Soroptimist Convention Tours

Do not miss the opportunity to get outside and enjoy some of the beauty of the Pacific Northwest while you are at Convention! These optional tours are available prior to the convention. Join with other Soroptimist on one of these marvelous tours! More options may be added, so be sure to check back regularly, or watch for updates on the SIA Convention webpage or the Soroptimist Convention Facebook page.

Wine, Falls and Farm to Table Meal:

Experience the essence of Washington’s wild beauty and scrappy creative spirit on this amazing all-inclusive small group journey to Snoqualmie Falls, one of Washington’s most popular scenic attractions. Your tour begins with short hike on well-kept trails and beautiful scenery to Twin Falls in Olallie State Park, a gorgeous representative nature walk for all ability levels. Then it’s a short ride to Snoqualmie Falls, where the water drops 268 feet (82 meters) in one single, massive rush. The waterfall is nestled in the evergreen forests of the Cascade Mountains, which cut across the state and divide the lush coastal climates of the West from the dry, vineyard-rich regions of the East. After exploring the Falls, we will visit Snoqualmie’s wine country where you will be treated to a tasting at one of the local boutique wineries before sitting down for a gourmet meal artfully prepared by a local chef with locally produced food ingredients. Learn to sip like a sommelier with a fun lesson on wine tasting techniques. Meet passionate wine makers and hear the processes used to craft the wine in your glass. With wine tasting and beautiful scenery, it’s a great way to energize you for the convention ahead. Tour time for the AM tour is 8:00 AM – 1:30 PM. Tour time for PM trip is 2:00 PM – 7:30 PM.

5.5-hour tour. Pick up and return at the Bellevue Hyatt. $140 per person

Monday AM July 20
Monday PM, July 20
Tuesday AM, July 21
Tuesday PM, July 21
Wednesday AM, July 22
Mt. Rainier National Park Tour Full Day Tour with Meal

Experience the natural beauty of majestic Mt. Rainier as you stroll through the old-growth forests near Longmire, where Douglas fir, hemlock, and cedar trees dwarf visitors and the bubbling of natural springs fill the crisp air. Experience waterfalls and big mountain views as you wind to higher elevations. Pick wild berries on a sub-alpine hiking trail. Enjoy a scenic, narrated journey past lakes, waterfalls and historic towns to Mt Rainier, the highest mountain in the state of Washington and one of the tallest in the lower 48 states. This is not just another driving tour of a National Park—experience the highlights beyond the vehicle during walks and hikes tailored to your ability. Due to Mt. Rainier National Park’s ecological sensitivity our guides are uniquely and legally permitted to lead trips beyond the road system (most tours are “road-based”).

Tour Meals Include: Coffee & tea, light breakfast, substantial organic lunch with local wine, snacks, water, sparkling water, etc. readily available all day.

10.5-hour tour. Pick up and return at the Bellevue Hyatt. $175 per person – 8:00 AM – 6:30 PM

Sunday, July 19
Tuesday, July 21

INDEPENDENT TOURS

In addition to the above tours, we are also pleased to be able to offer you the opportunity to book the following tours independently. Please carefully review the pickup and drop-off locations, as most will be in Seattle, requiring you to obtain transportation from Bellevue via taxi, Uber or Lyft.

- **Evergreen Escapes** will offer a 25% discount on any of their scheduled small-group tours from Seattle between July 15 to 31, 2020. Just enter the code soroptimists on the reservation page where indicated to enter a promo or discount code. Take off on a full day trip to the Olympic National Park, head over to Yakima Valley for some wine tasting, experience the wonders of Mt. St. Helens Volcanic National Monument, or take off on a mountain bike ride in the Cascade Mountains.

- **Tours Northwest** will offer a 15% discount to Soroptimists for any of their tours between July 15, and 31, 2020. Just enter the code SOROPTIMIST20 during checkout to receive the discount. Spend the day enjoying the sites of Seattle, including Pioneer Square, Pike Place Market, and the Seattle Center. Or take in The Future of Flight & Boeing Tour where you’ll visit the largest building in the world (by volume), witness the awe-inspiring process of 747,
777, and 787 Dreamliners being assembled, and explore interactive exhibits and learn about the newest developments in aerospace.