



Best of the Pacific Northwest



10 DAYS

Explore the best of the Pacific Northwest, from its world-famous cities to its breathtaking natural beauty. Begin your trip in bustling downtown Seattle, where you'll discover the city's rich history and incredible food scene. Moving on to Oregon you'll be astounded by the Northwest's natural beauty, from majestic Mt. St. Helens to the flowing Multnomah Falls, and the bright blue of Crater Lake. In California, prepare to be amazed by the sheer size of the trees in Redwood National Forest, and delighted by the complex wines of Napa Valley. End your trip with two days in San Francisco, one of America's great cities for its culture, history, food, and impressive monuments.



Columbia River Gorge

Your tour includes:

- Hotel accommodations for 9 nights
- Rail travel on Amtrak's *Cascades Service*
- 12 meals
- Seattle city tour
- Mount St. Helens tour
- Columbia River Gorge and Multnomah Falls tour
- Crater Lake tour
- Hell's Gate Jetboat tour on the Rogue River
- Redwood National Park and the Avenue of the Giants tour
- Napa wine tasting
- *Napa Valley Wine Train* with lunch
- San Francisco city tour and Alcatraz boat tour
- Transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- Services of a professional tour manager
- Baggage handling

Departure Date and Rates:

June 19 - 28, 2017

\$2,599 Twin accommodations
\$3,570 Single accommodations

Prices are per person, land only.

Pre- and post-night hotel accommodations are available. Inquire at time of reservation.

Travel insurance is recommended.

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**To make a reservation, complete the reservation form and email
to: groupagent@vacationsbyrail.com**



Day 1 - Arrival in Seattle

Arrive in beautiful Seattle and transfer on your own to your downtown hotel. Downtown Seattle is known for large parks, unique architecture, historical museums and fantastic local markets and restaurants. Explore the area around your hotel on your own before meeting for a welcome dinner with the rest of the group this evening. Overnight Seattle. (D)

Day 2 - Seattle

Today, you are off to see the sites of Seattle on a guided tour. From the iconic Space Needle to historical monuments and beautiful gardens, the Emerald City has something for any taste. We'll stop at Pike Place Market, the oldest continuously operated market in the United States, for lunch on your own. After the tour, we'll head to the Amtrak station and board a train for the short trip to Portland. Upon arrival, enjoy a brief city tour before dinner on your own. Overnight Portland. (B)

Day 3 - Mount St. Helens

We will take a guided tour of Mt. St. Helens known for its massive eruption in 1980, the volcano in the Cascade Mountains is often called the "Fuji-san of America" for its picturesque symmetry, high peak, and covering of snow and ash. Once we return to Portland, you have the evening to yourself to relax and take in the beauty of the Columbia River. Overnight Portland. (B, L)

Day 4 - Columbia River Gorge and Bend Oregon

You leave Portland today for a tour of the Columbia River Gorge, where you'll get to lay eyes on both natural and man-made vistas. You'll retrace the steps of Lewis and Clark while passing by striking mountains, deep canyons, spectacular waterfalls, and rolling vineyards. We'll stop at Multnomah Falls, a split waterfall with a footbridge allowing visitors to cross the lower falls with spectacular views. Later in the day, you'll arrive in the charming mountain town of Bend, Oregon, known for the Three Sisters, three volcanic peaks, each reaching higher than 10,000 feet. You'll have the evening to explore the charming town and the many restaurants within walking distance of your hotel. Overnight Bend. (B, L)

Day 5 - Crater Lake National Park

The deep, pure blue of Crater Lake has mesmerized visitors for thousands of years, and today you'll get to join in the awe. After breakfast at your hotel, you'll visit the lake and learn about its intense volcanic history, and also have leisure time to take photographs of the staggeringly beautiful, sheer cliffs and two alluring islands. You'll travel on to Grants Pass, Oregon, where you'll have the night to your leisure. Overnight Grants Pass. (B)

Day 6 - Rogue River Jetboat Excursion and Redwood National Park

Your outdoor adventures continue today as you head to the Rogue River for a jetboat excursion through the spectacular scenery of Hellgate Canyon. Learn about the history of the area and get up close and personal with the river and wildlife, including otters, eagles, and deer. After the boat tour, we'll move on to Redwood National Park, home of the tallest living trees on earth. The evergreen trees in the park grow up to 350 feet, and have been around since prehistoric times.



Route Map

Today, they only survive in Oregon and the park is a protected area. You'll take a guided hike through the redwoods to learn about their history and conservation. After a day marveling at the trees you'll head to Eureka, California. Overnight Eureka. (B)

Day 7 - Santa Rosa and Napa Valley

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before departing on the scenic drive to Santa Rosa, the vibrant heart of Sonoma County, for lunch on your own at one of the many downtown restaurants. After lunch we'll enjoy a vineyard tour and wine tasting at one of California's premier wine houses. After the tasting, we'll end the day in Rohnert Park, known as The Friendly City, where you can enjoy dinner downtown or explore Roberts Lake and the many creeks. Overnight Rohnert Park. (B)

Day 8 - Napa Valley

Wine country awaits you today in Napa Valley. Set off on a train through the valley for picturesque vineyard views, wine tastings, and lunch on the train. In the afternoon you'll make your way to San Francisco, where you'll have the evening to yourself to explore one of the city's many lively districts and fantastic seafood restaurants. Overnight San Francisco. (B, L)

Day 9 - San Francisco and Alcatraz

See the best of San Francisco today on a tour of the city's most iconic sights and interesting places. From the Golden Gate Bridge to bustling Fisherman's Wharf and intricate dragon gate of Chinatown, the city's unique character and history will shine through. In the afternoon, you'll take a boat tour around Alcatraz Island, home to the notorious prison that housed some of America's most well known criminals, including Al Capone. Enjoy one last farewell dinner with the rest of the group, before returning to your hotel or exploring San Francisco's nightlife. Overnight San Francisco. (D)

Day 10 - Departure

Transfer to airport on your own and depart San Francisco for home.