

8 Days | Canadian Rockies & Silverleaf Rocky Mountaineer Train Journey

Including Glacier National Park



PHOTO: SILVERLEAF ROCKY MOUNTAINEER

RIDE THE SILVERLEAF ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRAIN

1 FLIGHT TO KALISPELL • DINNER: This morning we will travel to the airport for our flight to Seattle. Upon our arrival, we will be transferred to our hotel. Tonight we join our fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner. **D**

2 GLACIER NATIONAL PARK • “GOING-TO-THE-SUN” • WATERTON LAKES NATIONAL PARK • DINNER:

This morning you may take your time to enjoy the beautiful surroundings. We make our way to Glacier National Park which preserves over one million acres of forests, alpine meadows and lakes, and is home to over 70 species of mammals and 270 species of birds. We board one of the famous Jammer cars for the “Going-to-the-Sun” Road to the top of the Continental Divide at Logan Pass. This afternoon we continue to beautiful Waterton Lakes National Park, Canada which offers unsurpassed beauty and spectacular vistas for our overnight stay. Dinner is included this evening. **D**

3 HEAD-SMASHED-IN BUFFALO JUMP INTERPRETIVE CENTRE • CALGARY • BANFF GONDOLA:

We travel through beautiful country today arriving at the Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump Interpretive Centre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Learn how Indians would panic a herd of buffalo into a stampede, resulting in the buffalo simply running right off the edge of the cliff, killing themselves in the fall. Our route today takes us through the beautiful city of Calgary, home of the Calgary Stampede. Look for the Three Sisters Peaks as we enter Banff National Park which surrounds the year round resort of Banff. We arrive in Banff, where we will take the Sulphur Mountain Gondola Lift up 2,286 meters to the top of the mountain for spectacular views of the mountains and the town of Banff. We check into our hotel for a two night stay.

4 BREAKFAST AT BANFF SPRINGS HOTEL • LAKE LOUISE • COLUMBIA ICEFIELDS SNOWCOACH:

This morning we visit the magnificent Banff Springs Hotel and feast on their beautiful buffet breakfast. As we drive through Banff National Park we see beautiful Lake Moraine. Lake Louise is one of the most photographed spots in the world with its beautiful contrasts of flowering plants, the ice blue lake, and majestic Victoria Glacier towering overhead. We continue to the Columbia Icefield, 150 square miles of ice straddling the boundary of Banff and Jasper National Parks. We board a Snow Coach Ice Explorer for a ride on the enormous Athabasca Glacier, a 2000 foot thick extension of the Icefield. We return to Banff for the evening. **B**

5 “SILVERLEAF” ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRAIN • KAMLOOPS:

We board the Rocky Mountaineer train early this morning. Our service includes oversized glass-dome windows, reclining comfortable seating with ample leg room, complimentary beverages, gourmet sweet and savory snacks, small outdoor viewing platform, and engaging hosts with stories about historic sites, flora, fauna, and wildlife. Enjoy the spectacular scenery as you travel between the glacier and snow-capped peaks of the Canadian Rockies, over mountain passes and through remarkable tunnels, along rocky lakeshores and across the ranchlands of the Interior. Today’s highlights include the Continental Divide, the Spiral Tunnels, Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass, and Craigellachie, where the last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven. Breakfast and lunch will be served onboard. We arrive in Kamloops later this evening for our overnight. **B L**

6 ROCKY MOUNTAINEER TRAIN • VANCOUVER: This morning we board the Rocky Mountaineer and continue our journey west. You

will again see dramatic changes in scenery, from the desert-like environment of the Interior, through winding river canyons and pristine forests, to the Coast and Cascade Mountains and the lush green fields of the Fraser Valley. Breakfast and lunch will be served onboard. Highlights include the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River and the rushing waters of Hell’s Gate in the Fraser Canyon. We arrive in Vancouver this evening to check into our hotel for a two-night stay. **B L**

7 VANCOUVER • STANLEY PARK • HARBOR CENTER OBSERVATION DECK • CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE • DINNER:

This morning we experience the splendor of Vancouver with a sightseeing tour that includes beautiful Stanley Park, an urban rainforest that juts out into the sea. We also visit the waterfront area and Chinatown, one of North America’s largest. Here quaint shops display jade, ivory, silk, bamboo, brocade, and food items. We’ll stop at the Harbor Center observation deck which offers spectacular views of the city and surrounding areas. This afternoon we visit the incredible Capilano Suspension Bridge for a breathtaking view of west coast nature at its best. We enjoy each other’s company tonight at our farewell dinner. **D**

8 FLIGHT HOME: This morning we travel to the Vancouver Airport to board our plane for our return flight home.

Activity Level			
Easy			Strenuous
			4
Departure: August 4			
PRICE PER PERSON:			
DOUBLE	TRIPLE	QUAD	SINGLE
\$3599	\$3419	N/A	\$4249
Airfare from Charlotte, NC: TBD (including transfers)			
Meals Included:			
4 Cont. Breakfasts, 3 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches & 3 Dinners			
\$200 penalty begins April 1.			
* Additional penalties begin 65 days prior to departure.			