

MYSTERY TOUR

September 2026

WELLS GRAY TOURS
a world to experience



This is Wells Gray Tours' 64th Mystery Tour since 1985 and the 41st year. The first Mystery Tour was only three days and travelled to Whistler. During these 41 years of Mystery Tours, they 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 a train, or you look at your boarding pass for the flight destination, or you arrive at a unique hotel. This fall Mystery Tour was an idea that came to Rachel Komori while taking appointments from tourism organizations at the National Tour Association convention in November 2025 and she figured it would be a really interesting Mystery. You will travel by planes, a motorcoach, and a boat. Add some Canadian themed museums, two cultural experiences, a venerable hotel, and a famous place for aviation to get a very special tour experience. Enough hints for now!



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ACTIVITY LEVEL

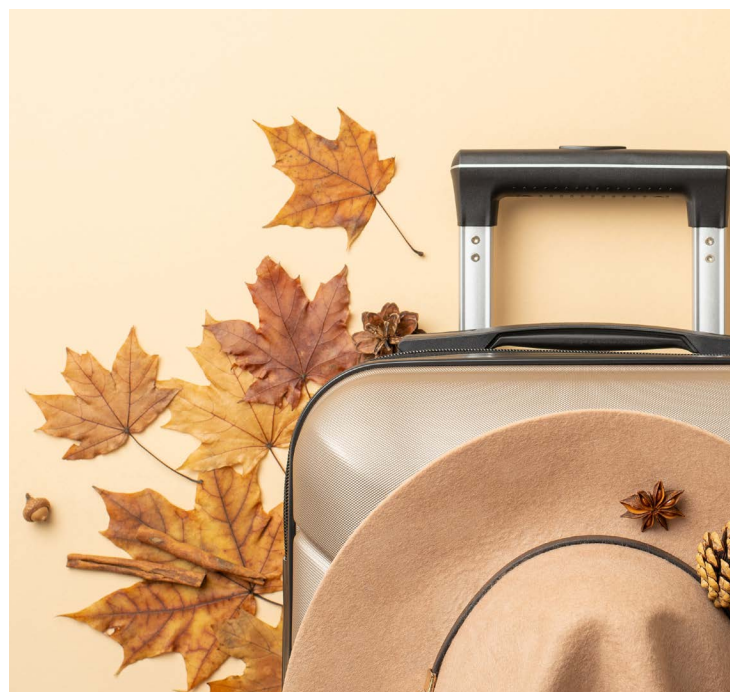
► Departure from:

- ❶ **BC Interior:** September 9, 2026 – 8 days
- ❷ **Vancouver Island:** September 9, 2026 – 8 days
- ❸ **Lower Mainland:** September 9, 2026 – 8 days

► Fares per person

- ❶ from **\$4,145** double/twin, **\$4,915** single*
- *Pricing details for all departures provided on page 2.*

► Earn 105 Experience Points



DEPARTURE INFORMATION

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

I BC Interior: We depart on Wednesday, September 9 and return on Wednesday, September 16. Transportation is arranged from your pickup location on the day of departure, and back again when we return.

V Vancouver Island: We depart on Wednesday, September 9 and return on Wednesday, September 16.

Departure from Victoria: For passengers in the Greater Victoria Area, transportation is provided from your pickup point on the day of departure and back when we return. Home pickup may be offered in the Greater Victoria Area depending on the number of people booked and coach size. The decision is made about 2 weeks before departure and you will be contacted about your pickup point and time.

Departure from Up-island: Transportation to/from Nanaimo or Comox Airport is not provided. While we always prioritize convenient connections for our clients, sometimes it is not possible given the airline schedule and availability. Please request departure from Nanaimo or Comox at the time of booking.

L Lower Mainland: We depart on Wednesday, September 9 and return on Wednesday, September 16.

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

Chilliwack, Abbotsford, and Langley passengers: No transportation is provided to/from the departure airport from these locations. Please inquire for further information when booking.

FARES PER PERSON

	Departure Point	Fares per Person	Notes
I	BC Interior	\$4,145 double/twin \$4,915 single \$3,935 triple	
V	Vancouver Island	\$4,245 double/twin \$5,015 single \$4,035 triple	• Please add 5% GST.
L	Lower Mainland	\$4,195 double/twin \$4,965 single \$3,985 triple	

SPECIFIC MYSTERY TOUR CLUES

Here are six clues to the mystery route. These clues are arranged in the order that they occur on the itinerary. Pore over maps, use the Internet, try a search engine (we've already checked that the answers are not obvious) and, most important, have fun guessing where we're going!

1. The stone people mingle along colourful waters near two famous Canadian streets.
2. The walls of this Gibraltar stronghold hosted traders and beavers, but its replacement hosted only the elite.
3. Powerful engines rest in polished silence while stories of courage lift off without ever leaving the ground.
4. Winged travellers relax on a bed tied between the oaks overlooking still waters.
5. A Prime Minister's namesake created an enduring legend while Icelandic spectators were awed by silent wings interrupting their games.
6. Stand by the shores of the A & W lakes, but one of them no longer exists and the other has no burgers for sale.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

▶ Meals

- **13 total:** 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 4 dinners

▶ Transportation

- Coach transportation for 7 days
- Transfers to & from Canadian airports (offered in the BC Interior, Greater Vancouver, or Greater Victoria Area)
- Flights to & from somewhere
- Current air transport taxes & security fees
- 1 checked bag per person

▶ Accommodation

- 7 nights of accommodation & taxes
- Luggage handling at most hotels

▶ Highlights

- Lots of attractions & a boat trip

▶ Most gratuities

▶ Knowledgeable Wells Gray tour director who knows where you are going

TOUR NOTES (being careful not to reveal anything about the destination)

- A passport is not required for this tour, but you must have government-issued photo ID for the flights.
- Wells Gray Tours has never previously offered this itinerary and never stayed at these hotels.
- You will travel by airplanes, a motorcoach, and a boat.
- A letter about suggested attire plus packing and travelling tips will be provided at final payment.
- Please submit your answer to Clue #1 a week before departure. Send to the office or travel agency where you booked.



Guests enjoying dinner on the 2025 Fall Mystery Tour

MORE ABOUT MYSTERY TOURS

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The last Mystery Tour group, in October 2025, flew to Hamilton, then visited Manitoulin Island and Sudbury, rode the train to White River with colourful fall foliage, and flew home from Thunder Bay. Of course, we can't tell you yet where the spring 2026 Mystery Tour went because it is still a future tour until May.

That is the intrigue of Mystery Tours! 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 a train, or you look at your flight boarding pass to see where you are going to land, or you arrive at a unique hotel. Each day of the tour has surprises, as the mystery route is revealed only as we travel along from day to day. However, we can promise you that our route or destination has interesting sights and unusual experiences; the fall 2026 Mystery Tour is an all-new itinerary for Wells Gray. Some Mystery Tours are offered in subsequent years as a regular tour.

Wells Gray Tours has been a pioneer in offering Mystery Tours in British Columbia. Among the 400 or so tour operators in North America, only a handful offer multi-day mystery itineraries like ours. Please join us for Mystery Tour #64! Some exciting surprises are waiting for you.



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 and can climb two flights of stairs without assistance. Please be aware that on tours with flights you must handle your own luggage and walk longer distances in airports. You may need to carry your own luggage at a hotel if luggage service is not available.

You may bring a cane or walking poles if needed, but a walker is not appropriate. 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.



Tour Size 40

This tour is limited to 40 participants.

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$500 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due June 25, 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 May 25, 2026, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From May 26 to June 25, the cancellation charge is \$300 per person. From June 26 to July 24, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. From July 25 to August 7, the cancellation charge is 80% of the tour fare. After August 7, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore, we reserve the right to increase fares due to such changes up until the time of departure. The itinerary could change before or during the tour, but since this is a Mystery Tour, you won't know if we had to change something!

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.

Flight upgrades: Please enquire about current prices for upgrades on the flights. 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. Check that your travel insurance policy has a flight delay benefit because that is usually your best recourse for recouping additional flight or hotel costs.

Food Allergies: You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy. Some restaurants

may not be able to satisfy all food allergies. 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 Canada, but medical costs can vary wildly from one province/territory to another. While your BC Services Card may partly 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 medical, cancellation, interruption, and luggage.

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Experience Points or E-points: This tour earns 105 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 June 25, 2026.

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