

THE AMAZING CANADIAN ROCKIES LAKE LOUISE, JASPER NP & BANFF BY AIR, ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRAIN AND ROAD



Departing Monday July 17th 2023 for either 8 days / 7 nights or 11 days / 10 nights... your choice.

Join us as we travel to Vancouver, BC then board the world famous Rocky Mountaineer Train which takes us through the majestic Canadian Rockies to Jasper, AB. Time to explore Jasper before heading south on one of the most scenic highways in the world... the Icefields Parkway. Here you journey out onto the Athabaska Glacier. Then it's on to Banff National Park with visits to Lake Louise and Moraine Lake. Once we leave Banff it's your choice to return from Calgary by air or continue by road visitine Regina, SK and the wonderful Medora Musical before arriving back in Rapid City and the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Travel on this adventure is by air, Train and our luxury Mercedes Sprinter vehicle fitted with individual leather reclining seats & many extra's to ensure your upmost pleasure during your tour. Sit back, relax and enjoy the incredible scenery and activities planned throughout this tour..

Itinerary:

Day 1 –Home airport to Vancouver, BC

This morning, you depart your home airport bound for Vancouver, BC. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel for overnight.

Overnight Vancouver, BC.

Day 2 – Vancouver, BC to Kamloops by the world famous Rocky Mountaineer train.

This morning you transfer from your hotel in Vancouver, BC to the train station where you board this exciting ride towards the Rocky Mountains on the first leg of the journey. It's a full days ride up into the mountains and the town of Kamloops. On arrival you are transferred to your hotel for overnight.

Overnight Kamloops, BC – Lunch aboard Train

Day 3 – Kamloops to Jasper, AB. – Lunch aboard Train

This morning you transfer back to the Rocky Mountaineer Train and continue through the majestic Rocky Mountains to Jasper NP. On arrival you will then be transferred to your hotel for the next two nights.

Overnight Jasper, AB

Day 4 – Jasper

A full day exploring this amazing area – full itinerary to be advised.

Overnight Jasper, AB



Day 5 – Jasper, AB to Banff, AB via Columbia Icefields – 150 miles

After breakfast we leave the hotel and head south to Banff. We take The Icefields Parkway which stretches 138 miles between Lake Louise and Jasper. We travel through the heart of two world-famous Rocky Mountain national parks and this drive is one of the premier mountain drives on earth. This drive will be forever etched into your memory and most likely you'll dream of returning again and again. Nonstop picture postcard-like scenery throughout the day... What better way to explore than in your own premium vehicle!

On the way to Banff, we make a stop at the Columbia Icefields where we switch vehicles and take a tour on the glacier. We will board a specially designed "Ice Explorer" to a turnaround point atop 333 metres of ice. Be sure to bring a sweater or light jacket - it may snow at anytime during your 1 1/2 hour Ice Explorer ride! The Columbia Icefield is guarded by 11 of the Rockies' 22 highest peaks. Here, perennial snow accumulates and turns to ice which flows to feed six major outlet glaciers, three of Canada's largest rivers and eventually three oceans. The ice straddles the Continental Divide, two provinces and two national parks.

The ice is 365 meters (1,200 feet) thick - about the height of the Empire State Building. We continue our journey south and head for Banff and our hotel. .

Overnight Banff, AB.



Day 6 – Banff, AB – Lake Louise & Malign Lake.

After breakfast it's time explore Lake Louise and Malign Lake. Awesome scenery, beautiful lakes and hopefully some wildlife. Maybe we will spot some elk, deer, bighorn sheep, bears, coyotes, wolves, marmots, ground squirrels, ravens, owls and so many more species. Plenty of time for that 'Kodak Moment'.

Overnight Banff Area

Day 7 – Banff

A full day to explore downtown Banff at your leisure. The town of Banff is a spirited place, alive with adventure and wonder. ... The lively streets of downtown are lined with top-class restaurants, bars, and shops, as well as a vibrant range of art galleries and museums. The locals are warm, open, and genuinely connected to the inspiring environment in which they live.

Overnight Banff Area

Day 8 – Banff area to Regina, SK – 540 miles

Today we head to Regina with our first stop at Calgary Airport for the passengers leaving the tour here. For the rest of us we continue east bound heading for Regina, SK. Today is our longest drive on the tour so the next 2 nights are in Regina

Overnight Regina, SK – Breakfast included**Day 9 – Explore Regina – Sightseeing – No Bags Today!!! Depart hotel 9.30am**

A day to explore the City of Regina including a visit to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Heritage Center. For the past 136 years, the RCMP has been an integral part of Canada's historical and cultural landscape, helping to form and protect their great nation and playing a significant role in creating the Canadian identity. The RCMP Heritage Centre opened on May 23, 2007 to share the RCMP story with the world. Located on the grounds of the RCMP Academy, 'Depot' Division - the story of the RCMP is appropriately told where Cadets are trained and the story begins. Housed in a breathtaking stone, glass and concrete building designed by world-renowned architect Arthur Erickson, the RCMP Heritage Centre tells the story of the RCMP using state of the art exhibits, multimedia technologies and engaging programming and tours. It's a great Canadian story. A story that is still being written. We also take a tour of the State Capital building, a truly impressive site.

Overnight Regina, SK**Day 10 – Regina, SK to Medora, ND – 320 miles**

After breakfast, it's time to get your passports ready for the crossing back into the USA and head for Medora, ND. Please have your bags in the lobby ready for collection at 8.50am for a 9.00am departure from the hotel. Our journey today takes us back across the Canadian / US Border and south towards the small town of Medora, ND. We arrive into Medora mid-afternoon. Tonight, we enjoy a unique western meal with a magnificent North Dakota sunset as a backdrop. 'Savor your steak while you are serenaded with western melodies performed live by cast members of the Medora Musical.' After supper, we take our seats for spectacular Medora Musical. This professionally produced, high energy, Western style musical is proudly dedicated to the legacy of America's 26th President, Theodore Roosevelt, and the time he spent here in North Dakota's Badlands. Each show pays tribute to American patriotism and the old-west way of life. Return to the hotel for overnight.

Overnight Medora – Breakfast & Supper included**Day 11 – Medora, ND to Home – 270 miles**

After breakfast, we head back to Rapid City, SD. Along the way we will make regular comfort breaks and meal stops with an estimated time of arrival back in Rapid City around 3-4pm.

Breakfast included

Itinerary at a glance

Price: 8 days \$6,450 or
11 days \$6,795 (pp based on double occupancy)
Single: add \$1,275 (8 days tour or \$1,475 for 11 day tour).

Starts: July 17th 2023

Ends: (8 days / 7 night Tour - 24th July 2023 or 27th July 2023 (11 days / 10 nights)

What's included?

- Flights from home airport to Vancouver, BC and Return from Calgary, AB
- Rocky Mountaineer Train through the Canadian Rockies
- Fully Escorted by Stuart from Jasper back to Calgary, AB or the Blackhills in our ABS Sprinter our luxury Mercedes Sprinter Vehicle
- All accommodations with Breakfast each morning and 2 or 3 Suppers depending on the tour choice
- All sightseeing as listed in the itinerary, all entrance fees & all taxes
- Minimum 6 passengers / Maximum 12 passengers
- Baggage handling and taxes – 1 piece per person

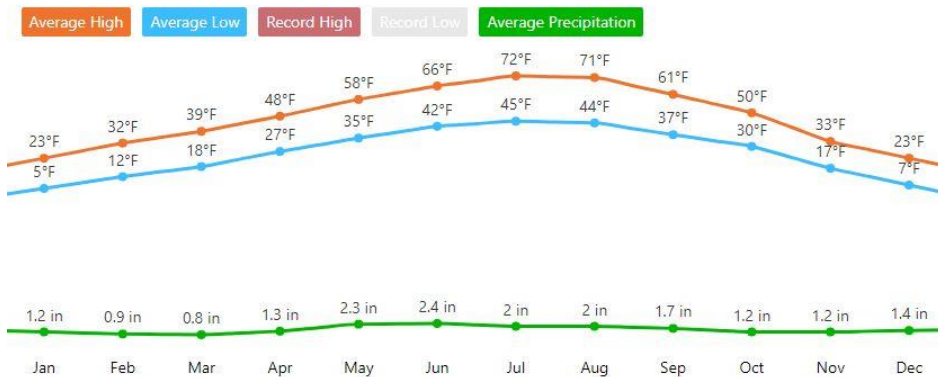
How to book

Deposit of \$2,500 due at time of booking
Balance due April 12th 2023 or at time of booking if after this date.

What you'll need

- A Passport is required for this tour
- A camera is a must for the fantastic sights. Binoculars would be great if you have them.

Weather



July is on average the WARMEST month.

January is on average the COOLEST month.



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