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The Experience Quarterly

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GREETINGS FRIENDS

Welcome to the summer edition of the Wells Gray Tours Experience Quarterly. Summer is here and even though the BBQs and lake activities are beckoning, we are hard at work planning fun Christmas, winter and spring tours. Remember these tours do tend to sell out quickly so even though it may seem a long way away it is a good time to start thinking about your holiday travel plans.

The Wells Gray Team

Wells Gray Tours Fall Destination Travel Shows

Finalizing our 2015 international destinations are also well underway and we are excited to share what's coming up with you. Join Wells Gray Tours for a multimedia presentation of upcoming tours, cruises and international destinations.

Kamloops

Tuesday, October 28
1:30 to 3:30
St Andrews Presbyterian
Church
1136 6th Ave
Kamloops, BC

Kelowna

Wednesday, October 29
1:30 to 3:30
Christ Evangelical
Lutheran Church
2091 Gordon Drive
Kelowna, BC

Vernon

Thursday, October 30
1:30 to 3:30
Village Green Hotel
4801 27th Street
Vernon, BC

Penticton

Tuesday, November 4
1:30 to 3:30
Days Inn Penticton River-
side Conference Centre
152 Riverside Rd.
Penticton, BC

Salmon Arm

Wednesday, November 5
2:00 to 4:00
Comfort Inn
1090 22nd Street NE
Salmon Arm, BC
In Partnership with Marlin Travel

Full tour itineraries can be found online at www.wellsgraytours.com or at your local office.

- *All tours include coach and/or air transportation, accommodation, knowledgeable tour director, and luggage handling, unless otherwise indicated.*
- *Tours depart from Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Vernon, Kelowna and Penticton and communities between. Depending on the individual tour routing and number of people in a location, additional pick up points may be available or added.*
- *Refer to each individual tour brochure for payment and cancellation policies.*
- *GST charged where applicable.*
- *Single and triple fares are available on most tours.*
- *Travel Wholesaler License: Kamloops 178, Vernon 655, Kelowna 588, Penticton 924*



E-Newsletter

Sign up for our monthly E-Newsletter to get access to newly released tours, travel tidbits and information on upcoming events. All we need is your email address, so call your local office today or visit us online at www.wellsgraytours.com and click "Receive Tour & News Updates".

Stay Informed

Wells Gray Tours provides tour policies on every tour itinerary. This information varies slightly for each tour and addresses specific items pertaining to each tour such as; payments, discounts, cancellation policies, fare changes, insurance and activity levels. Please be sure to read this area carefully and call your local office with any questions. We want your tour experience to be exceptional from the moment you book.

OFFICE HOURS

Kamloops 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Vernon 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Kelowna 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Penticton 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Closed holidays & weekends

SUMMER & FALL TOURS STILL AVAILABLE!



TWEEDSMUIR PARK & BELLA COOLA

8 Days — July 22, 2014

\$2190 pp double

The Bella Coola Valley is a gem in the pocket of British Columbia. Remote, beautiful and inspiring, this lush valley is in such contrast to the sweeping grasslands of the Chilcotin Plateau.

BARKERVILLE & SUN PEAKS RESORT

5 Days — July 23, 2014

\$745 pp double

Enjoy the warmth of the BC Interior summer with an ideal combination of exploring the historic gold rush trail and relaxing in luxurious mountain resort comfort. Barkerville just celebrated its 150th anniversary, and the restored town is still bringing joy to visitors young and old. Sun Peaks is one of BC's best four-season resorts, with summer welcoming outdoor adventurers and holiday-seekers alike. Relax at Nancy Greene's Cahilty Lodge, ideally located in the centre of all the shops and restaurants of this come-of-age resort town. Ride the chairlift high onto Tod Mountain and admire the fabulous display of colourful alpine blossoms.

STEWART & STIKINE

13 Days — August 8, 2014

\$2935 pp double

Embark with us on our Northern British Columbia adventure. We travel along the world-famous Alaska Highway which was built in 1942 in just eight months, and enjoy scenic views all the way to Dease Lake. Here board a float plane or a helicopter for a thrilling flight into the wilderness of Mount Edziza or Stikine River Provincial Parks. We also visit Canada's most northerly ice-free port, Stewart. This tour has a variety of natural wonders making this a spectacular getaway.



BHUTAN & NORTHERN INDIA

24 Days — October 1, 2014

\$9695 pp double



FALL TOURS IN BC

CRUISING THE LOWER FRASER RIVER

5 Days — September 7, 2014

\$1280 pp double

discounts up to **\$70** pp

During three cruises, this tour explores the last 130 km of the Fraser from its confluence with the Harrison River to its mouth at Steveston. The first is a nature-oriented trip from Mission to the historic Kilby Store at Harrison Mills viewing bird and animal life with the benefit of an expert naturalist. The second cruise is on board the MV Native, an authentic replica of a Paddlewheeler, from Fort Langley to New Westminster, passing under four bridges. A second charter excursion on the Native continues downstream into the Strait of Georgia. All three cruises are unique experiences because they are available only to tour groups.

THANKSGIVING AT TSA-KWA-LUTEN LODGE

6 Days — October 10, 2014

\$1215 pp double

Happy Thanksgiving! Join Wells Gray Tours for a relaxing 2 night stay on Quadra Island at the magnificent Tsa-kwa-luten Lodge. The lodge was built by the Kwagiutl people and its vast lobby resembles a traditional "Big House" with massive timbers, a soaring cathedral ceiling and huge windows overlooking Discovery Passage.

At a glance...

- Day 1-2 Chemainus
 - >Best Western
- Day 3-4 Quadra Island
 - >Tsa-kwa-luten Lodge
- Day 5 Richmond, BC
 - >Fairmont, YVR

Highlights...

- > Visit the Pacific Northwest Raptor Centre, and marvel at the Birds of Prey flying demonstration featuring falcons, eagles, owls, and hawks
- > Tour of Hilary's Artisan Cheese
- > Ticket to *Over the River and Through the Woods at Chemainus Theatre*
- > Tour of Quadra Island, and visit to the Nuyumbalees Cultural Centre
- > **11 meals included**

JASPER PARK LODGE SENIOR FALL GETAWAY

5 Days — October 13, 2014

\$1095 pp double

discounts up to **\$30** pp

Celebrate beauty and friendship in the majesty of the Canadian Rockies. Each fall, the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge invites seniors to head out to the mountains for fresh air, fall foliage, and tons of fun. Delicious food, classic entertainment and a multitude of activities make for a great getaway.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Lake Louise
 - >Lake Louise Inn
- Day 2-4 Jasper
 - >Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

Highlights...

- > Overnight at the resort town of Lake Louise
- > Scenic drive along Icefields Parkway to Jasper, with stops at Athabasca Falls and Columbia Icefields
- > 3 nights at the splendid Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge
- > Welcome Reception and activity sign-up
- > 2 full days of chosen activities such as wellness activities, learning opportunities, art classes and a history tour
- > Farewell gala with musical entertainment and dinner in the Beauvert Dining Room
- > **11 meals included**

USA DESTINATIONS

SAN JUAN ISLANDS CRUISE 5 Days — September 8, 2014

from **\$1395** pp double

Board the 60-foot, 38 passenger vessel, *Viking Star*, for a cruise through the San Juan Islands. Spend 3 days cruising while searching for wildlife including Orca and Minke whales. Includes walking tours of Roche Harbor and Sucia Island State Park, a visit to Rosario Estate with an organ demo, and an old fashioned Cracked Crab Feast lunch. Note: This tour is limited to 30 people for extra comfort on the *Viking Star*. Early booking is recommended.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Bellingham
> Silver Reef Hotel & Casino
- Day 2-3 Friday Harbor
> Earthbox Inn and Spa
- Day 4 Bellingham
> Silver Reef Hotel & Casino

Highlights...

- > 3 days of cruising on the *Viking Star*, past Burrows Island lighthouse, Iceberg Point, Deadman's Island, and Cattle Pass
- > Stop at historic Roche Harbor with guided tour
- > Old fashioned Cracked Crab Feast lunch
- > Visit the famous Rosario Estate on Orcas Island and meet Christopher Peacock, accomplished musician and author
- > Visit unique horseshoe shaped Sucia Island State Park, and enjoy a picnic lunch
- > **10 meals included**

OREGON COAST 7 Days — September 15, 2014

\$1355 pp double

Experience the famous Oregon Coast. Oregon's nearly 400 miles of pristine coastline is made up of diverse terrain that changes from rugged cliffs and lush evergreen forests to sand dunes and boundless beaches. Join Wells Gray Tours to explore the Oregon Coast between Lincoln City and Florence along Highway 101. Visit icons such as Yaquina Head Lighthouse, the Sea Lion Caves, the Oregon Coast Aquarium, and Old Town Florence. This tour has plenty of variety from oceans to rivers to mountains. Have dinner in the Oregon Coast Aquarium surrounded by marine life. Walk across a covered bridge near Albany, and cruise the Columbia River on a sternwheeler.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Renton, WA
> Quality Inn
- Day 2-4 Newport, OR
> Elizabeth Street Inn
- Day 5 Albany, OR
> Oregon Garden Resort
- Day 6 Union Gap, WA
> Best Western
Ahtanum Inn

Highlights...

- > Stop at the Evergreen Aviation Museum & Spruce Goose
- > Tour Yaquina Head Lighthouse
- > Two-hour sea-life cruise aboard the MV Discovery
- > Visit the Oregon Coast Aquarium, and enjoy a private dinner among the aquarium tanks
- > Explore Cape Perpetua and take an elevator down into the world's largest Sea Lion Caves
- > An exciting adventure on Giant Dune Buggies at the Oregon Dunes
- > Bonfire on the beach with tasty smores
- > Walk across the Larwood Covered bridge
- > Cruise the Columbia River on the Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler
- > **12 meals included**

COLOURFUL CANYONLANDS

16 Days — October 8, 2014

\$3540 pp double

discounts up to **\$200** pp

From the soaring spires of Monument Valley to the hidden cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde, from the depths of the Colorado River canyons to the sweeping vistas of Arches Park, this tour has an amazing variety of natural wonders. The fall foliage, the brilliant red and orange cliffs of southern Utah, and the multitude of hues in the Grand Canyon all combine to create this kaleidoscope of colour. We visit nine national parks or monuments.

At a glance...

Day 1	Spokane, WA >Red Lion Hotel
Day 2	Butte, MT >Butte Plaza Inn
Day 3-4	Salt Lake City, UT >Red Lion Hotel
Day 5-6	Moab, UT >La Quinta Inn
Day 7	Cortez, CO >Holiday Inn Express
Day 8-9	Kayenta, AZ >Monument Valley Inn
Day 10	Lake Powell, CO >Lake Powell Resort
Day 11-12	Zion, UT >Majestic View Lodge
Day 13	Bryce Canyon, UT >Best Western's Ruby's Inn
Day 14-15	Las Vegas, NV >Tropicana Hotel & Casino

Highlights...

- > Locally guided tour of Salt Lake City, and the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir of over 360 members
- > Arches National Park, featuring the world's finest collection of natural rock arches
- > Jetboat tour of Colorado River canyons
- > Tour the Mesa Verde National Park, America's best-preserved cliff dwellings which date from the 13th century
- > Visit Canyon de Chelly National Monument, one of the least known parks in the west
- > 3-hour cruise on Lake Powell, through the incredible 600-foot high cliffs of Navajo Canyon, and the 50/50 Wall
- > Enjoy the Imax film *Zion Canyon: Treasure of the Gods*
- > Explore Bryce Canyon, a fairyland of colourful pinnacles, spires and natural bridges
- > 2 nights in Las Vegas
- > **21 meals included**

BRANSON

10 Days — October 27, 2014

\$3240 pp double

The entertainment in Branson, Missouri is non-stop, filled with music, laughter and legends of the stage. Bring your sense of fun and excitement to experience 13 musical shows including Daniel O'Donnell's annual performance in Branson.

At a glance...

Day 1	Renton, WA > Quality Inn
Day 2	Kansas City, MO >Drury Inn
Day 3-8	Branson, MO > Radisson Hotel
Day 9	Renton, WA > Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > *Down Home Country Show* and *Pierce Arrow* quartet
- > Locally guided sightseeing tour of Branson
- > Evening performance by the *Rankin Brothers*
- > *The Texas Tenors*, and *Dublin's Irish Tenor & Celtic Ladies*
- > Titanic Exhibit containing hundreds of the ship's artifacts
- > *Daniel O'Donnell*, Irish born singer and entertainer
- > *Acrobats of China*, of the New Shanghai Circus
- > Magical musical *Christmas Wonderland*
- > *Mel Tillis* with his band, *The Statesiders*
- > Lunch cruise and show on the Showboat Branson Belle
- > **18 meals included**

**5 Seats
Left!**

TEXAS WINTER ESCAPE

31 Days — January 27, 2015

\$TBA

Texas is a wonderful winter escape for Canadians, featuring a variety of scenery, intriguing history, exciting cities and delightful cuisine. It is the second-largest U.S. state by both area and population. The name means "friends" or "allies" in the local native language. Texas is bordered by Mexico to the south, New Mexico to the west, Oklahoma to the north, and Louisiana to the east. Texas has an area of 268,820 square miles and a population of 25.1 million residents. So, don your cowboy hat and boots and join us to discover the stories of the settlement of the west and the fascinating characters who built this land. They are stories of determination and hardship, laughter and music, fellowship and community. Yee-haw!

At a glance...

Day 1	Pasco, WA
Day 2	Boise, ID
Day 3	Salt Lake City, UT
Day 4	Moab, UT
Day 5-6	Albuquerque, NM
Day 7	Roswell, NM
Day 8	Fort Stockton, TX
Day 9-11	San Antonio, TX
Day 12-15	Port Aransas, TX
Day 16-19	South Padre Island, TX
Day 20-21	Kerrville, TX
Day 22-23	Alpine, TX
Day 24-25	Tucson, AZ
Day 26	Lake Havasu, AZ
Day 27	Visalia, CA
Day 28	Redding, CA
Day 29	Eugene, OR
Day 30	Lynnwood, WA

Highlights...

- > Visit the Historic Oregon Trail, which offers living history, demonstrations, interpretive programs
- > Overnight in Salt Lake City, and hear the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir of over 360 members
- > Arches National Park, featuring the world's finest collection of natural rock arches
- > Trip to Santa Fe and Palace of Governors
- > Visit the New Mexico Museum of Natural History; Old Town Roswell, and the UFO Museum
- > Carlsbad Caverns
- > Spend 3 nights in the lively city of San Antonio
- > Stroll through the beautiful Alamo
- > Visit the coastal city of Corpus Christi
- > Step-on guide tour around Corpus Christi and stop at USS Lexington
- > Enjoy the Texas Aquarium, and Museum of Science & History
- > Tour of King Ranch, Klement's Grove, and Forever Living Aloe Plantation
- > Locally guided tour of Big Bend National Park
- > Board the Amtrak train and ride from Alpine to Tucson
- > Spend a day in Lake Havasu, site of famous London Bridge

2014 & 2015 CRUISE DESTINATIONS

CALIFORNIA COASTAL CRUISE

12 Days — September 21, 2014

from **\$2115** pp double

This cruise visits four ports in California (San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Avalon on Catalina Island and Los Angeles) plus Victoria. During this cruise, 4-hour sightseeing tours with local expert guides are included in San Francisco and Los Angeles. The Grand Princess made her inaugural cruise in 1998. She is the sister ship to the Star Princess and Golden Princess. The Grand Princess carries 2,600 passengers and was once ranked among the largest ships at sea. Even with her grandeur, she still has an intimate feel with her cozy public spaces.



HAWAII CRUISE

18 Days — September 18, 2014

from **\$3880** pp double

This cruise on *MS Zaandam* features 10 days at sea and five days visiting four ports in the Hawaiian Islands and Victoria. The cruise is most likely to appeal to people who enjoy lots of time on the ship, many relaxing days at sea, good books or movies, and shipboard activities or entertainment. The four ports are: Honolulu on Oahu, Hilo on Hawaii (The Big Island), Lahaina on Maui, and Nawiliwili on Kauai.

At a glance...

Day 1 Richmond, BC
> Fairmont YVR Hotel
Day 2-17 *MS Zaandam*

Highlights...

- > 16 days and nights on board the *MS Zaandam*
- > Reservation in the elegant Pinnacle Grill on board the ship
- > Locally-guided tour of Oahu, including Waikiki Beach, Diamond Head, Pearl Harbour and the USS Arizona Memorial
- > Tour the Big Island, and visit Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, the Akatsuka Orchid Nursery, and Rainbow Falls
- > Guided tour through Paniolo (Hawaiian cowboy) country at the port of Lahaina on Maui's west coast, and drive to crater of Haleakala Volcano
- > Full day in Kauai with a locally guided tour of Waimea Canyon which is 10 miles long, and 3,000 feet deep
- > Enjoy a boat ride along the Wailua River to Fern Grotto
- > Cruise along the rugged Na Pali Coast of Kauai
- > **48 meals included**



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* NOTE FOR ALL CRUISES *

Early booking is essential. Unsold staterooms are taken away when the ships get close to being full.



VANCOUVER TO SKAGWAY CRUISE & WHITEHORSE

7 Days — August 2, 2014

from **\$1265** pp double

Drive to Vancouver and board the *MS Zuiderdam*. Sail for 3 days through Inside Passage, with a day in Juneau. Arrive in Skagway where we board the White Pass train for a journey to Whitehorse. Here enjoy a performance by the Frantic Follies, and sights such as the SS Klondike, Museum of transportation and Beringia Centre. End this tour by flying home.

WEST COAST CRUISE & RAIL

13 Days — September 23, 2014



from **\$2590** pp double

Enjoy 3 nights on Holland America's *MS Volendam* before docking in Los Angeles. A 5 hour tour of the City of Angels with a local guide is included. Our next adventure is the Amtrak train for an eight-hour journey along the California coast and the Salinas Valley. We also visit the famed Monterey Bay Aquarium and the numerous shops in Cannery Row. This tour also includes the Roaring Camp Railroad, a 1¼ hour excursion pulled by an 1890 steam locomotive through a grove of redwoods; the Napa Valley Wine Train, a second Amtrak excursion over the Cascade Range, and a ride on the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.

TRANS-ATLANTIC CRUISE TO SPAIN

21 Days — April 5, 2015

from **\$5540** pp double
discounts up to **\$125** pp

This cruise features 8 days at sea and five days visiting ports in the Azores, Gibraltar, Island of Mallorca and Spain, plus the port of disembarkation, Barcelona. The cruise is most likely to appeal to people who enjoy lots of time on the ship, many relaxing days at sea, good books or movies, and shipboard activities or entertainment. The ports are: Horta in the Azores, Gibraltar at the entrance to the Mediterranean, Malaga with a tour to the fabulous Alhambra Palace, Alicante, Palma on the Island of Mallorca, and Barcelona where we stay two nights before flying home.

At a glance...

Day 1	Renton > Quality Inn
Day 2-3	Fort Lauderdale > Hotel TBA
Day 4-17	<i>Nieuw Amsterdam</i>
Day 18-19	Barcelona > Hotel HCC St. Moritz
Day 20	Richmond, BC > Fairmont YVR Hotel

Highlights...

- > 14 days and nights on board the *Nieuw Amsterdam*
- > Reservation in the elegant Pinnacle Grill on board the ship
- > Locally guided tour in Gibraltar
- > Tour of Grenada, the awe-inspiring Alhambra Palace, and the spectacular Generalife Gardens
- > Full day and guided tour in Alicante, visit the Castle of Santa Barbara, the promenade Explanada de Espana, Barrio de la Santa Cruz and the 14th century Basilica of Santa Maria
- > Half-day tour of the mountainous island of Mallorca
- > 2 full days in Barcelona, including a city tour with a local guide
- > Visit the Cathedral, the Columbus Monument, and Pueblo Español (Spanish Village)
- > Stroll down Las Ramblas which cuts through the heart of the city centre and is a vibrant and lively promenade filled with Barcelona action at its best
- > Visit the Picasso Museum, and tour two homes designed by Antoni Gaudi
- > **50 meals included**



Facebook Photo Contest

Every year we plan incredible trips to show you the world. Now we want to see the world through your eyes. Send us your favourite shot from your Wells Gray Tours adventure and we'll enter it in our Facebook Photo Contest. You could win a \$300 Travel Voucher! Contest closes December 31, 2014.

What we're looking for: Pictures you've taken while travelling with Wells Gray Tours that show your exceptional experiences. Action photos, close-ups, destinations, people, places, nature or culture – give us your best shot!

How to enter: Submit your photo by email to kerrie@wellsgraytours.com. Include your name, names of people appearing in photo, date, destination and tour. There is no limit on the number of entries per person.

How to win: Photos appear in the Wells Gray Tours Facebook page photo album titled "Photo Contest 2014". The picture with the most "Likes" will win – get your friends to "Like" your picture on Facebook!

Enter your photo today!



PRIZES

- 1st Place - \$300 Travel Voucher
- 2nd Place - \$100 Travel Voucher
- 3rd Place - \$50 Travel Voucher

Visit our Facebook page or our website for official contest rules & deadlines.

NORWAY FJORDS PRESIDENT'S CRUISE

22 Days — July 1, 2015

from **\$8655** pp double
discounts up to **\$150** pp

Roland and Anne Neave invite you to join them for this Norway Fjords Cruise, the Third Annual President's Cruise. 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. The first President's Cruise went to the Eastern Mediterranean in 2013 and the second through the Panama Canal in 2014. During the Norway cruise, Roland and Anne will host several receptions and social events. They look forward to renewing old acquaintances or meeting you for the first time.

At a glance...

Day 1	Overnight flight to London
Day 2-3	Ipswich, England >Claydon Country House
Day 4-17	<i>Ryndam</i>
Day 18-20	London >Cophthorne Tara Hotel
Day 21	Richmond, BC > Fairmont YVR Hotel

Highlights...

- > Spend 2 days with a local guide in the Cambridge and Anglia areas of England, visit Cambridge University, Kings College Chapel, and tour the home of artist Thomas Gainsborough
- > Explore Lavenham, England's best preserved medieval village, with admission to the Guildhall
- > 14 days of luxury aboard Holland America's *Ryndam*
- > Reservation in the elegant Pinnacle Grill on board the ship
- > Wells Gray President's receptions on the ship
- > Three-hour sightseeing tour in Ålesund, voted the most beautiful town in Norway
- > Visit Trondheim, Norway's original capital during the Viking Age, including a tour of Nidaros Cathedral
- > Scenic cruising through Trondheimsfjord, Norway's third longest at 81 miles
- > Full day in Tromsø, the largest city in northern Norway including a sightseeing tour with a local guide
- > 6 hour coach tour from Honningsvåg to Nordkapphallen or the famous North Cape
- > Enjoy a locally guided tour in the beautiful town of Molde nicknamed the "Town of Roses"
- > Tour through Geiranger which has been named the best travel destination in Scandinavia by Lonely Planet
- > Board the renowned Flåmsbana Train which climbs nearly 3,000 feet in 13 miles to Myrdal
- > Full day with guided tour in the charming city of Bergen
- > Three days in London with tour past the famous landmarks of London: Buckingham Palace, Tower of London, Big Ben, Houses of Parliament, and Westminster Abbey
- > Admission included to Thames River cruise, the London Eye, Tower of London and Windsor Castle.
- > **55 meals included**



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COMING SOON 2015!

Southern Caribbean Cruise on *Noordam* - February
Ireland - June
Coast to Coast by Train - June

Ask for your detailed itinerary !

2014 PRE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S TOURS

AMERICAN THANKSGIVING

November 27 4 days \$885 pp double

American Thanksgiving typically signals the start of the festive season, and our celebratory tour to Spokane is no different. The Davenport Hotel will be decked out in spectacular fashion for Christmas, making an already stunning property even more special. The day after Thanksgiving is "The Biggest Shopping Day" in the USA and we visit Spokane Valley Mall to check out the bargains. For those more interested in the charms of the region, this vacation features an historic tour of Davenport Hotel, dinner at the Steam Plant Grill, a cruise on Lake Coeur D'Alene, a local city tour and visits to Saint John's Cathedral and the Conservatory. One show, *A Christmas Carol: The Musical*, is included and you can choose an option to see *How the Grinch Stole Christmas: The Musical*. Enjoy!

LEAVENWORTH CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

December 1 4 days \$695 pp double

The beauty of the Christmas season joins with a quaint Bavarian theme to create a magical experience in Leavenworth. Browse the shops, savour the pastries, and enjoy the entertainment. All the buildings are decorated and adorned with lights, so in the evening the town seems like a fairyland setting. Note that we are scheduled to be in Leavenworth on a weekday when the town is not as crowded as on the famed Saturday light up days. This tour stays at the Enzian Inn, located across from Leavenworth's town square and is convenient to the shops. Highlights include a Christmas concert by Leavenworth's acclaimed harpist Bronn Journey, and the magical musical, *Mary Poppins*.

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NEW YEAR'S ON CATALINA ISLAND

December 29 9 days \$2730 pp double

For New Year's 2014, Wells Gray Tours is offering a unique event on Santa Catalina Island off the coast of California. We fly to Los Angeles and ride the 1-hour fast ferry to Catalina Island. The Wrigley Gum Company bought the island in 1919 and has carefully controlled its development for the past century. In 1975, 88% of the island was deeded to the Catalina Island Conservancy, founded by the Wrigley's, and it still protects the island today. About 3,700 people live on Catalina, almost all in the island's only town, Avalon. Its cobblestone streets are narrow, quaint and winding. This tour stays 4 nights at the waterfront Pavilion Hotel in Avalon. Activities include a drive to the island's interior, a culinary walking tour, the Wrigley Botanical Gardens, and a tour of the Art-Deco Casino built in 1929 (this was not a casino for gambling; the name is from the Italian language meaning "gathering place"). For New Year's Eve, we attend the gala at the Casino and relive olden days when 6,000 people gathered in its ballroom for the dances.

NEW YEAR'S IN VANCOUVER

December 31 3 days \$590 pp double

Start the new year right with two shows and a birds eye view of our nation. Our accommodation for two nights is at the Century Plaza Hotel, located downtown on Burrard Street, two blocks from the shopping mecca of Robson street. On this tour we visit Fly Over Canada for a coast to coast breathtaking aerial journey through the latest in virtual flight ride technology. Then on New Year's Eve enjoy a party in the lounge of the Hotel and celebrate the arrival of 2015! The first show we see is *Crazy for You* — a toe-tapping good time as New York in the 1930s swings to life in this high-octane musical. Between the hijinx and hilarity, you'll be humming along to memorable songs like *I Got Rhythm* and *Nice Work if You Can Get It*. The second show, *Salute to Vienna* has been billed as the world's greatest New Year's concert. For over 60 years, the Vienna Philharmonic's "Neujahrskonzert" broadcast has thrilled 1.2 billion people annually around the globe — a joyous celebration of the musical legacy of Johann Strauss Jr. In 1995, concert producers, Attila and Marion Glatz, presented their first *Salute to Vienna* in Toronto and it was modelled carefully after the original. Now, 20 years later, the show has become a New Year's tradition in North America featuring glorious music performed by the Vancouver Symphony with an outstanding cast of 75 musicians, singers and dancers. The cast includes Viennese tenor Martin Piskorski and Polish soprano Katarzyna Dondalska. It is staged almost simultaneously in 16 cities throughout Canada and the United States. We have reserved superb seats at the ornate Orpheum Theatre in Right and Left Centre Orchestra Rows 10 to 12.

CHRISTMAS GET-AWAYS

CHRISTMAS AT HARRISON & VANCOUVER 5 Days — December 22, 2014

\$1295 pp double
discounts up to **\$70** pp

This tour stays one night at Harrison Hot Springs Resort with time to take in the healing hot springs and spa. We dine in the lovely Copper Room featuring a three-course menu, followed by entertainment and dancing with Patsy B. and the Lefties. A professional dance instructor, Adam Hanna, is exclusive to Wells Gray clients as a dance partner and can offer ballroom dancing tips. We then head to Vancouver and stay 3 nights at the Fairmont Waterfront, one of Vancouver's most luxurious downtown hotels.

At a glance...

Day 1 Harrison, BC
> Harrison Hot Springs Resort
Day 2-4 Vancouver, BC
> Fairmont Waterfront Hotel

Highlights...

- > Dinner and dancing with *Patsy B. and the Lefties* in Harrison's Copper Room
- > A professional dance instructor, Adam Hanna, is exclusive to Wells Gray clients as a dance partner
- > Free morning to enjoy the facilities at Harrison Hot Springs
- > Admission to Fly Over Canada, a virtual coast to coast aerial journey or visit the Museum of Anthropology
- > Disney's *Mary Poppins* at the Stanley Theatre, the perfectly magical musical
- > VanDusen Gardens' Festival of Lights including the dancing lights on the lake, Candy Cane Lane and a choir performance
- > Christmas day visit to Vancouver Aquarium
- > Scrumptious Christmas dinner at the Fairmont Waterfront Hotel
- > **8 meals included**

CHRISTMAS IN SEATTLE 6 Days — December 22, 2014

\$1330 pp double
discounts up to **\$70** pp

This holiday tour spends one night at the lovely Harrison Hot Springs Resort with its fabulous pools, wonderful spa and elegant dining room featuring a three-course menu, followed by entertainment and dancing with Patsy B. and the Lefties. We then head to Lynnwood, where we settle into one of our most popular hotels, the Embassy Suites, for four nights. This hotel features a large plant filled atrium, full cooked-to-order breakfast each morning, and complimentary cocktails and snacks each evening.

At a glance...

Day 1 Harrison, BC
> Harrison Hot Springs Resort
Day 2-5 Lynnwood, WA
> Embassy Suites Hotel

Highlights...

- > Dinner and dancing with *Patsy B. and the Lefties* in Harrison's Copper Room
- > Free morning to enjoy the facilities at Harrison Hot Springs
- > Visit spectacular Chihuly Gardens and Glass
- > Enjoy the familiar music of Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker* with the incredible dancing of Pacific Northwest Ballet
- > Driving tour of the lavishly-decorated homes at Mill Creek
- > Christmas dinner is served in the green oasis of the atrium at Embassy Suites Hotel
- > Free morning for Boxing day shopping
- > *A Christmas Story, The Musical* at Fifth Avenue Theatre
- > **8 meals included**

CHRISTMAS IN VICTORIA

6 Days — December 23, 2014

\$1525 pp double

discounts up to **\$80** pp

Christmas in Victoria is an annual tradition for Wells Gray Tours. We have stayed at Chateau Victoria for many years and our guests love the Christmas décor and spirit. All rooms are one-bedroom suites. The hotel has a fine location near the corner of Burdett and Douglas, close to the Inner Harbour and Legislative Buildings.

At a glance...

Day 1-4 Victoria, BC
> Chateau Victoria
Day 5 Richmond, BC
> Fairmont Vancouver
Airport Hotel

Highlights...

- > Four nights at the Chateau Victoria with its excellent location near the Inner Harbour
- > Tour of beautifully decorated Emily Carr House, birthplace of the famous artist and writer
- > Hotel reception and performance by the Victoria Operatic Society
- > Bountiful Christmas dinner feast at the Coast Harbourside Hotel in the Blue Crab Room
- > Time at the Royal BC Museum, plus ticket to an IMAX show at the National Geographic Theatre
- > British afternoon tea is served at the Abkhazi Garden Teahouse
- > A fantasyland of lights at Butchart Gardens, with traditional carolers and festive brass
- > Overnight at the lovely Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotel with evening show at the Gateway Theatre, the high octane musical, *Crazy for You*
- > **12 meals included**

SHOW TOURS 2015!

Cinderella & Carousel in Seattle - February 27

Mamma Mia in Seattle - March 27

Phantom of the Opera in Seattle - May 1 or 2

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MYSTERY TOUR

10 Days — September 27, 2014

\$3395 pp double

Wells Gray Tours has been a pioneer in offering Mystery Tours in British Columbia. Please join us for our 52nd Mystery Tour! 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. Each day of the tour has surprises, as the mystery route is revealed only as we travel along day to day. However, we can promise you that our route or destination has interesting sights and unusual experiences— often the first time that Wells Gray has been there or stayed at a particular hotel. Some mysteries are offered in subsequent years as a regular tour (e.g. Catalina Island in fall 2013). Seven clues are offered to help you solve the mystery. Here is an example of a clue to the mystery route.

Clue #5. Jordon's house was rejected as the right home and infinity does have an ending.

2014 & 2015 INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS



A TASTE OF ITALY

15 Days — October 14, 2014

\$7695 pp double

When one thinks of Italy, food is one of the first images to come to mind. Then one thinks further, to the canals of Venice, the eroding architecture of one of the greatest civilizations of mankind, the art treasures, and the rolling idyllic countryside filled with farms, castles, and wineries. Wells Gray Tours is proud to once again bring you to the magical regions of northern Italy for a taste of the flavours and history this great country has to offer.

At a glance...

Day 1	Overnight flight
Day 2-3	Milan, IT
	> Hotel Cusani
Day 4-5	Venice
	> Starhotel Splendid
Day 6-7	Bologna
	> Hotel Touring
Day 8-11	Florence
	> Hotel de la Ville
Day 12-14	Rome
	> Hotel Cicerone

Highlights...

- > Locally guided tour of Milan, Italy's second largest city with visit to the famous Duomo di Milano gothic Cathedral
- > Peschiera del Garda, the 16th-century island fortress
- > 2 days in Venice, with water taxi, St Mark's Square, the Basilica, the Bell Tower, and Doge's Palace
- > Tour and lunch in Ferrara, the centre of the Italian Renaissance in the 15th and 16th centuries
- > Bologna, including the oldest university in the western world, the two towers, the porticos, and dine of the famous local cuisine, *la cucina Bolognese*
- > Culinary tastes in the Parma region, including the Parmigiano- Reggiano Cheese Museum and Prosciutto di Parma Museum
- > 4 night stay in Florence, the beautiful jewel of Tuscany, with admission to Accademia, home of Michelangelo's David
- > Day to explore the Tuscan countryside around Siena and San Gimignano with a lunch at a local farmhouse
- > Dinner and wine tasting inside the Castello di Verrazzano in the Chianti region
- > Pisa with time at the leaning tower and other monuments
- > Evening cooking school where we learn the Tuscan style
- > 3 nights in Rome, including the Coliseum, Roman Forum, and privileged access into the Vatican including the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel, one of Michelangelo's greatest masterpieces
- > **24 meals included**



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25 NICARAGUA WINTER GET-AWAY
18 Days — January 19, 2015

\$5295 pp double
discounts up to **\$140** pp

On this unique tour, we travel through some of the richest habitats of Nicaragua, from the Pacific Lowlands to the Central Volcanic Highlands, from Central America's two largest fresh water lakes (Lago de Managua and Lago de Nicaragua) to the Pacific beaches, and from colonial towns built in the 16th century to modern cities. The tour is accompanied throughout by a Wells Gray tour director and a bilingual Nicaraguan guide. A variety of fine hotels are arranged such as Barcelo in bustling Managua, El Convento in historic Leon, Alhambra in colonial Granada, and Pelican Eyes Resrt in San Juan del Sur. Come and admire the natural and historic wonders of Nicaragua and get away from a Canadian winter for 2 ½ relaxing weeks.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Renton, WA
 > Quality Inn
- Day 2 Managua, Nicaragua
 > Hotel Barcelo
- Day 3-4 Leon
 > Hotel El Convento
- Day 5-6 Esteli
 >Hotel Hex
- Day 7-8 Matagalpa
 >Selva Negra
 Mountain Resort
- Day 9-11 Granada
 >Hotel Alhambra
- Day 12-15 San Juan del Sur
 >Pelican Eyes Resort
- Day 16 Managua
 >Hotel Barcelo
- Day 17 Renton, WA
 > Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > Tour of the colonial city of Leon, including the impressive Basilica Catedral de La Asuncion, Ruben Dario Museum and the Ortiz Gurdian Art Gallery
- > Walk around the San Jacinto Hot Springs, and visit the Museo Leyendas y Tradiciones, built inside an old prison
- > Tour of the modern city of Esteli
- > Enjoy an agriculture tour of La Garnacha, including a cheese factory, the stone craft workshop "zopilote", and a medicinal plant farm
- > Sample delicious coffee and tour a coffee plantation in Matagalpa
- > Take part in a sustainable farm tour, including an organic laboratory, greenhouses, homes of workers and learn sustainable farming methods
- > Learn to roll your own Cigar at the Dona Elba Cigar factory, learn to make chocolate at ChocoMuseo
- > Drive to the top of Mombacho Volcano and admire the panoramic view over Lago de Nicaragua
- > Boat excursion to Zopango Island with bird watching
- > 4 nights in the Pacific Coast town of San Juan del Sur
- > **47 meals included**



TURKEY & GREECE WITH AEGEAN CRUISE

22 Days — April 12 , 2015

\$7325 pp double
discounts up to **\$350** pp

From the ancient ruins in Athens to the cultural relics in Istanbul, Greece and Turkey offer experiences sure to delight. This tour is filled with history, beautiful scenery, and awe-inspiring sights. Step back in history to visit the Acropolis in Athens and Delphi's archaeological site; browse the market stalls filled with peddlers in Istanbul; and sail through the wonderful Aegean islands for 3 days.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Vancouver
- Day 2 Overnight flight to Frankfurt & Istanbul
- Day 3-5 Istanbul
- Day 6 Canakkale
- Day 7 Bergama
- Day 8 Pamukkale
- Day 9 Kusadasi
- Day 10-12 Cruise on Louis Lines
- Day 12 Santorini & Crete
- Day 13 Athens
- Day 14 Olympia
- Day 15 Delphi
- Day 16 Kalambaka
- Day 17-18 Thessaloniki
- Day 19-20 Athens
- Day 21 Overnight flight to Vancouver & Richmond, BC

Highlights...

- > 3 full days in Istanbul, including a full day tour
- > Historical sightseeing aboard the Bosphorus cruise, and visit the leisure district of Taksim Square, in the heart of Istanbul known for its restaurants, and shops
- > Guided tour of the ancient city of Troy
- > Overnight and tour in the city of Pergamon, perched atop a windswept mountain along the Turkish coastline
- > Soak in the natural, soothing hot thermal pools in Pamukkale
- > Enjoy a tour of Ephesus, built in the 10th century BC and visit St. Mary's House – the shrine of Virgin Mary
- > Board Louis Cruises, and sail through the wonderful Aegean islands for 3 days
- > Tour the Island of Patmos "The Jerusalem of the Aegean"
- > Spend a full day in Rhodes, the largest, most fertile of the Greek islands
- > Locally guided tour of the historical capital of Europe, Athens and see the Acropolis, which is nominated as one of the 7 wonders of the modern world
- > Visit Corinth, and the archaeological site, Mycenae, with a panoramic view across the Argolid to the Saronic Gulf
- > Drive and overnight in Delphi, the city which was thought by the Greeks as the middle of the entire earth
- > Spend a day in Meteora, a UNESCO World Heritage Center, and walk to the monasteries on the top of the rock towers
- > **48 meals included**

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