

#### VIEW PACKAGE



#### CANADA

# CANADIAN ROCKIES RAIL & ALASKAN CRUISE (TOUR CODE: 12207)

STARTS AND ENDS Calgary to Vancouver **TRAVEL PERIODS** 08 May 24 - 11 Sep 24 EXPERIENCE Rail **TRAVEL STYLE** Rail Packages

Embark on a remarkable journey through Canada and Alaska with Rocky Mountaineer and Holland America, where breathtaking landscapes and untamed beauty await.

## Highlights

- GoldLeaf passengers have access to a dedicated outdoor viewing platform, allowing them to take in the fresh air and capture unobstructed photos of the magnificent scenery
- · One of the most iconic landmarks of the journey is Mount Robson, the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies
- · Discover the best of Alaska's unique coastal ports, including Ketchikan, Juneau and Skagway
- Experience breathtaking wildlife, charming coastal towns and magnificent glaciers onboard uncrowded ships that get you closer to it all!

Experience an unforgettable journey through the stunning Canadian Rockies with the iconic Rocky Mountaineer and indulge in the breathtaking beauty of Alaska's Inside Passage aboard a luxurious Holland America cruise ship. This exclusive travel package seamlessly combines the grandeur of the Canadian wilderness with the majestic allure of Alaska's coastal wonders. Prepare to be captivated by awe-inspiring mountain vistas, pristine glacial lakes, and wildlife encounters as you traverse the Canadian Rockies, followed by a once-in-a-lifetime cruise through the enchanting Alaskan fjords. Get ready to immerse yourself in the ultimate blend of natural splendor and luxurious comfort on this extraordinary adventure.

## INCLUSIONS

- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- 7 night Holland America Alaska Inside Passage Cruise (Oceanview)
- · 2 days onboard Rocky Mountaineer in GoldLeaf Service
- · Full-day sightseeing transfer from Banff to Jasper including a visit to Columbia Icefields
- Ice Explorer Admission
- · Full day excursion to Victoria including Butchart Gardens
- · Transfer between Calgary Airport and Banff
- Rail station transfers in Jasper, Kamloops and Vancouver
- · 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches onboard Rocky Mountaineer
- Full board on Holland America

## ITINERARY

Rail Onboard Rocky Mountaineer - GoldLeaf Service

#### GoldLeaf Service Inclusions:

- 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
- Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- · Attended by up to four Hosts, plus a full culinary team
- · Complimentary alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages
- Gourmet sweet and savoury snacks
- Large exclusive outdoor viewing platform
- Luggage handling



The **Holland America's Zaandam** is a magnificent cruise ship that offers an exceptional experience for passengers seeking a perfect blend of luxury and adventure on the high seas. With its elegant design and impeccable service, the Zaandam provides an unforgettable journey for those looking to explore the world's most stunning destinations.

Designed to carry fewer guests while offering greater space, Zaandam is elegant and comfortable. Her décor is inspired by music and features musical instruments including signed guitars from Queen, Iggy Pop, Eric Clapton and the Rolling Stones and a Baroque-style pipe organ. While on board, rejuvenate with a spa treatment in the serene Greenhouse Spa & Salon®, indulge in a tantalizing meal at a fine dining restaurant or play a friendly game of pickleball at sea.

Featuring a length of approximately 237 meters, the Zaandam boasts a comfortable and spacious atmosphere throughout its well-appointed cabins and public areas. The ship's interior design pays homage to the rich heritage of Dutch culture, with touches of traditional Dutch artwork, antique musical instruments, and vibrant colors adorning the walls and corridors.

With its commitment to exceptional service, exquisite accommodations, and a wide range of amenities, Holland America's Zaandam ensures an unforgettable cruise experience that combines comfort, luxury, and exploration in a truly remarkable way.



## Calgary Banff

Arrive at Calgary's International airport and board your transfer to the idyllic parkland town of Banff. Check into your hotel and take the rest of the day to explore the many unique shoppes, eateries and attractions around town.

Overnight in Banff at the Mount Royal Hotel (or similar)

#### Banff

The full day is at leisure to discover what one of Canada's most famous mountain resort towns has to offer. Perhaps arrange a wildlife tour to view one of the many unique large animals in their natural environments, or consider a guided hike along the myriad of trails that depart either from the town, or from the nearby trailheads along the highway.

Overnight in Banff at the Mount Royal Hotel (or similar)

Depart on your full-day sightseeing transfer to Jasper including a stop at the incredible Columbia Icefield along the famous Icefields Parkway. The huge Columbia Glacier covers nearly 325-km2 and dominates the surrounding landscape. An Ice Explorer ride will take you onto the ancient Athabasca Glacier and is followed up by a walk on the Glacier SkyWalk – a glass-floored platform extending 30m out over the Sunwapta Canyon. Continue on to arrive in Jasper late in the afternoon.

Overnight in Jasper at the Crimson Hotel Jasper (or similar)

#### 3 Jasper

Take the day to create your own adventure in Jasper! Perhaps you may wish to arrange for a thrilling rafting trip down the Athabasca River, or climb aboard a motorcycle sidecar for a different touring experience along the park's scenic roads.

Overnight in Jasper at the Crimson Jasper Hotel (or similar)

## 3 5 Rocky Mountaineer: Jasper Kamloops

After your shuttle transfer to the Jasper train station (provided by Rocky Mountaineer), board the Rocky Mountaineer train for a spectacular rail excursion from Jasper to Kamloops. This unique daylight service allows you to view some of the most spectacular sights in Western Canada. By late afternoon, you are in the arid ranch land of interior British Columbia, where you disembark for the night. Upon arrival in Kamloops, the evening is at your leisure.

Overnight in Kamloops at the Thomspson Hotel (or similar)

Breakfast, Lunch

### B Rocky Mountaineer: Kamloops Vancouver

You will set out on the last leg of your spectacular rail experience today. The Rocky Mountaineer takes you through the "cowboy country" ranchlands and along the rushing torrents of the Fraser and Thompson Rivers. You are now truly in pioneer territory and en route you can listen to the history and legends of the West while enjoying all the comforts of your luxury train. The last stretch takes you through lush farmlands and past historic towns to Vancouver.

Overnight in Vancouver at the Sutton Place Hotel (or similar)

Breakfast, Lunch

### 7 Vancouver Victoria Vancouver

This full-day trip to Victoria begins with a cruise through the scenic Gulf Islands and includes a visit to the acclaimed Butchart Gardens. Afterwards continue to Victoria for a city sightseeing tour that encompasses Victoria's stately homes and gardens as well as historic landmarks. You will see the University of Victoria and Beacon Hill Park and pass the Royal British Columbia Museum, Thunderbird Park, the Parliament Buildings and the exclusive homes of the Uplands and Oak Bay. You will return to Vancouver in the early evening.

Overnight in Vancouver at the Sutton Place Hotel (or similar)

## 8 Embark Holland America

Today you check out of your hotel and transfer individually to the Vancouver cruise terminal where you board Holland

America Line's cruise ship and are welcomed by the crew who will be your hosts for your cruising adventure. Familiarize yourself with amenities of the ship and watch the sun set over the water from the wide decks of this magnificent craft. The ship weighs anchor and sets sail this afternoon for one of the most famously beautiful passages in the world.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Dinner

#### Inside Passage

Enjoy the fantastic scenery on the first full day of cruising, travelling through the Inside Passage. Just beyond the deck rails, the gems of Alaska are laid open in a spellbinding vista of rain forests, glaciers, fjords and white-capped peaks. Along the way it is common to view whales and sea lions at play along the coastlines as well as a near countless assortment of marine bird life.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## 310 Juneau

Travel the Stephens Passage as it flows into the Boundary Ranges at Tracy Arm, a narrow, twisting, 48 -kilometre-long fjord that ends at the twin Sawyer glaciers. Lush rain forest gives way to ancient stone as the land dramatically rises to 2100m towering peaks, the waterway ending at the twin Sawyer Glaciers. Arriving in the port of Juneau, take some time to explore this unique state capital and its frontier culture and spirit.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## In Skagway

Cruising to the Gold Rush stopover town of Skagway, travel in the footsteps of the prospectors that either continued on to the gold fields, or remained to create the historic town that still thrives today. Perhaps take some time to ride the antique White Pass & Yukon narrow-gauge railway, step into the Red Onion Saloon or peruse the restored buildings and wooden boardwalks of the Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park.

#### Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## 3 12 Glacier Bay

An exciting day cruising ahead, exploring the famous waters of Glacier Bay - home to Glacier Bay National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the park boasts a unique ecosystem of plants and animals living in concert with an ever-changing glacial landscape. When a monumental chunk of ice splits off a glacier and thunders into the sea, the impact shoots water dozens of metres into the air. Glacier Bay has more active 'calving' (splitting off) tidewater glaciers than anyplace else in the world.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

## 3 13 Ketchikan

Cruise into the port of Ketchikan today, set along the shores of the Tongass Narrows, unique for its many shops and houses built suspended above the water. Known as the Salmon Capital of the World, this lively town also is home to Creek Street, the Tongass Historical Museum, Totem Bight State Park and the Saxman Village. The town is surrounded by natural wonders, inviting all visitors to discover their wild side amidst the wilds of the Alaskan landscape.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### 14 Inside Passage

Today the ship slowly retraces its voyage along the Alaskan and British Columba coastlines. Watch how the landscape slowly and subtly changes as you descend into the more southern and warmer climate of the Pacific Northwest temperate area.

Overnight onboard the Zaandam

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## 15 Disembark Holland America

Early this morning you arrive in the port of Vancouver and disembark the Zaandam.

Breakfast

## ACCOMMODATION

#### Mount Royal Hotel Banff

#### Banff

Located in the heart of iconic Banff Avenue, surrounded by top restaurants, shops and nightlife. From here, you'll also enjoy effortless access to Banff's world-class natural attractions and year-round adventure activities. Ski, hike, shop or play, then return for après adventure. The hotel's mountain-chic style and relaxed approach to luxury promise to elevate your Canadian Rockies experience. Post-adventure, head to the rooftop for a soak in one of our outdoor hot tubs.



## The Crimson Jasper Hotel

#### Jasper

At the heart of town lies Jasper's newest hotel - The Crimson Jasper. Just one block and an easy walk to the downtown shops and restaurants, The Crimson Jasper offers a comfortable and relaxing vantage point to enjoy the splendour of Jasper.



## Sutton Place Hotel

#### Vancouver

Situated in the heart of downtown, first-class amenities await you at The Sutton Place Hotel Vancouver. Indulge in the Vida Spa, an indoor heated pool, or modern fitness centre. Luxury, elegance and an elevated state of style welcome you the moment you pass through the doors of The Sutton Place Hotel Vancouver.

Lose yourself in the carefully curated on-site Wine-merchant, featuring local and international labels, and a private tasting room. Elevate your tastes with a visit to an enticing culinary encounter at the signature restaurant: Boulevard Kitchen & Oyster Bar.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

### 2024 Dates

- May 8, 15, 22, 29
- June 5, 12, 19, 26
- July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
- August 7, 14, 21, 28
- September 4, 11

Programme also operates in reverse. Please contact our dedicated Sales Team to enquire in regards to the package dates operating in the reverse direction.

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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 cruise staff, etc.
- · Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package

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