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The Experience Quarterly

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GREETINGS FRIENDS

Spring is finally here with longer days, warming temperatures and the wonder of new life sprouting in an array of colours. The Wells Gray Tours team has not been hibernating all winter— keep reading and you will find a plethora of new tours that we have been busy planning for spring , summer and fall.

Good News: Our monthly E-newsletter is now posted on our website under the “News” tab on the top right of our home page. The Experience Quarterly will now have a button on our home page as well at the top on the right side.

You're invited to our CLIENT APPRECIATION TEA

Spend a fun afternoon with Wells Gray Tours, reconnect with your fellow travellers and enjoy refreshments. It's our way of saying Thank You for your business. Please RSVP so that we can anticipate attendance.

Kamloops

Thursday, May 22nd
1:30 to 3:30 pm
St. Andrews Presbyterian
Church
1136 6th Ave.
Kamloops, BC
250-374-0831

Vernon

Tuesday, May 27th
1:30 to 3:30 pm
Village Green Hotel
4801 27th Street
Vernon, BC
250-545-9197

Kelowna

Wednesday, May 28th
1:30 to 3:30 pm
Christ Evangelical
Lutheran Church
2091 Gordon Drive
Kelowna, BC
250-762-3435

Penticton

Thursday, May 29th
1:30 to 3:30 pm
Days Inn Conference
Center
152 Riverside Drive
Penticton, BC
250-493-1255

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

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



Cover photo: Pikes Peak Cog Railroad. See inside for the Scenic Railways of Colorado itinerary, departs June 4, 2014.

Explore the possibilities at home – discover British Columbia

Win \$200 BC Bucks

Book one of our BC getaways for your chance to win \$200 off the tour fare!

Everyone who books on one of the following BC tours is entered in the contest.

Book by: Friday April 25, 2014. **Draw date:** Monday April 28, 2014.

WHISTLER SENIORS' SPRING GETAWAY

April 14 4 days \$995 pp double

Each spring, Fairmont Chateau Whistler hosts a celebration for guests 55 plus but young at heart. It is an entertaining, enlightening and thoroughly enjoyable three-night package with all meals included. Among the many scheduled activities, free time has been allotted daily for you to enjoy at leisure. It could be a refreshing swim in the lap pool, a treatment at the spa, hot toddies around the fire on The Mallard Terrace, a walk on Whistler's many nature trails, or shopping at the Village Square.

EASTER THEATRE ESCAPE TO OAK BAY BEACH HOTEL April 17 5 days \$1370 pp double

Celebrate Easter with this 5-day getaway to Vancouver Island, with a 3 night stay at the wonderful Oak Bay Beach Hotel. This luxurious property has fantastic public spaces, incredible dining options, and top notch leisure amenities. Enjoy a performance of *The Grandkid* at the Gateway Theatre in Richmond, *Tribute to Nashville* at Oak Bay Beach Hotel, and *Jeeves in Bloom* at the Chemainus Festival Theatre. This tour also features a morning at the Royal British Columbia Museum, and a visit to one of Victoria's famous old homes, Emily Carr House. Built in 1864, this was the birthplace and long-time home of the artist and writer Emily Carr.

Only 1 seat left!

SALT SPRING ISLAND

May 4 5 days \$1090 pp double

Artisans and specialty producers abound in the Gulf Islands and on Vancouver Island. World class craftsmen are drawn here by the laid back idyllic lifestyle, and they stay because they find a vibrant market for their products. This tour takes a leisurely sampling of experiences on Salt Spring Island and in Chemainus. The seaside village of Ganges is a focal point for unique shops, book stores and the daily outdoor craft market (although we avoid the crowds of the Saturday market). A mid-day cruise is a relaxing way to admire the beauty of the Gulf Islands. One of the finest views in the region is from the top of Mount Maxwell, and we have arranged vans to take you up there. Chemainus has numerous craft shops and galleries. Also enjoy a preview performance of *Waiting for the Parade* at Chemainus Theatre.

VICTORIA GARDENS

May 12 4 days \$795 pp double

Victoria has always been known for its exceptional gardens and enthusiastic gardeners, and Wells Gray Tours enjoys offering tours that focus on this theme. The immense variety of plants, shrubs and trees that flourish in the rich soil and moderate climate make the area a horticultural paradise. This tour takes you up close and behind the scenes in both public and private gardens to learn the best tricks of the trade. The gardens range from small gems like Abkhazi to world famous such as Butchart. All garden visits are accompanied by an expert gardener. You soon discover why Vancouver Island has been named Top Island in North America for eight years running by Conde Nast Traveler Magazine. Get inspired! **Discounts up to \$50 pp**

VANCOUVER FOODIE TOUR

June 10 4 days \$835 pp double

Join Wells Gray Tours on a tasty get away to Vancouver to check out some of the fun foodie experiences that are creating such a stir in this city. With the multicultural strengths that the Vancouver population boasts, there is opportunity for visitors to travel around the world in terms of their taste buds. We enlist the entertaining services of two local tour companies that have made food touring their business, and they help us navigate the delicious opportunities that Vancouver offers. Bon appetite! **Discounts up to \$40 pp**

BC FJORDS (Wait List Only)

June 13 7 days \$1815 pp double

HARRISON HOT SPRINGS RETREAT - Those who travelled on the March 11 tour have been entered into the draw.

THEATRE & FESTIVALS

BEETHOVEN FESTIVAL IN KAMLOOPS

May 10 2 days \$245 pp double

The Kamloops Symphony Orchestra has organized the Beethoven Festival, a week-long celebration of Beethoven's best-loved music. The last night of the festival is May 10 and it culminates in the spectacular KSO performance of Symphonies #1 and #9 with Conductor Bruce Dunn, the KSO Chorus, and soloists Eleonora Higginson, Ingrid Mapson, Tomas Bijork, and Scott Brooks. *Symphony No.1*, Beethoven's first masterpiece, is a classical composition that reflects the influences of Mozart and Haydn. *Symphony No.9, Ode to Joy*, is Beethoven's final full symphony, composed when he was completely deaf. It is universally considered to be one of his greatest works and stands as one of the most played symphonies in the world.

WICKED IN SPOKANE

May 17 3 days \$495 pp double

Wicked premiered on Broadway in 2003 and is loosely based on the best selling novel *Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West* by Gregory Maguire. The show features music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, musical staging by Tony Award winner Wayne Cilento and is directed by Tony winner Joe Mantello. Long before Dorothy dropped in, two other girls meet in the Land of Oz. One, born with emerald-green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two unlikely friends end up as the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch makes for the most spellbinding musical in years. *Wicked* was nominated for ten Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and ended up winning Best Actress in a Musical, Best Scenic Design and Best Costume Design. From real flying monkeys to a trip to the Emerald City, *Wicked* is a true spectacle for the eyes and ears.

Discounts up to \$30 pp

CIRQUE DU SOLEIL'S TOTEM IN VANCOUVER

May 24 3 days \$555 pp double

Cirque du Soleil was founded in 1984 in Gaspé as part of the celebrations around the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier's arrival in Quebec. Cirque was based on a totally new concept: a striking, dramatic mix of the circus arts and street entertainment, featuring wild, outrageous costumes, staged under magical lighting and set to original music. With not a single animal in the ring, Cirque's difference was clear from the start. *Totem's* theme is about the evolution of humanity from its primordial, amphibian state toward the aspiration of flight, taking inspiration from many of humanity's founding myths. A fascinating journey into the evolution of mankind.

THEATRE IN SEATTLE

June 6 4 days \$845 pp double

Experience horrible hilarity and sensuous songs on this fun filled theatre weekend to Seattle. Our first show began as a B-movie, was made into a lavish Broadway musical in 1982, grew up to a major motion picture, and is still entertaining audiences with its off-colour comedy today. Almost a cult classic, *Little Shop of Horrors* will make you laugh, maybe make you cringe, and no doubt have you singing along. In contrast, *Once* is one of the most beautiful stories you will experience on stage. Winner of eight 2012 Tony Awards including Best Musical, *Once* is a truly original Broadway experience. Featuring an impressive ensemble of actor/musicians who play their own instruments onstage, *Once* tells the enchanting tale of a Dublin street musician who's about to give up on his dream when a beautiful young woman takes a sudden interest in his haunting love songs. It's an unforgettable story about going for your dreams and the power of music to connect us all.

Discounts up to \$40 pp

PORGY & BESS AND FUNNY GIRL IN SEATTLE

June 27 4 days \$835 pp double

Seattle in the summer is one of the most marvelous cities to visit, and Wells Gray Tours makes it even better by including two fabulous shows that are sure to sell out. The first is Gershwin's well loved *Porgy & Bess*, which has been enjoying a hugely successful return to the main stage. Winner of the 2012 Tony Award for the Best Musical Revival, the show will sweep you away with such legendary hits as "*Summertime*," "*It Ain't Necessarily So*," and "*I Got Plenty of Nothing*". This stunning and stirring new staging triumphs as one of theatre's most exhilarating love stories. One of our favourite local Seattle theatre companies, Village Theatre, is staging the charming and irrepressible *Funny Girl*. This is the story of Fanny Brice— comedienne, Vaudeville star, and one of the most celebrated entertainers of her time. Revel in the glamour and glitz of the Ziegfeld Follies, as you tap your toes to favorite tunes like "Don't Rain on My Parade", "People," and "You Are Woman, I Am Man."

OREGON'S WILLAMETTE VALLEY

7 Days — May 3, 2014

\$1370 pp double

discounts up to **\$40** pp

Wells Gray Tours' 49th Mystery Tour, in April 2013, was such a hit that it is now being offered as a regular advertised tour with only a few changes. There is so much to experience in Oregon's Willamette Valley and this tour provides a great variety of activities and sights.

At a glance...

Day 1	Wenatchee > Red Lion Hotel
Day 2	Columbia Gorge > Skamania Lodge
Day 3-5	Silverton > Oregon Garden Resort
Day 6	Bellevue > Embassy Suites Hotel

Highlights...

- > Visit the Central Washington Agricultural Museum, Maryhill Museum of Art, and Hill's World War I Memorial
- > At your leisure explore the forest trails at the spectacular Skamania Lodge
- > 3½ hour cruise on the Willamette River, with lunch
- > Stroll through the colourful gardens during our 3 night stay at the Oregon Garden Resort
- > Forest walk in Silver Falls State Park, visiting 177-foot tall South Falls, and walking tour of Silverton murals
- > 30 minute soothing massage at the Moonstone Spa
- > Wine and beer tasting at Seven Brides Brewery
- > Guided visit to Mount Angel Monastery
- > Spruce Goose and Evergreen Aviation Museum
- > **13 meals included**

MYSTERY TOUR

9 Days — May 11, 2014

\$2580 pp double

Wells Gray Tours has been a pioneer in offering Mystery Tours in British Columbia. Please join us for our 51st 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 #6. Alexander, Amundsen, Banting, Byrd and Chaucer all have this in common.

WELLS GRAY PARK

3 Days — May 31, 2014

\$535 pp double

Come and see the birthplace of Wells Gray Tours! There is a connection to the park's name, dating back 42 years. An environmental organization offered tours of Wells Gray Park in 1972 as a means of protesting BC Hydro's plans to build seven dams. Roland Neave and some university friends were volunteer guides. From this beginning with a single tour route, Wells Gray Tours has evolved to offer worldwide travel. Join expert Roland as he shares his passion for this beautiful treasure. Early summer is an excellent time to visit the park when the waterfalls are spectacular with their spring run-off.

SCENIC RAILWAYS OF COLORADO

16 Days — June 4, 2014

\$3865 pp double

discounts up to **\$220** pp

Each year, Wells Gray Tours offers one or two tours with a theme of train travel and all of them are immensely popular. Some customers are retired railroaders, some want to enjoy sights that cannot be seen from highways, and some want to relive the nostalgia of steam locomotives. All are fascinated by the different experiences offered by the huge variety of trains and rail routes. Trains promise awesome scenery travelling through spectacular mountains and canyons, and alongside rushing rivers. This tour offers the thrill of 9 train excursions.

At a glance...

Day 1	Pasco > Red Lion Hotel
Day 2	Boise > Red Lion Hotel
Day 3-4	Salt Lake City > Salt Lake Plaza Hotel
Day 5	Green River > River Terrace Inn
Day 6-7	Denver > Holiday Inn Stapleton
Day 8-9	Colorado Springs > Embassy Suites Hotel
Day 10-11	Alamosa > Inn of the Rio Grande
Day 12-14	Ignacio > Sky Ute Casino Resort
Day 15	Lynnwood > Embassy Suites

Highlights...

- > Visit the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and the Utah State Railroad Museum
- > Train excursion on the Heber Valley Railroad
- > Enjoy the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir
- > Board the Amtrak train from Green River, UT to Denver
- > Ride the Georgetown Loop Railroad
- > Tour of Coors Brewery
- > Ride the Pikes Peak Cog Railroad and Royal Gorge Railroad
- > Tour of Cripple Creek and Garden of the Gods
- > Train rides on the Cripple Creek and Victor Narrow Gauge Railroad, and Rio Grande Scenic Railroad
- > Steam train journey on the Cumbres and Toltec Steam Train
- > Locally-guided tour of Mesa Verde National Park
- > Ride the steam powered Durango and Silverton Steam Train through Animas River Canyon
- > **26 meals included**

NEW YORK CITY

6 Days — June 12, 2014

\$3195 pp double

discounts up to **\$90** pp

New York City, the city of icons. Empire State Building. Statue of Liberty. Rockefeller Center. American Museum of Natural History. Top of the Rock. Macy's Fifth Avenue. Metropolitan Museum of Art. Ground Zero. Central Park. Museum of Modern Art. Times Square. Wall Street. Broadway. The list of familiar sights and experiences goes on and Wells Gray Tours is proud to take you there. The tour is planned for mid-June, traditionally a slower time for the city. Fly from Kelowna, via Toronto to New York.

At a glance...

Day 1-5	New York > Novotel Hotel
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Highlights...

- > Guided orientation drive on arrival
- > Guided tour of Manhattan, including Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Fifth Avenue, Little Italy, and Central Park
- > Backstage Tour of the famous Radio City Music Hall
- > Admission to Top of the Rock, the 70th floor art deco observation deck above Rockefeller Center
- > Ticket to a Broadway Musical (show TBA)
- > 2-day hop-on hop-off all loop pass for double decker sightseeing
- > Broadway Classroom workshop
- > **1 meal included**

2014 CRUISE DESTINATIONS



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OTTAWA TULIP FESTIVAL & NEW ENGLAND CRUISE **May 17** **17 days** from **\$5175** pp double
Prepare to be impressed! Join Wells Gray Tours in Ottawa at the world's largest tulip festival, established in 1953 to preserve the heritage of Canada's role in liberating the Dutch during WWII. This tour also includes the fabulous cities of Montreal, including time to see the spring bloom at the fantastic Botanical Gardens, and Quebec City, where we stay one night on land and two nights on the St. Lawrence River. Spend 7 nights aboard Holland America's *MS Veendam* cruising the best of the Maritimes, New England and ending in the wonderful city of Boston.

WHITEHORSE & GLACIER BAY CRUISE **July 1** **9 days** from **\$1610** pp double
Fly to Whitehorse and take in the sights such as the SS Klondike, and a soak in Takhini Hot Springs. Board Holland America's *MS Volendam* for a 4-night cruise from Skagway to Vancouver. Sail through scenic Glacier Bay amidst floating ice castles, and through BC's Inside Passage.

Discounts up to \$90 pp

VANCOUVER TO SKAGWAY CRUISE & WHITEHORSE **August 2** **7 days** 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.

Discounts up to \$80 pp

HAWAII CRUISE **September 19** **17 days** from **\$3780** 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.

WEST COAST CRUISE & RAIL **September 24** **12 days** from **\$2470** 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. **Discounts up to \$75 pp**

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

RUSSIAN RIVER CRUISE

from **\$9425** pp double

15 Days — August 9, 2014

When one thinks of Russia, two great cities come to mind: St. Petersburg and Moscow. This monumental 15-day journey includes multiple days in both of these cities, plus a glimpse into the Russian countryside that only a river cruise can provide. See the Gold Ring towns, experience the village culture, and immerse yourself in the mysteries of this unique country. We have partnered with Viking River Cruises, who have had ships on these intricate waterways for over 15 years. We will be on board the fully refurbished *Viking Ingvar*.

CALIFORNIA COASTAL CRUISE
11 Days — September 22, 2014

from **\$2115** pp double
discounts up to **\$50** pp

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.

At a glance...

Day 1-10 Grand Princess

Highlights...

- > 10 days and nights aboard the Grand Princess
- > Dock in Victoria for 7 hours, enjoy strolling the Inner Harbour, browse the shops, or book a tour
- > Guided tour around San Francisco including Golden Gate Bridge, ocean beaches, Twin Peaks, and many historical and architectural sights
- > Enjoy an evening ashore in San Francisco
- > 9 hours docked in Santa Barbara, known as America's Riviera
- > A full day on Santa Catalina Island
- > Dock in San Pedro and enjoy a full day touring the City of Angels
- > **30 meals included**

SAN JUAN ISLANDS CRUISE
5 Days — September 8, 2014

from **\$1395** pp double
discounts up to **\$40** pp

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*, cruising 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 horse-shaped Sucia Island State Park, and enjoy a picnic lunch
- > **10 meals included**

INSIDE PASSAGE & SKEENA TRAIN

8 Days — June 13, 2014

\$2065 pp double

B.C. Ferries' Northern Expedition was specially designed for Inside Passage voyages. The 500-kilometre journey from Port Hardy to Prince Rupert takes 15 hours, all in daylight to permit great viewing of the rugged coastline and abundant wildlife, marine life and birdlife.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Richmond, BC
 - > Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotel
- Day 2 Port Hardy
 - > Glen Lyon Inn
- Day 3-5 Prince Rupert
 - > Crest Hotel
- Day 6 Prince George
 - > Sandman Signature Hotel
- Day 7 Williams Lake
 - > Coast Fraser Inn

Highlights...

- > Hells Gate Air Tram
- > Board the Northern Expedition ferry for a scenic voyage through the Inside Passage from Port Hardy to Prince Rupert
- > Enjoy reserved seating in the ferry's Aurora Lounge
- > Visit the acclaimed Museum of Northern British Columbia and tour the North Pacific Cannery Museum
- > All-day boat excursion to Khutzeymateen Sanctuary for grizzly bear viewing
- > Spectacular all-day journey east to Vanderhoof aboard the Skeena Train
- > Barkerville admission with Theatre Royal show
- > **7 meals included**



ACADIAN COAST, PEI & NOVA SCOTIA TATTOO

13 Days — June 22, 2014

\$4285 pp double

discounts up to **\$250** pp

Journey east to the Acadian coast, renowned for its spirited culture. It is known for its sandy beaches and beautiful destinations, including the Bouctouche Dunes. Sample the fresh seafood, experience the living history and bask in the sun. Catch a ferry to the Magdalen Islands located in the middle of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. This remote archipelago is made up of about twelve islands, six of which are connected to one another by long, thin, sand dunes. Finish with cosmopolitan Halifax and the spectacle of the Royal Tattoo.

At a glance...

- Day 1-3 Moncton
 - > Crowne Plaza Hotel
- Day 4 Summerside, PEI
 - > Loyalist Country Inn
- Day 5-7 Magdalen Islands
 - > Chateau Madelinot
- Day 8-9 Charlottetown
 - > Rodd Charlottetown Hotel
- Day 10-12 Halifax
 - > Cambridge Suites Hotel

Highlights...

- > 2½ hour Shediac Bay Cruise
- > Local guided drive along the Acadian Coast to Miramichi
- > Le Pays de la Sagouine with lunch
- > Visit to the Soap Museum and La Dune de Boutouche
- > Magnetic Hill & Hopewell Rocks
- > PEI touring with a local guide including Province House, Founders Hall at Confederation Landing, Anne of Green Gables, and PEI beaches
- > Enjoy a lobster dinner at the Fisherman's Wharf
- > 2 days and 3 nights on Magdalen Islands
- > Peggy's Cove & Lunenburg, including the Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic and a buggy ride
- > Excellent seats for the N.S. Tattoo and a behind the scenes tour.
- > **13 meals included**

4 Early Bookers!



TWEEDSMUIR PARK & BELLA COOLA

8 Days — July 22, 2014

from **\$2190** pp double
discounts up to **\$120** pp

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. Since the mid-1990s, this tour has travelled one-way on the Discovery Coast ferry to Bella Coola. In November 2013, the government announced the cancellation of this ferry. This has been a huge blow to the economy and tourism in Bella Coola because a circle route is no longer possible. Wells Gray Tours has redesigned this tour to drive both ways to Bella Coola, and a rarely-offered boat trip to Alexander Mackenzie's Rock has been added! Book this tour and help support the locals who have been devastated by the loss of their ferry.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Williams Lake
> Coast Fraser Inn
- Day 2-3 Nimpo Lake
> Stewart's Lodge or
Waterfront Motel
- Day 4-6 Bella Coola
> Bella Coola Valley Inn
- Day 7 Williams Lake
> Coast Fraser Inn

Highlights...

- > Journey on Chilcotin Highway across the vast ranchlands of the Chilcotin
- > Board a charter aircraft for a day in the wilderness of Tweedsmuir Provincial Park. See Hunlen Falls, Monarch Icefields & Rainbow Range
- > Local guided tour of Bella Coola by Rene Morton, life-long Bella Coola resident
- > Visit Clayton Falls, a fish hatchery, Augsburg Church and a Hagensborg heritage house
- > Enjoy a slide-illustrated talk by either a local forester or naturalist
- > **18 meals included**

BARKERVILLE & SUN PEAKS RESORT

5 Days — July 23, 2014

from **\$745** pp double
discounts up to **\$40** pp

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.

At a glance...

- Day 1-2 Quesnel
> Best Western Tower Inn
- Day 3-4 Sun Peaks
> Nancy Greene's Cahilty
Lodge

Highlights...

- > Scenic afternoon drive and visit to the Painted Chasm
- > Visit the Cottonwood House, one of the last remaining roadhouses on the Cariboo Wagon Road
- > Enjoy a day in Barkerville, including a gold panning session, a stagecoach ride and a show at the Theatre Royal
- > 2 night stay at Cahilty Lodge with indoor and outdoor whirlpools, and a fitness centre
- > A scenic ride on the Sunburst Chair, with a panoramic view encompassing 100km around
- > **6 meals included**

STEWART & STIKINE

\$2935 pp double

13 Days — August 8, 2014

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.

At a glance...

Day 1	Quesnel > Best Western Tower Inn
Day 2	Fort St. John > Northern Grand Hotel
Day 3-4	Muncho Lake > Northern Rockies Lodge
Day 5-6	Dease Lake > Northway Inn
Day 7-8	Stewart > King Edward Hotel
Day 9-10	Terrace > Best Western Plus
Day 11	Vanderhoof > North Country Inn
Day 12	Williams Lake > Coast Fraser Inn

Highlights...

- > Scenic drive through the barren Rocky Mountains
- > Naturalist walk at Muncho Lake, and a relaxing swim in Liard Hot Springs
- > Stop at Jade City
- > Choice of helicopter through Grand Canyon of the Stikine or float plane over Volcanic Mt. Edziza
- > Transportation with local guide in a high clearance bus to Salmon Glacier viewpoint
- > Grizzly bear viewing at Hyder
- > View totem poles in Kitwanga
- > Native guide for a day visiting Nisga'a Territory and Nass Valley
- > View the narrow Hagwilget Gorge from a lofty suspension bridge over the rushing Bulkley River
- > Tour the 'Ksan Village and Museum
- > Visit Fort St. James National Historic Site
- > **19 meals included**

Just Released!

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.

OREGON COAST

7 Days — September 15, 2014

\$1355 pp double, discounts up to **\$80** pp

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.

MARITIMES & NEWFOUNDLAND

24 Days — August 26, 2014

\$5985 pp double

2014 will be Wells Gray's 37th year of Maritimes tours! No other company in British Columbia has offered this tour for so many years or knows Atlantic Canada better than we do. All our hotels, attractions and restaurants are chosen carefully to ensure you have a memorable experience. Newfoundland has been a highlight of our Atlantic Canada tours since 1990 and 10 days are devoted to its great scenery.

At a glance...

- Day 1-4 Halifax
 - > Cambridge Suites Hotel
- Day 5 Saint John
 - > Delta Brunswick Hotel
- Day 6-7 Fredericton
 - > Crowne Plaza Lord Beaverbrook Hotel
- Day 8-10 Prince Edward Island
 - > Delta Prince Edward
- Day 11-13 Sydney
 - > Cambridge Hotel
- Day 14-15 Corner Brook
 - > Glynmill Inn
- Day 16 Cow Head
 - > Shallow Bay Motel
- Day 17-18 St. Anthony
 - > Hotel North & Haven Inn
- Day 19 Deer Lake
 - > Holiday Inn Express
- Day 20-21 Gander
 - > Hotel Gander
- Day 22-23 St. John's
 - > Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > Locally guided tour of historic Halifax including the waterfront, universities, St. Paul's Church, and residential area
- > Visit Halifax's Maritime Museum of the Atlantic and Alexander Keith's brewery with tour and tasting
- > Historical attractions include King's Landing, Founders Hall, Bell Museum, Fortress of Louisbourg, L'Anse aux Meadows, Cape Breton Miner's Museum
- > Natural attractions include Hopewell Rocks on Bay of Fundy, Peggy's Cove, Cabot Trail on Cape Breton, Viking Trail at Gros Morne National Park, Bonne Bay boat tour and Cape Spear
- > Tour includes not-to-be-missed icons of the region: Confederation Bridge, Anne of Green Gables cottage, Halifax waterfront, Lunenburg fishing stories, a Newfoundland Screech-In, and Cabot Tower
- > **31 meals included**

THANKSGIVING AT TSA-KWA-LUTEN LODGE

6 Days — October 10, 2014

\$1215 pp double

discounts up to **\$77** pp

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 Chemanius Theatre
- > Tour of Quadra Island, and visit to the Nuyumbalees Cultural Centre
- > **11 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 >Red Lion Hotel
Day 2	Butte >Butte Plaza Inn
Day 3-4	Salt Lake City >Red Lion Hotel
Day 5-6	Moab, Utah >La Quinta Inn
Day 7	Cortez >Holiday Inn Express
Day 8-9	Kayenta >Monument Valley Inn
Day 10	Lake Powell >Lake Powell Resort
Day 11-12	Zion >Majestic View Lodge
Day 13	Bryce Canyon >Best Western's Ruby's Inn
Day 14-15	Las Vegas >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**

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2014 INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS

SCANDINAVIA

16 Days — July 7, 2014

\$7660 pp double

discounts up to **\$150** pp

This tour focuses on the diversity of Scandinavia proper: Sweden, Denmark and Norway. Not only do these countries have some of the most amazing natural wonders in the world, but their history is full of dynamic and dramatic stories. The Scandinavian nations share many cultural traits including similar flags and related languages.

At a glance...

Day 1	Overnight flight to Stockholm
Day 2-4	Stockholm, Sweden
Day 5-6	Jonkoping, Sweden
Day 7-8	Copenhagen, Denmark
Day 9	Overnight ferry to Oslo
Day 10-11	Oslo, Norway
Day 12	Flam, Norway
Day 13-14	Bergen, Norway
Day 15	Richmond, BC

Highlights...

- > 3 nights Stockholm, with Vasa War ship, walking tour of old city, and Skansen Folk Museum
- > Lake Vattern with unique Matchstick Museum
- > Copenhagen touring with Kronberg Castle and the Round Tower, plus visit the bustling market town of Roskilde and explore the Fredericksborg Castle
- > Overnight ferry cruise and buffet dinner aboard the *m.s Pearl Seaways* to Oslo
- > Explore the oldest of the Scandinavian capitals Oslo with a local guide, and visit the Norwegian Folk Museum
- > Ride the Bergen Railway and then the Flam, one of the world's most spectacular railways, on a journey across the Norwegian mountains down to the West Coast
- > Day cruise on spectacular Sognefjord, 120 miles into remote villages not reached by roads
- > 2 night stay in Bergen at wooden houses of Bryggen on the waterfront, plus cable car up Mount Floyen
- > **23 meals included**

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MEXICO'S COPPER CANYON

October 8, 2014 — 17 days

\$4495 pp double

**3 Seats
Left!**

Excite your senses with this wonderful tour of Mexico's Copper Canyon. Enjoy a sightseeing tour around Mazatlan. Travel north along the coastal plain, nicknamed the "Bread Basket of Mexico" because of the fertile farmlands growing corn, wheat, sorghum, beans, oats, chile peppers, tomatoes and many other crops. Tour Tarahumara Indian land and hike to Cusarare Falls. Ride the amazing aerial tramway for magnificent views of the Copper Canyon. Enjoy 3 days of train excursions into the roadless terrain of one of the world's deepest and remotest canyons. This tour is full of cultural riches and activities.



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A TASTE OF ITALY

\$7695 pp double

15 Days — October 14 , 2014

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
 - > Hotel Cusani
- Day 4-5 Venice
 - > Starhotel Splendid
- Day 6-8 Bologna
 - > Hotel Touring
- Day 8-11 Florence
 - > Hotel de la Ville
- Day 12-14 Rome
 - > Hotel dei Mellini

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 dinner of it's famous 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 at 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
- > **24 meals included**

NEW ORLEANS & CAJUN COUNTRY

11 Days — October 25, 2014

\$2795 pp double

discounts up to **\$160** pp

Fall in love with New Orleans and Louisiana. The state of Louisiana is divided into five distinct regions, and you experience three on this vacation. New Orleans is one of the great cities in the western world, not a place you simply visit, but one you fall in love with. The cultural riches, sensual indulgences and unparalleled service that define the New Orleans experience still flourishes. History comes to life in Plantation Country. Wind along the Great River Road as you travel back to the 1800s to the days of sprawling antebellum plantations, glimpsing the lives of both master and slave. Cajun Country, along the peaceful bayous, is where the first French Canadians settled and forever changed the landscape and culture of the state.

At a glance...

- Day 1 Renton, WA
 - > Quality Inn
- Day 2-4 New Orleans
 - > Four Points Sheraton
- Day 5 Baton Rouge, LA
 - > Drury Inn
- Day 6-8 Lafayette, LA
 - > Comfort Suites
- Day 9 Thibodaux
 - > Carmel Inn
- Day 10 Renton, WA
 - > Quality Inn

Highlights...

- > Walking tour of the historic French Quarter
- > Locally guided driving tour of New Orleans with City Park and famous St. Charles Avenue
- > Dinner at the Court of Two Sisters, the largest courtyard in the French Quarter
- > Jazz show at the Maison Bourbon Dixieland Club
- > Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World, where 90% of the floats used in Mardi Gras parades are made
- > Mississippi River sightseeing cruise on board the paddlewheel Natchez Riverboat with jazz band
- > Cooking lessons at the New Orleans School of Cooking featuring the taste of Louisiana, Cajun and Creole
- > Plantation Country along the Mississippi River with tours at Oak Alley and Laura plantations
- > The outdoor Rural Life Museum in Baton Rouge
- > Locally guided tour of Cajun Country with Avery Island (home of the Tabasco factory) and Martin Accordions, Jungle Gardens, Evangeline Oak
- > Boat cruise through the Cypress swamps
- > **15 meals included**

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