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Canadian Rockies Road & Rail Retreat

2026

Canadian Rockies | Rail + Self-Drive

8 Days / 7 Nights Vancouver to Vancouver Priced at USD \$2,533 per person

Prices are per person and include all taxes. Child age 10 yrs & under

INTRODUCTION

Dreaming of a Canada Train Trip to Jasper with a leisurely road trip through the Canadian Rockies & Whistler back to Vancouver. Then begin onboard VIA Rail's Trans-continental Canadian Train for the overnight train trip to Jasper, then take a leisurely drive through the Canadian Rocky Mountain towns of Lake Louse and Banff plus Sun Peaks, Whistler and Vancouver. You'll see spectacular waterfalls, alpine wildflowers, unique wildlife and awe-inspiring mountains along the way. Plus, enjoy your choice of tours in Jasper and Banff from a lake cruise, river float, nature walk, canoe tour, gondola ride or horseback adventure.

Itinerary at a Glance

DAY 1 Vancouver to Jasper | VIA Rail

DAY 2 Arrive Jasper | VIA Rail

DAY 3 Jasper | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions

Option 1. Maligne Lake Cruise
Option 2. Jasper River Float
Option 3. Jasper Nature Walk

DAY 4 Jasper to Lake Louise | Ice Explorer + Skywalk | 208 km/129 mi

DAY 5 Lake Louise to Banff | 62 km/38 mi

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DAY 6 Banff | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions

Option 1. Banff Gondola

Option 2. Lake Minnewanka Cruise
Option 3. River Explorer Canoe Tour

Option 4. Bow River Horseback Adventure

DAY 7 Banff to Sun Peaks | 496 km/310 mi

DAY 8 Sun Peaks to Vancouver | 478 km/297 mi



MAP



DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1 Vancouver to Jasper | VIA Rail

This afternoon, board VIA Rail's 'Canadian' train for the famous rail journey to the majestic Canadian Rockies. Pass through the rich fields of the Fraser Valley and the towering peaks of the Coastal Mountains before entering the Fraser Canyon. Follow the Thompson River through spectacular landscapes as you enjoy dinner (included), then retreat to your private quarters that have been converted into a bedroom.

Day 2 Arrive Jasper | VIA Rail

Rise to the snowy peaks of the Canadian Rockies today as you arrive in Jasper and transfer to your hotel. The day is free to explore this unique alpine community. (breakfast included today onboard VIA Rail)

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Day 3 Jasper | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 3 Excursions

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of three excursions

Option 1. Maligne Lake Cruise

Cruise Maligne Lake, where you can marvel at the magnificent shoreline and Spirit Island.

Option 2. Jasper River Float

Enjoy a gentle rafting tour on the Athabasca River for a unique perspective of Jasper National Park.

Option 3. Jasper Nature Walk

A guided nature walk featuring a spectacular array of rolling hills, jagged peaks, forests, meadows, marshes, streams, and stunning glacial lakes.

Day 4 Jasper to Lake Louise | Ice Explorer + Skywalk | 208 km/129 mi

Today, travel through the spine of the Canadian Rockies along the amazing Icefields Parkway and encompass the ultimate glacier exploration. From walking on ancient ice with the Ice Explorer ride, to standing on a glass platform almost one thousand feet in the air at the Glacier Skywalk (included), today's experiences will leave you with a special appreciation for this treasured region of the Rockies

Day 5 Lake Louise to Banff | 62 km/38 mi

Today we suggest taking the scenic Bow Valley Parkway route which runs parallel to the Trans-Canada highway. Be sure to stop at Johnston Canyon and walk along the paved footpath to either the lower or upper waterfalls.

Day 6 Banff | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 4 Excursions

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of four excursions

Option 1. Banff Gondola

Maximize your views of Banff National Park with minimal exertion on a round-trip gondola ride to the top of Sulphur Mountain.

Option 2. Lake Minnewanka Cruise

Admire views of the Canadian Rockies by boat as you cruise across the turquoise-hued Lake Minnewanka and over to Devil's Gap. Option 3. River Explorer Canoe Tour

Enjoy the serenity of the Bow River and marvel at the surroundings. A fun & interactive way with your guide to explore the waterways of Banff National Park. Perfect for families. No paddling experience necessary.

Option 4. Bow River Horseback Adventure

Saddle up for a journey through the celebrated landscape of Banff National Park on this guided horseback riding adventure.

Day 7 Banff to Sun Peaks | 496 km/310 mi

Your drive today is on the famed Trans Canada Highway, following a route charted by the railroad engineers and fur traders of the mid 1800s. Leaving Banff National Park, travel to Yoho National Park where you cross the continental divide. Then drive through Glacier National Park and 'Rogers Pass' with spectacular mountain vistas in every direction. Continue through the Monashee Mountain range and on to Sun Peaks Resort near Kamloops.

Day 8 Sun Peaks to Vancouver | 478 km/297 mi

Continue to Lillooet, known as the land of the Gold Rush Trail and 'Mile Zero' of the Old Caribou Wagon. Leaving Lillooet travel the Duffey Lake Road to Whistler where a stop is a must for a short stroll through this charming alpine resort before continuing to Vancouver. Highlights today include breathtaking views of the Joffree Glacier, Shannon Falls & Stawamus Chief Rock. Your magical Canadian Rockies adventure comes to an end upon your arrival in Vancouver.



INCLUDED

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Package Includes:

- 1 Night sleeping berth onboard VIA Rail
- 2 nights accommodation in Jasper
- 1 night accommodation in Lake Louise
- 2 nights accommodation in Banff
- 1 night accommodation in Sun Peaks Resort
- Jasper | Freedom of Choice Choose 1 of 3 Excursions
- Maligne Lake Cruise
- Jasper River Float
- Jasper Nature Walk
- Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier + Glacier Skywalk
- Banff | Freedom of Choice Choose 1 of 4 Excursions
- Banff Gondola
- Lake Minnewanka Cruise
- River Explorer Canoe Tour
- Bow River Horseback Adventure
- Meals as per itinerary

Hotel & Rail Information | Moderate Grade

- Via Rail | Semi Private Sleeper Berth
- Jasper Moderate Hotel | Standard Room
- Lake Louise Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Fairmont Room
- Banff Elk+Avenue Hotel | Standard Room
- Sun Peaks Resort Sun Peaks Grand Hotel | Deluxe Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Superior Grade

- Via Rail | Private Cabin
- Jasper Forest Park Hotel | Woodland Balcony / Alpine Standard
- Lake Louise Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Fairmont Room
- Banff Banff Caribou Lodge | Superior Room
- Sun Peaks Resort Sun Peaks Grand Hotel | Deluxe Mountain Village View Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Deluxe Grade

- Via Rail | Private Cabin
- Jasper Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Deluxe Room
- Lake Louise Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Deluxe Mount Temple
- Banff Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Deluxe Room
- Sun Peaks Resort Sun Peaks Grand Hotel | Deluxe Balcony Mountain Village View Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Deluxe Plus Grade

- VIA Rail | Private Cabin
- Jasper Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Premier Deluxe Room
- Lake Louise Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Deluxe Mount Temple
- Banff Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Deluxe Mountain View Room
- Sun Peaks Resort Sun Peaks Grand Hotel | Deluxe Balcony Mountain Village View Room

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Not included:

- Rental Car
- Road Tolls

DATES & PRICING

Departs from Vancouver: Monday & Friday (Tour code:SD24)

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