergies, please consider bringing your own snacks or food items so you are not dependent on what restaurants are able to serve

# TOUR POLICIES

**Payments:** A deposit of \$800 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due July 14, 2026. By paying the deposit, you agree to the [Terms & Conditions](#), Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined. Payments can be made by online banking or cheque (3% discount on tour fare), or by Visa or Mastercard.

**Cancellation Policy:** Up to June 12, 2026, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From June 13 to July 14, the cancellation charge is \$300 per person. From July 15 to August 14, the cancellation charge is 40% of the tour fare. From August 15 to September 14, the cancellation charge is 80% of the tour fare. After September 14, there is no refund.

**Itinerary and Fare Changes:** Our many suppliers may notify us about changes to the itinerary prior to departure and sometimes during the tour. We do our best to substitute a similar service if something cancels, but occasionally the only alternative is to provide a refund for the missed activity. Please note that if we are forced to cancel a tour component due to an issue beyond our control, the current penalties still apply if you choose to cancel the entire tour. Fuel surcharges and changes to taxes, currency exchange rates, or other tour costs can occur at any time, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up to departure. Port times are subject to change.

**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. Medical questionnaire is not needed. Please contact us for details. If you have your own travel insurance, please read the policy carefully to be sure that you are adequately covered for medical, cancellation, interruption, and luggage. Please do not travel to Europe or on a ship without medical insurance as a minimum.

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**Experience Points or E-points:** This tour earns 270 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn e-points that are added to your account after the tour returns. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your earned points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until July 14, 2026.

**Consumer Protection BC Licences:** Kamloops 178, Vernon 655, Kelowna 588, Penticton 924, Victoria 65842

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