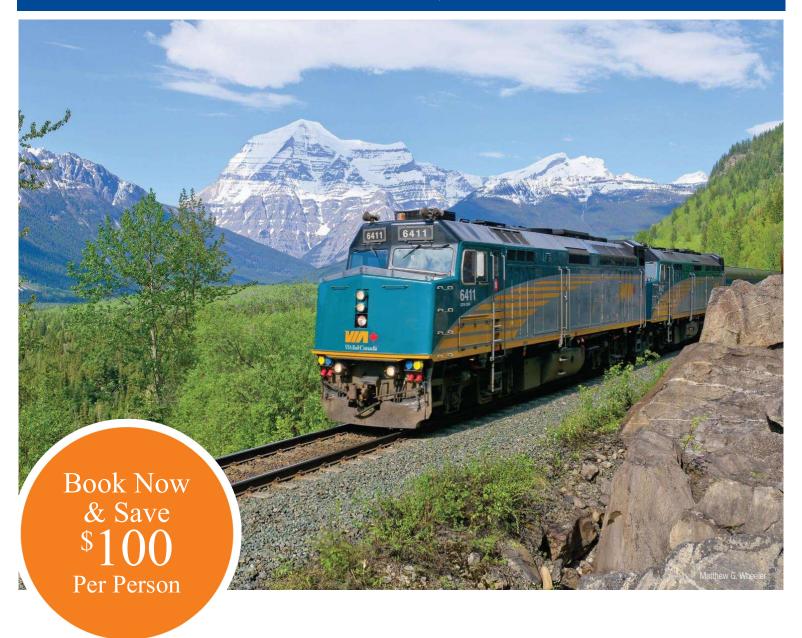
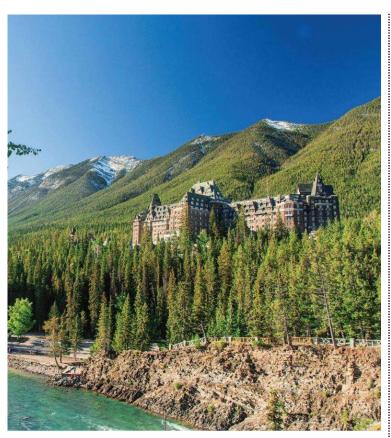
## Royal Tours and Travel, LLC presents...

# Canadian Rockies by Train

October 3 – 11, 2024



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9 Days • 13 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** British Columbia, Vancouver, VIA Rail, Alberta, Jasper, Maligne Lake, Athabasca Glacier, Choice on Tour: Ice Explorer Glacier Tour or Columbia Icefield Skywalk, Lake Louise, Banff, Calgary

## ITINERARY AT A GLANCE Day 1 Sheraton Vancouve

Day 1 Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, British Columbia

Day 2 VIA Rail Canada, Toronto, Ontario

Days 3, 4 Chateau Jasper, Jasper, Alberta

Day 5 The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise

Days 6, 7 The Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff, Alberta

Day 8 Calgary Marriott Downtown, Calgary, Alberta

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, October 3, 2024 Vancouver, British Columbia - Tour Begins Take a remarkable journey through the stunning landscapes, charming towns and beautiful lakes of the Canadian Rockies. Your adventure opens in Vancouver.

Day 2: Friday, October 4, 2024 Vancouver - VIA Rail A city tour of Vancouver begins this morning at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest. Then, continue to the waterfront, and Gastown - a turn-of-thecentury center comprised of pubs, art galleries, boutiques and the world-famous steam-powered clock, perhaps the most photographed subject in all of Vancouver. Stroll picturesque Granville Island and its fascinating markets. Later, board VIA Rail's *The Canadian* to begin your journey to the majestic Canadian Rockies. Relive train travel in the days of old as you are rocked to sleep tonight in your private accommodations. (B, D)

Day 3: Saturday, October 5, 2024 VIA Rail - Jasper, Alberta Your eastbound train whisks you past the peaks of the Monashee Mountains and the stunning sight of Pyramid Falls cascading down Mt. Cheadle. Relax in the dome car as you experience 360-degree views of the glistening glaciers of the Albreda Icefields and on a clear day, view Mt. Robson – the highest peak of the Rockies! Moose, mountain goats, bear and caribou call this wonderland home. This afternoon, arrive in Jasper, nestled in the heart of the Canadian Rockies at the gateway to the incredible Icefields Parkway. (B, D)

Day 4: Sunday, October 6, 2024 Jasper This morning, travel to Maligne Lake, the largest natural lake in the Canadian Rockies, and enjoy breakfast\* against the backdrop of the picture-perfect sparkling waters of the lake. While at Maligne Lake, you may choose to embark on an optional cruise highlighting the beauty of Spirit Island. Later, enjoy the dramatic Maligne Canyon, one of the area's most spectacular landmarks. Return to your hotel with time to independently explore this lovely town. (B)

Day 5: Monday, October 7, 2024 Jasper - Icefields Parkway - Lake Louise Set off for a wonderful day of sightseeing en route to Lake Louise. Journey along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway. Waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, imposing cliffs and snowcapped peaks paint the breathtaking canvas – so have your camera handy! Enjoy a stop at the Athabasca Falls and marvel at its sheer beauty and power. Then, it's your choice! Stop at the Athabasca Glacier and choose a fun ride\*\* across this mass of glacial ice which is over 1,000 feet thick – the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle -OR- take a walk on the Columbia Icefield Skywalk to experience the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley and witness the dramatic landscape from the glass-floored platform. Continuing down the







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\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from ORF

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parkway, be on the lookout for bears, furry marmots and stately elk. Enjoy a stop at Bow Lake – a beautiful crystal-clear lake fed by Bow Glacier – for photographs and a walk along its shore before arriving in Lake Louise. (B, D)

**Day 6: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 Lake Louise - Banff** Today, view the spectacular Moraine Lake and the aweinspiring Valley of the Ten Peaks. The jagged Ten Peaks are distinctively saw-toothed, standing out amidst stunning Alpine scenery. Continue on to the charming mountain town of Banff for a 2-night stay. (B, D)

**Day 7: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 Banff** Set off for a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls and Surprise Corner, known for its picture-perfect panoramic views. Next, meet a local ammolite specialist to learn about this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. During leisure time, perhaps you will take a stroll through Banff's delightful downtown. (B)

Day 8: Thursday, October 10, 2024 Banff - Calgary Leave the wonders of the Rockies for the prairies of Alberta en route to the Kananaskis Valley. Visit a local ranch for a line dance lesson and enjoy a wagon ride\*\* in search of buffalo. Then, delight in a traditional Albertan barbecue with beautiful views of the mountains in the background. Later, enjoy the views of the prairies before you reach the vibrant city of Calgary. Tonight, join in a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Friday, October 11, 2024 Calgary - Tour Ends Your tour ends today in Calgary.

#### Experience It! Experience Canada - VIA Rail

Listen to the peaceful sounds of a bygone era while natural beauty dances to life before your eyes in a scenic wonderland; it's a veritable journey back in time as you travel from Vancouver to Jasper. Relax and discover the delight of overnight training aboard VIA Rail's *The Canadian*. Heralded in 1955 as "the first and only all-stainless steel 'dome' streamliner in Canada," *The Canadian* has been exceeding passenger expectations ever since. Enjoy first-class meals and awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies vistas. Spend the night in the comfort of your own bed inside a private sleeping room that includes a private washroom. From the moment you board VIA Rail's *The Canadian*, you'll embrace the nostalgia of a golden era; rail lines trace history while whisking travelers through scenery far removed from the highway.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1180659

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Nov 30, 2023, valid on air inclusive packages only.

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

\*Breakfast at Maligne Lake is only offered from June 1 to September 30 – a hotel breakfast will be supplied as an alternative on other dates.

\*\*Some attractions may not be available during the "off-season" months due to weather and is reflected in the tour price. Glacier Experience is weather permitting throughout the travel season.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

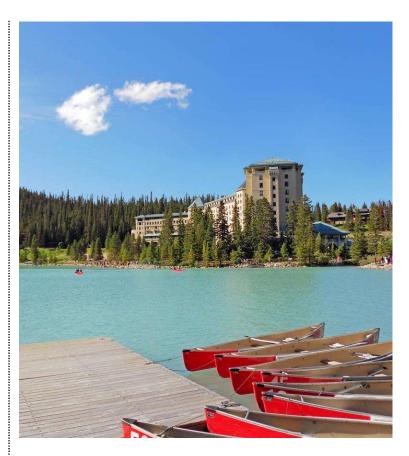
Single accommodations are limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Triple accommodations will be requested at time of booking and may not be available due to limited room configurations on VIA Rail train cars.

Order of sightseeing is subject to change.

Maximum elevation: 7,500 feet/2,286 meters.

Train schedule and sightseeing while on VIA Rail is subject to change.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 7,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities. Please note that maneuvering on the train will be difficult as you need to walk by 20 to 30 cars to get to yours. Assistance from VIA Rail attendants is limited and boarding the train requires climbing some large steps. Also, the sleeping cars are small and have bunk beds. Additionally, making your way to the dining and dome cars on the narrow passageways while the train is moving can be challenging for those with balance issues.



Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

An overnight bag is necessary for your train experience aboard VIA Rail.

Please be advised baggage fees may apply on most trans-border flights. These fees are levied by each specific airline and may be subject to change.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of November 23, 2023 are based upon availability. Final payment due by August 04, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until November 30, 2023.

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#### **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Jasper, AB



#### **Jasper Raft Tours**

\$89 USD

Set off on the Athabasca River for the adventure of a lifetime! Climb aboard a specially-designed raft with a licensed National Parks guide and explore this great waterway as it flows through the Alberta wilderness. Float through many small sets of rapids and calm waters as you trace a route once used by early fur traders. This is a great excursion for travelers of all ages and a safe, gentle way to experience one of the world's true wild rivers. Each raft is 25 feet long and seats 25 people. The fully-trained guides possess endless streams of knowledge of the local wildlife, history and folklore. Don't miss an unforgettable chance to experience the fascinating Canadian wilderness. Watch as they row through six to eight short sets of mild rapids as well as calm stretches over 10 miles (16 kilometers) of river. Duration: Approximately 2.5 hours. Please note a minimum of 4 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Vancouver, BC

#### Victoria Day Trip

\$225 **USD** 

A scenic ferry crossing transports you to Vancouver Island to visit the incomparable and lovely Butchart Gardens. Set on over 55 acres, Butchart Gardens are among the world's most beautiful and are a veritable explosion of color and fragrances. Then, take a short sightseeing tour of the "City of Gardens," Victoria, and enjoy leisure time to explore this charming, seaside city. This evening you will journey back to the mainland via a short ferry ride. Please Note: This option is operated by a local representative and requires guests to have a pre-night hotel stay in Vancouver. Duration: Approximately 12 hours. Please note a minimum of 1 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Canmore, AB



#### Soar to Mt. Assiniboine

\$340 USD

Experience the grandeur of the Canadian Rockies from a birds-eye perspective -- leave the ground behind and behold the incomparable beauty of the region with a helicopter tour. Nothing compares to the total exhibitantion of soaring above some of the most incredible scenery the world offers. Soar to the "Matterhorn" of the Canadian Rockies, Mt. Assiniboine, which rises majestically 11,870 feet along the Great Divide. The surrounding glaciers and icefalls will astound you and capture your imagination. This is a photographer's dream come true! Actual flight time is 30 minutes. Duration: Approximately 2 hours. Please note a minimum of 2 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Jasper, AB



#### Maligne Lake Cruise

\$105 USD

Discover Maligne Lake, the second largest glacially fed lake in the world, secretly tucked away in a ring of towering mountains. Cruise the deep blue waters of this lake on a 1½ hour, fully-narrated scenic cruise aboard a heated, enclosed vessel. Sail in comfort to captivating Spirit Island, learning about the lake's history, geology, flora and fauna. See towering mountains white with glaciers and watch for wildlife while cruising through unforgettable scenery. Enjoy a stroll on Spirit Island and experience for yourself one of the most iconic, photographed scenes in all of the Rockies. It is a photographer's dream. This option is not available between October and June due to the lake being frozen. Closing and opening dates are weather dependent and subject to change. Availability is limited — space is on a first come, first served basis. Duration: Approximately 1.5 hours. Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.