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Journey Through the Clouds Rail & Heli Adventure | Rocky Mountaineer

2026

Canadian Rockies One-Way Itinerary

8 Days / 7 Nights Vancouver to Calgary

Priced at USD \$9,399 per person

Prices are per person and include all taxes. Child age 9 - 5 yrs. (Minimum age 5 yrs)

INTRODUCTION

Have you thought about a Canadian Rockies train trip combined with a helicopter adventure staying at a spectacular luxury mountain lodge. Taking Rocky Mountaineer from Vancouver to Jasper you'll enjoy your choice of tours, then continue to Banff with an Ice Explorer ride on the Athabasca Glacier and a picnic lunch. Departing from Banff you'll have your first helicopter ride to get to Bugaboo Lodge in the mountains, from which you'll spend days heli-hiking, sightseeing and relaxing at the lodge. Snow-capped mountains and glacial lakes have never been so spectacular!

Itinerary at a Glance

- DAY 1** Vancouver to Kamloops | Rocky Mountaineer
- DAY 2** Kamloops to Jasper | Rocky Mountaineer
- DAY 3** Jasper | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 5 Excursions
- Option 1. Morning Maligne Valley with Medicine Lake Tour
 - Option 2. Evening Discover Jasper & its Wildlife
 - Option 3. Gentle Raft Float on the Athabasca River
 - Option 4. Maligne Canyon Hiking Tour
 - Option 5. Jasper Personalised Tailor-made Excursion
- DAY 4** Jasper to Banff Tour | with picnic lunch

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Ice Explorer Ride onto the Athabasca Glacier + Glacier Skywalk

Photo stop at Lake Louise

DAY 5 Banff to CMH Heli Hiking Lodge | Coach / Helicopter

DAY 6-7 CMH Lodge | Heli Hiking

DAY 8 CMH Heli Hiking Lodge to Calgary | Helicopter / Coach



MAP



DETAILED ITINERARY

The below itinerary reflects our recommendations for this specific trip. We also offer tailored private excursions, allowing you to personalize the itinerary to match your custom preferences.

Day 1 Vancouver to Kamloops | Rocky Mountaineer

All aboard Rocky Mountaineer for the scenic rail journey to Kamloops in the interior of British Columbia. Pass through the rich fields of the Fraser River Valley and the towering peaks of the Coastal Mountains before entering the Fraser Canyon. Follow the Thompson River through spectacular landscapes to historic Kamloops. (breakfast & lunch is included today)

Day 2 Kamloops to Jasper | Rocky Mountaineer

Back onboard the Rocky Mountaineer follow the Thompson River through rolling plateaus to the snowy peaks of the Monashee Mountains. View Pyramid Falls and the expansive glaciers of the Albreda Icefields. Pass by Mount Robson, at 3954 metres, which is the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies. Arrive in Jasper late afternoon. (breakfast & lunch is included today)

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Day 3 Jasper | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 5 Excursions

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

Option 1. Morning Maligne Valley with Medicine Lake Tour

Experience the most incredible sights in Jasper National Park's Maligne Valley during this guided excursion to the region's most scenic lakes & majestic canyons, enjoy a gentle guided walk along the shores of this pristine lake.

Option 2. Evening Discover Jasper & its Wildlife

Admire diverse animal life in the Canadian wilderness on this evening wildlife tour. Delve into Jasper National Park with your guide. Travel through the mighty Athabasca Valley and marvel at the park's beautiful landscapes by twilight.

Option 3. Gentle Raft Float on the Athabasca River

Experience Jasper National Park's natural beauty with a small group float trip on the Athabasca River. Cover several miles on Class II rapids, offering mild excitement with a few splashes. Enjoy your guide's engaging storytelling about local history and wildlife throughout this gentle adventure.

Option 4. Maligne Canyon Hiking Tour

Embark on a stunning hike in Jasper National Park, exploring the deepest accessible canyon in the Canadian Rockies. Learn about the Maligne Valley, Karst topography, and the mysterious disappearing Medicine Lake. Enjoy breathtaking views of rushing rapids and waterfalls along the canyon's five bridges. An added bonus is the shuttle service back to the top, saving you from a steep uphill hike.

Option 5. Personalised Tailor-made Excursion

Talk with one of our local specialists to tailor your day in Jasper to your preferences. Choose from a variety of experiences, including a Maligne Valley tour & lake cruise, an exhilarating Harley Davidson motorcycle sidecar tour of Jasper National Park, a Jasper food tour to experience the local cuisine, hiking and cooking tour in the backcountry, or a selection of private tours of the region. Alternatively, you can spend the day relaxing and enjoying the fresh mountain air, and we'll credit the cost of your excursion.

Day 4 Jasper to Banff Tour | Glacier Adventure, Skywalk & picnic lunch

Your sightseeing tour today will encompass the ultimate glacier exploration as you travel along the spectacular Icefields Parkway. You will walk on ancient ice during the Glacier Adventure (included) and stand on a glass platform nearly one thousand feet in the air at the Glacier Skywalk (included). Sightseeing stops along this beautiful highway will also include Athabasca Falls, the Weeping Wall, Bow Lake, Crowfoot Glacier, and Lake Louise. Today's experiences will leave you with a special appreciation for this treasured region of the Rockies. (Picnic lunch included.)

Day 5 Banff to CMH Heli Hiking Lodge | Coach / Helicopter

Depart Banff this morning for the two hour motorcoach transfer to the Bugaboos Helipad. Light breakfast snacks are provided. We travel through Banff and Kootenay National Parks enroute to our destination. On arrival at the helipad prepare for the quick flight to Bugaboo Lodge. Meet the Lodge Manager who assigns you your room and directs you to the equipment room where you are outfitted with all the necessary gear for the next few days. You will then have lunch in the lodge. Following a helicopter safety talk, fly up for an afternoon of hiking in some of the world's most stunning mountains. Return back to the lodge later in the day for après-hiking appetizers and relaxation. (lunch & dinner included)

Day 6-7 CMH Lodge | Heli Hiking

After an optional stretch class make your way up to the dining room for a delicious and hearty breakfast. Then pack your lunch for the day from the selection of sandwiches, beverages, fruit, cookies and other items set out for you. You'll be divided into groups according to the activity level and adventure you've chosen. After breakfast each day, set out by helicopter with your guide to spend the day exploring the immense variety of landscapes. Choose classic hiking, walking or one of our adventure trails such as the Skyladder Via Ferrata and the Bugaboo Spires Glacier Trek. After a memorable day, fly back to the lodge for snacks and beverages; have a massage (not included), take in the sauna or outdoor hot tub before dinnertime. (breakfast, lunch & dinner included)

Day 8 CMH Heli Hiking Lodge to Calgary | Helicopter / Coach

Shortly after breakfast, prepare for departure. Once everyone is down at the helipad the CMH arranged ground transportation retraces the journey through Kootenay and Banff National Parks to Banff. Following the Trans-Canada Highway, depart the Rocky Mountains to the Great Central Plains that roll to the east for 2000 kilometres and extend as far south as Mexico. This is 'cattle ranching country' and the breadbasket of Canada. Arrive at Calgary airport where your vacation ends. (breakfast & packed lunch included)

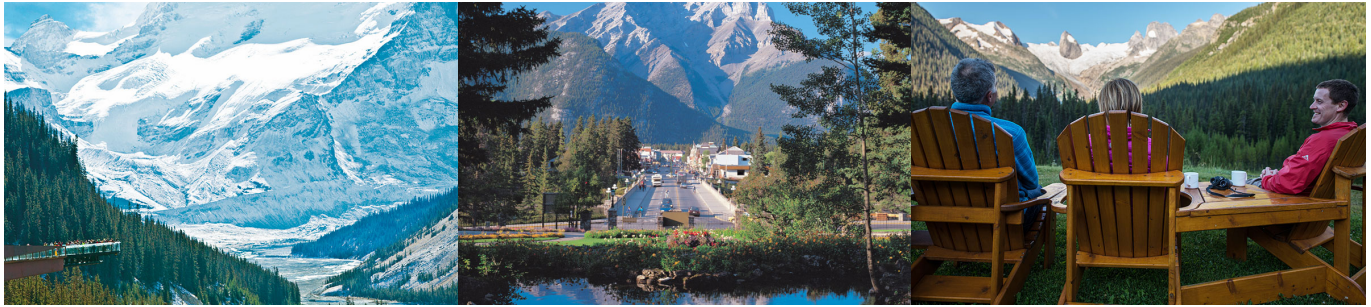
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INCLUDED

Package Includes:

- Canadian Mountain Holidays Heli-Hiking (Bugaboo Lodge, 3 nights)
- Coach transfers between Banff and CMH Heli Base
- Return helicopter flight to and from the Bugaboo Lodge
- 2 ½ days of helicopter assisted hiking and/or walking with professionally certified mountain guides
- Meals from lunch on Day 5 to packed lunch on day 8
- Use of top-quality hiking equipment: boots, hiking poles, rain jacket, wind pants, day pack
- Coach transfer between CMH Heli Base and Banff or Calgary Airport
- Rocky Mountaineer Train between Vancouver and Jasper
- 1 night accommodation in Kamloops provided by Rocky Mountaineer
- 2 nights accommodation in Jasper
- 1 night accommodation in Banff
- Return transfers between rail depot and hotel in Kamloops
- Transfer between rail depot and hotel in Jasper
- Jasper | Freedom of Choice - Choose 1 of 5 Excursions
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- Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- Glacier Skywalk
- Photo stop at Lake Louise
- Meals as per itinerary
- National Park fees

Hotel & Rail Information | Moderate Grade

- Rocky Mountaineer Train | SilverLeaf Service
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel | Provided by Rocky Mountaineer
- Jasper - Moderate Hotel | Standard Room
- Banff - Elk+Avenue Hotel | Standard Room
- CMH Heli-hiking – Bugaboo Lodge | Standard Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Superior Grade

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- Rocky Mountaineer Train | SilverLeaf Service
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel | Provided by Rocky Mountaineer
- Jasper - Forest Park Hotel | Woodland Balcony or Alpine Room
- Banff - Banff Caribou Lodge | Superior Room
- CMH Heli-hiking – Bugaboo Lodge | Standard Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Deluxe Grade

- Rocky Mountaineer Train | GoldLeaf Service
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel | Provided by Rocky Mountaineer
- Jasper - Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Deluxe Room
- Banff - Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Deluxe Room
- CMH Heli-hiking – Bugaboo Lodge | Standard Room

Hotel & Rail Information | Deluxe Plus Grade -- Rocky Mountaineer Train | GoldLeaf Service

- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel | Provided by Rocky Mountaineer
- Jasper - Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Premier Deluxe Room
- Banff - Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Deluxe Mountain View Suite
- CMH Heli-hiking – Bugaboo Lodge | Standard Room

Please Note: Bugaboo Lodge may be replaced by Bobbie Burns Lodge at no additional charge, based on availability.

Not Included

- Gratuities
- Activities other than specified
- Meals other than specified
- Portage fees

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DATES & PRICING

Departs from Vancouver:

(Tour Code: TR262) Jun 24, 27 Jul 15, 18 Aug 5, 8, 26

DATE	DOUBLE	SINGLE	TRIPLE	CHILD
Moderate Grade with Rocky Mountaineer SilverLeaf Service				
24 Jun 26 - 26 Aug 26	\$9,399	\$10,867	\$9,155	\$6,968
Rocky Mountaineer Upgrade available to GoldLeaf Between Vancouver & Jasper	-	-	-	-
Jun - Aug	\$890	\$890	\$890	\$890
Superior Grade with Rocky Mountaineer SilverLeaf Service				
24 Jun 26 - 26 Aug 26	\$9,520	\$11,109	\$9,236	\$6,968
Rocky Mountaineer Upgrade available to GoldLeaf Between Vancouver & Jasper	-	-	-	-
Jun - Aug	\$890	\$890	\$890	\$890
Deluxe Grade with Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service				
24 Jun 26 - 26 Aug 26	\$11,542	\$14,056	\$10,987	\$8,063
Deluxe Plus Grade with Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service				
24 Jun 26 - 26 Aug 26	\$11,679	\$14,329	\$11,078	\$8,063

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