



Credit: Rocky Mountaineer



## CANADA

# TRANS CANADA EXPERIENCE (TOUR CODE: 11951)

### STARTS AND ENDS

Vancouver to  
Halifax

### TRAVEL PERIODS

05 May 25 - 15 Sep 25

### EXPERIENCE

Rail  
City Stays

### TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Journeys

Experience the beauty of Canada as you journey from the majestic West to the enchanting East aboard the iconic Rocky Mountaineer and the legendary VIA Rail's Canadian train.

## Highlights

- 2 Days onboard Rocky Mountaineer in SilverLeaf Service
- Explore the small Atlantic coastal city of Halifax
- Travel onboard VIA Rail's Canadian train from Jasper to Toronto and discover the splendid landscapes as you approach Northern Ontario Lakelands
- Travel on an Ice Explorer to a place where you can walk on, feel and drink from the Athabasca Glacier!
- Travel through the legendary Spiral Tunnels, traverse the Continental Divide, and be inspired as you wind through mountain passes and dramatic canyons
- Take in the majestic views of Niagara Falls and get ready for a thrilling Voyage to the Falls boat tour or Journey Behind the Falls during the off-season!

Experience the best of the Canadian Rocky Mountains, including stays in picturesque Banff, Lake Louise and Jasper on this popular First Passage to the West route.

Your journey commences in Vancouver as you board the Rocky Mountaineer and enjoy daylight train travel through some of the most spectacular areas in Western Canada. Once in Alberta, you will embark on a tour of the Canadian Rockies, culminating in a visit to the Columbia Icefield including the Ice Explorer and Glacier Skywalk experience. Explore Jasper before boarding VIA Rail's famous "Canadian" travelling east through the grain fields of Saskatchewan and the lake regions of Manitoba.

On arrival, explore the cosmopolitan, urban and lively city of Toronto as well as enhancing your experience with a day tour to one of the great

wonders of the world, Niagara Falls.

From Toronto you follow the shores of Lake Ontario on to Montreal. Montréal is a big, busy, exhilarating city, with so much to see and do. There'll be plenty of long walks and bike rides, picnics at the park, street art hunts and time to discover the city's many treasures.

From Montreal, you board VIA Rail's Ocean Train and enjoy the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick landscapes before arriving in Halifax. Spend the rest of the days exploring this small Atlantic coastal city.



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

# INCLUSIONS

- 2 days onboard Rocky Mountaineer in SilverLeaf Service
- 3 nights onboard VIA Rail's Canadian train in a private cabin
- 1 night onboard VIA Rail's Ocean Train in a private cabin
- Business class rail travel Toronto to Montreal
- 1 night in Kamloops
- 2 nights in Banff at the Elk + Avenue Hotel
- 1 night in Lake Louise at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise
- 1 night in Jasper at the Chateau Jasper
- 2 nights in Toronto at the Chelsea Hotel
- 3 nights in Montreal at the Alt Montreal Hotel
- 2 nights in Halifax at the Barrington Hotel
- Meals as per itinerary
- Rail station transfers in Vancouver and Banff
- Scheduled coach transfer from Banff to Lake Louise
- Full day tour between Lake Louise & Jasper
- Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- Glacier Skywalk Admission
- Niagara Falls & Niagara on the Lake Tour
- Quebec City sightseeing tour

Freedom of Choice Days

## Freedom of Choice



Our Freedom of Choice program offers flexibility, by allowing you to choose from different options on pre-selected days.

Our per person price includes one tour on each Freedom of Choice day, as follows:

- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 3
- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 12
- One "Freedom of Choice" tour on day 16

Expand the itinerary below for more details.

Please note, if more than one room is selected during the booking process, our team will contact you afterwards to discuss options.

# ITINERARY

## Rail Onboard Rocky Mountaineer - SilverLeaf Service

Picture yourself onboard the world’s leading luxury rail experience. From the moment you set foot onboard, experience hosts that will go above and beyond to make your journey as comfortable as it is unforgettable. The custom-designed glass-

dome coaches provide you with panoramic views – or get a bit closer by stepping into the outdoor viewing area. See the sights by day, sleep in a hotel at night. With Rocky Mountaineer, you get the best of both worlds: maximum views, and maximum comfort.

**SilverLeaf Service Inclusions:**

- Breakfast and lunch served in the comfort of your seat
- Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Gourmet sweet and savoury snacks
- Reclining, comfortable pre-assigned seating
- Attended by two Hosts, plus one culinary team member
- Luggage handling
- Small outdoor viewing platform
- Custom-designed single-level dome



Day **1**

## Rocky Mountaineer: Vancouver Kamloops

Travel onboard the Rocky Mountaineer from the coastal city of Vancouver to Kamloops, in the heart of British Columbia's interior. On today's journey you will see dramatic changes in scenery, from the lush green fields of the Fraser Valley, through forests and winding river canyons surrounded by the peaks of the Coast and Cascade Mountains, to the desert-like environment of the British Columbia interior. Highlights include the rushing waters of Hell's Gate in the Fraser Canyon and the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River. Your day concludes as the Rocky Mountaineer travels along the shores of Kamloops Lake into Kamloops.

Overnight stay in **Kamloops**.

Breakfast, Lunch





Day **2**

## Rocky Mountaineer: Kamloops Banff

Your journey continues eastward to the mighty Canadian Rockies and the province of Alberta. Once again you will see a spectacular array of scenery as you travel across ranchlands, along rocky lakeshores, over high mountain passes and through the remarkable tunnels that form part of the rich rail history of the Canadian Rockies. Today's highlights include Craigellachie, where the last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven, the climb over Rogers Pass, Kicking Horse Canyon, the Spiral Tunnels and, of course, the glaciers and snow-capped peaks of the Canadian Rockies. Your rail journey ends this evening in the resort town of Banff.

Overnight in Banff at the **Elk + Avenue Hotel**.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **3**

## Banff

Today you can personalize your day by choosing from one of three freedom of choice activities below.

Overnight in Banff at the **Elk + Avenue Hotel**.

### Freedom of Choice Options

- **Cowboy Horseback Cookout BBQ Lunch or Dinner:**

Saddle up for a ride along the Bow River in Banff and a Western style cookout. Choose from riding on horseback or in a covered wagon through the beautiful Rocky Mountain terrain.

OR

- **Discover Banff & Its Wildlife Tour + Banff Gondola:**

Explore the natural wonders near the town of Banff on this half-day, small-group tour. Admire the unparalleled beauty of natural sights including Bow Falls, the surreal Hoodoos rock formation, and beautiful Lake Minnewanka, among others. Then Maximize your views of Banff National Park with minimal exertion during this round-trip gondola ride to the top of Sulphur Mountain.

OR

- **Rockies Hidden Gems Yoho & Kootenay National Parks:**

Avoid the crowds with this full-day adventure in the Kootenay and Yoho National Parks, featuring picturesque waterfalls and Canadian Rockies views. Start with a relaxing stroll in Kootenay National Park's Marble Canyon, marveling at turquoise glacial waters and striking canyon walls. Enjoy Emerald Lake's neon blue waters, where optional canoe rentals, hiking trails, and lakeside picnics are available. The day concludes with a visit to Canada's 2nd tallest waterfall, Takakkaw Falls, accessible through backroads offering mountain vistas and wildlife sightings.

OR

- **Signature Guided Hike:**

Experience the best of Rocky Mountain National Parks' backcountry with our curated hiking tours. Revel in spring's wildflowers, summer's clear glacier views, and the golden hues of fall's larch trees. Our passionate local guides will lead you on classic hikes in the Banff and Lake Louise area, including Stanley Glacier, Larch Valley, Kootenay National Park Trails, and Plain of 6 Glaciers. Immerse yourself in nature's beauty across seasons in the Rockies.



AERIAL OF BANFF TOWNSITE | CREDIT: PAUL ZIZKA



## Banff Lake Louise

Depart Banff early afternoon for a short drive via the scenic Bow Valley to Lake Louise.

Overnight in Lake Louise at the **Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise**.



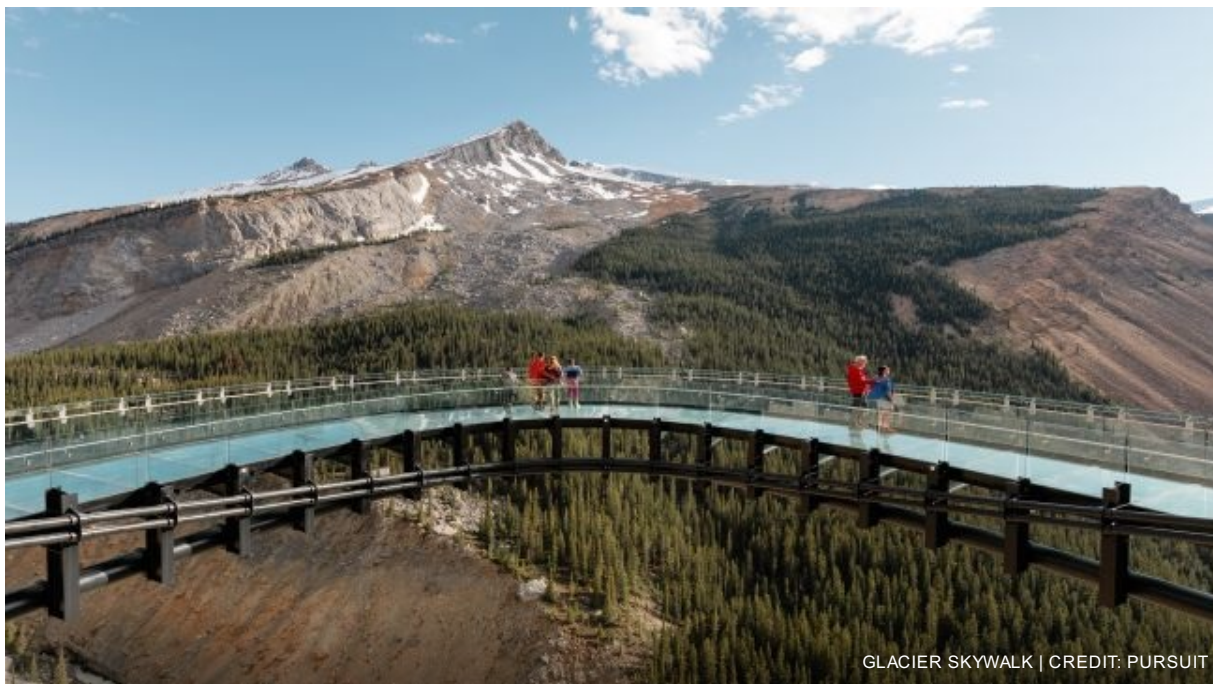
LAKE LOUISE | CREDIT: ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

## Lake Louise Jasper

Your sightseeing tour today will encompass the ultimate glacier exploration as you travel along the spectacular Icefields Parkway. From walking on ancient ice with the Ice Explorer ride (included), 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.

Overnight stay in Jasper at the **Chateau Jasper** (or similar).

Lunch



GLACIER SKYWALK | CREDIT: PURSUIT

## Day 6-8 VIA Rail: Jasper Toronto

Spend the day relaxing in the mountain town of Jasper. This afternoon, board VIA Rail's 'Canadian' for the famous train journey across the prairies and scenic lake lands to Toronto. Experience the romance of the rails and spectacular scenery from the comfort and elegance of the restored art-deco surroundings.

Discover the magic of land-cruising in Sleeper Touring class. Privileges include fine dining, a shower in each sleeping car and exclusive use of the Park and Skyline Cars lounges and domes. Year-round the Skyline Car is transformed into a family-oriented Activity car. Meals are included for the Sleeper Plus Class.

Overnights onboard **VIA Rail's Canadian train** in a **private cabin**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



## Day 9 Toronto

After arriving in Toronto, transfer independently to your hotel for a two-night stay. The rest of the day is at leisure to further explore the city of Toronto.

Overnight stay in Toronto at the **Chelsea Hotel**.





## Day 10 Toronto Niagara Falls Toronto

Travel by air-conditioned motorcoach for a breathtaking, full-day tour through the orchard-laden Niagara Peninsula to Niagara Falls, one of the great wonders of the world. Tour includes: Hornblower Niagara Falls Cruise or Journey Behind the Falls, lunch overlooking Niagara Falls, free time in Niagara Falls and a winery tour including a wine tasting.

Overnight stay in Toronto at the **Chelsea Hotel**.

Lunch



## Day 11 Toronto Montreal

Enjoy the facilities of the Business class lounge while waiting for boarding instructions. Complimentary newspapers and non alcoholic beverages are available in the lounge. Follow the shores of Lake Ontario, one of the five Great Lakes of North America, to Trenton Junction, where the St Lawrence River flows from the lake. Passing the village of Napanee, look south as you cross the river to view a series of beautiful waterfalls. The city of Kingston is an historic Canadian city, being the

early capital of the "Province of Canada" (1841-1867) and is the birthplace of Canada's first Prime Minister, Sir John A. Macdonald. Here, you cross the Rideau Canal, built in 1832 to connect Kingston with Ottawa and originally designed after the War of 1812 to guarantee a supply route north of the US border in the event of another war. Past Cornwall, the line enters the Province of Quebec. Approaching Montreal, cross the Ottawa River to Dorval, before arriving at Central Station in Montreal. The station is located below the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in the heart of downtown.

Overnight stay in Montreal at the **Alt Hotel Montréal**.

Lunch



## Day 12 Montreal

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of the below freedom of choice activities.

Overnight stay in Montreal at the **Alt Hotel Montréal**.

### Freedom of Choice Options

- **Beyond the Market Food Walking Tour:**

The city's best food tour takes you to at least 6 of your local guide's favourite eateries and watering holes.

OR

- **Montreal Half Day Sightseeing Tour:**

Enjoy a fully guided driving tour to all the "must see" areas of Montréal such as Mont Royal, Old Montréal, and the city's picturesque riverfront.

OR

- **Walking Tour of Old Montreal:**

Explore the winding cobblestone streets of Old Montréal on a guided walking tour.





MONTREAL | CREDIT: EVA BLUE TOURISME MONTRÉAL

### Day 13 Montreal Quebec City Montreal

Quebec City is the heart of French Canada. Nowhere else in North America is the appearance and atmosphere of an old-world city so complete. Quebec City looks and feels very European; perhaps that is why the entire old section of the town was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Overnight stay in Montreal at the **Alt Hotel Montréal**.



CREDIT: DESTINATION QUÉBEC

### Day 14 VIA Rail: Montreal Halifax

Spend the day at leisure sightseeing in Montreal before boarding VIA Rail to Halifax in the early evening.

Overnight onboard **VIA Rail's Ocean train** in a **private cabin**.

Dinner





## Day 15 Halifax

Enjoy the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick landscapes before arriving in Halifax this afternoon. Spend the rest of the day exploring this small Atlantic coastal city.

Overnight in Halifax at the **Barrington Hotel**.

Breakfast, Lunch



## Day 16 Halifax

Today you can personalize your day by choosing one of the freedom of choice activities below.

Overnight in Halifax at the **Barrington Hotel**.

### Freedom of Choice Options

- **Taste Halifax:**

Discover Halifax's vibrant food scene on a gastronomic journey across town. Sample fresh seafood, award-winning local wines, and Halifax's famed donair. Visit historic sites including the impressive Halifax Citadel and picturesque Hydrostone Neighborhood.

OR

- **Lunenburg & Mahone Bay Tour:**

Immerse yourself in Nova Scotia's South Shore charm with a tour of historic Lunenburg. Uncover its UNESCO World Heritage status, engage with local expertise, explore preserved architecture and the Bluenose II. Dive into the fishing industry, vibrant waterfront, shops, distilleries and eateries while enjoying insightful local commentary.

OR

- **Best of Halifax Peggy's Cove Tour:**

Immerse in Nova Scotia's beauty with scenic Peggy's Cove Lighthouse, explore Halifax Citadel's historic alleyways, witness Halifax's vibrant landmarks, and visit iconic Titanic cemetery.



## Day 17 Halifax

Upon check-out of your hotel it's time to say goodbye to your incredible Trans Canada adventure

## OPTIONAL EXTRAS

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## GoldLeaf Upgrade

Features of GoldLeaf Service:

- Bi-level dome with seating above and dining below
- Full glass-dome windows with panoramic views
- Gourmet à la carte meals in the lower-level dining room
- Reclining, comfortable pre-assigned seating with ample leg room
- Attended by up to four Hosts, plus a full culinary team
- Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Gourmet sweet and savoury snacks included
- Large exclusive outdoor viewing platform
- Engaging Hosts with stories about historic sites, scenery and wildlife



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

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## ACCOMMODATION

### Elk + Avenue Hotel

#### Banff

Just a few steps from the quaint streets and ample restaurants, shopping and nightlife of downtown Banff, Elk + Avenue Hotel brings an upscale twist to the classic mountain escape. Whether you're looking for a relaxing night away from it all or an action-packed getaway filled with adventure, our modern spaces effortlessly blend style and comfort to make you feel right at home as you explore the best of Banff.





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## Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise

### Lake Louise

Surrounded by soaring mountain peaks, the majestic Victoria Glacier and a glistening emerald lake, the iconic Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise hotel is located in Alberta's Banff National Park. Discover endless outdoor recreational activities including hiking, canoeing, horseback riding, fishing, mountain biking and river rafting.



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## Chateau Jasper

### Jasper

From romantic mountain escapes to backcountry adventures, the Chateau Jasper is the perfect place to relax and recharge while exploring the wonders of Jasper National Park. Our recently renovated 119-room alpine lodge is conveniently located just beyond downtown Jasper, allowing guests to kick back in peace and quiet while being just a 10-minute walk from everything the mountain town has to offer. Plus, with amenities like heated underground parking, onsite breakfast, an indoor pool and much more, the Chateau Jasper has everything you need to feel right at home.



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## VIA Rail Canadian Train - Cabin for 2

### VIA Rail

Sleeper Plus offers the added comfort of amenities, great service and your choice of a cosy cabin. The show continues inside the train with wine tastings, presentations, musical acts on certain departures, access to lounges and cars with glass ceilings. Inside the dining car, enjoy freshly cooked meals, regional specialties, Canadian wines and stunning views.



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## Chelsea Hotel

### Toronto

Modern hotel located downtown close to shopping, dining, and public transit, just a 2 minute walk to the Eaton Centre, and a 10 minute walk to the Art Gallery of Ontario. Chelsea Hotel features 27 floors with elevator, 3 restaurants, bar, indoor pool, waterslide, fitness centre, sauna, whirlpool, children's activity centre.





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## Hôtel Alt Montréal

### Montréal

Located at the corner of Peel and Wellington streets in the heart of the Griffintown district, the Alt Hotel Montreal is a few minutes walk from downtown and the Lachine Canal, and within walking distance of Old Montreal. From Pierre Elliott Trudeau Airport, it takes less than half an hour by car. A stay at the Alt Hotel Montreal also includes little extras like free Wi-Fi access, a 24-hour open gym, a rain shower, a Nespresso coffee machine, an HD TV with Chromecast device, and a yoga mat (on request).



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## The Barrington Hotel

### Halifax

Relax in comfort at this boutique hotel, ideally situated on the Halifax waterfront. You'll be just steps away from the Halifax Boardwalk, Scotiabank Centre, Citadel Hill, and Scotia Square Mall. After exploring the vibrant local area, retreat to our beautifully appointed rooms and suites, complete with complimentary Wi-Fi, plush beds, and flat-screen TVs for your convenience.





## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
French & English	Canadian Dollars

We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means we may need to offer an alternative hotel of equivalent or better quality. Our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit.

### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package