



## USA & CANADA



### Seattle, Vancouver & Alaska Cruise

on board the 'Brilliance of the Seas'

2023

**Wed 06 Sep** We meet at Malta International Airport at 10:00 to check in for our flight LH1277 departs 1245 and arrive **Frankfurt** at 1525. Transfer to our Hotel Mercure Frankfurt Airport for overnight.

**Thu 07 Sep** Transfer to Frankfurt airport Frankfurt to fly to Seattle by LH490 at 1045 and arrive in **Seattle,USA** at 1230 (All times local). Transfer to our city centre hotel 'Mariott Westin Seattle' 4 Star. Familiarization walk with the tour leader and free time.

**Fri 08 Sep** **Seattle** : We'll start the day with a visit to the world famous Space Needle (ent. fee extra). and a spectacular panorama of Seattle and Elliott Bay. We'll then take some time to see the sights of this vibrant city driving through the upscale Queen Anne residential area, stopping to watch the yachts and tugboats pass through the Ballard Locks. Our lunch break will be at the famous and eclectic Pikes Market Place. Watch out for flying salmon! After lunch time we'll take a short trip north to the city of Everett, home of one of the largest Boeing production plants in the world (ent. fee extra). We'll take some time to visit the famous Boeing Future of Flight Aviation Center and watch the production line of some of the Boeings most famous aircraft

**Sat 09 Sep** **Seattle** : Today we visit the **Mount Rainier National Park**, we'll enter through the Nisqually Park entrance (ent, fee extra) and continue up the scenic, winding road to the new Paradise Jackson Visitor Center at an elevation of 5,400 feet. See the vast expanses of pristine old-growth evergreen forests, gorgeous subalpine flower meadows and spectacular alpine vistas. Explore the nation's fifth-oldest national park, featuring magnificent rivers, mountain lakes, waterfalls, and wildlife, and boasts the greatest single-peak glacial system in the United States. Glaciers radiate from the summit of the 14,411-foot inactive volcano. Our tour includes also glacial moraines, the Longmire visitors Center and Museum (ent. fee extra), Narada Falls, Reflection Lake and Christine Falls. Back to Seattle and free time.

**Sun 10 Sep** Transfer from Seattle to Vancouver, Canada. Proceed to the Cruise Terminal to check in to board on the '**Brilliance of the Seas**' by **Royal Caribbean Cruises** for an unforgettable cruise through Alaska. Make sure to be on the observation deck when we set to sail at 1700 for not to miss the Spectacular view of Vancouver. Full board onboard.

**Mon 11 Sep** **Cruise** : Cruising through the **Inside Passage** is really what has made Alaska cruising so popular. This trip captures so much of what people love about Alaska. There are glaciers the size of Rhode Island, misty rain forests and ghostly blue fjords and spirited communities that celebrate their varied heritage. Be sure not to miss any single view as you are sailing through one of the most beautiful parts of Alaska.

**Tue 12 Sep** Arrive **Sitka** at 11:59. Sitka is considered Alaska's most beautiful seaside town, with views of island-studded waters and stately spruce forests reaching to the water's edge. Sitka offers a combination of Native culture, Russian history, and Alaskan wilderness which provides a diverse and unequalled Alaskan experience. The mild climate and dense forests make Sitka one of the best places to view wildlife in Alaska. Sailing 17:00

**Wed 13 Sep** **Cruise** Today by 06:30 cruising on the 'Tracy Arm Fjord' which is nestled between 3,000-foot high granite walls, the narrow, twisting slice of ocean called Tracy Arm Fjord weaves through the Tongass National Forest for roughly 35 miles. The shoreline is spotted with waterfalls created by melting snowcaps and trees sprouting at odd angles from rocky outcroppings. You will have ample time to admire the landscape and perhaps catch sight of a few native animals. At 10:30 proceed to **Juneau** and arrive at around 13:30 which is the capital of Alaska, it was founded during a gold rush in 1880. Today, the former gold-mining town counts among its riches some of Alaska's most spectacular scenery. Nestled at the foot of Mt. Juneau in the Alaska Panhandle, it faces the water from the mainland side of Gastineau Channel. Several magnificent fjords are located along the channel coast, and the majestic Mendenhall Glacier. Today we suggest you take a helicopter ride where you can watch bear, mountain goats, and moose. Once you've landed, we'll take you on a once-in-a-lifetime dogsled ride. Sailing at 22:00.

**Thu 14 Sep** **Cruise** 0700 we dock on **Haines**, located in northern Lynn Channel, and has a population of 1,260 people. Haines has the largest concentration of bald eagles in the world at the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve. Another popular attraction is the recreated gold rush town of "Dalton City." There are also native history performances by the Chilkat Indian Dancers at the Chilkat Center for the Arts. Sailing 16:00

**Fri 15 Sep** **Cruise** : 11:30 arrive at **Ketchikan** which is situated along the shores of Alaska's Inside Passage within the heart of the sixteen-million-acre Tongass National Forest. Evergreen mountains rise out of the water, the lush green landscape nurtured by the abundant rainfall of our temperate rainforest environment. Today we suggest that you to take (optional ) a one of a kind excursion to see the Black Bears of Herring Cove. You will enjoy an approximate 1.6Km hike along an improved trail as your guide leads you too prime bear viewing location. Sailing at 22:00

**Sat 16 Sep** **Cruise** : Today it's a 'Fun Day at Sea'. You can relax and enjoy the ship facilities like the Spa & Fitness centre, Sport Area, Game Arcade, Solarium and Library. On the pool deck you can warm up in one of the whirlpools. Or you can enjoy the panoramas which are dotted by small fishing villages along the coast and the protected waters are perfect for spotting wildlife.

**Sun 17 Sep**                    **Cruise / Vancouver** After breakfast Disembark the Cruise Ship, : After the disembarkation, we do the City tours of Vancouver. This relaxing coach tour will take us to visit the city's famous sights including Stanley Park, Shaughnessy, English Bay and Queen Elizabeth Park... we also pay a visit to the Granville Island where you can stroll around the lively market, shops for unique souvenir, and enjoy street performers ranging from musicians to magicians. Then proceed for the check in at the **Mariott Pinnacle Hotel** which is located near Robson Street, Vancouver's eating, shopping and entertainment hub. Vancouver recently ranked by The Economist as the number one most lively city in the world, Vancouver is a picturesque city surrounded by the waters of the Pacific Ocean and the snow capped peaks of the Coast Mountain range. Assignments of rooms and a walk with the tour leader to familiarize you with the hotel area.

**Mon 18 Sep**                    **Vancouver** : Today we travel to the North Shore. Our first stop will be the 'Capilano Salmon Hatchery'. This is a beautiful river forest setting where you'll be able to watch salmon as they return up-river to spawn. Sometimes there will be bear fishing in the river a few feet from your observation point. Are you ready for something really unique? Our next stop is the famous **Capilano Suspension Bridge** which spans the magnificent canyon (Ent. Fee extra) Let's go up to **Grouse Mountain!** Step aboard the Sky ride and take a 1.6Km journey like no other to the majestic nature of the Peak of Vancouver. You will take in breathtakingly views of towering trees, the city of Vancouver, the sparkling Pacific Ocean, the Gulf Islands, and nearby mountain peaks. You will have ample time to take a Chairlift (extra) to the peak, catch the humorous Lumberjack Show or watch a Birds in Motion Show. One of the highlights of your visit can be observing a Grizzly bear in the impressive Refuge for Endangered Wildlife atop Grouse Mountain

**Tue 19 Sep**                    **Vancouver:** Morning free time till 12:00, then transfer to Vancouver airport for our flight LH493 departure to Frankfurt at 16:15

**Wed 20 Sep**                    Arrive Frankfurt at 11:00. We fly back to Malta by LH1310 at 13:55 and arrive in Malta at 16:25 (All times local)

#### **Price per person includes:**

- \* Flights by Lufthansa: Malta – Vancouver / Seattle Malta [via Frankfurt]
- \* 8 Day Cruise on board the 'Brilliant's of the Seas' by *Royal Caribbean cruises*
- \* Full board during the cruise.
- \* Daily entertainment and use of on board facilities
- \* 1 night in Frankfurt on room basis only
- \* 3 nights in Seattle at the Marriott Westin Hotel on room basis only
- \* 2 nights in Vancouver at the Marriott Hotel Pinnacle on room basis only
- \* Full day Seattle city tour & Boeing production plants
- \* Full day Mount Rainier National Park
- \* Full day Capilano Suspension Bridge & Grouse Mountain
- \* Half day Vancouver City and Granville Island Tour
- \* Airports & City Tax
- \* Port Taxes & Gratuities for the cruise
- \* Tour Leader

Price in €uro per person

	Single		Twin/Double		Triple	
	NML	EBD	NML	EBD	NML	EBD
Outside cabin	5'060	<b>4'960</b>	3'775	<b>3'675</b>	3'650	<b>3'550</b>
Balcony Cabin	O/R		4'090	<b>3'990</b>	O/R	

\*EBA = Early booking discount

\*NML = Normal rate

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