



Vancouver

Cross Canada Classic East to West

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Enjoy passage aboard VIA Rail's legendary train, *The Canadian* from Toronto to Vancouver.

- Visit three national parks in the Canadian Rockies
- Sightseeing includes Icefields Parkway, Maligne Lake & Sulphur Mountain
- Premiere option includes Fairmont hotel accommodations

Day 1 – Toronto / VIA Rail

Thursday / Saturday

Transfer from airport or downtown Toronto to VIA Rail's Union Rail Station for departure aboard VIA Rail's train the *Canadian* in Sleeper Plus Class this evening. Relax in the private waiting area and enjoy priority boarding. Choose from semi-private or private accommodations within VIA Rail's Sleeper Plus Class accommodations. Prestige Class is available for those looking to upgrade their rail experience. Larger room, full bathroom, and a bed for two are just some of the perks of this exceptional option. Your cozy accommodations are prepared for your nights rest with your friendly car attendant just steps away. *Overnight VIA Rail.*

Day 2 – VIA Rail

Friday / Sunday

Wake up to picturesque views of the Southern Ontario region. Travel through towns and settlements, thick forests and over rugged Precambrian rock as you wind your way through the Canadian Shield. Follow along with our milepost information to receive a knowledgeable historical

enhanced view of the places you are passing through. Bridges and viaducts abound, lakes and rivers are plentiful. Relax in your private room or visit the Park Car dome seating for a 360 degree view of the passing scenery. *Overnight VIA Rail. Breakfast, lunch & dinner served in the dining car.*

Day 3 – VIA Rail

Saturday / Monday

Early morning has you arriving into Western Canada's oldest city, Winnipeg. There is time today to step off the train and visit the local area. Winnipeg's VIA Rail station is known for having eclectic shopping and delicious local foods available close by in the kiosks located right by the rail station. It is also possible to take a tour of the Winnipeg area which can be arranged by request. Afternoon has you continuing west and heading into the rolling prairies. *Overnight VIA Rail. Breakfast, lunch & dinner served in the dining car.*

Day 4 – VIA Rail / Jasper

Sunday / Tuesday

Early morning has a brief stopover in

10 Days / 9 Nights
Departs Year Round

Popular from \$3899 Cdn pp

This is one of our **ROCKIES BY DAYLIGHT** tours. View the Rockies at their best—in daylight from the train.



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Edmonton as you begin your journey into the Canadian Rockies. The geography changes from flat lands back into forest and hills. Begin your climb into the cozy nestled town of Jasper. Arrival into Jasper early afternoon today with transfer service to your accommodation. This afternoon has free time to relax and enjoy this quaint town considered the gateway to Jasper National Park and the Canadian Rockies. *Overnight Jasper. Continental breakfast and brunch served in the dining car.*

Day 5 – Jasper / Icefields Parkway / Lake Louise

Monday / Wednesday

Enjoy a full day sightseeing excursion taking you from Jasper south down the Icefields Parkway to glorious Lake Louise. Stops include the Glacier Skywalk, a newly created horseshoe shaped glass floored outcrop designed to provide exceptional views, and feelings, of the surrounding Canadian Rockies. Continue onwards with further stops at points of interest, and then into the Icefields Centre where you will be taken by special vehicle up onto the Athabasca Glacier. A truly engrossing tour providing a visual odyssey of rock formations, valleys, and up close experiences with nature. Late afternoon arrival into Lake Louise provides time to explore the pristine forest and visit Victoria Glacier. *Overnight Lake Louise. Buffet lunch at Icefields Parkway included.*

Day 6 – Lake Louise / Banff

Tuesday / Thursday

Today you explore the mountains, lakes & waterfalls of Banff & Yoho National Parks. Visit Moraine Lake, Valley of the Ten Peaks, the Spiral Tunnels, and Takakkaw falls for breathtaking sights while learning about the evolution and appearance of these natural wonders. Early evening arrival into Banff today with time this evening to take in the colorful Banff nightlife. *Overnight Banff. Lunch at Emerald Lake Lodge included.*

Day 7 – Banff / Jasper

Wednesday / Friday

Get ready for a continued exploration of Banff National Park and the Cave & Basin National Historic site with a morning visit to Bow Falls, Tunnel Mountain Drive, Surprise Corner and more all while learning about the culture, geology and wildlife of the region. Your sightseeing tour is capped off with a ride on the Sulphur Mountain Gondola taking you to the top of Sulphur Mountain for a bird's eye view of mountain peaks and the valley below. Not to be missed! This afternoon transfer from Banff back to Jasper for an early evening arrival to your accommodations. *Overnight Jasper.*

Day 8 – Jasper

Thursday / Saturday

As your visit to the Canadian Rockies moves towards its completion, take time today to see Jasper National Park. Visit Maligne

Canyon where waterfalls flow and Maligne Lake sparkles with ephemeral beauty. A boat cruise on the lake is provided during summer season, taking you out to see Spirit Island. Leisure time this afternoon allows you to visit the Jasper Yellowhead Museum or the Wildlife Museum. Watch the night skies for Aurora Borealis known to be seen in the northern hemisphere from time to time. *Overnight Jasper.*

Day 9 – Jasper / VIA Rail

Friday / Sunday

Spend time this morning taking in the sights of Jasper with a brisk walk or quick shop for last minute souvenirs. The rail station is located near both restaurants and shopping. Your hotel bellman will happily transfer you to the rail station early afternoon, and the professional staff at VIA Rail will assist to make your transition back to the rails smooth and simple. Whether sitting in your private cabin, Park car, or dining room, you will still see the beautiful Canadian Rockies as you travel west into British Columbia. Meet with new friends or old as you dine on freshly prepared meals full of flavor and designed to meet your needs should you have special dietary requests. *Overnight VIA Rail. Dinner on VIA Rail in dining car included.*

Day 10 – VIA Rail / Vancouver

Saturday / Monday

Morning arrival into Vancouver, BC. Vancouver is a bustling city surrounded by



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ocean and mountains providing a backdrop to further exploration of Canada's vibrant west coast. Your morning arrival into Vancouver concludes your Canadian holiday with transfer service to downtown Vancouver or Vancouver Int'l Airport. *Breakfast aboard VIA Rail in the dining car included.*

Interested to spend time in Toronto or Vancouver? Our John Steel Tour Consultants can assist with add-on reservations to complete your holiday.

Prestige Class

VIA Rail has unveiled their new exciting class of service, Prestige Class, offering stylish cabins and modern décor and available on this JSRT tour.

During the daytime, your Prestige Class accommodation provides a relaxing atmosphere with comfortable seating on leather-clad furniture, private fully stocked refrigerator, and unprecedented views of the passing varied landscapes. Prestige Class travelers also enjoy 24hr personalized concierge service.

By night, continue your odyssey from the comfort of your Murphy bed for two, facing the large window and ensuring the best views of the night skies.

Enjoy private washroom & shower facilities, priority baggage handling and priority reservations in the dining car. Delicious meals are freshly prepared by skilled chefs and include regional specialties, a selection of Canadian wines.

Your peace of mind is at the heart of this high-end design.

Price includes

- 5 nights' accommodation in hotels.
- 4 night in VIA Rail's Sleeper Plus Class accommodation.
- Transportation and transfers, as described.
- Select sightseeing, activities, and admissions, as described (Seasonal Availability).

- 12 meals: 1 continental breakfast; 3 breakfasts; 1 brunch; 3 lunches; 1 buffet lunch; 3 dinners.
- Not included – any items not listed such as but not limited to Goods & Service Tax and/or Harmonized Sales Tax; meals (other than listed); baggage handling; gratuities; travel insurance; personal expenses; custom tour add-ons.
- Please read Things To Know Before You Go for further information.

Info to know

- Reservations are confirmed upon receipt of \$250 CDN per person deposit.
- A complete self-guiding itinerary and vouchers are provided after receipt of full and final payment, due no later than 60 (sixty) days prior to date of Day 1 of your itinerary. (VISA, Mastercard, AmEx, bank draft)
- All monies paid are non-refundable. Ask your John Steel Tour Consultant about travel insurance, its coverages, conditions, and limitations
- If applicable, pack an overnight bag for all overnight rail journeys. Safety rules limit carry-on luggage.
- Please do not make closely connecting travel arrangements before &/or after tour. John Steel is not responsible for missed connections.
- All products &/or services are subject to John Sharpe's Rail Tours Ltd., operating as John Steel Rail Tours' (JSRT), "General Conditions & Waiver."
- Please ask your John Steel Tour Consultant for family pricing.

Prices and inclusions are subject to change without notice and vary by season. Prices shown have been adjusted where necessary to reflect seasonal availability of sightseeing and attractions.

TRAVEL TIPS

FAMILY HOLIDAYS - make memories on the train! Rail journeys are a great way for guests of all ages to travel together. Visit www.johnsteel.com or ask your John Steel Tour Consultant for family-friendly recommendations and prices.

SUITE - Honeymoons, anniversaries, birthdays and other special occasions call for upgraded comfort in a nostalgic, romantic Suite. Your John Steel Tour Consultant has all the details.

CUSTOMIZE

CUSTOMIZE YOUR HOLIDAY - your holiday, your way -- John Steel's Tour Consultants can add extra days, activities, and other options to your itinerary. Call for prices.

PRE- AND POST-TOUR ADD-ONS: Call John Steel Rail Tours for additional tours that you can add on to your classic rail journey.

FULL-SERVICE CONVENIENCE: your John Steel Consultant can arrange Amtrak and flights for you.

PRICE DETAILS:

2018 Canadian dollar prices - per guest, double occupancy in hotels • Senior prices available (60 years and better).

2018 SEASON

MAY – OCTOBER

SLEEPER PLUS	ADULT	SENIOR
MAY	\$4199	\$3899
JUN – OCT	\$5999	\$5499
PRESTIGE	ADULT/SENIOR	
MAY	\$6799	
JUN – OCT	\$7099	

Pricing for accommodation and rail travel varies considerably throughout the year, please call for further details.

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