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WEST COAST SWING

The 'Best of the West' by
train and Dutch Ocean Liner.

September 17 - 27, 2012

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11 days from \$1,995 pp



In 1939 Canadian Pacific put out a nifty brochure titled, appropriately 'Glorious British Columbia' and this heading summarizes perfectly our view of this beautiful Province. This Fall, we have a truly glorious holiday that features train travel, time in Seattle 'The Emerald City', two full nights in lovely Vancouver at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, sightseeing including a visit to Queen Elizabeth Park with that most Canadian of treats, two nights in the alpine mountain resort of Whistler and a visit to Victoria, BC. Nicest of all, our guests will travel back to Vancouver from Whistler over the British Columbia Railway aboard the new WHISTLER MOUNTAINEER passenger train, the first train over this route in many years, enjoying a journey of stunning beauty past Howe Sound and Britannia Falls in comfort with big-window coaches, an open-air observation platform, afternoon tea aboard and much more!

In fact, stylish touches abound on this holiday, from our welcome dinner in Vancouver, to a special cocktail party aboard the ms Statendam, and a very special evening in the elegant Pinnacle Grill during our voyage south to San Diego. Naturally, there is a professional tour manager from start to finish to handle all of the details so that you can relax and enjoy your holiday.

Our holiday begins with a scenic ride to Seattle aboard the Coast Starlight train with an overnight stay at the Westin Hotel along with plenty of time to enjoy 'The Emerald City'. We then travel north to Vancouver along the Puget Sound aboard the 'Talgo' train to Vancouver, enjoying a special Afternoon Tea before continuing to the resort town of Whistler. With two full days in Whistler, guests have plenty of time to enjoy the European-style cafes, intriguing shops, biking or four of Canada's top-rated golf courses. Next, we board the Whistler Mountaineer, bound for Vancouver on a stunningly beautiful ride to this popular resort destination. In Vancouver, our guests enjoy two-nights at the Hyatt Regency along with a welcome dinner, and sightseeing. Saving the best for last, we then board Holland America's ms Statendam at Vancouver for a rare Pacific Coastal voyage south to San Diego, a nice way to sample traditional Ocean travel, with a daytime stop in Victoria, British Columbia en route. Onboard there is as much, or as little to do as you like and we cannot imagine a nicer way to travel home. We have included dinner one evening in the superlative Pinnacle Grill as well as a farewell cocktail party. There is only one flaw in this entire indulgent holiday, it will fill quickly and prompt reservations are encouraged to avoid disappointment.

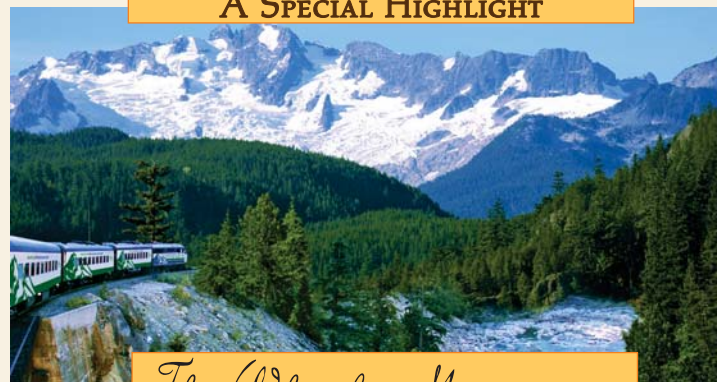
All Aboard!

Your Holiday Includes . . .



- Free train travel from any California point to Seattle, WA aboard the Coast Starlight, a scenic overnight journey.
- Overnight hotel stay in Seattle at the superb Westin Hotel.
- Travel from Seattle to Vancouver aboard the popular 'Talgo Train' along the scenic Puget Sound, the best way to travel between these two cities.
- Two-night stay in the Canadian resort town of Whistler at the Hilton Resort.
- Travel by luxury streamliner train from Whistler with two-night stay in Vancouver at the Hyatt Regency.
- 4-night Pacific Coastal cruise from Vancouver to San Diego aboard Holland America Line's Dutch ocean liner the ms Statendam with a day-visit to charming Victoria, British Columbia en route.
- Return train travel to any California point from San Diego.

A SPECIAL HIGHLIGHT



The Whistler Mountaineer

One of the great rail excursions, the Whistler Mountaineer train is a three-hour train trip travelling between the cosmopolitan city of Vancouver and the popular four-season resort of Whistler, British Columbia. Onboard, experience modern railcars with extended legroom, panoramic picture windows, an open-air observation car, with service and interpretive commentary by knowledgeable and friendly onboard attendants.

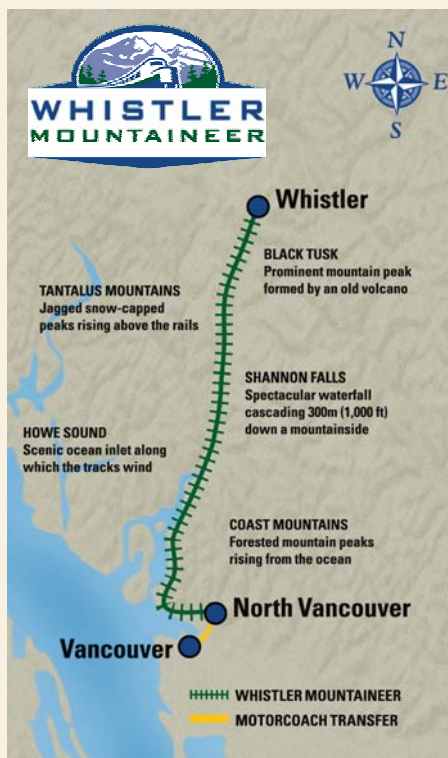
CONDENSED DAILY ITINERARY

Date Activity *Included meals are noted below.*

- 9/17** One-way coach Amtrak travel is included from any California point to Seattle. Guests depart from their closest Amtrak city today for this overnight trip.
- 9/18** Evening arrival into Seattle by train where we transfer to the elegant Westin Hotel for our overnight stay.
- 9/19** We depart the hotel this morning and travel to Vancouver aboard Amtrak's special 'Talgo Train'. Upon arrival in Vancouver, a special treat awaits with lunch at the Sylvia Hotel prior to travelling north to the alpine resort of Whistler for our two-night stay. Overnight at the Hilton Whistler Resort. (B, L)
- 9/20** Today is at your leisure to enjoy Whistler's variety of optional activities including world-class golf, walking, hiking, and biking.
- 9/21** We travel from Whistler to Vancouver aboard the new Whistler Mountaineer, the first passenger train in many years on this route, travelling along Howe Sound and past Britannia Falls, a stunningly beautiful trip. Today we check into the Hyatt Regency for our two-night stay. (AT)
- 9/22** Today we enjoy complete sightseeing of this spectacular city including Stanley Park, Chinatown, English Bay and Robson Street, before visiting Queen Elizabeth Park. Overnight at the Hyatt Regency. (B, D)
- 9/23** We depart the hotel this afternoon for a leisurely embarkation of the ms Statendam to begin our journey to San Diego. We are scheduled to sail at 5:00pm. (B, D)
- 9/24** Victoria, British Columbia 7:00am - 1:00pm (BLD)
- 9/25** Cruising the waters of the Pacific Coast. (BLD)
- 9/26** Cruising the waters of the Pacific Coast. (BLD)
- 9/27** We disembark in San Diego after breakfast time and guests make connections to travel home. (B)



For more than 130 years, Holland America Line has taken discriminating guests like you to the most magnificent destinations around the world. From the moment you step aboard this classic cruise ship, you will believe that the Golden Age of ocean travel has just begun. It's evident in the gleam of brass brightwork, the curve of a teak deck chair, the sound of pleasant musical chimes summoning you to dinner. Ours are the traditions that have long defined classic cruising, refined for a new generation seeking sophistication and romance.

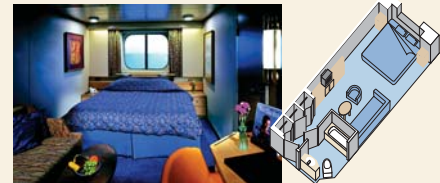


COMPLETE FARES & ACCOMMODATIONS

Listed fares are per person, based on Double Occupancy.



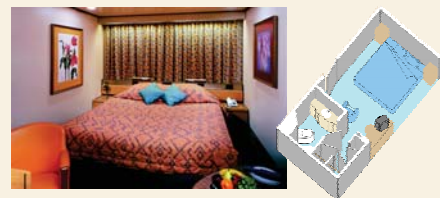
Verandah Stateroom **\$2,395**
2 lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, bath & shower, sitting area, private verandah, floor to ceiling windows.



Large Outside **\$2,295**
Larger Outside cabin. 2 lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, sitting area, picture window.



Outside Stateroom **\$2,145**
Outside Standard cabin. 2 lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, sitting area, picture window with obstructed view.



Inside Stateroom **\$1,995**
Inside Cabin. Two lower beds convertible to 1 queen sized bed, sitting area.

Port taxes of \$165 per person are additional and not included in the above fares. All prices listed are per person, and based on Double occupancy. Upgrade to sleeping compartment on the train to Seattle is available, please call for current rates.

RESERVATION CANCELLATION INFORMATION: A 35% deposit of the Total Fare is required to confirm reservations aboard this program. Final Payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date and no later than 90 days prior to our departure. Payment by American Express, VISA, Mastercard, Discover Card, or check is accepted. Cancellation penalties do apply and for this reason trip cancellation insurance is recommended. Trip insurance is available at a modest cost and additional information may be obtained from your travel professional or the insurance carrier of your choice. The following cancellation penalties apply should you have to cancel for any reason, including medical, once deposit has been made: Cancellations after deposit has been made but prior to final payment are subject to a \$750.00 per person penalty: Cancellations 90 - 60 days prior to sailing are subject to a 40% penalty of the Total Fare: Cancellations 30-59 days prior to sailing are subject to a 80% penalty of the Total Fare: cancellations 29-15 days prior to sailing are subject to 90% penalty of the Total Fare: cancellations 14 days or less are subject to a 100% penalty of the Total Fare. Trip cancellation insurance is available and is strongly and urgently recommended. Given that the resale of cancelled space will likely result in a lost opportunity to sell other space, these fees are due regardless of resale. Name changes and departure date changes are considered cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees.

TICKETS & DOCUMENTS: Tickets and documents will be sent via USPS promptly upon receipt from the railway, airline, or cruise company but only after final payment. This is customarily 14 days prior to sailing. Documents include: ship tickets, a complete itinerary, baggage tags, helpful hints, train or air tickets (when applicable) and shore excursion tickets (when applicable). All guests purchasing any tour or program less than 30 days prior to sailing will receive their ship tickets at the pier upon embarkation.

TRIP INSURANCE INFORMATION: Cancellation insurance is available at modest cost from various insurance providers and is strongly & urgently recommended. Policies can be obtained that provide protection in the event of trip cancellation, pre-existing medical conditions, trip interruption, personal injury or damage to property. Uncommon Journeys and Train Holidays does not endorse any particular type of policy or company but does encourage all guests to consider the purchase of some type of travel insurance.

ITINERARY CHANGES: Changing your itinerary after reservations have been made can result in loss of advantages gained by early planning. In addition, the results of last minute changes may be disappointing. All changes to travel itinerary once deposit has been made are subject to a \$75.00 per person, per change administrative and handling fee. This includes, but is not limited to, date and itinerary changes on airline and rail tickets, name changes on documents, reissue and refund of rail or air tickets, et. al. Changes are not assessed for stateroom upgrades or for the addition of services, unless air reservations are altered and/or travel documents must be reissued.

PAYMENT OF YOUR DEPOSIT INDICATES YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THESE TERMS & CONDITIONS.



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