

# ***CANADA TOUR & SNOW TRAIN***



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## **Snow Train to the Canadian Rockies Tour**

**Duration:** 10 days

**Departs:** 2023 & 2024

**Stay:** 8 nights hotels, 1 night train

**Travel style:** Independent with guided sightseeing

**Booking code:** CANST10M

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# 10 Days Canadian Rockies & Snow Train Tour

## About the holiday

This Canadian Rockies rail tour is an amazing way to enjoy this stunning part of the world!

Imagine looking out your picture window, tucked up in your cosy berth or cabin on a scenic rail journey through the snow-covered scenery of BC's interior and the Canadian Rocky Mountains. Winter is a magical time to visit this region, and a classic rail journey kicks off this itinerary with a bang.

Travel from Vancouver to Calgary, using the unique Snow Train from Vancouver to Jasper. Venture onto Lake Louise and Banff for an abundance of magical winter moments. A Banff Gondola ticket is included so that you can take in the panoramic views of the valley and enjoy a sleigh ride or snow shoeing with free time for additional activities.

## Why you'll love this trip...

- Have fun exploring Vancouver with a hop-on hop-off day tour
- Board Via Rail's 'Canadian' train for an overnight journey into the Rocky Mountains
- Enjoy the dome viewing carriage and delicious dining on board the train
- Journey through the mystical Maligne Canyon, along the frozen floor surrounded by limestone walls.
- Witness the unique frozen beauty of Lake Louise, surrounded by a spectacular snowy landscape
- An optional to upgrade to the deluxe Fairmont Hotels for the ultimate winter getaway

## Travel dates

Departs from Vancouver on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays from November to April

*Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date. Contact us for available departures.*

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## Rail package includes:

- 8 nights hotel accommodation
  - Quality Suites Downtown Vancouver (3 nights)
  - Jasper Mt Robson Inn (2 nights)
  - Lake Louise Inn (1 night)
  - Banff Caribou Lodge (2 nights)
- 1 night sleeper class onboard VIA Rail
- VIA Rail one-way journey from Vancouver to Jasper
- Meals as specified in the itinerary
- Hop-On Hop-Off Day Tour in Vancouver
- Whistler Day Tour
- Banff Gondola ticket
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Transportation as per the itinerary

## Package excludes:

ESTA/Visa fees - must be obtained online prior to departure

Flights to Canada - contact us for the latest airfare deals

Airport transfers

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry, WiFi etc.

Gratuities for guides, representatives & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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***Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.***

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## Itinerary:

### DAY 1 ARRIVE VANCOUVER

Arrive Vancouver and make your way to the hotel by taxi for the next three nights. Vancouver, a bustling west coast seaport in British Columbia, is among Canada's densest, most ethnically diverse cities. A popular filming location, it's surrounded by mountains, and also has thriving art, theatre and music scenes. Vancouver Art Gallery is known for its works by regional artists, while the Museum of Anthropology houses preeminent First Nations collections.

### DAY 2 VANCOUVER DAY TOUR

Hop-On, Hop-Off + Vancouver Lookout

Enhance Your Hop-On, Hop-Off bus tour experience with admission to the Vancouver Lookout. Explore the entire downtown area of Vancouver including Stanley Park, the Shopping District, Yaletown, Gastown and Granville Island! Included with your ticket is admission to the Vancouver Lookout. Get a 360-degree aerial view of Vancouver, 168 meters (553 feet) above the vibrant downtown core.

### DAY 3 WHISTLER DAY TOUR

Have your camera ready to capture photos of bald eagles in Brackendale during this full-day journey to Whistler, via downtown Vancouver. Along the way, stop at Stanley Park and Horseshoe Bay, a quaint village at the entrance to Howe Sound. Your guide follows a scenic route along the Sea to Sky Highway to Shannon Falls, where you'll take a short hike, with time to explore the ski resort year-round. Guided day trip to the ski resort town of Whistler, round-trip from Vancouver Stops are made at the Brackendale Eagle Reserve and Horseshoe Bay Park Get up close to British Columbia's third-tallest waterfall: Shannon Falls

### DAY 4 VANCOUVER - ON BOARD VIA RAIL

Check out of the hotel and store your luggage, then enjoy a free morning to explore Vancouver at your leisure. This afternoon, make your way to the station to board Via Rail's 'Canadian' Train for the overnight journey to the majestic Canadian Rocky Mountains. Feel like you've taken a trip back in time to the era of classic rail travel as you enjoy the comfort of your berth or cabin onboard. Wander through the train and enjoy the dome viewing carriage, and the delicious cuisine in the dining car. At night, onboard attendants will transform your quarters into cozy beds, ready for the rhythm of the rails to rock you to sleep. (D)

### DAY 5 ON BOARD VIA RAIL - JASPER

By the time you awake this morning the train will be heading into the Canadian Rockies and Jasper. Enjoy breakfast while surrounded by dramatic scenery as the 'Canadian' begins its passage into the Rockies with views of snow-capped peaks, Pyramid Falls and the expansive glaciers of the Albrede Icefields.

Pass by Mount Robson, which at 3,954 m is the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies. Upon arrival in Jasper, the afternoon is yours to discover this charming mountain community. Make your way to the hotel for a two-night stay. (B)

#### DAY 6 JASPER

Experience the wonders of Maligne Canyon from the ground up! The canyon has withstood 10,000 years of erosion and has created a 50m gorge. Certified guides will lead groups of no more than 12 along the frozen canyon floor and its ice-clad limestone walls. Super soles and winter boots will keep you warm and secure while exploring this wonderland of rock and ice.

#### DAY 7 JASPER - LAKE LOUISE

Travel south along the Icefields Parkway to Lake Louise. This spectacular drive through glacier country features massive snow-covered mountains, frozen waterfalls and broad-reaching valleys. Spend the evening in Lake Louise where, if conditions permit, you can hire ice skates to take a spin around the frozen lake.

#### DAY 8 LAKE LOUISE - BANFF

Depart Lake Louise mid-morning for a short drive to Banff via the scenic Bow Valley. Banff National Park offers the quintessential winter wonderland experience. Whether your idea of being immersed in the Canadian Rockies is snowshoeing through snowy landscapes, soaking in hot springs, or cosying up by a fire with a decadent hot chocolate, Banff offers winter experiences for everyone. This afternoon, we've included a ticket for the Banff Gondola to take in stunning panoramic views of the Valley.

#### DAY 9 BANFF

It's a choose-your-own-adventure day today. Banff National Park offers many options for exploration and adventure. Wildlife lovers should join an expert guide to learn about the local flora and fauna, while a snowshoeing tour is a good option to explore the wintery landscape for those wanting to be a bit more active. For a classic winter experience, we'd also recommend joining a horse drawn sleigh ride.

#### DAY 10 BANFF - CALGARY

This morning is free to explore Banff, before your transfer to Calgary. Following the Trans Canada Highway, depart the Rocky Mountains to the Great Central Plains that roll to the east for 2,000 km and extend as far south as Mexico. This is 'cattle ranching country' and the breadbasket of Canada.

**Please note: The day-by-day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.**

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