ALASKA CRUISE & CANADA SCENIC TRAIN



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Canada VIA Rail, Alaska Cruise & Flights Duration: 10 days Stay: 1 night hotel, 1 night sleeper on train, 7 nights on cruise ship Travel style: Independent touring, cruise & flights from Australia Booking code: CRCRAH10M

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# 10 days Canada Rail with Alaska Cruise & Flights

#### About the holiday

This special Canada rail and Alaska, USA, cruise trip is packed with breathtaking highlights!

Begin with flights to Calgary, where you'll be transferred to enjoy an overnight stay in Jasper. The alpine town sits amidst the snow-capped Canadian Rockies, surrounded by glacier-fed lakes and soaring forests.

Next, it's time to board VIA Rail for a scenic train experience as you travel westward from Jasper to Vancouver. The train journey offers a spectacular range of scenery, as you leave Jasper National Park and travel through British Columbia's Cariboo Mountains and Fraser Valley.

Arrive in Vancouver in time to embark on an unforgettable 7-night cruise aboard Holland America Line's Nieuw Amsterdam.

Witness amazing views and wildlife as you sail through Alaska's magical Inside Passage. Cruise to Alaska's remote capital of Juneau and other ports include Skagway and the culturally-rich town of Ketchikan. Sail past Endicott Arm, Dawes Glacier, evergreen-clad cliffs and floating frozen "bergy bits" on this scenic voyage.

With the magical VIA Rail journey, a luxurious cruise, many meals, hotel accommodation and flights from Australia, don't miss your chance to experience Canada and the USA in one unbeatable package!

# **Travel dates**

2024 - departs on select dates from April to September

# Note: Departures are subject to availability and prices will vary depending on travel dates. Contact us for the latest details.

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# Cruise holiday includes:

- Flights Return economy airfares to Calgary & from Vancouver Fly from Brisbane, Melbourne or Sydney (*contact us for other cities*)
- Transfer One-way transfer from Calgary Airport to Jasper
- Hotel 1 night Jasper Tonquin Inn or Malign Lodge in a standard room
- Via Rail 2 days VIA Rail train trip Jasper to Vancouver one-way Overnight in a 2-berth sleeper cabin Includes meals on the train
- **Cruise** 7 nights Alaska Inside Passage Glacier Cruise, roundtrip from Vancouver Choice of cabin aboard Holland America Line's *Nieuw Amsterdam* All non-chargeable meals & entertainment on board Cruise taxes and port fees

# Package excludes:

Visa/ESTA fees for USA & Canada Cruise port transfers & airport transfer on day 10 Meals, except for those specified on the train & ship Optional shore excursions, sightseeing & activities Chargeable entertainment & specialty dining on the ship Cruise gratuities Tipping for tour guides, drivers and cruise crew Other personal items, such as drinks, shopping, laundry, WiFi etc. Travel insurance, including cruise cover, is essential Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

Subject to confirmation by the airline, hotel, rail company, cruise line & local operators. Cancellation fees & booking conditions apply.

### ltinerary

#### Day 1: Fly to Canada, Arrive in Calgary

Fly from Australia to Canada and after your flight lands in Calgary, you will be transferred to the Rocky Mountains village of Jasper for the overnight stay.

Travel along the spine of the Rockies on one of the most beautiful routes in the world – the Icefields Parkway. Every twist and turn of the spectacular 143-mile (230-kilometer) Icefields Parkway (Highway 93) reveals cloud-piercing peaks, valley-carving glaciers, teal lakes, and dense forests. Running from Jasper to Lake Louise, this scenic Alberta drive offers stunning views of the Canadian Rockies, with lots of roadside lookouts and trailheads along the way. Overnight in Jasper at Tonquin Inn or Malign Lodge.

#### Day 2: VIA Rail from Jasper, Overnight train

Travel onboard the Canadian train from the mountain town of Jasper. Your journey offers you a spectacular array of scenery as you travel between the high peaks of the Canadian Rockies, over mountain passes and through British Columbia's Cariboo Mountains. Overnight aboard the train in a 2-berth sleeper cabin.

#### Day 3: VIA Rail arrives in Vancouver

Your journey continues West toward the Pacific Ocean and the coastal city of Vancouver. On today's journey, you will again see dramatic changes in scenery, from the desert-like environment of the interior, through winding river canyons and pristine forests, to the lush green fields of British Columbia's Fraser River Valley.

Upon arrival in Vancouver, catch a taxi from the train station to the port and check in for your Alaskan cruise on Holland America Line *Nieuw Amsterdam*.

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Day 4 Sunday, April 28	Vancouver, BC, Canada		4:00pm
Day 5 Monday, April 29	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Day 6 Tuesday, April 30	Juneau, AK	1:00pm	10:00pm
Day 7 Wednesday, May 1	Skagway, AK	7:00am	9:00pm
Day 8 Thursday, May 2	Endicott Arm, AK (Cruising)		
Day 8 Thursday, May 2	Dawes Glacier, AK (Cruising)		
Day 9 Friday, May 3	Ketchikan, AK	11:00am	7:00pm

#### Cruise itinerary:

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Day 10Saturday, May 4	Inside Passage, AK (Cruising)		
Day 11 Sunday, May 5	Vancouver, BC, Canada	7:00am	

#### Day 10 - Cruise Arrives back in Vancouver, Fly to Australia

After the cruise docks this morning, it's time to make your own way via taxi or shuttle to the airport. This is where this spectacular Canada and Alaska journey ends and memories begin!

Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, ocean, road and rail 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.

# Alaska cruise ports

#### Vancouver, B.C.

Between the colourful architecture of Chinatown and the Native American influences rooted in Totem Pole Park, Vancouver boasts a cosmopolitan of ethnicities. Hop on board a tour to the ever-bustling Chinatown where you can sip freshly-steeped green tea or taste the rousing flavours of pork belly alongside refreshing sesame noodles. Or, settle down and unwind on the sandy shores of Stanley Park – Vancouver's very own oasis in the heart of the city – and revel in visions of expansive forestry and mesmerizing horizons. In Gastown, walk in the footsteps of bygone settlers as you wander down groomed streets and listen for the regal chimes from the steam clock each hour. With Vancouver at your fingertips, experience authentic European flair without ever leaving the Western hemisphere.

#### Juneau

Rolling mountains — standing over 3,000 feet tall — overlook the still waters below, waiting for the majestic 20-foot Orcas to break the tranquil surface and make their grand debut. Meanwhile, the sweeping, 12-mile long Mendenhall Glacier rests nearby, slowly retreating under the steadfast sun.

Nothing about Juneau is small. From the gaping landscapes to the dignified wildlife, there's more than meets the eye in this unique port of call. Home to some of the largest gold mines in the world, Juneau has experienced its fair share of movement and continues to do so as the emblematic capital of Alaska. Relish in panoramic views of these precious lands atop Mount Roberts or immerse yourself in it all as you zipline through breathtaking elevations, dogsled along a trail and hike across serene meadows.

#### Ketchikan

Small white boats, with slender fishing reels suspended over the stern, float together in uniform lines off the coast of Ketchikan. As the "Salmon Capital of the World", this port of call harvests a collection of personalities, all yearning for the refreshing taste of salmon varieties. Fisherman donning nylon jumpsuits and rubber boots readily trot down the wooden pier to their aquatic abodes. Meanwhile, grizzly bears enrobed in chestnut-coloured fleeces meander through the shallow waters in search of their next meal.

Past the multi-coloured homes lining the tranquil shores lies an emblem of Ketchikan's antiquities — Totem Bight State Historical Park. Embellished in vibrant colours and chiselled faces, hand-carved totem poles stand tall around the replica Native clan house, inviting visitors to experience Alaska's past and present. Down on Creek Street, dollhouse-style homes line the wooden boardwalk inviting visitors to explore what's left of the city's red-light district days. With all that remains in this lively port of call, it's no wonder why Ketchikan is one of the most sought-after destinations in Alaska.

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