

BOUNTIFUL THANKSGIVING IN THE OKANAGAN

October 2026



Summerland

Orchards, Wineries & Lakeside Hotels

Soak up the sunshine and warmth of the Okanagan Valley, where you'll discover why this region is one of BC's most celebrated areas for orchards and vineyards. You'll experience the colours and flavours of harvest season, from farm visits to wine and cider tastings, all at a relaxed, enjoyable pace. Highlights include a honey bee farm tour, O'Keefe Ranch, a ride on the Kettle Valley Steam Railway, and a visit to the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre. You'll travel to the Okanagan via the scenic Coquihalla Highway and return through Manning Provincial Park. Enjoy two-night stays at three beautiful waterfront properties: Delta Grand Okanagan Resort, Summerland Waterfront Resort & Spa, and Watermark Beach Resort—all in the quieter fall season.



CANADIAN



ACTIVITY LEVEL

▶ Departure from:

V Vancouver Island: October 9, 2026 - 7 days

L Lower Mainland: October 9, 2026 - 7 days

▶ Fares per person

V from **\$3,555** double/twin, **\$4,370** single*

*Pricing details for all departures provided on page 2.

▶ Early Booking Bonus

\$100 discount on first 12 seats; **\$50** on next 8.

▶ Earn 91 Experience Points



Parsons Farm Market

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

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

- V** **Vancouver Island:** We depart on Friday, October 9, take the ferry from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen, and drive to Kelowna. We drive home from Osoyoos on Thursday, October 15, taking the ferry from Tsawwassen to Swartz Bay.
- Departure from Victoria:** Designated pickup points are offered in the Greater Victoria Area. Home pickups may be offered in the Greater Victoria Area to the first 10 passengers for an additional cost.
- Departure from Up-Island:** There is an additional cost for transportation from/to up-island. We can provide transportation from up-island communities to Victoria on Thursday, October 8. You can organize your own accommodation this evening, or we can book accommodation for you at the Chateau Victoria Hotel at an additional cost. Transportation back to your drop off point up-island can be provided on Thursday, October 15.

- L** **Lower Mainland:** We depart on Friday, October 9 and drive to Kelowna. We drive home from Osoyoos on Thursday, October 15.
- Departure from Vancouver:** Home pickup for passengers in the Greater Vancouver Area may be arranged at the time of booking.
- Departure from Langley, Abbotsford, or Chilliwack:** Designated pickup points are offered.

FARES PER PERSON

Departure Point	Fares per Person	Notes
V Vancouver Island	\$3,555 double/twin \$4,370 single \$3,285 triple	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please add 5% GST.• There is an additional cost to join this tour from up-island.
L Lower Mainland	\$3,570 double/twin \$4,385 single \$3,300 triple	

WHAT'S INCLUDED

▶ Meals

- **12 total:** 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 4 dinners

▶ Transportation

- Coach transportation for 7 days
- **V** 2 Strait of Georgia ferry crossings

▶ Accommodation

- 6 nights of accommodation & hotel taxes
- Luggage handling at most hotels

▶ Gratuities

- Gratuities for local guides & train crew

▶ Knowledgeable Wells Gray tour director

▶ Highlights

- Planet Bee Honey Farm & mead tasting
- O'Keefe Heritage Ranch
- Summerhill Winery tour with wine tasting
- Kettle Valley Steam Train excursion
- Summerland Sweets
- SS *Sicamous* guided tour
- Ikeda Japanese Garden
- Tour of 2 Naramata wineries & a cidery with tastings
- Keremeos Grist Mill tour
- Twisted Hills Craft Cidery
- Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre
- Tour of 2 South Okanagan wineries with tastings
- Parsons Farm Market

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

Activity Level 1

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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. You may need to handle your own luggage at hotels if luggage service is not available.

You may bring a walker or cane to support your mobility. Please let us know when you book if you will be bringing a walker on this tour. The coach 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 40 participants.

ITINERARY

Friday, October 9

We take the Coquihalla Highway to the Okanagan. We stay two nights in Kelowna at the luxurious Delta Grand Okanagan Resort on the shore of Okanagan Lake.

Meals included: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Delta Grand Okanagan Resort

Saturday, October 10

In Vernon, we first go to the **Planet Bee Honey Farm** for a presentation about beekeeping and honey bees with a mead tasting. A visit to **O'Keefe Heritage Ranch** feels like stepping back in time, with historic buildings, costumed interpreters, and a glimpse into 19th century ranch life. Founded in 1867 by Cornelius O'Keefe, the ranch played a key role in the development of the Okanagan region, serving as a stagecoach stop, post office, and cattle operation that helped shape British Columbia's ranching industry. The afternoon is leisure time at the hotel. You may want to stroll through the lakeside park or book a soothing treatment in the spa. Dinner is at **Summerhill Pyramid Winery** along with a tour and wine tasting.

Meals included: Dinner

Accommodation: Delta Grand Okanagan Resort

Sunday, October 11

This morning, it's "all aboard" the **Kettle Valley Steam Train** for a 90-minute journey along a preserved section of the original KVR constructed between 1910 and 1915. Pulled by the restored 1912 steam locomotive "3716", relax as you roll along overlooking the unique beauty of Summerland's orchards and vineyards, and across the lofty Trout Creek Bridge. Lunch is at Zia's in Summerland, formerly a historic stone house. Afterwards, we stop at **Summerland Sweets** which started as a candy store in 1962 and now makes and sells pancake syrups, gourmet jams, nut brittles, and many gift packages. Another

beautiful lakeside hotel is waiting tonight. Happy Thanksgiving! A traditional Thanksgiving dinner is arranged at the hotel.

Meals included: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Summerland Waterfront Resort

Monday, October 12

In Penticton, we take a guided tour of the **SS Sicamous**, the paddlewheeler which plied Okanagan Lake from 1914 to 1936. Launched by the CPR, she carried passengers and freight every day except Sunday with 14 stops between Penticton and Okanagan Landing near Vernon. Next we stroll around the **Ikeda Japanese Garden** with the benefit of a volunteer guide. Penticton has been a sister city with Ikeda, Japan, since 1977 and this garden commemorates the long relationship. In the afternoon, a local wine expert joins us while we travel to **two Naramata wineries** and a cidery to sample their offerings. The wine business has exploded in the last decade and the Okanagan now boasts over 200 vintners who produce superb wines that compete well on the world market.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Summerland Waterfront Resort

Tuesday, October 13

We travel to Keremeos and tour the **Grist Mill**. This provincial historic site consists of the mill, built in 1877 and still powered by a waterwheel, the original milling machinery, and a historic general store. Nearby is Twisted Hills Craft Cidery, a unique facility in the Similkameen Valley because they grow organic apple varieties specifically for the use of cider. After crossing Richter Pass, we arrive in Osoyoos and stay two nights at the splendid Watermark Beach Resort on the sandy shore of **Osoyoos Lake**. The Resort has an excellent location downtown with many shops nearby.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Watermark Beach Resort

Wednesday, October 14

The spectacular **Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre** in Osoyoos is an architectural marvel sensitively constructed into a hillside. Extensive indoor and outdoor exhibit galleries create a fun, interactive learning environment with hands-on displays, education stations, and two multi-media theatre shows. Listen to the fascinating stories of Canada's only true desert and the Syilx Peoples of the Okanagan Nation. Afterwards, we take a drive up Highway #3 to the **Anarchist Mountain Lookout** for a panoramic view across the southern Okanagan Valley. A tour of **two South Okanagan wineries** with tastings is arranged in the afternoon.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Watermark Beach Resort

Thursday, October 15

We leave the Okanagan Valley, making a stop at Parsons Farm Market to pick up some fresh fruit and vegetables for home. Then we follow scenic Highway #3 through **Manning Park** and the Cascade Range. After lunch in Hope, we travel home.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch



SS Sicamous

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$300 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due July 7, 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.

Early Booking Bonus: Receive a \$100 discount on the first 12 seats and \$50 on the next 8 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after July 7, 2026.

BC Seniors (65 & over): \$17 discount offered by BC Ferries for Vancouver Island customers. Please bring your BC Services Card on the tour.

Cancellation Policy: Up to June 8, 2026, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From June 9 to July 7, the cancellation charge is \$200 per person. From July 8 to August 7, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After August 7, 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 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.

Food Allergies: You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy. An allergy causes medical distress, a preference does not. For some allergies, please consider bringing your own snacks or food items so you are not dependent on what restaurants are able to serve.

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. This tour stays in British Columbia. While your BC Services Card may cover you for a medical issue that arises during the tour, you will probably benefit from trip cancellation and trip interruption coverage in case of illness or a mishap before or during the tour. Many other benefits such as luggage insurance are included. 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 cancellation, interruption, and luggage.

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Experience Points or E-points: This tour earns 91 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 7, 2026.

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