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Hurtigruten Norwegian Coastal Express has up to 25% off across its Classic Voyages departing from 01 Jul 2023 up to 29 Sep 2024.

These include its 12-day Classic Round Trip journey ex Bergen return with savings of up to AUD1743 per person twin share. Passengers on this trip will visit 34 ports along Norway's coastline, sail past fjords and mountains, have a pick of up to nine optional hikes, and enjoy an Arctic tour of Norway with a high chance of seeing the Northern Lights in winter.

The offers are for new bookings by 15 May, conditions apply. See more details [HERE](#).

# Vancouver's Top '23 Events Line-up

Whether your clients are sports mad or music lovers, there's plenty of events on offer in Vancouver that agents can recommend to the Canada-bound Kiwi.

Destination Vancouver says the artists to catch this year include the nation's 'Queen of Country' Shania Twain at Rogers Arena on 02-03 May and 14 Nov. Rogers Arena will also house Blink 182 on 27 Jun and Madonna on 15 Jul. Later in the year BC Place is also the place to be, hosting Ed Sheeran on 02 Sep, followed by Beyonce on 11 Sep, and Coldplay on 22 and 23 Sep.

## ... Sports

There's also a host of sports events on the Vancouver calendar.

Highlights include The World Cup of Women's Tennis, the Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge qualifiers, on this Apr, and the Laver Cup Vancouver, in Sep. Next year,



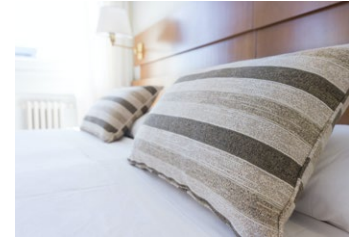
football fans are advised that the 111th Grey Cup is slated to come to Vancouver, held at BC Place stadium. A formal date is yet to be announced, but it is predicted to be sometime in Nov.

Football fans can also return again in 2026, when the city hosts the FIFA World Cup.

## ... Invictus Games

Also notable, in 2025, Vancouver and Whistler will co-host the Invictus Games. This version of the event expected to be more diverse than ever before, as snow and ice sports are added to the mix, adds Destination Vancouver. See more event details [HERE](#).

## Housekeeping Extinct?



Since the pandemic hotels have made health and safety a top priority, keeping public spaces clean and taking additional measures like providing hand sanitiser and masks to minimise the spread of C-19. However, now it seems that housekeeping might become a thing of the past for the exact same reason. According to *The New York Times*, a lot of mid-level hotels are now only offering daily housekeeping services on request, otherwise guests are expected to clean their own rooms, especially for short stays. This could mean the loss of many housekeeping jobs though, which according to a 2021 report by Unite Here would cost about USD5 billion in annual lost wages. The newspaper says some hotels have opted for a tier approach, such as Marriott, who reportedly said that the tier system would offer a higher level of service to those who paid more.

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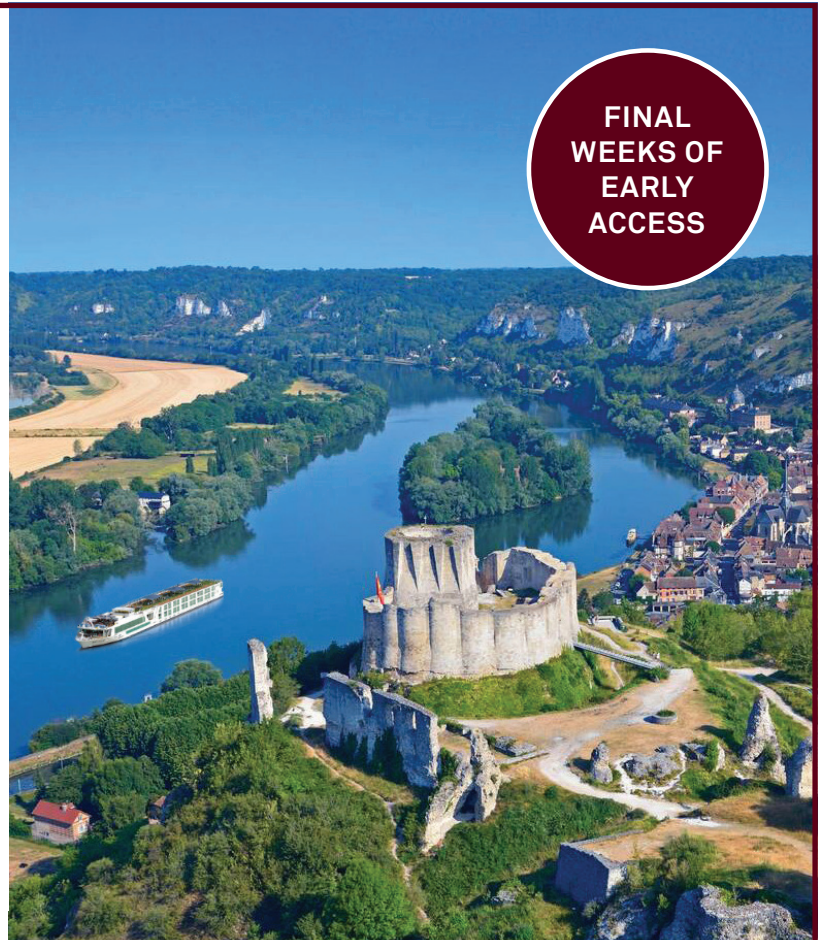
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