



## ITINERARY

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# PERFECT PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Home to seemingly endless spans of verdant alpine forests as well as cutting-edge urban metropolises, the Pacific Northwest has raised its profile in recent years to become one of the United States' hottest destinations. Nowhere else in the world can you spot wild killer whales in their natural habitats, sip world-class pinot noirs at a cozy boutique wineries and admire priceless works of art in a trendy urban setting- all in the span of a one-week road trip.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel by seaplane to the rugged San Juan Islands to spot wild killer whales on a marine safari.
- Immerse yourself in the colorful glass artwork of internationally-renowned local artist, Dale Chihuly on a private pre-opening tour of the Glass Garden Museum
- Sample world-class Pinot Noirs in the verdant Willamette Valley wine region.
- Visit The Timberline Lodge- immortalized in Stanley Kubrick's 1980 film, "The Shining" for incredible alpine views of snow-capped Mount Hood on a day of adventure in the Cascade Mountains.

If you are interested in this itinerary, please contact Sara Thomas at 2L TRAVEL at [sara.thomas@2ltravel.com](mailto:sara.thomas@2ltravel.com) for more information.

# ROUTE AND STOPS

## 8 Days & 7 Nights

- Seattle
- Willamette Valley
- Portland
- Stevenson

# TRAVEL STYLES

- Educational Travel
- Romance

# PASSIONS

- Food + Drink
- Nature
- The Arts

# ACCOMMODATIONS

- Four Seasons Hotel Seattle
- The Allison Inn & Spa
- Skamania Lodge

# SAMPLE ITINERARY

## DAY 1: SEATTLE ARRIVAL

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Welcome to Washington! Fly into Seattle-Tacoma International Airport , where you will be met by your chauffeur and whisked away to your first hotel, the Four Seasons Hotel Seattle. Washington state's only Forbes Five-Star hotel, the Four Seasons Hotel Seattle in downtown Emerald City is a place of contrasts, masterfully blending urban sophistication with scenic adventure. After getting settled in your accommodations, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to explore the neighborhood and get acclimated to your new surroundings.

**Overnight at Four Seasons Hotel Seattle**

## DAY 2: SEATTLE TOURING

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This morning, immerse yourself in the colorful glass artwork of internationally-renowned local artist, Dale Chihuly on a private pre-opening tour of the incredibly imaginative wonderland that is the Glass Garden Museum. After your tour concludes, proceed to Seattle's most iconic landmark, the Space Needle for a private experience that will allow you to skip the lines and get a privileged inside look of this timeless structure with an expert local guide.

Enjoy lunch on your own, then meet your guide and driver for a half-day Seattle city tour, taking time to visit its major landmarks as well as some lesser-known gems. Discover the fascinating balance of urban and natural attractions that this cutting-edge city has to offer while learning its history and immersing yourself in the local culture. This tour can be customized to your interests and preferences, so music fans can stroll through the fascinating EMP Museum, while art lovers can peruse the Seattle Art Museum. Foodies and coffee lovers can follow their taste buds, while flight enthusiasts can take an unforgettable tour of the Boeing Factory Facilities. Once your tour concludes, you will be dropped off at your hotel to enjoy the rest of your day at leisure.

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## DAY 3: SAN JUAN ISLANDS ORCA ADVENTURE

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Early this morning, you will be privately transferred to the nearby Lake Union Seaplane terminal in time for your incredibly scenic seaplane ride to the San Juan Islands. Comprised of 743 islands, rocks, and reefs, the San Juan Islands are one of the best places to spot wild killer whales in their natural environs. After landing at Friday Harbor, take time to explore this quaint town, enjoying its shops, restaurants and museums. Alternatively, you can spend the morning on a private kayaking or biking excursion.

After lunch, board a state-of-the-art sailing vessel for a 3-hour whale watch and wildlife marine safari. Your captain and expert naturalist guide will help you search for killer whales while sharing facts about their behavior, migration, feeding and mating rituals. Following the tour, you may have some time to wander Friday Harbor before your return flight to Seattle where upon arrival, you will be transferred back to your hotel for the evening at leisure.

**Overnight at Four Seasons Hotel Seattle**

## DAY 4: SEATTLE TO OREGON WINE COUNTRY

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After breakfast, pick up your rental car and say goodbye to Seattle as you make your way into Oregon's precious Willamette Valley wine region, checking into your accommodations at The Allison Inn & Spa just in time for lunch. Along the way, you may elect to take a detour to visit the Mt. St. Helens National Volcanic Monument for self-guided exploration. Upon arriving in Newberg, enjoy the rest of your afternoon at leisure, taking advantage of the property's stunning surroundings and luxurious amenities.

**Overnight at The Allison Inn & Spa**

## DAY 5: WILLAMETTE VALLEY WINE COUNTRY

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This morning, you will be picked up by your expert local driver guide and spend the day exploring Oregon's top wineries, and sampling regional specialties. Your private guide will take you to some of their favorite local wineries, or you may choose to have the tour custom-tailored to your personal wine preferences, bottle price point, or specific winery requests. Enjoy multiple stops, depending on your desired length of tour, as well as a delicious lunch stop along the way at a local hot spot or picnic at one of the vineyards. Upon completing your tour, your driver guide will return you back to your hotel.

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## DAY 6: PORTLAND, OREGON

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With a few bottles of wine in tow, continue on your journey to visit one of the West Coast's most charmingly offbeat and progressive cities, Portland. Renowned for its eclectic coffee houses and ubiquitous bike lanes, Portland's impressive quality of life standards and eco-conscious urban design mark it as one of the most livable cities in the USA. Meet your guide and enjoy a private walking tour of Downtown Portland's vibrant food scene. From upscale eateries to better-kept secrets, you will eat, drink and relax at 5 top spots that highlight the city's melting pot character. In between bites, take your time to explore landmarks in the Culture District and learn about the unique Portlandian vibe. Afterwards, you can either proceed to Skamania Lodge- located just over the Washington border- or spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the neighborhood at your leisure.

**Overnight at Skamania Lodge**

## DAY 7: THE CASCADE MOUNTAINS

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Today you will be picked up your driver guide to explore the Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area- a vast wilderness lined by the majestic Cascade Mountains and cut through by the Columbia River. On this customizable day of adventure, you have the opportunity to stop at Chanticleer Point for grandiose views of the gorge that served as a backdrop for many of the "Twilight" film series' major scenes. Drive down the Old Scenic Highway, breaking to enjoy short hikes the lead to picturesque waterfalls. You may also visit local fruit stands in the Hood River Valley, and learn about Oregon's diverse ecosystems while climbing Mount Hood's southeastern flank. Arrive at the Timberline Lodge- immortalized in Stanley Kubrick's 1980 film, "The Shining," where you will be treated to incredible alpine views of snow-capped Mount Hood. Enjoy a walk through the historic lodge and the surrounding trails before making your way back to your accommodations to rest and reflect on this full day of adventure.

**Overnight at Skamania Lodge**

## DAY 8: DEPARTURE

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After breakfast today, say goodbye to Skamania Lodge and make your way back to Portland International Airport, where you will drop off your rental car and begin the journey home.

# ACCOMMODATIONS

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## FOUR SEASONS HOTEL SEATTLE

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON STATE, UNITED STATES

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## THE ALLISON INN & SPA

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WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON, UNITED STATES

Less than an hour's drive beyond Portland, view snowcapped mountain ranges, rolling hillsides, working vineyards and agricultural farmlands. All this just outside your doorstep.



## SKAMANIA LODGE

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STEVENSON, WASHINGTON STATE, UNITED STATES

Skamania Lodge offers an escape to a rugged wilderness paradise complete with modern conveniences, full service spa, par 70 golf course and activities suitable for active families.

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