Canadian Rockies with Rocky Mountaineer Redleaf

Departs: June 23, 2014 Duration: 8 Days / 7 Nights Double Room: \$3,695 Single Room Supplement: \$875

Insider Experiences

- **Hidden Treasure:** Enjoy at least one surprise Hidden Treasure experience, unique to your itinerary, courtesy of your expert Travel Director.
- **Local Expert:** Learn about Rocky Mountain wildlife at a fun, interactive presentation in Jasper.
- Local Expert: "Meet a Mountie" and learn about the history of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Sightseeing Highlights

- Icefields Parkway Motor: along this stunning highway.
- **Columbia Icefield:** Ride an Ice Explorer on Athabasca Glacier.
- Jasper National Park: Join a narrated walk along Maligne
 Canyon; spend two nights inside the National Park.
- **Maligne Lake Cruise:** See the place famed for the color of its water, the surrounding peaks and the nearby glacier view.
- Yoho National Park: View the Natural Bridge, Spiral Tunnels and Emerald Lake.
- **Banff:** Spend a relaxing three nights in this famed alpine resort town.
- Banff National Park: Explore this UNESCO World
 Heritage Site.
- **Lake Louise:** Enjoy a guided walk along the lake.
- **Moraine Lake:** View this stunning lake in the Valley of the Ten Peaks.
- **Rocky Mountaineer:** Travel from the Rockies to the Pacific coast.



Dining

- **7 breakfasts:** 5 full breakfasts, 2 continental breakfasts onboard the Rocky Mountaineer.
- 2 lunches: Onboard the Rocky Mountaineer.
- **4 evening meals:** Welcome Reception with light appetizers and drinks with your Travel Director in Calgary, I three-course dinner, Highlight Dinner in Banff, Farewell Dinner with wine in Banff.

Travel Highlights

- Travel by luxury air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and an on-board restroom.
- First Class hotel accommodation featuring twin rooms and private facilities.
- Audio Headsets provided throughout your trip to enhance your included sightseeing experiences.
- Complimentary keepsake photo and map.
- The services of a professional Travel Director throughout your journey.
- Airport transfers are provided on the first and last day of your guided trip.
- Rocky Mountaineer train (RedLeaf Service) from Banff to Vancouver.
- All tips to train personnel included.
- 7 nights First Class accommodation.

Snow-capped peaks, ice-blue glaciers, pounding waterfalls and surging rivers dominate the landscape on this Canadian Rockies guided trip from Calgary to Banff aboard the Rocky Mountaineer Train. Board an Ice Explorer on a unique tour onto Athabasca Glacier and stay right in the heart of Jasper National Park. Explore the UNESCO World Heritage site of Banff National Park and the visit picture-perfect Lake Louise and Emerald Lake.

DAY I ARRIVE CALGARY

Welcome to Calgary! Get settled in at your hotel, located in the heart of downtown Calgary, and spend the afternoon relaxing or exploring. Visit the arts district or make use of easy access to public transportation to see all that Calgary has to offer. At 6 p.m., gather at the hotel with your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception.

MEALS: (Welcome Reception) **OVERNIGHT:** Delta Bow Valley (SF)

DAY 2 CALGARY – ICEFIELDS PARKWAY – COLUMBIA ICEFIELD – JASPER (2 NIGHTS)

Head north along the stunning Icefields Parkway driving alongside snow-capped peaks, thundering waterfalls and glistening glaciers. Keep an eye out for wildlife including grizzly and black bears, moose, elk and mountain goats. Upon arrival at the Columbia Icefield, board an Ice Explorer for a unique journey onto the massive Athabasca Glacier. Stay in the heart of Jasper National Park tonight. **MEALS:** (Full Breakfast)

OVERNIGHT: Sawridge Inn Jasper (SF)

DAY 3 JASPER NATIONAL AT LEISURE & SIGHTSEEING

Start the day with a morning at leisure, enjoying the superb vistas, strolling Jasper's quaint streets, or, if you like, take an optional float trip down the Athabasca River before an interpretive walk at Maligne Canyon, one of the most beautiful gorges in the Rockies. Learn about the underground river system while following the canyon's trail past waterfalls and jagged rock formations. Later this afternoon, cruise Maligne Lake, followed by a rustic dinner along the lake. Learn about Rocky Mountain wildlife at an interactive, after-dinner presentation by a Local Expert.

MEALS: (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

DAY 4 JASPER – YOHO – EMERALD LAKE – BANFF (3 NIGHTS)

Head south and cross the Continental Divide as you set out for Yoho National Park with its towering waterfalls, spectacular scenery and natural bridge that spans the Kicking Horse River. See Emerald Lake, sparkling with the blue-green hue of a precious jewel. Ice-blue glaciers, pounding waterfalls and surging rivers abound on the way to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Banff National Park. Your day ends with a Highlight Dinner in the quintessential alpine village of Banff.

MEALS: (Full Breakfast / Highlight Dinner) **OVERNIGHT:** Banff Park Lodge (F)

DAY 5 LAKE LOUISE – MORAINE LAKE – BANFF AT LEISURE

Visit postcard-perfect Lake Louise and take a narrated stroll along the lakeshore to learn about the geology and history of the area. Continue on to stunning Moraine Lake, nestled in the dramatic Valley of the Ten Peaks. Spend the rest of the day as you like—perhaps ride on the Banff Gondola to the top of Sulphur Mountain to experience a bird's-eye view of six mountain ranges or a river float trip down the Bow River. Tonight, if the landscape makes you feel like singing, choose a fun outing at Banff's entertaining musical dinner. **MEALS:** (Full Breakfast)

DAY 6 BANFF AT LEISURE

Today is yours to explore as you please. Browse the shops along Banff Avenue, take a hike and enjoy your spectacular setting or be wowed by aerial views of the Rockies with an optional scenic helicopter flight over Mount Assiniboine. Your Travel Director will be happy to assist you in planning your day. This evening, join your new found friends at a festive Farewell Dinner and learn about the history of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police during a "Meet a Mountie" Local Expert presentation.

MEALS: (Full Breakfast / Farewell Dinner)

DAY 7 BANFF - ROCKY MOUNTAINEER - KAMLOOPS

After bidding farewell to your Travel Director, it's "All aboard!" the Rocky Mountaineer train in RedLeaf Service for a two-day independent daytime rail journey west to Vancouver. Travel through the incredible engineering feat of the Spiral Tunnels, past the glaciers of Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass, under Mount McDonald and along the Thompson River to historic Kamloops — "the meeting of the waters"—where you are transferred to your hotel.

MEALS: (Continental Breakfast / Lunch) **OVERNIGHT:** Assigned by Rocky Mountaineer

DAY 8 KAMLOOPS – ROCKY MOUNTAINEER – DEPART VANCOUVER

Continue your rail journey through the Thompson and Fraser Canyons, viewing the rushing waters of Hell's Gate. Approaching Vancouver, travel through the fertile fields of the Fraser Valley and alongside the towering peaks of the Coast Mountains before arriving at approximately 5:30 p.m. Take a complimentary transfer to Vancouver International Airport or to the Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown Hotel if you wish to extend your stay. The train's arrival into Vancouver can be subject to delays so please allow plenty of time for your onward travel arrangements. Please do not schedule any flights before 9 p.m.

MEALS: (Continental Breakfast / Lunch)

