Before or after the Congress, we urge you to take the opportunity to travel and enjoy some of the magnificent scenery of beautiful British Columbia.

Enjoy !

the fabulous

# ISH 2018 Pre and Post Congress Tours



### Congress dates: September 13 - 16, 2018

37th Congress International Society of Hematology with the Canadian Hematology Society



Read more about these uniquely Canadian experiences of a lifetime as follows.

Enjoy a spectacular day -trip in the Vancouver area and consider one of the fabulous pre or post congress tours.



**Vancouver** is recognized around the world as a must-visit destination. This beautiful, modern and safe city features spectacular scenery, a mild climate and friendly people. It is home to a world-leading arts and culture scene, diverse neighbourhoods, fabulous cuisine and one of the most multicultural populations in North America.

The congress venue itself is also a mustsee: the beautiful Vancouver Convention Centre, set against a dramatic mountain background, is located on the beautiful downtown Vancouver waterfront.

**Before and after** you enjoy the important opportunity to network with colleagues from around the world at the September 13—16 congress, we encourage you to enjoy the pre and post congress events.



#### **ORGANIZED TOURS**

Vancouver is consistently ranked as one of the world's most livable cities. Bring a camera to capture the breathtaking panoramic views while walking along the Seawall, relax in Stanley Park, take a boat ride to Granville Island, enjoy world-class shopping and our famous West Coast cuisine.

#### Stanley Park

Spectacular 405-hectare (1,001-acre) *Stanley Park* is home to the *Vancouver Aquarium* and *First Nations Totem Poles*. Enjoy endless views from sandy beach shores, relax at the Teahouse Restaurant, and take a scenic stroll on the seawall around the park.

#### Capilano Suspension Bridge

The Capilano Suspension Bridge Park's Treetops Adventure takes you on a journey high above the forest floor with footbridges connecting viewing platforms to 1,300 year-old Douglas Fir trees. Stroll through *The Living Forest Trail*, or enjoy a complimentary guided mini-tour.

#### Whistler and Shannon Falls

Home to the 2010 Winter Olympic Games, the alpine resort of *Whistler* is British Columbia's year-round playground. Drive along the spectacular Sea to Sky Highway stopping at the glacier-fed Shannon Falls. In Whistler, visit the *Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre*, stroll through the cobble stone village and take in the breathtaking mountains.

#### **MULTIPLE DAY TOURS**

#### Cruise Alaska from Vancouver

Set sail on an unforgettable journey and experience the attractions that make Alaska a top cruise destination. From breathtaking fjords, majestic wildlife, and beautiful scenery, you'll experience the best that Mother Nature can offer!

#### Lakes & Mountains from Vancouver

Travel on VIA Rail's famous "*Canadian*" into the Rocky *Mountains*. Venture from Jasper down the *Icefields Parkway*.

Ranked amongst the most scenic in the world, this route travels along the *Continental Divide*, following the mighty mountain rivers of the Athabasca, the Sunwapta, the North Saskatchewan, Mistaya and finally the Bow River. See valleys from the tops of mountains and experience an ancient glacier.







#### DAY TRIPS IN AND AROUND VANCOUVER

## Vancouver City & Capilano Suspension Bridge Park Tour (4 hours)

Vancouver's is proud of its share of spectacular sceneries and vibrant neighbourhoods. Join our experienced guide for a scenic adventure and best snapshot of the city along fashionable Robson Street to the sails of Canada place. Soak in the views over Lions Gate Bridge and visit the Capilano Suspension Bridge. Next up are the urban beaches of English Bay on the west of Stanley Park over to vibrant Granville Island and through colourful Chinatown and historic Gastown.

\$102\* for adults and \$56\* for children (3-12 years) Visit the website: <u>West Coast Sightseeing Tours</u> for more information and to book

#### Granville Island Market Tour (2 hours)

On this guided tour, guests will have the opportunity to explore local, organic in the public market. Meet local Vancouver artisans and indulge in 20+ signature Canadian tastings, from local farmhouse cheese to world class charcuterie. This tour is also a photographers dream. \$51.99\* for adults

Visit the website: <u>Foodie Tours</u> for more information and to book

#### Whistler and Shannon Falls (10 hours)

Home to the 2010 Winter Olympic Games, the alpine resort of Whistler is British Columbia's year-round playground. The day begins with a spectacular drive along the Sea to Sky Highway including a stop at the spectacular glacier-fed Shannon Falls. In Whistler, you'll have ample leisure time to visit the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre, stroll through the cobble stone village and take into the breathtaking mountain surroundings. \$143\* for adults and \$76\* for children (3-12 years) Visit the website: <u>West Coast Sightseeing Tours</u> for more information and to book

#### Enchanting Victoria (13 hours)

Take a day trip to Vancouver Island to discover Victoria, the province's capital city. Many of the brick and stone buildings from the last century have been restored, adding to the scenic beauty of the city. British influence remains apparent today with double-decker buses, traditional pubs and specialty shops. The journey includes return ferry crossing through Juan de Fuca Straight and









the Gulf Islands and the visit of the Butchart Gardens, world-famous for spectacular year-round floral displays. \$205\* for adults and \$105\* for children (3-12 years) Visit the website: <u>West Coast Sightseeing Tours</u> for more information and to book

#### Whale watching (3-5 hours)

Depart from downtown Vancouver and aboard the "Ocean Magic" – the flagship vessel of Prince of Whales. Whale Watching on this whale watching adventure of a lifetime, exploring the beauty that is British Columbia. In true comfort and style, our crew are excited to explore the local waters in search of the majestic wildlife that floods the local waters here in the summer months. Take advantage of the opportunity to view several different species of whales in the wild as well as an assortment of sea birds and other species of marine wildlife from downtown Vancouver.

\$160\* for adults, \$120\* for youth (13-17 years) \$95\* for children (5-12 years) and infants under 4 are free Visit the website: <u>Prince of Whales</u> for more information and to book

#### **PRE & POST CONGRESS TOURS**

#### Lakes & Mountains from Vancouver (8 days / 7 nights)

Travel on the beautiful Rocky Mountaineer and into the Rocky Mountains. Venture from Jasper down the Icefields Parkway; a remarkable journey. Ranked amongst the most scenic in the world, this route travels along the Continental Divide, following the mighty mountain rivers of the Athabasca, the Sunwapta, the North Saskatchewan, Mistaya and finally the Bow River. Also spend time in the iconic mountain towns of Lake Louise and Banff. See valleys from the tops of mountains and experience an ancient glacier.

Pricing starts at \$2,549\*. For more information and to book, please contact <u>Rocky Mountaineer</u>

## Western Canada Getaway from Vancouver 4 days / 3 nights

This amazing tour features the following highlights: endless sightseeing opportunities through one of the most beautiful areas of Canada; many chances to see wildlife (deer, elk, bighorn sheep & more!); amazing snow covered mountains & waterfalls; emerald lakes in Lake Louise and along the Ice Fields Parkway; and the quaint towns of Banff and Jasper. On this tour you will











learn about Canadian heritage & traditions with your experienced tour guide and have FUN! Prices start at CAD465.00\*. For more information and to book, please contact <u>Discover Canada Tours</u>

#### Sunpeaks Mountain Resort (4 days / 3 nights)

This picturesque, European style village of Sun Peaks has an abundance of shopping, restaurants and bars. This mountain playground can also be explored though one of its 16 hiking trails, ranging from relaxing mountain strolls to exhilarating summit climbs. Experience golf at Sun Peaks Resort, British Columbia's highest elevation course. Package includes one night accommodation, one round of golf per person and a shared power cart.

Prices start at CAD125<sup>\*</sup> per night. Delegates can fly to Kamloops directly from Vancouver on <u>Air Canada</u>. Sun Peaks Resort provides a shuttle service from Kamloops Airport. Contact <u>Sun Peaks Resort</u> or call 1.800.807.3257 for more information.

#### Okanagan Wine Tour (3 days / 2 nights)

Explore the beautiful Okanagan with award winning wineries in the region and stay at the Summerland Waterfront Resort. Enjoy a 5-hour wine tasting with shuttle transportation included. Enjoy the Okanagan at leisure, such as spa treatments, yoga or simply relax by the pool.

Prices start at CAD249.00\*. Delegates can fly to Kelowna directly from Vancouver on <u>Air Canada</u> and <u>WestJet</u>. Shuttle transfer to the Summerland Waterfront Resort is easy from Kelowna airport with the South Okanagan Express Shuttle. For more information and to book, please contact <u>Travel Best Bets</u>.

\*pricing subject to change without notice





#### **CRUISE OPTIONS**

#### 7 nights departing September 1, 2018 Holland America's Nieuw Amsterdam

As the fourth in the Nieuw Amsterdam line, the ms Nieuw Amsterdam continues the proud tradition of her name. With a design reflecting the glamour and history of New York City, she pairs new additions with old favorites to provide the ultimate cruising experience. The ship boasts 11 guest decks, featuring new additions such as an Explorer's Lounge Bar, a premium wine-tasting lounge, an elegant luxury jewelry boutique and a new atrium bar area. Not forgotten,



however, are many of the much-loved Holland America features, including premium stateroom amenities; glass elevators at midship; a cyber-coffee house; the innovative Culinary Arts Center, where culinary experts provide cooking demonstrations and intimate classes in state-of-the-art kitchens; and a youth facility that includes the teens-only Loft. Other amenities include in-room fruit baskets and flowers, an expanded Greenhouse Spa and Salon with thermal suites and hydro-pool, the largest gymnasium ever built for Holland America Line, a new photographic and imaging center, and state-of-the-art navigation and safety systems.



Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Sat. Sept. 1	Vancouver, BC, Canada		16:30
Sun. Sept. 2	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Mon. Sept 3	Juneau, AK	13:00	22:00
Tues. Sept 4	Skagway, AK	07:00	21:00
Wed. Sept. 5	Glacier Bay Nat. Park, AK (Cruising)		
Thu. Sept. 6	Ketchikan, AK	10:00	18:00
Fri. Sept. 7	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Sat. Sept. 8	Vancouver, BC, Canada	07:00	

#### Inside cabin: \$1864.21 Ocean View – Sold out Balcony: \$3398.21

<u>Please contact Shelby Lamoureux</u> 604-684-9283 ext. 127 Shelby@cruise-connections.com

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#### 7 nights departing September 5, 2018 Holland America's Volendam

The beautiful garden theme of *Volendam* is reflected in an artful floral motif throughout the ship's spacious public rooms and elegant staterooms. Flowers are found in abundance in floral fabrics and tapestries, as well as huge vases of fresh floral arrangements. Guests aboard *Volendam* enjoy wide teak decks, elegant dining rooms and spacious staterooms — many with private verandahs.

While on-board, choose from an array of onboard activities that allow you to pursue new interests or relax and rejuvenate. Explore the wonders of our world through exclusive BBC Earth natural history content through onboard activities, concerts and films. Enjoy onboard cooking shows and hands-on workshops in partnership with America's Test Kitchen (available mid-August 2017). Learn how to edit, display and share your vacation videos and photographs through our Digital Workshop powered by Windows<sup>®</sup>. The









Greenhouse Spa & Salon offers spa treatments, a thermal pool and lounge and a variety of salon services. Our fully equipped Fitness Center includes state-of-the-art cardio and weight machines, as well as classes in Yoga, Pilates, indoor cycling and more. On deck enjoy two outdoor pools, along with basketball and practice tennis courts.



Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Wed Sept 5	Vancouver, BC, Canada		16:30
Thu Sept 6	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Fri Sept 7	Tracy Arm, AK (Cruising)		
Fri Sept 7	Juneau, AK	13:00	22:00
Sat Sept 8	Skagway, AK	07:00	21:00
Sun Sept 9	Glacier Nat Park, AK (Cruising)		
Mon Sept 10	Ketchikan, AK	10:00	18:00
Tue Sept 11	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Wed Sept 12	Vancouver, BC, Canada	07:00	

Inside (Interior) – \$1623.70 Obstructed Ocean View - \$1623.70 Port Hole Ocean View - \$1649.70 Balcony – Sold-out

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#### 7 nights departing September 16, 2018 Holland America's Westerdam

*Westerdam* received extensive enhancements as part of a \$300 million brand initiative. New bar, entertainment and dining venues, plus completely reimagined suites debuted for the 2017 Europe season.

Enjoy dazzling entertainment from your very first night on board. As part of the updates, new music venues have been added: Lincoln Center Stage, featuring world-class musicians performing chamber music, and Billboard Onboard, rocking the house with 50 years of chart-topping hits. These venues join the already popular B.B. King's Blues Club, completing our new "Music Walk" experience.



Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Sunday, September 16	Vancouver, BC, Canada		4:30pm
Monday, September 17	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Tuesday, September 18	Juneau, AK	1:00pm	10:00pm
Wednesday, September 19	Skagway, AK	7:00am	9:00pm
Thursday, September 20	Glacier Bay National Park, AK (Cruising)	7:00am	4:00pm
Friday, September 21	Ketchikan, AK	10:00am	6:00pm
Saturday, September 22	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Sunday, September 23	Vancouver, BC, Canada	7:00am	

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Sun Sept 16	Vancouver, BC, Canada		16:30
Mon Sept 17	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Tue Sept 18	Juneau, AK	13:00	22:00
Wed Sept 19	Skagway, AK	07:00	21:00
Thu Sept 20	Glacier Bay Nat. Pk, AK (Cruising)	07:00	16:00
Fri Sept 21	Ketchikan, AK	10:00	18:00
Sat Sept 22	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Sun Sept 23	Vancouver, BC, Canada	07:00	









#### Inside Cabin – \$1350.71 PP Obstructed Ocean View - \$2117.71 Window Ocean View – \$2117.71 Verandah Balcony - \$2117.71

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#### 7 nights departing September 19, 2018 Holland America's Volendam

Holland America offers award-winning service and a traditional style of cruising with a modern flair. Each ship is elegantly appointed with fine art and nautical antiques, and crew members are gracious and dedicated to providing the best possible cruise experience.

Guests participate in lectures, dance lessons, fitness classes, afternoon teas, bingo and more. One of the line's most unique offerings is the Culinary Arts Center, presented by Food and Wine Magazine, in which guests have the opportunity to attend cooking demonstrations by special guest chefs and take part in hands-on cooking classes in each ship's state-of-the-art kitchen.

Many of Holland America's ships have undergone renovations to include new entertainment and activity venues, updated décor, and enhanced staterooms.

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Wed Sept 19	Vancouver, BC, Canada		16:30
Thu Sept 20	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Fri Sept 21	Juneau, AK	13:00	22:00
Sat Sept 22	Skagway, AK	07:00	21:00
Sun Sept 23	Glacier Bay Ntl. Pk., AK (Cruising)		
Mon Sept 24	Ketchikan, AK	10:00	18:00
Tue Sept 25	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Wed Sept 26	Vancouver, BC, Canada	07:00	

#### Inside cabin: \$1604.21 Ocean View: G \$1630.21 Balcony: BB \$3034.21

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