

## Neer Travel

### Seeing the World With Nancy Wee

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Nancy Wee, owner

**After 33 years in the travel business, Nancy Wee is still going strong, and she's got the calendar to prove it. By land or by sea, she's always ready to head out to a bucket-list destination—** whether the list is hers or someone else's. Earlier this fall, she had the opportunity to check Niagara Falls off her own bucket list when

she took a motor coach tour with Collette Vacations to the Falls.

Last summer, Nancy completed her 280th cruise, with 180 of them being on Holland America! This one was on Holland America's Zaandam ship. Her group traveled from Copenhagen to Norway, Iceland, Greenland, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland before disembarking in New York. "Holland America is a favorite for my groups because of the crew and food service," she notes. Though she plans trips of all kinds, she particularly enjoys smaller ships. "Cruises are a wonderful way to take family members of all ages," Nancy advises. "Many people are doing this for 50th anniversaries. Family members can do their own thing and then meet up for dinner."

Nancy's main focus is escorting groups, and she enjoys helping her clients find just the right travel options to fit their time, interests, and budget. She has taken more than 100 motor coach tours with a variety of companies, one of her favorites being Collette Vacations. "We love traveling with Nancy," says her client, Sharon. "She has many, many repeat customers. She has traveled so much over the years that her firsthand experience is invaluable! She does all of the work, and we just enjoy the trip."

When planning her travel calendar, Nancy begins filling in dates, times, and places near and far. Next year will begin with a January trip through the Panama Canal. The cruise leaves San Diego, travels down the Mexican Riviera to Puerto Vallarta, and goes on to Guatemala, Costa Rica, and Colombia to reach its final destination—Fort Lauderdale.

After allowing a little grass to grow, she's off again, escorting a group on a February cruise to Hawaii. Following five days of sailing (from California to Oahu), her guests have two days in Honolulu. They'll experience Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai before returning to the mainland.

Despite the lure of the seas, everyone needs some time on land. Nancy has organized a June trip to Michigan's Mackinac Island, complete with a two-night stay at the Grand Hotel. She has included the not-to-be-missed German town of Frankenlust on the itinerary. "The biggest Christmas store is in this delightful town," Nancy shares.

Nancy has taken 50 groups to Alaska, and the destination is as popular as ever. In July, she'll take a

group from Seattle to the 49th state on a 14-day trip. They'll visit Kodiak, Homer, Icy Straight Point, Anchorage, Juneau, Ketchikan, and Sitka in the Inside Passage. Denali might be visible, depending on weather conditions.

Although Nancy is not escorting the August trip to Iceland, she is organizing the travel to see this popular destination through Collette Vacations. "Iceland is an absolute dream trip. It's so wonderful, even in the winter. I haven't seen the Northern Lights yet, and I'm still looking for them," she explains. In September, Nancy will be leading a group on the Baltic Sea. Stops on this Holland America trip include two days in St. Petersburg, then on to Helsinki and Estonia.

For a relaxing and fascinating vacation, don't forget train travel! Wee Travel has scheduled an October trip on the Canadian Rockies Railroad, departing from Vancouver, British Columbia. After disembarking in Kamloops, the group will travel by motor coach to Banff and Lake Louise before arriving in Calgary. Before all the leaves fall off the trees, Nancy will be off again, escorting a group on a Mayflower Rails and Sails trip. Nancy does a similar escorted trip on the East Coast each fall to check out the seasonal colors.

Another Wee Travel tradition is offering some type of holiday trip. Next year is no different—she'll be leading a five-day trip at Thanksgiving to New York City for the Christmas lights. Capping off the year with another of her favorite travel companies, Nancy will escort a group from Memphis to New Orleans on the American Queen in December.

"On my escorted trips," Nancy notes, "those traveling with me can do everything with me, but they don't have to." Frequent traveler Karen concurs, and she appreciates the service. "Nancy wants to help people so they have a good time," Karen says. "She helps solve problems, if asked, and will serve her clients very well."

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