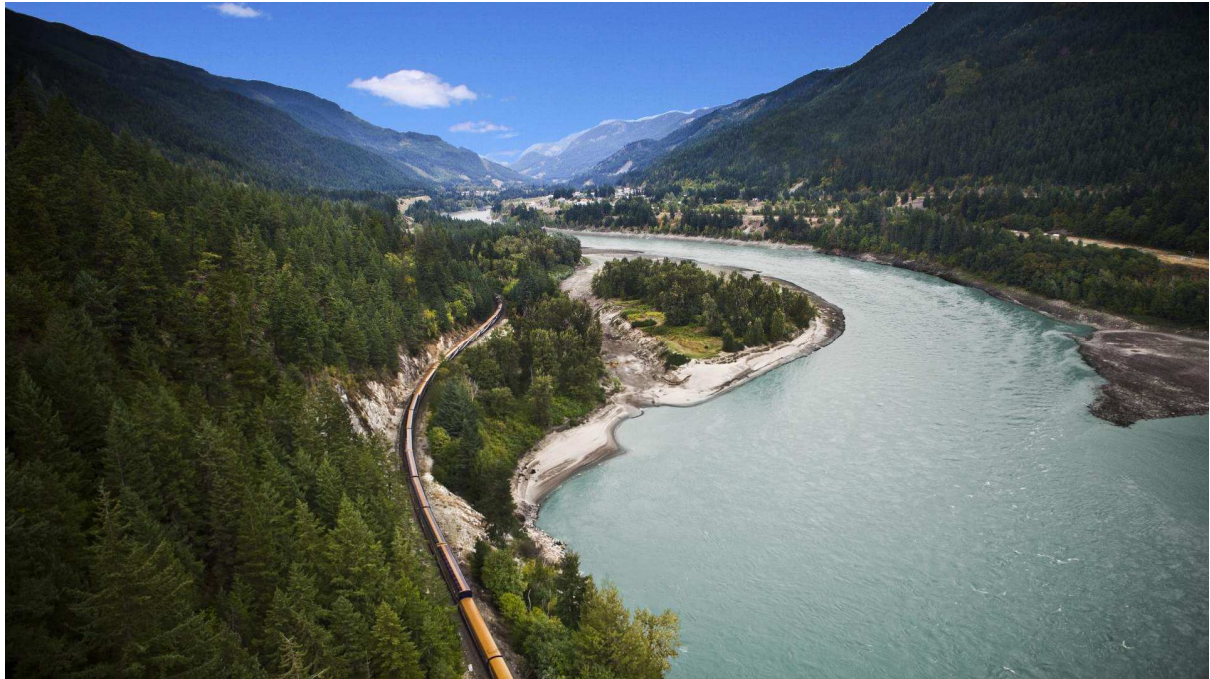


Rocky Mountaineer | First Passage to the West at Leisure

Holiday Duration: 7 Nights



Overview

“The Most Spectacular Train Trip in the World”

The Rocky Mountaineer train, designed especially with you in mind, travels through the day and stops for the night and ensuring you don't miss any of the phenomenal scenery and yet have a comfortable bed for the night.

This short Rockies holiday not only includes the memorable two-day journey onboard the Rocky Mountaineer but also has four nights hotel accommodation, an amazing heli-sightseeing tour and a trip on the Banff Gondola. Enjoy the best of the Rockies in a short space of time.

The tour operates between Calgary and Vancouver and can be taken in either direction. Frontier Canada can also amend the tour for you if you wish. You can choose the level of comfort you would like on both the train and the hotels.

Please note the Rocky Mountaineer runs from late April till early October.

We can tailor this holiday, adding in extra nights at most locations, adding in an Alaskan Cruise from Vancouver afterwards, changing the non rail portion to a self drive if preferred for example. Please let us know what you would like and we will put together your ideal rail holiday in Canada.

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

Arrive in Calgary and spend the rest of the day sightseeing in the "The Heart of the New West" on your own.

1 night in Calgary.

Day 2



Calgary to Banff

Depart Calgary this morning for a full-day tour concluding in Banff. Journey to Kananaskis where you will enjoy a 12-minute Summit Helicopter Tour over the remarkable landscape of the Rockies. Continue on to Banff for a sightseeing tour including Bow Falls, Lake Minnewanka, Surprise Corner and the Hoodoos. A trip on the Banff Gondola is included.

2 nights in Banff.

Day 3

Banff

You will have an entire day to spend exploring Banff National Park on your own. Optional activities include soaking in the mineral pools at Upper Hot Springs, enjoying a nature walk on nearby mountain trails, visiting Banff's historic museums, cruising on Lake Minnewanka or playing a round of golf at The Fairmont Banff Springs.

Day 4



Banff to Lake Louise

A half-day tour takes you into Yoho National Park to view some of its natural wonders. Among the attractions are the Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake and a natural rock bridge spanning the Kicking Horse River. The tour ends in Lake Louise where the remainder of the afternoon is at your leisure to enjoy this magnificent location.

2 nights in Lake Louise.

Day 5

Lake Louise

Today, enjoy a full-day tour along one of the most scenic highways in the world as you travel to Jasper National Park on the Icefields Parkway. 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. At the Columbia Icefield Centre, time is provided for lunch (not included) after you have had a chance to experience the Columbia Icefield Glacier Adventure (admission included). Here you will ride on an Ice Explorer to the middle of the Athabasca Glacier to learn more about its geological features. Afterward, brief stops will be made at Bow and Peyto Lakes before arriving back in Lake Louise this afternoon.

Day 6



Lake Louise to Kamloops

Travel onboard the Rocky Mountaineer from the mountain hamlet of Lake Louise to Kamloops, in the heart of British Columbia's interior. Your journey takes you through a spectacular array of scenery as you travel between the 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, the Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass and Craigellachie – where the last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven.

1 night in Kamloops.

Day 7



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 Interior, through winding river canyons and pristine forests, to the Coast and Cascade 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.

1 night in Vancouver

Day 8

Vancouver

Checkout of your Vancouver hotel. We could extend your stay in this superb city, or take you to Vancouver Island. We can also arrange your return flight to UK.

GoldLeaf or SilverLeaf

The Rocky Mountaineer has 2 levels of service; both of them good but offering different experiences:

GOLD LEAF

- Two days onboard the Rocky Mountaineer with assigned seating in a bi-level dome coach
- Full glass-dome windows with panoramic views upstairs
- Private dining room with large picture windows on the lower level
- Gourmet a la carte meals
- Complimentary snacks and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)
- Large, exclusive outdoor viewing platform
- One night moderate accommodation in Kamloops or Quesnel
- Transfers and Luggage delivered to hotel room in Kamloops, Whistler or Quesnel

SILVER LEAF

- Two days onboard the Rocky Mountaineer with assigned seating in a single-level dome coach
- Oversized glass-dome windows
- Delicious hot-entree options served in the comfort of your own seat
- Complimentary snacks and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)
- Outdoor viewing between coaches
- One night moderate accommodation in Kamloops or Quesnel
- Transfers and Luggage delivered to hotel room in Kamloops, Whistler or Quesnel

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.