

Canadian Panorama

A Journey across Canada by Vista-Dome Streamlined train

15 days & 14 nights

MAY 11 - 25 &

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 11, 2020



Peyto Lake, Banff National Park

For many decades, one of the 'must-do' holidays on every travelers list has been the legendary cross-Canada train trip, from West to East, across the Dominion in vista-dome comfort. At Train Holidays, we have long believed that only one addition could make this idea better: Leisurely hotel stays in each great part of Canada along with intelligent, comprehensive sightseeing. For those travelers to whom 'how' they get somewhere means as much as what they do, we offer up the most acclaimed train in North America, Via Rail Canada's showcase 'Canadian' where all of our guests enjoy meals included aboard while in sleeping car accommodations. Guests enjoy access to the splendid art deco dining car and the signature dome cars with all-around viewing. Or, it is possible to opt to upgrade and enjoy the famous 'Park Car' with its Bullet Lounge and Mural Bar.

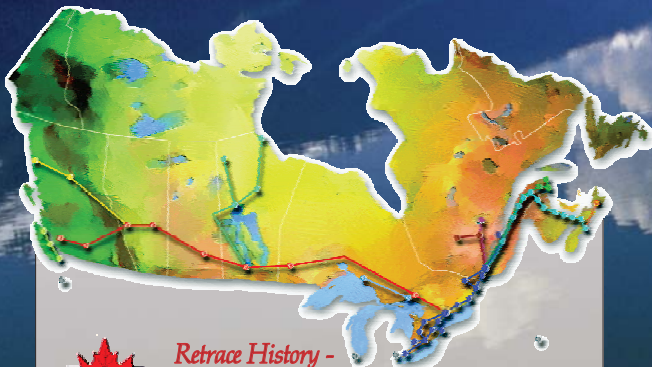
As befits an elegant holiday, we have included some very nice events 'ashore' as well including a very nice welcome dinner in Vancouver at acclaimed Joe Fortes Seafood & Chop House, in Jasper, a visit to stunning Tekkara Lodge, perched alongside the rushing Athabasca River and in Toronto, dinner one evening at the stylish French bistro La Palette to name just a few.

In the Rockies, our guests enjoy five days of sightseeing including Jasper, Banff and Lake Louise as well as seldom-visited places like Moraine Lake, Maligne Canyon and Bridal Veil Falls. All sightseeing is included.

PROGRAM FEATURES AT A GLANCE

- Fully hosted by a professional tour manager.
- Overnight stay in Vancouver at the Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront including breakfast & harbor views, along with special welcome dinner.
- Banff sightseeing tour including a visit to Banff Hot Springs.
- Lake Louise sightseeing tour including Moraine Lake.
- We drive the entire Icefields Parkway between Jasper and Banff and ride the Columbia Icefield Sno-coach tour atop Athabasca Glacier.
- Two-night stay in Jasper at the Becker's Chalets with charming cabins right on the Athabasca River and four-nights in Banff at the Mount Royal Hotel or similar with breakfast daily.
- Passage from Jasper to Toronto aboard VIA Rail's Canada's acclaimed vista-domeliner 'The Canadian' in sleeping car accommodations including all meals whilst aboard the train. This is a three-night journey from the Canadian Rockies to Toronto. We utilize the Canadian on day two of the program.
- Two-nights in Toronto at the Sheraton Centre Hotel with city sightseeing tour and plenty of free time in this great city.
- Overnight stay in Niagara Falls at the Embassy Suites overlooking the Falls, with Maid of the Mist, sightseeing and a visit to Niagara on the Lake.

! Low-cost pre-tour one-way connecting train travel is available with fares beginning at \$99 - \$199 pp from any US City!



Retrace History -

Follow the legendary Canadian National route which pioneered the exploration and settlement of Canada's vast wilderness.



Day 1 | Arrive Vancouver

Guests arrive in Vancouver and check into the Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront for an overnight stay. All afternoon is free to explore this vibrant, colorful city. Later tonight, a casual welcome dinner at the acclaimed Joe Fortes Seafood & Chophouse Restaurant. D

Day 2 | All Aboard

We enjoy a sightseeing tour of this lovely city including Queen Elizabeth Park along with ample free time before an evening boarding of the legendary 'CANADIAN' bound for Jasper. The train is a perfect 1950's time capsule with its famed Vista-dome cars, a real old-fashioned dining car with first rate dining and service. Tonight there is time for cocktails in the 'Skyline Lounge' as we roll east over the Canadian Pacific Rwy. Tonight is spent on board. B D

Day 3 | Arrive The Rockies

A mid-day arrival brings us into the Rockies where we transfer to Banff and our hotel for a four night stay. Overnight at the Mount Royal Hotel or similar. B L

Day 4 | Banff

A magical day today that begins with ride up Sulphur Mountain on the Banff Gondola with its unrivalled views in every direction. After this, a stop at the Banff Hot Springs for those that would like to do a dip in these refreshing waters. A special treat today is lunch at the award-winning Maple Leaf Restaurant. We have left the balance of the day at leisure for you to enjoy at your own pace. B L

Day 5 | Banff

An unstructured day for you to enjoy this magical mountain setting B

Day 6 | Banff

All morning is free for you to spend as you like, perhaps taking in the nearby Whyte Museum. For those more active, there is river rafting, biking, horseback riding or golf. This afternoon we head West for glimpse of Lake Louise just before dusk followed by dinner in rustic cabin near Moraine Lake for our final evening in Banff. B D

Day 7 | Jasper

Today is a visual feast that features the Icefields Parkway drive to Jasper, arguably the most scenic drive in North America past glaciers, waterfalls, towering peaks and countless emerald lakes. En route, we stop at Athabasca Glacier for a 'Sno-Coach' ride atop the glacier itself, a high point literally and metaphorically of our holiday. We arrive in Jasper this afternoon for our two night stay. Queen Elizabeth II as Queen of Canada prefers Jasper over all other Canadian Rockies destinations and we agree with Her Majesty on this. This evening is free to enjoy the unspoiled charm of this small town. Overnight at the Becker's Chalets. B L

Day 8 | Jasper

Another day of stunning beauty with a visit to Maligne Canyon scenic excursion and boat cruise on Maligne Lake to Spirit Island, another sight that no camera can quite capture. Later today, a visit to extraordinary Tekkara Lodge for dinner alongside the rushing Athabasca River set amidst an ancient forest. Overnight at the Becker's Chalets. B D



Deluxe Upgrade aboard the Train

For guests requiring the ultimate in comfort and luxury, Via Rail Canada offers Prestige Class on the Canadian with spacious cabins, with lower beds and in-room showers, lavish welcome amenities, room service and much more, starting from \$1,995 additional per person. Availability of this upgrade is quite limited due to capacity.

Day 9 | All Aboard!

All Aboard! We board the 'Canadian' at Jasper this morning in sleeping car accommodations and are soon rolling East, bound for Toronto. All day to enjoy classic train travel with time in the vista-dome cars, drinks with new found friends in the lounge or the rare luxury of free time to read or to enjoy the last great dining cars in North America. B L D

Day 10 | The "Canadian"

Today is spent crossing the prairie on the Canadian National Railway and civilized amenities include hot showers, inviting lounges and three more justly praised meals in the dining car. This is a chance to sample a style and manner of travel that vanished everywhere else decades ago as. B L D

Day 11 | "The Canadian"

A final day onboard as the Canadian begins to cross the great Canadian Shield with an ever changing panorama as the Dominion rolls past. Late tonight the Canadian enters Ontario on its final transit to Toronto. A final opportunity tonight for dinner in the elegant art deco dining car. B L D

Day 12 | Arrive Toronto

After the Canadian pulls into Toronto this afternoon and we transfer to the Sheraton Centre Hotel to begin our two-night stay at this perfectly located hotel in the heart of downtown near City Hall and Queens Park. We have intentionally left all evening at leisure and since Toronto is now the largest city in North America for theatre and musicals after New York City, this might be an excellent night to take in a play. Overnight at Sheraton Centre. B L

Day 13 | Toronto

All day free to explore this great city, and we have included an excellent 'Hop-on, Hop-off' tour today that allows you to take it all in. Particularly recommended is a visit to the impressive Royal Ontario Museum. This afternoon is free for great shopping in Bloor St or if you wish to rise above it all, the CN Tower. Later tonight, dinner at one of our favorite French restaurants in Toronto, La Palette, an event sure to delight. A final overnight at Sheraton Centre. B D

Day 14 | Niagara Falls

Perhaps saving the best for last, we depart Toronto after breakfast for the short ride to Niagara on the Lake, one of the most charming towns in Canada where there is time for exploring the historic town with its British pubs, nice shops and even wine stores that sell the famous Niagara Ice Wine. After Niagara on the Lake, we visit Niagara Falls and cruise on the Maid of the Mist boat to the base of the Falls. Overnight at the excellent Embassy Suites at the Falls with a special Farewell Dinner with new found friends. B D

Day 15 | Journey Home

For guests traveling home by train, the Amtrak/Via Rail station is five minutes from our hotel and for guests flying home, we run a complimentary transfer this morning to Buffalo airport which has excellent schedules and remarkably good fares to all US destinations. Guests may book any flight out of Buffalo after 11am today. B

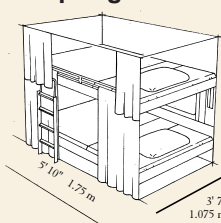


FARES & ACCOMMODATIONS

Fares Listed are Per Person

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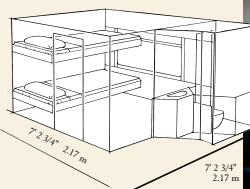
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Double Berth (Pullman Sections)

\$5,495 \$5,795

Upper and lower berths



Double Bedroom

\$5,895 \$6,295

One large room with upper and lower berths and private enclosed bathroom with toilet and washbasin.

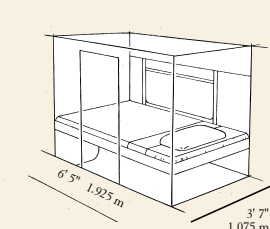


*Suite availability is very limited aboard the train. Suites are approx. 14' x 7'

Suite Accommodations on Train

\$7,995 \$8,395

Two Double Bedrooms combined to guarantee lower beds on the "Canadian". Includes two picture windows, and two separate bathrooms with washbasins and toilets!



Two Roomettes

\$5,895 \$6,295

Two individual single rooms offering individual lower beds, Individual washbasin and toilets in each room. Perfect for friends travelling together.

Single Occupancy Fare

(One Roomette) \$6,895 \$7,295

(Including exclusive single occupancy Hotel accommodations throughout.) Lower bed with washbasin and toilet in room.

Canadian GST Taxes of \$149pp are additional

For Reservations, Call Uncommon Journeys at 800-323-5893