

Northwest Passage

(Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver)

July 25th – August 1st

This part of the Northwest is well described by words such as beautiful and spectacular without fear of exaggerating. Our trip will take us to new heights with spectacular views from atop the famous Seattle Space Needle, Olympic National Park's Hurricane Ridge, The Peak at Grouse Mountain, and dinner at the rotating restaurant, Cloud 9, atop our hotel. Enjoy beautiful Victoria, BC, the most British City in Canada, the spectacular Butchard Gardens and the Capilano Suspension bridge. Did we mention the tram ride up Grouse Mountain for dinner at the Peak Chalet overlooking Vancouver with its surrounding mountain views? We will finish the trip with a little fishing at the famous Pike Street Market.

Note: All underlined items below are included in the cost.

Day 1: July 25th: Depart church by bus at 6:30 AM to airport for our flight to Seattle. A tour bus will meet us at SeaTac airport at approximately 2:30 PM and take us on a brief tour through downtown Seattle before having dinner at Ivar's Salmon House on Lake Union. We will end the day at our hotel near the airport.

Day 2: July 26th: After breakfast, we will check out of our hotel and travel to Olympic National Park where we will visit Hoh's Rain Forest (highest annual rainfall in North America) followed by a visit to scenic Hurricane Ridge before checking into our hotel in Port Angeles, Washington near the ferry to Victoria. We will have dinner at the hotel.

Day 3: July 27th: After breakfast, check out of hotel and take the 8:20 AM ferry across Juan De Fuca Strait to beautiful Victoria. In the afternoon we will take the Big Bus Tour of Victoria (step on and off at 22 stops) prior to checking into The Hunterdon Hotel, located in Bellville Park near the ferry landing. We will have dinner in the park at Gatsby's Restaurant.

Day 4: July 28th: In the AM, we will take a 3 hour private whale watching cruise. In the PM we will have free time to explore Victoria based on what you saw on the bus tour. We will have dinner at the Victoria Harbour House across the street from our hotel.

Day 5: July 29th: After breakfast, check out of hotel and travel up to beautiful Butchard Gardens. After Lunch (at the Garden *on your own*), we will take another ferry across the Georgia Strait to Vancouver City. We will check into our hotel, The Empire Landmark in the downtown area and have dinner at The Cloud 9, a rotating restaurant at the top of the Landmark, the tallest hotel in the city.

Day 6: July 30th: After breakfast at the hotel, you will be free to enjoy the sights of Vancouver. You will have tickets for a hop on hop off bus tour of the area. You may take the tour at your leisure as you explore the area *on your own*. We will have dinner at a near-by restaurant.

Day 7: July 31st: After breakfast we will board our bus and travel to the Capilano Suspension Bridge and Park for some sightseeing. After lunch (*on your own*) we will travel to Grouse Mountain Park. We will take a tram ride up to the Peak for a spectacular view of Vancouver and the surrounding area followed by dinner at the Peak Chalet restaurant. Then back to our hotel to pack and be prepared to check out the next morning

Day 8: August 1st: We will check out of our hotel and travel back to Seattle. We will enjoy lunch at the Seattle Space Needle with a great view of the City. After lunch we will visit the famous Pike Street Fish Market (and area) and maybe catch a fish. Afterward, we travel back to our hotel at the airport so we will be ready to catch our flight back home the next morning.

Day 9: August 2nd: The hotel will provide free shuttle service over to the airport for our 8:30 AM flight back to New Orleans. We expect to arrive at about 5 PM. Our bus will be waiting to take us back to the church parking lot. (flight time is subject to change)

COST PER PERSON:

SINGLE Occupancy: \$2715; **DOUBLE** Occupancy: \$2225; **TRIPLE** Occupancy: \$1975; **QUAD** Occupancy: \$1925
Note: The cost is based on the current exchange rate for Canadian Dollars & Airline estimates. We don't expect much change, but if so, Jim will advise you and adjust the cost up or down in advance of your final payment.

INCLUDED IN COST: All bus transportation, airline tickets, all ferries, all venues: whale watching cruise, Butchard Gardens, Hoh's Rainforest, Hurricane Ridge, Capilano, Grouse Mountain, 2 Bus Tours (Victoria & Vancouver, Lunch at the Space Needle, 6 breakfasts, 7 dinners.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE: Please make all payments at the monthly Young At Heart meetings. Registration begins at the February 14 meeting. The **first payment** secures your reservation. **Remember the last three trips sold out on the first day.** If you cannot be there, have someone else sign you up and make the first payment (Angela cannot sign you up at the office). **Important Notice: Upon Registering (or someone you are registering), make sure you put the name exactly the way it is shown on your/their passport (Passport is required to get into Canada). You must also include the date of birth, address and phone number.**

| | Cost/Person | First Payment | Second Payment | Balance |
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| Single Occupancy | \$2715 | \$600 | \$800 | \$1315 |
| Double Occupancy | \$2225 | \$600 | \$800 | \$825 |
| Triple Occupancy | \$1975 | \$600 | \$800 | \$575 |
| Quad Occupancy | \$1925 | \$600 | \$800 | \$525 |
| Payments Due: | | Feb 14 | April 17 | June 19 |

Payments in smaller increments can be made at the YAH meetings up to date amount due as described above.

ROOMMATE SELECTION:

We do not assign roommates. Roommate selection is completely up to you. Please make your selection(s) known on the sign-up sheet when you register. If you do not have a roommate already, sign up with the notation that you would like to go with one, two or three other people and we will try to help you.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations accepted up to June 15th with a full refund. After June 15th, refund will only be made if there is a waiting list and someone is willing to take your place. **If you have to cancel**, call Angela in the church office to get the name of the next person(s) on the waiting list. **It will be up to you to call that person** and ask that they contact Angela in order to take your place. Once they make their payment, your refund will be mailed to you. After July 10th there can be no refunds made if you cancel.

MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM: The minimum number required for the trip is 35. Maximum number is 40.