



New Tour!

Springtime in the Pacific Northwest

Featuring the Portland Rose Festival, Olympic National Park, Victoria & Seattle!

May 31-June 12, 2020

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Landmarks of the Gorge Cruise
- Portland Rose Society Spring Rose Show
- Behind-the-Scenes Float Barn Tour
- Oregon Rail Heritage Center
- International Rose Test Gardens
- Grand Floral Parade Reserved Indoor Seats
- Mount St. Helens Visitor Center
- LeMay Car Museum
- Olympic National Park
- Butchart Gardens
- Victoria City Tour
- Whale Watching
- Airfare from Seattle to Minneapolis
- & Much More

MEALS INCLUDED

Breakfast (B): 11 Lunch (L): 2 Dinner (D): 2

PRICE PER PERSON

Reservation Deposit:	\$200
Double (2 people/room):	\$3100
Triple (3 people/room):	\$3080
Quad (4 people/room):	\$3060
Single (1 person/room):	\$4150

IMPORTANT DATES & INFORMATION

Final Payment Due:	4/16/20
Cancel for a Full Refund:	3/30/20
Passport Required?	Yes

Riley's purchases a Group Deluxe Protection Plan with Trip Cancellation/Interruption on behalf of all tour participants/travelers

Day 1 Medora, ND

Our journey begins today as we skirt across North Dakota to the historic town of Medora. Upon arrival we'll check-in to our hotel before attending the **Pitchfork Fondue** and the **Medora Musical**. (D)

Day 2 Missoula, MT

We enter "Big Sky Country" today. Sit back, relax and enjoy the scenery as we travel through Montana to Missoula, nestled in the heart of the Northern Rockies. (B)

Day 3 Portland, OR

Today we travel west into Washington and make our way to Oregon. We'll arrive in Portland where we will check-in to our hotel for the next 4 nights. (B)

Day 4 Portland, OR

Enjoy an leisurely morning before we board the **Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler** for a cruise on the Historic Columbia River Scenic Waterway. Glide past such natural landmarks as Multnomah Falls, Beacon Rock, Bonneville Locks and Dam, and many others. Meals onboard include a **light continental breakfast** as you board, followed by a **delicious lunch buffet**, and **complimentary hot coffee, tea and dessert**. Afterwards, we will go

to the **Bonneville Dam Visitor Center** to learn about it's history and how it provides electricity and flood control for this area. We'll return to our hotel for the rest of the evening on your own. (B, L)

Day 5 Portland, OR

Our sightseeing begins this morning as we travel back along the Columbia River again to **Multnomah Falls** and see it from a different view. We'll have an **included lunch** today at a local favorite before visiting the **Portland Rose Society Spring Rose Show**, the competition of cut roses. Then we'll do a **behind-the-Scenes Float Barn Tour**. Here we will be guided through the float building warehouse as the finishing touches and final floral arrangements are being placed on the floats. (B, L)

Day 6 Portland, OR

A **local guide** will board our bus this morning to show us around **Portland** on a **city tour**. Next, visit we the **International Rose Test Garden** and see it's 7,000 rose plants of approximately 550 varieties. Portland is home to the **Oregon Rail Heritage Center** and that's where we're off to next. Here we will learn and see Portland's historic locomotives, railroad



equipment, and artifacts. Tonight, **dinner is included** at a one of Portland's popular eateries! (B, D)

Day 7 Tacoma, WA

Today is the big day! We'll attend the **Grand Floral Parade** this morning. We have **indoor premium reserved seats** at the Memorial Coliseum. This the second largest all-floral parade in the United States behind the Tournament of Roses Parade. Afterwards, we'll depart Portland and drive along the Spirit Lake Highway to the **Mount St. Helens Visitor Center**. Here, we will learn about the eruption of Mount St. Helens, the landscape before and during the eruption and the results it had on the ecosystems. We'll continue to Tacoma, Washington for this evenings lodging. (B)

Day 8 Port Angeles, WA

We'll spend the morning at the **LeMay-America's Car Museum**. It consists of many automotive artifacts, 250 automobiles from the last 100 years plus another 100 vehicles loaned from private collectors. We'll stop for lunch on your own before heading to the **Museum of Glass**, located right on the Tacoma's waterfront. Experience breathtaking works of art by artists like Dale Chihuly and others. Enjoy glass art making demonstrations from molten glass in "The Hot Shop." You'll even have the chance to walk across the Chihuly Bridge of Glass, a 500-foot-long pedestrian overpass that links the Museum to downtown Tacoma. We make our way to Port Angeles enjoying beautiful scenery along the way as we travel the Washington Peninsula. Upon arrival, we will check-in to our waterfront property located near many shops and restaurants. (B)

Day 9 Port Angeles, WA

This morning we will board a **ferry to Victoria, British Columbia**. This capital city, sits on the craggy southern end of Vancouver Island. Upon arrival, we'll visit one of the world's most beautiful gardens, **Butchart Gardens**. Stroll through the gardens and view it's June blooms including the soft silky petals of the Paeonia and Peonies, more than 70 different varieties of Iris, the eye catching greenish white flowers of the Cornus kousa and many more that will be blooming. Lunch will be on your own at one of the restaurants at the Gardens. Later, we will meet up with a **local guide** who will give



us a **tour** of this beautiful city. We will ferry back to Port Angeles. (B)

Day 10 Port Angeles, WA

Our adventure today will be one you won't forget! We'll board a boat for a **whale watching excursion** and head out into the Strait of Juan de Fuca, home of the famed "Humpback Comeback" of the Pacific Northwest, with hundreds of humpbacks now choosing these cold, nutrient-rich waters as their summer feeding grounds. After facing extinction in the early 1900's, protective measures have since helped humpback whale populations rebound. Despite their size (40 feet long and weighing 40 tons), humpback whales have the reputation of being the most acrobatic of the whales. Few things compare to seeing a humpback breach! We will visit Race Rocks to marvel at elephant seals, Steller sea lions, and if we're lucky, maybe even a sea otter! (B)

Day 11 Seattle, WA

Our adventure continues as we travel through **Olympic National Park**. We'll enter the park and be surrounded by it's lush forests until it opens up to the shoreline of Lake Crescent. A stop will be made for photos of the deep lake known for its brilliant blue waters and exceptional clarity. It's caused by a lack of nitrogen in the water which inhibits the growth of algae. We'll make our way to the **Hoh Rain Forest** which is located in the stretch of the Pacific Northwest rainforest. Throughout the winter season, there is 140-170 inches of rain or 12-14 feet of precipitation

here each year. The result, a lush, green canopy of both coniferous and deciduous species. Mosses and ferns that blanket the surfaces add another dimension to the enchantment of the rainforest. The Hoh is one of the finest remaining examples of temperate rainforest in the United States. We'll weave in and out of the park throughout the day seeing nothing but beautiful scenery as we make our way to Seattle. (B)

Day 12 Seattle, WA

A **local guide** will climb aboard our bus and give us a **city tour** this morning. We will see many of Seattles sights including the Shopping District, the world's first Starbucks, Pioneer Square-Seattle's original downtown that is now a historic district with art galleries and trendy restaurants that border the sports stadiums for the Seahawks and Mariners. Lunch will be on your own at the **Pike Place Market**. It houses many restaurant and shops to keep you busy! This afternoon, we'll take in the view from the **Space Needle**. With two floors of thrilling views, you can float over Seattle as you sit back on one of the inclined glass benches in the open-air observation deck and step out onto the world's first revolving glass floor seeing Seattle at your feet. (B)

Day 13 Home

Our motorcoach will drop us off at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport for our flight home. A Riley bus will be awaiting our arrival once we arrive in Minneapolis to bring us back to our original departure points.