

*Experience Oregon Tours*  
**Glacier & Waterton Lakes National Parks**  
September 9-16 2012



Step into Montana's beautiful Glacier National Park and cross the border into Canada's awe-inspiring Waterton Lakes National Park. Together, as a UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization) World Heritage Site, they have joined to become the world's first International Peace Park. Explore this unspoiled world-class destination known as the "Crown of the Continent." Rugged snow-capped jagged mountains, pristine turquoise lakes, historic lodges, famous vintage 1930s Red Buses, the renowned Going-to-the Sun Road, and more make this the sightseer's trip of a lifetime.

On this tour you will travel through the spectacular Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, dine at a waterfront restaurant in the resort town and artist community of Sandpoint, ID, peruse the fascinating geologic Frank Slide Interpretive Centre at Crowsnest Pass, British Columbia, and enjoy two nights at the renown Prince of Wales Hotel--one of the most photographed hotels in North America. Learn about the local area on a narrated tour of Waterton Lakes, Alberta, and enjoy a narrated cruise on Waterton Lakes. Gawk at the breathtaking scenery as you travel over the world famous Going-to-the-Sun Road in a vintage 1930s Red Bus and on a boat tour on Glacier National Park's gorgeous Lake McDonald. Stay overnight at the historic Glacier Park Lodge and Resort and visit a unique 120-year old Montana Mission. Most meals are included and a lot more...

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**Day 1: Sunday, September 9**

**Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Moses Lake**

Travel north through the spectacular Columbia River Gorge separating Oregon from Washington. Stretching for over 80 miles, the canyon walls rise up to 4,000 feet. For a tasty lunch with a view, stop in Hood River and dine on the banks of the river. Continue through the Tri-Cities farm country of southern Washington, ending the day at Moses Lake. Our hotel is beautifully situated on the edge of the lakeshore.

8:30 am All pickups accommodate this departure time from Eugene's Shopko location.  
11:30 am Arrive in Hood River for lunch  
1:00 pm Continue eastward  
5:30 pm Arrive hotel; dinner at your leisure.

**Hotel:** Best Western + Lakefront Hotel, Moses Lake **Phone:** 509-765-9211  
*Added cost: lunch and dinner*

**Day 2: Monday, September 10**



**Sandpoint, ID**

**Sandpoint, ID, Cranbrook, British Columbia**

Leaving the Columbia Basin behind, travel into the forested hills of the Washington-Idaho border region. Stop for lunch in Sandpoint, Idaho, a resort town and artist community, where the mountain-framed brilliant blue of Pend Oreille Lake draws us in. Be sure to have your passport handy as we continue northward along the Kootenai and Moyie Rivers to the Canadian border. Cross into British Columbia and before arriving at Cranbrook for the night, be sure to move your watch forward one hour. This evening enjoy a group get-together informal dinner.

- 6:00 am Breakfast service begins. Dine when you wish.
- 7:15 am Bags ready for collection
- 8:00 am Depart
- 11:30 am Arrive Sandpoint for lunch
- 1:00 pm Depart
- 5:45 pm Arrive hotel
- 6:30 pm Group dinner

**Hotel:** Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort, Cranbrook

**Phone:** 250-417-0444

*Breakfast, lunch and dinner included. No added cost*



**Frank Slide, Crowsnest Pass**

**Day 3: Tuesday, September 11**

**Crowsnest Pass, Waterton Lakes National Park**



**Prince of Wales Hotel at Waterton Lake**

This morning stop at the Frank Slide Interpretive Centre at Crowsnest Pass where in 1903 there occurred a massive landslide. Continue through Alberta enroute to Waterton Lakes National Park, where we are greeted by incredible beauty, history and wildlife. Keep an eye out for bison that frequent the area just inside the park. Arrive at the renown Prince of Wales Hotel, another in a long line of Canadian historic and magnificent structures built in the 1920's by the Great Northern Railway. Set on a bluff, it provides some of the most exquisite views of Waterton Lake. A local professional guide joins us this afternoon for a narrated sightseeing tour of the area.

- 6:45 am Breakfast service begins
- 7:15 am Bags ready for collection
- 8:00 am Depart
- 1:00 pm Lunch at Prince of Wales Hotel
- 3:00 pm Step-on guide sightseeing tour
- 5:15 pm Check into hotel
- 6:00 pm Dinner

**Hotel:** Prince of Wales Hotel, Waterton, Alberta **Phone:** 403-859-2231

*Breakfast, lunch and dinner included. No added cost.*

#### Day 4: Wednesday, September 12

Today we are treated to a narrated cruise on Waterton Lake. See majestic towering cliffs, unique geological formations, beautiful waterfalls and snow clad mountain peaks from the boat. An interesting stop is made at Goat Haunt, Montana ranger station--the northern gateway to Glacier National Park. Bald eagles, bear, moose, deer, mountain sheep and mountain goats are often seen so be sure to bring your camera. The balance of the afternoon is free to relax at the hotel or stroll the Waterton townsite for shopping, dining and exploring. You may want to partake in a traditional British tea served in our hotel lobby from 2 to 5 pm. (optional---not included).

#### Cruising Waterton Lakes



6:30 am Breakfast service begins. Dine when you wish.  
9:30 am Depart hotel  
10:00 am Cruise boat departs  
12:15 pm Boat returns. Afternoon at leisure.

**Hotel:** Prince of Wales Hotel, Waterton, Alberta **Phone:** 403-859-2231  
*Breakfast included. Added cost: lunch and dinner*

#### Day 5: Thursday, September 13

#### St Mary Lodge, Glacier Park Lodge



This morning we leave Canada behind and travel toward Montana's Glacier National Park. Be sure to have your passport handy for the border check. The scenery is breathtaking as we head south along Chief Mountain Highway enroute to St Mary. Stop for lunch at the popular St Mary Lodge situated just outside Glacier National Park's east entrance. Then continue on to Glacier Park Lodge, built in 1912 and nestled in East Glacier at the foot of Dancing Lady Mountain. The Lodge boasts an outdoor swimming pool, nine-hole golf course, day spa, lounge, restaurant, and gift shop. See huge Douglas fir pillars over 40-ft high and 40-inches in diameter that form the supports of the lobby.

6:30 am Breakfast service begins  
8:45 am Bags ready for collection  
9:30 am Depart Waterton and cross into the U.S.  
Have your passport available.  
11:45 am Arrive St Mary Lodge for lunch  
1:30 pm Depart St Mary Lodge  
3:15 pm Arrive Glacier Park Lodge  
6:00 pm Dinner at the Lodge

**Hotel:** Glacier Park Lodge, East Glacier, MT  
Phone: 406-226-5600  
*Breakfast, lunch and dinner included. No added cost.*



**Day 6: Friday, September 14**

**Going-to-the-Sun Road, Lake McDonald Cruise**

Today we travel the world famous Going-to-the-Sun Road in a vintage 1936 Red Bus, both familiar icons of Glacier National Park. From rollback canvas top vehicles, marvel at the breathtaking views along this 50-mile road spanning the width of the national park.

Enjoy the insightful commentary about the park and its history as you cross the 6,646 foot high Continental Divide at Logan Pass. Arrive in time for lunch at the 1914-built Lake McDonald Lodge located on the shore of the largest lake inside the park.

This afternoon board a boat and discover a spectacular side of the park not visible from the road. View unusual geological phenomena and see gorgeous mountain scenery. The popular lodge offers a unique gift shop, campstore, lounge, restaurant, and pizzeria.

- 6:30 am Breakfast service begins.
- 7:00 am Bags ready for collection
- 8:00 am Depart Glacier Park Lodge
- 12:30 pm Arrive Lake McDonald Lodge for lunch
- 4:15 pm Boat tour on Lake McDonald
- 6:30 pm Dinner at the Lodge



Going-to-the-Sun Road

**Hotel:** Lake McDonald Lodge, Glacier National Park

**Phone:** 406-888-5431

*Breakfast, lunch and dinner included. No added cost*



Mountain Goat

**Day 7: Saturday, September 15**

**St Ignatius Mission, Ritzville**



St Ignatius Mission

Today we leave the national park and travel along the shoreline of Flathead Lake. Almost thirty miles long and fifteen miles across at its widest point, Flathead Lake is the largest natural lake in western U.S. Stop in St. Ignatius at the unique 120-year old mission where the most exceptional feature of the interior are the 58 murals painted by Brother Joseph Carignano, an untrained artist who worked as a cook in the mission. Spend time in the gift shop, see museum displays and visit the log home which was the original Sisters' residence. Stop for lunch in St Regis then continue on I-90 over Lookout Pass where we cross into the Pacific Time Zone. Be sure to move your watches earlier one hour.

Traverse Idaho's beautiful Silver Valley, cross the border into

Washington and stop for the night in the small town of Ritzville, home to the largest annual rodeo in eastern Washington.

- 6:30 am Breakfast service begins
- 7:30 am Bags ready for collection.
- 8:15am Depart
- 12:45 pm Arrive St Regis for lunch
- 2:30 pm Depart
- 5:45 pm Arrive hotel

**Hotel:** Best Western Bronco Inn, Ritzville, WA

*Breakfast included. Added cost: lunch and dinner*

**Phone:** 509-659-5000

## Day 8: Sunday, September 16

This morning travel through the dry plains of eastern Washington traversing the Tri-Cities area. Cradled near the confluence of the Columbia, Snake and Yakima Rivers, vineyards thrive in this sun-kissed location. Cross into Oregon and continue along the banks of the Columbia River, stopping at the popular Country Cousins Restaurant in The Dalles for lunch. After lunch, continue along the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area meeting up with I-5 and points south. Welcome home with memories of two of North America's most spectacular national parks!

6:00 am	Breakfast service begins
7:45 am	Bags ready for collection
8:30 am	Depart hotel
12:15 pm	Arrive The Dalles
1:45 pm	Depart
	Make stops in Salem and Albany as necessary
5:30 pm	Anticipated arrival in Eugene

*Breakfast included. Added cost: lunch*

## Ritzville to Eugene



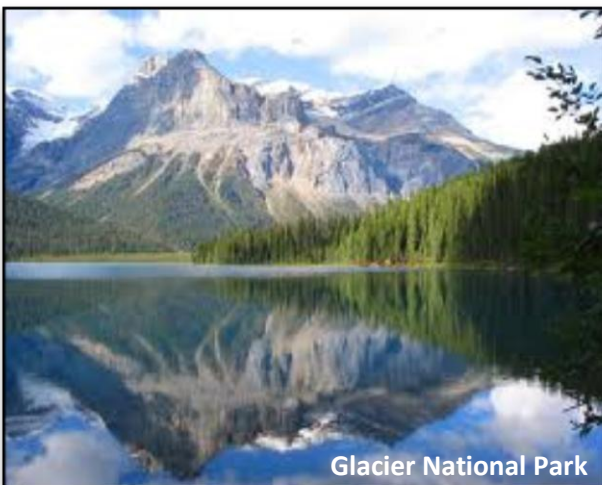
Vineyards near Tri-Cities, WA

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**The total cost for this trip is only:** \$1999 per person double occupancy, \$2599 single occupancy, \$1858 per person triple occupancy. Tour includes: seven nights hotel including two nights at the renowned Prince of Wales Hotel in Waterton Lakes and one each at popular Glacier Park Lodges, baggage handling at each hotel for one suitcase per person, seven breakfasts, four lunches, four dinners, admission to Frank Slide Interpretive Centre, entrance fees to Waterton Lakes National Park and Glacier National Park, narrated tour with a professional local step-on-guide in Waterton Lakes, narrated cruises on Waterton Lakes and Lake McDonald, Red Bus Tour on Going-to-the-Sun Road, all Experience Oregon motorcoach transportation and sightseeing as per the itinerary, taxes and gratuities for the above, and services of an Experience Oregon Tour Director. Customary and optional gratuities for the driver and escort are not included in the price of the trip.

**Deposit:** \$250 per person required at time of making your reservation.

**Payment/Cancellation Policy:** Final payment is required in full sixty (60) days prior to tour departure, or no later than **July 9, 2012**. If payment is not received by this time, reservations may be cancelled and any waitlisted passenger could be placed in the vacant seat. Cancellations received after final payment date are charged \$100 per person cancellation fee plus any irretrievable payments made to vendors. Cancellations made less than seven (7) days prior to departure including no-shows are non-refundable. Trip cancellation insurance is recommended. Call for details.



Glacier National Park

**Meals:** If you have special dietary requirements including vegetarian, it is essential that you let us know at that time you book your tour reservation.

**Please note:** The Going-to-the-Sun Road crosses the Continental Divide at 6,646 feet and several of our hotels lie above 4700 feet, so please check with your physician if you suspect altitude may be a concern.

**Passport/passport card:** Please give your passport number to us when you make your initial reservation as well as your proper name as shown on the passport and birth date. It is essential and required that each passenger have a valid passport or passport card in order to enter Canada. Be sure that you carry this with you rather than pack in your suitcase.

**To best enjoy this tour:**

Walking is an essential part of this tour. Please wear comfortable walking shoes. We suggest layering your clothes for warmth on lakes, at elevation, chilly mornings and/or evenings. Bring along raingear, just in case. The dress is informal and comfortable. Experience Oregon Tours is not a handicap accessible company. Hotels within Glacier and Waterton Lakes National Parks do not have elevators (except Prince of Wales Hotel), air conditioning, televisions, irons, hair dryers, microwaves or mini refrigerators.

- Trip cancellation insurance is recommended. Please ask for details.
- Bring a bathing suit as some hotels have pools and/or spas.
- Alcoholic beverages are not included in the cost of the meals.
- If travel will require more than two hours, we plan a rest stop.
- While a nametag will be provided to you, wearing the nametag is always optional.
- To insure proper portage, please be sure luggage tags are on all pieces of luggage except hand carry items. Should you have more than one piece of luggage requiring portage a \$10 per day charge will be made for each additional piece.
- Please note that all times are approximate and subject to change depending on circumstances of the day. As itineraries are made well in advance of trip, schedules and inclusions may be altered.
- Seat rotation on extended trips will take place.
- We try to accommodate room preferences, but we cannot guarantee the hotel will honor those requests
- For the comfort of all, please refrain from wearing any type of aromatic perfume or aftershave.

**We pickup in several locations for extended trips.  
If you are uncertain about being picked up in your usual location please call for details.**



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