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# MAJESTIC ROCKIES MIT THE ROCKY MOUNTAINEE

## **Rocky Mountaineer Canada - Globus® North America**

Sugar, cream, or clouds in your coffee? On this majestic tour of the Canadian Rockies, you can relish all three.

A sunny gondola ride to breakfast atop Banff's Sulphur Mountain, a private breakfast at Whistler's Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre, and a special dinner inside the original greenhouse at Victoria's lush Butchart Gardens are just some of the ways to devour the elevating scenery on this vacation through Alberta and British Columbia.

Bold and breathtaking views are served from Vancouver to Calgary as you savor cooling breezes of Sun Peaks, the glacial wonder of the Columbia Icefield, the alluring blue hue of Lake Louise, and the magnificent canyons and gorges of Jasper National Park.

A panoramic cruise along the crystal waters of Maligne Lake to remote Spirit Island – one of Canada's most cherished and photographed places – is everyone's favorite course on this journey through Western Canada.

More scenery, cities, and savory cuisine are served aboard the Rocky Mountaineer as you travel in comfort from Alberta to British Columbia. A thrilling addition to your Canadian Rockies tour, the Rocky Mountaineer transports you from beautiful Banff to vibrant Vancouver with a midway overnight stay in the welcoming town of Kamloops.





# Day 1 ARRIVE IN VANCOUVER, BC

#### WELCOME TO VANCOUVER!

At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a welcome drink.



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# Day 2 VANCOUVER-VICTORIA

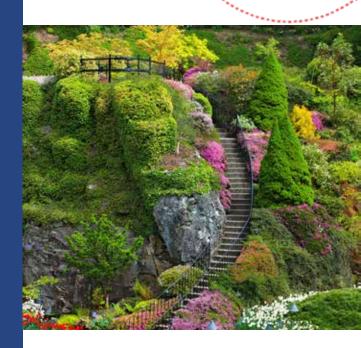
#### BRITISH COLUMBIA TREASURES

Tour Vancouver, including the waterfront, Chinatown, and Stanley Park with its old-growth evergreen forests and totem poles. Catch the BC Ferry over to Vancouver Island and Victoria. See major attractions on your city orientation tour including the Fairmont Empress Hotel, Bastion Square, and Thunderbird Park. Later, visit world-famous Globus Local Favorite Butchart Gardens, followed by a special dinner in the former historic greenhouse.

Breakfast - Dinner

#### PICTURE PERFECT

Butchart Gardens, named for the woman who founded this botanical oasis of blooming shades and horticultural design, is a National Historic site for its legacy and lush treasure of millions of flowering beds and over 900 varieties of plants in exquisitely landscaped gardens bring fairytales to life.





## Day 3 VICTORIA

CITY OF GARDENS

The day is free to explore on your own.

🔘 Breakfast

#### ENHANCED FREE TIME

Explore more in Victoria with a stroll in the quaint downtown area with its British colonial architecture to shop and admire its heritage buildings and stunning gardens, then relax over proper British afternoon tea. Your Tour Director may suggest an optional marine wildlife and whale-watching trip. Shoppers will love Government Street's elegant shops and Market Square's specialty stores.

## Day 4

#### **VICTORIA-WHISTLER**

#### GULF DREAMS

Board a BC Ferry crossing the Strait of Georgia through the spectacular Gulf Islands, an archipelago known for its Mediterranean-type climate. En route to Whistler, stop at Shannon Falls, where a boardwalk leads to a viewing platform near the base of the roaring falls. On to the alpine resort of Whistler at the base of breathtaking Blackcomb Mountain. Time to explore the 2010 Winter Olympics' sites. Enjoy a 2-night stay at the Fairmont Chateau Whistler, with classic elegance in a modern alpine setting on Blackcomb Mountain.

#### 🜔 Breakfast

#### ACCOMMODATION SPOTLIGHT

Nestled at the base of breathtaking Blackcomb Mountain, the luxurious Fairmont Château Whistler brings old and new together in a seamless blend of historical style and modern beauty. Enjoy impeccable service and outstanding cuisine in this pristine mountain wilderness.

# Day 5 WHISTLER

#### ALPINE ADVENTURES

Full free day to explore all that Whistler has to offer.

🔘 Breakfast

#### ENHANCED FREE TIME

You might enjoy a trip on Whistler's Peak2Peak Gondola, connecting Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains. Enjoy spectacular scenery and incredible photo opportunities as you travel via the longest unsupported gondola span in the world. Other options include a walk in the treetops, a sightseeing excursion by air, shopping, or just relaxing at your resort.







## Day 6 WHISTLER-SUN PEAKS

#### ANCIENT TRADITIONS

This morning, enjoy a visit and breakfast at the Globus Local Favorite Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre, dedicated to the history and culture of the First Nations people. Then, journey north through the heart of the magnificent Cariboo region. Spectacular scenery abounds as you pass by rolling hills, deeply incised rivers, and sparkling lakes. Afternoon arrival in Sun Peaks with the balance of the day at leisure. Free time this evening.

#### 🔘 Breakfast

#### CULTURAL GEMS

Visit the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre before opening hours where you will be greeted with a First Nations welcome followed by breakfast. The center is a spectacular setting, which brings to life the history of Native peoples whose traditions and beautiful culture still resonate today.

## Day 7 SUN PEAKS-JASPER

#### SUN, SNOW & STARS

Continue north, following Yellowhead Highway and hugging the mighty North Thompson River, into the province of Alberta. See the base of 12,972-foot Mount Robson (the highest point in the Canadian Rockies) before entering Jasper National Park. Marvel at the precipitous gorges, snow-capped summits, and lakes of exquisite blues and greens in this wild mountain wilderness. Before arriving at your hotel, you may wish to take an optional float trip down the historic Athabasca River, where your guide will navigate as you absorb the splendor of Jasper National Park.

#### ) Breakfast

#### NATURAL WONDERS

Spanning nearly 4,250 square miles of spectacular natural beauty, Jasper is the largest national park in the Canadian Rockies. Its vast wilderness, majestic peaks, abundant wildlife, and breathtaking panoramic sights lie below an incredible Dark Sky to thrill stargazers as well. A cruise to Spirit Island on the turquoise waters of Maligne Lake is a spectacular sight to behold as one of the most photographed locations in the world for its jaw-dropping beauty.







### **Day 8** JASPER. EXCURSION TO MALIGNE LAKE

#### SPECTACULAR JASPER NATIONAL PARK

Travel through Jasper's unspoiled beauty to glacial Maligne Canyon for lunch at the Wilderness Kitchen. Continue to stunning Maligne Lake for a narrated scenic cruise to Spirit Island. Return to Jasper where the balance of the day is at leisure to explore Jasper on your own.

🚺 Breakfast - Lunch

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#### Day 9 JASPER-COLUMBIA ICEFIELD-LAKE LOUISE-BANFF

# <u>ROCKY MOUNTAIN MAJESTY</u>

Head south through Jasper National Park on Icefields Parkway to the Columbia Icefield for a thrilling Ice Explorer ride on Athabasca Glacier with a Glaciologist guide. Climb Sunwapta Pass to savor stunning vistas of alpine meadows, waterfalls, and massive glaciers. Next, stop at Lake Louise, whose green-blue waters form a perfect mirror reflection of Mount Victoria. Continue into Banff for a free evening.

#### 🔘 Breakfast

#### EPIC RIDE

Be moved by an expedition across the Athabasca Glacier. Traverse this massive glacier aboard the allterrain Columbia Ice Explorer and walk on the surface where the Earth's geology is changing beneath your feet. Feel the force of nature's strength on an ancient glacier that still carves the face of the Rocky Mountains today.





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# 🕨 Day 10

#### BANFF

#### HEAVENLY HEIGHTS

Breakfast this morning is served on top of Sulphur Mountain. Take a scenic ride on the Globus Local Favorite Banff Gondola to the top of the mountain and then enjoy spectacular views of the valley below as you savor a flavorful meal. Additional sightseeing in Banff includes a visit to Bow Falls. The balance of the afternoon is at leisure. Consider an optional flightseeing trip for a bird's-eye view of the Rockies. This evening, join your Tour Director for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

#### 🔘 Breakfast - Dinner

#### EPIC RIDE

Soar to the top of the world on the Banff Gondola ride to the summit of Sulphur Mountain. Enjoy breakfast and be in awe of the magnificent, natural beauty of the Canadian Rockies with views you'll never forget.

# Day 11

#### BANFF-ROCKY MOUNTAINEER-KAMLOOPS

#### THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE

This morning, board the Rock Mountaineer and travel over the Continental Divide and along the Kicking Horse River. We travel westward to Shuswap Lake with its thousand miles of shoreline and then overnight in Kamloops. Tonight, enjoy free time in Kamloops.

#### NOTE:

Kamloops properties are considered moderate 2- or 3-star hotels or motor inns. The city does not offer any hotels in the superior category. Your chosen hotel is determined by Rocky Mountaineer; however, you can rest assured that it satisfies our high standards of cleanliness and comfort.

#### 🔰 Breakfast - Lunch

#### TRAIN SPOTLIGHT

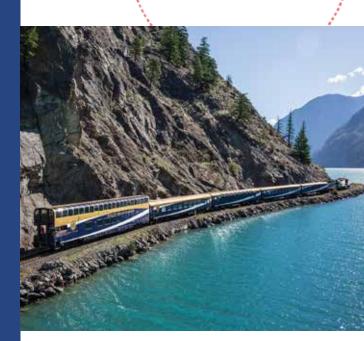
The Rocky Mountaineer travels through spectacular Canadian scenery. SilverLeaf Service features a single-level dome coach offering panoramic views from oversized windows and meals served at your seat. An upgrade to GoldLeaf Dome Service offers luxury reminiscent of a bygone era, including extra attendants, an elegant bi-level dome car, and regional cuisine in an exclusive dining room.



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## Day 12 KAMLOOPS-ROCKY MOUNTAINEER-VANCOUVER

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA TREASURES

Back aboard the Rocky Mountaineer, enjoy your amazing journey through the fertile fields of Thompson Valley and the beautiful Fraser Canyon. Late this afternoon, arrive in Vancouver with transfer to your hotel to enjoy free time this evening. Your Local Host will be available to provide suggestions on how to spend your free time.

[ 🚺 Breakfast - Lunch

#### ENHANCED FREE TIME

Explore more in Vancouver with your pick of the freshest seafood from this vibrant gateway to the Canadian Rockies. The buzzing downtown scene is rich in culinary delights from sushi or wild-caught salmon to pizza and pasta. Don't forget to indulge in an iconic British Columbia confection of coconut, chocolate, and nutty Nanaimo bars.



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# Day 13 VANCOUVER

SAFE TRAVELS UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN! Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.



Breakfast



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