

Rockies, Rail & Sea | From Alberta to Alaska

Holiday Duration: 14 Nights



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See the stunning Rocky mountains, stay in beautiful Banff, experience the jaw dropping Icefields Parkway to Jasper, relax on a peaceful and scenic rail journey, spend time in bustling Vancouver and finally cruise to Alaska and the Inside Passage. Combining the Rocky Mountaineer with a cruise up to Alaska is the ultimate way to travel. The Rockies stay can be either a self-drive or we can arrange transfers and tours, it's totally up to you. This is a classic holiday with amazing memories to be made every day. Please note that the durations in each place in this itinerary are subject to the Rocky Mountaineer and Cruise schedules.

This itinerary is flexible and can be tailor-made to suit you; if you want to add extra days in one area, extend your winter holiday in Canada or maybe change the direction of travel. Talk to one of our experts about how to make this holiday the perfect one for you.

Here's a day-by-day guide to your itinerary. Feel free to ask us to add other days or ideas and excursions by contacting us directly, so we can give you the best price.

Day 1



Calgary to Banff

Fly into Calgary direct from London Heathrow and then either collect your car rental or take your booked transfer to Banff. It's about a 1 hour and 15 minute drive to Banff, so you will be there and checked in to your hotel before you know it.

2 nights Banff

Day 2



Banff

Spend the next day exploring this lovely town with the mountains dramatically looming in every direction. We can include a number of tours here for you; why not head up the Banff Gondola with a breathtaking 360 degree panoramic view, or head out on a horse drawn carriage ride into the mountains for a BBQ lunch, or take a day trip to Moraine Lake and the famous Lake Louise, or head out on an early evening wildlife tour. There are many options to make the most of your time in Banff.

Day 3



Banff to Jasper

Today you will leave Banff (either self-driving or via a day tour) and head north along the Icefields Parkway to Jasper. Stop enroute at the Columbia Icefields and head out on a Sno-coach to set foot on the Athabasca Glacier which has been a defining landmark in Jasper National Park for centuries. You will also get to experience the Skywalk – a kilometre long interpretive walkway with amazing views and culminating in a suspended glass platform!

2 nights Jasper

Day 4



Jasper

Spend the day exploring Jasper. Maybe head up the Jasper Skytram on Whistler Mountain for stunning views over Jasper and the valley. You could take a trip to Maligne Lake and take a short cruise to get closer to the glacial fed crystal waters. You will need to return your car hire and check in for your Rocky Mountaineer trip this afternoon/evening to be ready for an early morning departure.

Day 5



Jasper to Vancouver

You will be collected this morning from your hotel and transferred to the train station to board the Rocky Mountaineer where you will be shown to your seats. Relax for the next 2 days, taking in the scenery, drink, food and making friends with your fellow travellers. The train stops in Kamloops for the night where you will be transferred to your included hotel. The next morning you will be transferred back to the train where your journey continues into Vancouver, arriving early evening.

1 night Kamloops

Day 6-7



Vancouver

Spend the day exploring the vibrant city of Vancouver. Head to Stanley Park and enjoy views of the water, mountains, and the city skyline, making sure to see the Totem Poles. Pop over to Granville Island where you will find fresh produce, artisan foods and local crafts. Stay for a few more nights if you can and visit Capilano Suspension Bridge & Grouse Mountain for a great day out.

2 nights Vancouver

Day 8-14



Alaska

Embark on your cruise ship from Vancouver harbour for your 7 night adventure through the Inside Passage and to Alaska. An Alaska cruise is a remarkable way to experience the stunning landscapes, wildlife, and culture of this northern frontier.

Itinerary Highlights

Scenic Glacier Viewing: Cruises often include stops in Glacier Bay or Hubbard Glacier, where you can witness massive glaciers calving into the sea.

Juneau: The state capital, known for the Mendenhall Glacier and whale watching.

Ketchikan: Famous for its totem poles and rich Native American heritage.

Skagway: A historic Gold Rush town with opportunities for hiking and exploring the scenic White Pass.

Sitka: Offers a mix of Russian history and beautiful natural surroundings.

Onboard Experience

Amenities: Most cruise ships feature a range of amenities, including restaurants, pools, spas, and entertainment options.

Wildlife Watching: Look out for whales, sea lions, bears, and eagles from the ship or during excursions.

Excursions

Kayaking and Hiking: Many cruises offer excursions that let you kayak among icebergs or hike in national parks.

Cultural Experiences: Engage with local culture through visits to museums or Native heritage sites.

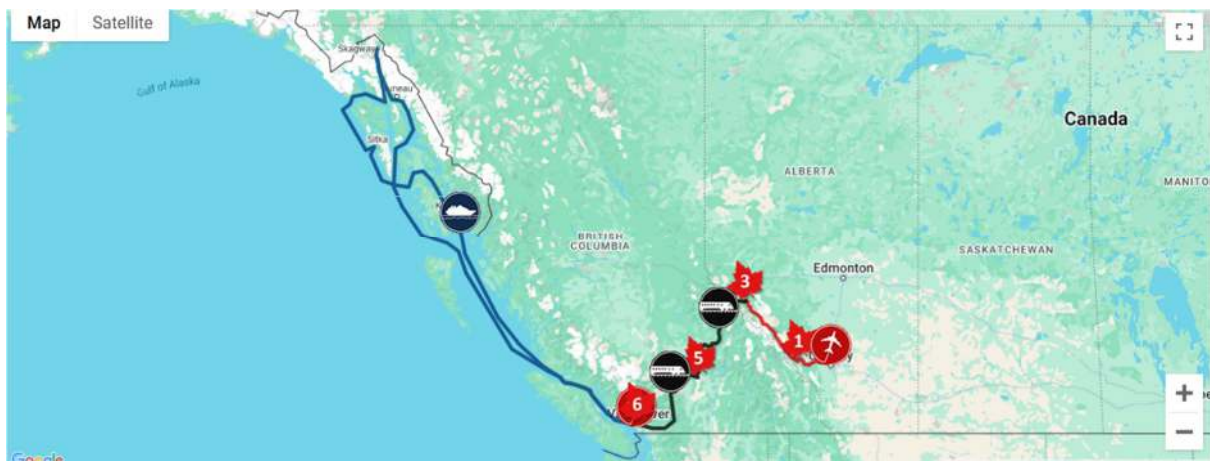
7 nights Cruising

Day 15



Vancouver

Disembark from your cruise early morning. You may want to extend your holiday with a few more nights in Vancouver. Alternatively head to Vancouver Airport for your flight overnight back to London Heathrow.





If you are interested in a holiday to Canada please contact us on 020 8776 8709 to discuss your plans with a Canada expert, or send an email to canada@frontier-travel.co.uk with your requirements and we will put together your ideal itinerary and quotation. Let us take you there.