## Rocky Mountaineer Journey through the Clouds







# September 28 – October 6, 2022 Vancouver, BC to Calgary, AB

## Join us for wonder that will last a lifetime!

Since 1990, Rocky Mountaineer has elevated rail travel to match the grandeur of western Canada's most majestic landscapes. Now is the perfect time to join in our continuing adventure—to experience sublime comfort and service while forging new friendships and memories over gourmet meals and awe-inspiring views. And when you're ready to transform your dream journey into reality, we're standing by to make it happen. We look forward to welcoming you aboard!

Journey through the Clouds - Vancouver to Jasper Rail

Start: Minneapolis – Vancouver Group Air

End: Jasper – Minneapolis Group Air

Service Level: Gold-leaf Train + Hotel Service

## Day 1: Sep 28, 2022 – Arrival in Vancouver, BC

#### Hotel: Georgian Court Hotel: 773 Beatty St, Vancouver, BC V6B 2M4, Canada

The Georgian Court Hotel is a 4-star boutique hotel and a member of Small Luxury Hotels of the World situated in downtownVancouver, steps from BC Place Stadium, Rogers Arena, fashionable Robson Street and many downtown Vancouver's main tourist attractions. Enjoy a warm welcome combined with attentive service and exceptional value for money.



### Day 2: Sep 29, 2022

#### Group Breakfast at Georgian Court Hotel

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Vancouver's spectacular North Shore with breath taking views of the city, ocean and surrounding mountains. Take a walk across the Capilano Suspension Bridge perched above the Capilano Canyon then stroll along Treetops Adventure, seven suspension bridges through the evergreens taking you above the forest floor for a squirrel's eye view of a thriving coastal rainforest. Later we will visit Grouse Mountain and take a gondola to the apex, climbing to 4,100 feet above sea level. At the summit, take in the incredible views of Vancouver and the Pacific Ocean.

#### Day 3: Sep 30, 2022

Board the Rocky Mountaineer train at the Vancouver Station at 7:30AM PT. Travel from the coastal city of Vancouver to Kamloops, 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 environment 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. Breakfast & lunch are included onboard. Your day concludes as the Rocky Mountaineer travels along the shores of Kamloops Lake into Kamloops between 6:00PM and 7:30PM PT. Spend the evening exploring the city of Kamloops or relaxing in your hotel room.

Motor coach Transfer: Kamloops Station to Your Hotel



#### **Kamloops Accommodation**

Location: Kamloops, BC, Canada.

Upon check-in for your train departure you will receive a boarding pass which will indicate your Kamloops accommodation. Your accommodation in Kamloops will be of a moderate standard, but will include all the essential amenities to make your stay comfortable.

## Day 4: Oct 01, 2022

#### Kamloops to Jasper

Board the Rocky Mountaineer train at the Kamloops Station at 7:30AM PT. Today 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 meters (12,972 feet) the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies, Pyramid Falls, and the climb over the Yellowhead Pass into Jasper National Park. Breakfast and lunch will be served onboard. Your rail journey ends this evening between 7:30PM and 9:00PM MT on arrival in the resort town of Jasper.

#### Hotel: Sawridge Inn and Conference Centre

Sawridge Inn Jasper is your hotel of choice when visiting beautiful Jasper National Park. The hotel offers spacious guest rooms and suites, eclectic dining and amenities to relax and unwind after a day of mountain adventures.



#### Day 5: Oct 02, 2022 Group Meal at Sawridge Inn - Group Breakfast

#### Sightseeing Tour: Jasper

Board your private motor coach for a half-day sightseeing tour of Jasper. Highlights include Pyramid and Patricia Lakes, Maligne Canyon and the Athabasca viewpoint. The remainder of the day is free to explore more of Jasper National Park independently.

#### Jasper Exclusive Interpretive Program

Explore Canada's indigenous history, foods and culture, on this exclusive interpretive program on the Indigenous groups of the Jasper area. Join us for this 90 minute interpretive program: step into the past, learn traditions, customs and relationship to beautiful turquoise waters of Chaba Imne, now Maligne Lake. Relax by the campfire as local indigenous interpreters regale you with storytelling, drumming and singing. Walk with expert geology and geography guides into Maligne Canyon to view the rock formations. Guests are recommended to dress in layers, and wear comfortable walking shoes.



## Day 6: Oct 03, 2022

#### Group Breakfast at Sawridge Inn

#### Sightseeing Tour: Jasper to Banff

Depart by private motor coach for a full day sightseeing tour along the Icefields Parkway, one of the world's most scenic highways. The highlight today is a visit to the Columbia Icefield and an Ice Explorer ride on the Athabasca Glacier.

#### Ice Explorer

Tour the Athabasca Glacier in a giant six-wheel drive Ice Explorer vehicle while your guide explains the history of this ancient glacier and points out interesting geological features. Think of it like a "monster-truck meets glacier" adventure where you learn new things!

#### **Glacier Skywalk**

Consisting of a 400 meter (1,640 feet) interpretive boardwalk and a glass-floored observation platform

extending 30 meters (98 feet) out over the Sunwapta Valley, Glacier Skywalk takes spectacular scenery and a rare view of nature to unbelievable heights. The award-winning architecture of the Skywalk is a feat of contemporary design.



dry cedar sauna.





## Day 7: Oct 04, 2022

#### Group Breakfast at Elk + Avenue

#### Sightseeing Tour: Banff & Yoho National Parks

Depart by motor coach for your full-day tour of Banff and Yoho National Park. Yoho National Park offers magnificent natural wonders like the Spiral Tunnels, the turquoise serene waters of Emerald Lake and a natural Rock Bridge spanning the Kicking Horse River. A stop for free time will be made at The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise for you to revel in the breathtaking surroundings of Lake Louise. Re-board your motor coach and continue your tour concluding with a return to your Banff hotel.

#### Group Photography - Lake Louise

Banff Photography will take group photos in front of the lake and develop them within an hour. Photos provided will be 8"x10" photographs in Banff Photography branded folders.

## Day 8 Oct 05, 2022

#### Sightseeing Tour: Lake Louise/Banff to Calgary

Depart by private motor coach for your full day sightseeing tour.

#### Banff Gondola

The Banff Gondola is a spectacular eight-minute gondola ride to the top of Sulphur Mountain for 360degree views of the Banff townsite and its surrounding mountains



#### Group Heritage Park Historical Village

Discover How the West was Once at Canada's largest living history museum, Heritage Park Historical Village. This 127-acreattraction is home to the year-round Gasoline Alley Museum and is nestled on the banks of the Glenmore Reservoir with thepicturesque backdrop of the majestic Rocky Mountains. Meet friendly townsfolk in full period costume as you stroll down the wooden boardwalks or pop into any number of working shops, businesses or homes.

#### Group lunch at Heritage Park Historical Village Hotel: Hotel Arts

Experience a sumptuous blend of modern luxury and intuitive service in Calgary's designer

boutique-style hotel. Located in Downtown Calgary, Hotel Arts is home to two award-winning restaurants and 185 guestrooms, each wellappointed with fine linens and chic contemporary decor.

#### Day 9: Oct 06, 2022 Group Breakfast at Hotel Arts Transfer to airport for return flight home.



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

## TOUR PRICE:

Price per person \$5399.00 Land and Air based on double occupancy. Single supplement is \$1350.00

## PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

Roundtrip airfare from Minneapolis to Vancouver, gratuities and luggage handling.

## **RESERVATION AND DEPOSIT:**

Early registration is recommended. A deposit of \$1000.00 per person, along with the completed reservation form, is required to confirm your trip. The balance will be due July 18, 2022

## CANCELLATION:

The deposit is refundable until February 21, 2022. Cancellations from February 22 – July 18 -\$600 per person fee for double rooms or \$750 per person fee for single room; from July 19 – August 1 - \$2900 per person fee; from August 2 until departure – tour is nonrefundable. If you have a cancellation due to insurance reasons you will receive a refund with a filledout claim.

## **DOCUMENTATION:**

A valid U.S. Passport is required for the trip.

## NOT INCLUDED:

Items of personal nature, such as long-distance phone calls, room service, laundry, meals except as noted in itinerary.

## **OTHER:**

This tour price is based on prices in effect on September 1, 2021 subject to change without notice. We reserve the right to make changes in the itinerary should it be deemed necessary. If a price adjustment becomes necessary due to and/or additional fuel/security taxes, you will be notified.

## **RESPONSIBILITY:**

All reservations are accepted with the specific condition that Bursch Travel Agency Inc., operator of this tour, acts only as an agent of the hotels, sightseeing contractors, bus operators, airlines and others who provide the actual arrangements, and is not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss or damage, or nonperformance occurring in connection with these arrangements.

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