

**CANADA****DISCOVERY CIRCLE JOURNEY** (TOUR CODE: 12879)**STARTS AND ENDS**

in Vancouver

TRAVEL PERIODS

05 May 24 - 29 Sep 24

EXPERIENCE

Rail

TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

Journey through the awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies on two of Rocky Mountaineer's most popular rail routes - First Passage to the West and Journey through the Clouds.

Highlights

- Travel from Jasper to Banff via one of the most scenic highways in the world, the Icefields Parkway
- Time at leisure in the charming mountain resort towns of Jasper and Banff, nestled amidst the stunning Canadian Rockies
- Experience premium luxury onboard Rocky Mountaineer in GoldLeaf Service
- Be dazzled as Vancouver unveils its captivating sights, where urban vibrance meets coastal beauty

Experience the pinnacle of luxury and adventure with Rocky Mountaineer in GoldLeaf service. Prepare to be enchanted as you traverse the majestic Canadian Rockies, immersing yourself in a world of unparalleled beauty and unforgettable moments.

Your adventure starts in Vancouver, a vibrant coastal city known for its diverse culture and stunning natural surroundings. Explore the bustling streets, visit the historic Gastown district, and enjoy the vibrant culinary scene. Take in panoramic views of the city and the Pacific Ocean from Stanley Park, and immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere of Granville Island. Vancouver will enchant you with its blend of urban sophistication and natural beauty.

Next, it's time to board the world-renowned Rocky Mountaineer train and embark on a spectacular rail journey to Jasper. Sit back and relax in the luxurious GoldLeaf Service, where glass-domed coaches offer unparalleled panoramic views of the towering mountains, pristine lakes, and untouched wilderness. As the train winds through the rugged landscapes of the Canadian Rockies, you'll be treated to exceptional service and gourmet meals, showcasing the best of regional cuisine.

Arriving in Jasper, you'll be greeted by the rugged beauty of Jasper National Park. Explore the stunning landscapes that surround you, from the majestic Athabasca Glacier to the powerful Athabasca Falls. Immerse yourself in the tranquility of Maligne Lake and marvel at the stunning reflections of the surrounding peaks. Take in the abundance of wildlife that calls this wilderness home and venture on scenic hikes that will leave

you in awe of nature's grandeur.

The journey then continues by road to Banff, a charming town nestled in the heart of the Rockies. Explore the historic Banff Avenue, visit the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs hotel, and immerse yourself in the serenity of the Banff Hot Springs. This alpine paradise offers endless opportunities for adventure, relaxation, and unparalleled beauty. Conclude your unforgettable journey through Western Canada with the First Passage to the West train from Banff to Vancouver.

INCLUSIONS

- 4 days onboard Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service
- 4 nights in Vancouver at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver
- 2 nights in Kamloops
- 2 nights in Jasper at the Forest Park Hotel
- 2 nights in Banff at the Fairmont Banff Springs
- Station transfers in Vancouver, Kamloops, Jasper and Banff
- 4 breakfast, 5 lunch
- Glacier Skywalk Admission
- Icefields Parkway Tour including Ice Explorer
- National Parks Pass
- Onboard train gratuities

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Rail Onboard Rocky Mountaineer - GoldLeaf Service

GoldLeaf Service Inclusions:

- Bi-level dome with seating in the upper level and dining in the lower level
- Full glass-dome windows with panoramic views
- Gourmet à la carte meals in the lower-level dining room
- Reclining, comfortable pre-assigned seating with ample leg room
- Attended by up to four Hosts, plus a full culinary team
- Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages available throughout the journey
- Gourmet sweet and savoury snacks
- Large exclusive outdoor viewing platform
- Engaging Hosts with stories about historic sites, scenery and wildlife
- Luggage delivery to overnight accommodation in Kamloops

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **1**

Vancouver

Arrive in Vancouver and spend time exploring this scenic coastal city on your own. That could be discovering Stanley Park, taking a small ferry to Granville Island, or much more.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Fairmont Hotel Vancouver**



Day **2**

Vancouver

Enjoy the day with free time to relax or book your own activities at your leisure. Vancouver has activities for all interests, including visiting historic Gastown, dining in lively Yaletown, or enjoying a walk on the Stanley Park Seawall. No matter what you choose to do, the Coast Mountains and the Pacific Ocean surround you.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Fairmont Hotel Vancouver**



Day **3**

Rocky Mountaineer: Vancouver Kamloops

Travel onboard Rocky Mountaineer from the coastal city of Vancouver to Kamloops, located in the heart of British Columbia's interior. On today's journey, you will see dramatic changes in scenery, from the lush green fields of the Fraser Valley, through forests and winding river canyons surrounded by the peaks of the Coast and Cascade Mountains, to the desert-like landscapes of the BC interior. Highlights include the rushing waters of Hell's Gate in the Fraser Canyon and the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River. Your day ends as the train travels along the shores of Kamloops Lake into the town of Kamloops.

Overnight in **Kamloops**.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **4**

Rocky Mountaineer: Kamloops Jasper

Your journey continues north and east to the mighty Canadian Rockies and the province of Alberta. Once again, you will be

surrounded by dramatic scenery as you follow the banks of the North Thompson River through the Monashee and Cariboo Mountains, climbing ever nearer to the high peaks of the Continental Divide. Today's highlights include Mount Robson, at 3,954 metres (12,972 feet), the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies, followed by Pyramid Falls and the climb over the Yellowhead Pass into Jasper National Park. Your rail journey ends this evening on arrival in the resort town of Jasper

Overnight in Jasper at the **Forest Park Hotel**

Breakfast, Lunch

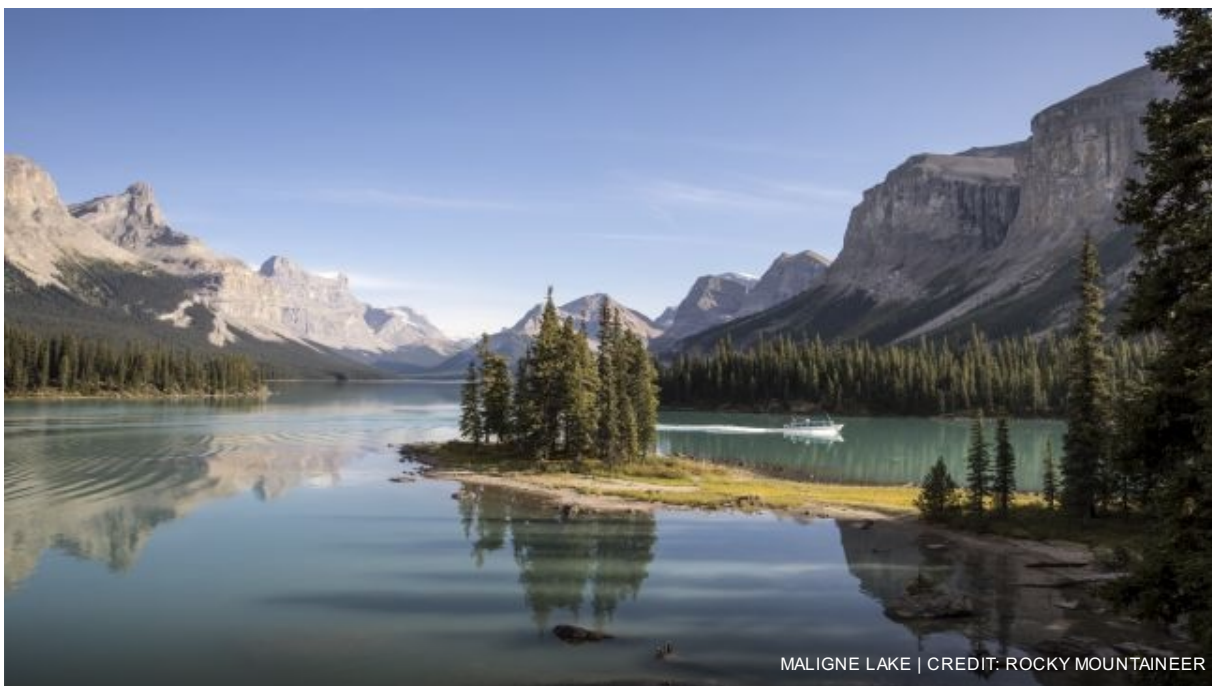


Day **5**

Jasper

Enjoy the day with free time to relax or book your own activities at your leisure. The resort town of Jasper and the surrounding national park offer various activities from relaxation to adventure.

Overnight in Jasper at the **Forest Park Hotel**



Day **6**

Jasper Banff

Travel from Jasper to Banff via one of the most scenic highways in the world, the Icefields Parkway. Lake Louise, Bow Lake, the Columbia Icefield, Glacier Skywalk, and Athabasca Falls are among the day's highlights. The Columbia Icefield is one of the largest accumulations of ice south of the Arctic Circle and one of the most accessible icefields in North America. Here you will ride on an Ice Explorer to the middle of the Athabasca Glacier to learn about its geological features. Lunch is provided at the Columbia Icefield Glacier Discovery Centre. Afterwards, a brief stop will be made at Bow Lake before arriving in Banff in the late afternoon.

Overnight in Banff at the **Fairmont Banff Springs**

Lunch



SKYWALK | CREDIT: ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

Day 7

Banff

Enjoy the day with free time to relax or book your own activities at your leisure. Banff has activities for all, from taking the gondola to the top of Sulphur Mountain, relaxing in the Banff hot springs, and exploring the bustling town, to outdoor wildlife adventures.

Overnight in Banff at the **Fairmont Banff Springs**



BOW LAKE | CREDIT: ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

Day **8**

Rocky Mountaineer: Banff Kamloops

Travel onboard Rocky Mountaineer from the mountain resort town of Banff to Kamloops, in the heart of the British Columbia Interior. Your journey takes you through ever-changing scenery as you travel between the iconic glacier and snow-capped peaks of the Canadian Rockies over mountain passes and through remarkable tunnels, along rocky lakeshores and across the ranchlands of the Interior. Today's highlights include the Continental Divide, the Spiral Tunnels, Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass and Craigellachie, where the last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven

Overnight in Kamloops

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **9**

Rocky Mountaineer: Kamloops Vancouver

Your journey continues west towards 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 B.C. Interior, through winding river canyons and pristine forests, to the Cascade and Coast Mountains and the lush green fields of the Fraser Valley. Highlights include the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River and the rushing waters of Hell's Gate in the Fraser Canyon. Your rail journey ends on arrival in Vancouver this evening.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Fairmont Hotel Vancouver**

Breakfast, Lunch



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Day **10** Vancouver

Enjoy another day in Vancouver with free time to relax or booking your own activities at your leisure.

Overnight in Vancouver at the **Fairmont Hotel Vancouver**

Day **11** Vancouver

Your journey ends upon check out from your Vancouver hotel

ACCOMMODATION

Fairmont Banff Springs

Banff

Set in a castle-like building in the heart of Banff National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the world famous Fairmont Banff Springs hotel stands as a landmark in the picturesque alpine town of Banff. Amenities include 7 restaurants and 2 bars. There's also a spa, indoor and outdoor pools, and a golf course, plus a fitness centre.



Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

Vancouver

Fairmont Hotel Vancouver is known as the 'Castle in the City', symbolizing timeless elegance and luxury since 1939. Holding a prime downtown location, we are minutes away from Vancouver's biggest attractions including Granville Island, Robson Street shopping, Stanley Park Seawall, Vancouver Aquarium, Gastown, and Science World. Our knowledgeable concierge team is delighted to assist with suggestions, dining reservations and more. Be sure to meet our Labrador canine ambassadors, Elly and Ella.



Forest Park Hotel

Jasper

Set amidst the breathtaking Canadian Rockies, the Forest Park Hotel (formerly the Sawridge Inn) is a resort style hotel that offers the rustic charm you'd expect in Jasper National Park. Beautiful guest rooms, on-site spa, decadent dining and heated pool with jacuzzi and steam room add to the luxury you want in your mountain getaway.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

2024 Dates

- May - 5, 12, 19, 26
- June - 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
- July - 7, 14, 21, 28
- August - 4, 11, 18, 25
- September - 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Please note that pricing is based on a "from price" which varies on each departure and is subject to change without notice. Please contact our friendly team for exact pricing, availability, and upgrade options.

We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means we may need to offer an alternative hotel of equivalent or better quality. Our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package