

Great Escapes Travel and Tours



# WASHINGTON'S WATERWAYS AND NATIONAL PARKS

*featuring Mount Rainier and Olympic Mountains National Parks*



9 DAYS • 13 MEALS

2017 Departure Date:  
August 17





Plenty of time to explore Seattle, Washington

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### The Mayflower Way

- ✓ 13 Meals (5 dinners and 8 breakfasts)
- ✓ Round trip airport transfers
- ✓ Spend 5 nights at the Hotel Murano in downtown Tacoma
- ✓ Tour the Museum of Glass featuring a “hands on” session and the impressive Chihuly Bridge of Glass
- ✓ Visit LeMay-America's Car Museum, the largest collection of classic and vintage automobiles in the world
- ✓ Open-air tram through Northwest Trek Wildlife Park with its American bison, Roosevelt elk, caribou and moose
- ✓ Take an excursion on the steam-powered Mt. Rainier Scenic Railway with a barbecue dinner
- ✓ Narrated city tour of Seattle including Pioneer Square Historic Park and free time for lunch in Pike Place Market
- ✓ Visit the Museum of Flight viewing the historic aircraft, Space Gallery and Boeing's original Red Barn factory
- ✓ Tour Mount Rainier National Park with its giant Douglas firs, icy glaciers and Jackson Memorial Visitor Center
- ✓ Enjoy a tasty dinner at the Emerald Queen Casino
- ✓ Visit Port Townsend and a Sequim area Lavender Farm
- ✓ Ferry to Victoria, known for its English flavor, double-decker buses, Tudor-style buildings and gardens
- ✓ Discover world-famous Butchart Gardens with its ornate landscaping and superb Italian, Japanese, and rose gardens
- ✓ Touring in Olympic National Park featuring Hoh Rain Forest, Lake Crescent and the beautiful Olympic Mountains
- ✓ Farewell dinner at the Bushwhacker Restaurant
- ✓ \$45 in Mayflower Money

### DAY ONE – Travel to Tacoma, Washington

Arrive at Sea-Tac International Airport and transfer to our hotel in Tacoma. Tonight, our Tour Manager hosts a welcome dinner.

(Dinner)

### DAY TWO – Museum of Glass and LeMay-America's Car Museum

Today starts with a unique “hands on” session in a Tacoma “glass hot shop,” where we will design and make our own art glass pieces. Then, visit the renowned Museum of Glass and cross the Chihuly Bridge of Glass filled with the artist's glass works. Later, we explore the massive collection of classic vehicles at the spectacular LeMay-America's Car Museum nearby. After lunch, groups will switch places so that everyone will enjoy identical opportunities. (Breakfast)

### DAY THREE – Northwest Trek Wildlife Park and Mt. Rainier Scenic Railway

We begin today at the unique Northwest Trek Wildlife Park with an open-air tram tour through its “free-roaming area” to



Museum of Flight, Seattle, Washington



Ride the Mt. Rainier Scenic Railway

view numerous American bison, Roosevelt elk, caribou, and moose found here. Later, our excursion aboard the steam-powered Mt. Rainier Scenic Railway will feature views of the state's highest peak and a barbecue dinner. *(Breakfast and dinner)*

#### DAY FOUR – Seattle City Tour and Museum of Flight

Our guided tour of Seattle includes the downtown, Pioneer Square Historic District, Waterfront Park, the Space Needle and the Lake Washington Ship Canal and Locks. Following free time for lunch and browsing at famed Pike Place Market, we'll spend the afternoon viewing the numerous displays and historic aircraft, Space Gallery and Boeing's original Red Barn factory at Seattle's outstanding Museum of Flight. *(Breakfast)*

#### DAY FIVE – Mount Rainier National Park

One of the nation's premier scenic attractions, Mount Rainier stands at 14,410 feet and is the focal point of the park. Fields of brilliant wildflowers, forests of giant Douglas fir, icy glaciers and peaceful valleys teeming with wildlife are found here. Visit the Jackson Memorial Visitor Center and enjoy a tasty dinner at the Emerald Queen Casino. *(Breakfast and dinner)*

#### DAY SIX – Olympic's Port Cities and Sequim Lavender Farm

Cross the Tacoma Narrows Bridge to the Olympic Peninsula and visit the charming village of Port Gamble before a guided tour in historic Port Townsend, with its handsome Victorian-era homes. This afternoon we tour a colorful lavender farm in the Sequim area before coming to our waterfront hotel. *(Breakfast)*

#### DAY SEVEN – Ferry to Victoria, BC and Butchart Gardens

Have your passports handy this morning as we cross the Strait of Juan de Fuca via the spacious MV Coho ferry en route to Vancouver Island. Here, picturesque Victoria maintains a delightful English flavor, spiced with red double-decker buses, Tudor-style buildings and immaculate gardens. Our guided tour features such sights as the Parliament Buildings, the



British Columbia Provincial Museum, Beacon Hill Park, Christ Church Cathedral and the Helmcken House Museum. Next we'll discover why Butchart Gardens are world-famous for ornate landscaping and superb Italian, Japanese and rose gardens. Before returning to Port Angeles this evening, dinner is included at the Victoria Harbour House Restaurant. *(Breakfast and dinner)*

#### DAY EIGHT – Olympic National Park

Today, we embark on a scenic drive through extraordinary Olympic National Park. See the lush Hoh Rain Forest, beautiful Lake Crescent, panoramic vistas of the towering Olympic Mountains and the Strait of Juan de Fuca from the mile-high Hurricane Ridge Visitor Center. Tonight, our farewell dinner is served at the Bushwhacker Restaurant. *(Breakfast and dinner)*

#### DAY NINE – Return Home from Seattle

Crossing Puget Sound via the Washington State Ferry from Bainbridge Island, we arrive at Seattle's Sea-Tac Airport for flights out after 1:00 p.m. *(Breakfast)*



Inner Harbor, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

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Summer tranquility in the Olympic Mountains

2017 DEPARTURE	PER PERSON TWIN ROOM	SINGLE ROOM
August 17	\$3,399	add \$1,069



Pricing includes land tour, air, round trip transfers MSP, administrative fee.

*Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.*

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## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Days One through Five** – Hotel Murano, Tacoma, Washington

**Days Six through Eight** – Red Lion Hotel, Port Angeles, Washington



## TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

EASY **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** ENERGETIC

### Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) – \$150

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included **ONLY** if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

### Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)

- 61 days and more – deposit amount
  - 60 – 31 days – 20% of the tour cost
  - 30 – 15 days – 30% of the tour cost
  - 14 – 1 day prior – 40% of the tour cost
  - Day of departure or early departure from tour – 100% of the tour cost
- No refund on unused portion

**Exclusions:** Mayflower Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Tours.

