

Rocky Mountaineer: First Passage to the West

From £4,799 per person // 10 days



Start in Calgary and then experience the grandeur of the Canadian Rockies as the first Western pioneers would have seen them with an unforgettable journey aboard the Rocky Mountaineer from Kamloops to Vancouver.

The Essentials

- Overnight in Calgary, home of the famous Stampede
- Banff and Lake Louise with fantastic tours en route
- A two-day journey aboard the world famous Rocky Mountaineer with meals and all drinks onboard
- A full day in Vancouver at the end of your holiday to explore

Tailor make your holiday

- Choose your departure date
- Upgrade your package to Gold Leaf
- Add extra nights, destinations and/or tours

What's Included

- Return flights London to Calgary and Vancouver to London in Economy Class
- Transfers from airport to hotel in Calgary and Vancouver
- Travel on the Rocky Mountaineer Train from Banff to Vancouver in Silver Leaf Class
- 8 nights' hotel accommodation
- Excursions including a trip on the Banff Gondola and 12-minute panoramic helicopter ride over the Rocky Mountains
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents

- Suggested Itinerary -



Day 1 - London To Calgary

Fly into Calgary and meet your transfer driver, who will take you to the Hotel Arts (or similar), where you have an overnight stay. Located at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow Rivers, Calgary consistently tops polls for its high quality of life, partly thanks to the wealth of parks and other green spaces accessible from the city centre. If you want to stretch your legs after your flight, you'll also have admission to the Calgary Tower which offers stunning city views and, if you're hungry, a great place for your first meal in Canada.



Day 2 - Calgary To Banff

Leave Calgary for a full-day tour by comfortable modern motor coach. You'll travel to Kananaskis for an unforgettable panoramic helicopter flight for sweeping views of the Canadian Rockies. Continue to Banff where you'll be taken on a sightseeing tour including Bow Falls, Lake Minnewanka, and the needle-like rock formations known as hoodoos. Also included is your admission to the Banff Gondola. Your 2-night stay is at the Elk + Avenue Hotel (or similar).



Day 3 - Banff

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



Day 4 - Banff To Lake Louise

Spend a free morning in Banff and then after lunch, pick up your motorcoach for your onward journey to Lake Louise via Yoho National Park. The park takes its name from a First Nations word expressing awe and wonder. It won't be hard to see why this name applies as you travel through this wonderland of soaring peaks, waterfalls and glacial lakes. Among the highlights are the Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake and a rock bridge over the Kicking Horse River. On arrival in Lake Louise, check in for a 2-night stay at the lovely Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise (or similar).



Day 5 - Lake Louise

Enjoy the day with free time to relax or book your own activities at your leisure. With its unique history and picturesque scenery, Lake Louise will not disappoint. Learn about the local wildlife, paddle the lake by canoe, or simply relax amongst the beauty.



Day 6 - Lake Louise To Kamloops Aboard The Rocky Mountaineer

The excitement truly builds today as you board the Rocky Mountaineer train shortly before 8am. The scenery instantly begins to unfold as you travel through the glacier and snow-capped peaks of the Rocky Mountains, over mountain passes and through tunnels that are incredible feats of engineering. Some of the main attractions along the way are the Continental Divide, the Spiral Tunnels and Kicking Horse Canyon. Breakfast and lunch are provided on board the train. On arrival in Kamloops, check into your hotel and spend the evening having a look around the town. Please note accommodation in Kamloops will be assigned closer to departure and is of a moderate standard.



Day 7 - Kamloops To Vancouver Aboard The Rocky Mountaineer

Re-board the train at Kamloops around 7:30am this morning and continue your journey west. Take in dramatic changes in the scenery as you wind through river canyons and remote forests on your way to the Coast and Cascade Mountains and the gorgeously green fields of the Fraser Valley. Some of today's highlights include the rock sheds and steep slopes along the Thompson River and the gushing waters of Hell's Gate, deep within the Fraser Canyon. Again, breakfast and lunch are served on board and you arrive into Vancouver between 6:00pm and 7:30pm Pacific Time. Check in at the Georgian Court Hotel (or similar) for a 2-night stay.



Day 8 - Vancouver

Today you have full day to explore all this Pacific Coastal city has to offer. The largest city in the state of British Columbia, a superb mélange of cuisine, culture and bohemian sophistication. Vancouver is enveloped both by mountains and water. Its closeness to nature endows inhabitants with a love for the environment as well as a laid back charm and friendliness. Included in your holiday is admission to the Vancouver Lookout, which gives you a 360 degree panoramic view of the city, surrounding area and distant mountains.



Days 9 & 10 - Vancouver To London

You have another full day to continue your exploration around Vancouver and pick up some final gifts and souvenirs, before boarding your evening flight to London, arriving the next day. ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: You can also take this tour in reverse, starting in Vancouver or extend your stay in British Columbia. Once in Vancouver, what better way to complement your trip than an Alaskan Cruise? Please call for details.

Pricing

From £4,799 per person

These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room in the hotels and travelling in Silver Leaf class aboard the Rocky Mountaineer. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy.

Upgrade to **Gold Leaf** from £750 per person

Upgrade to **Gold Leaf** with room upgrades from £950 per person.

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