

## Western Highlights with Alaska Cruise - ms Volendam

16 Days / 15 Nights Calgary to Vancouver or Vancouver to Calgary

From CAD\$6,523 per person

### Alaska Cruise with Canadian Rockies Train Tours highlights: Calgary | Banff | Lake Louise | Jasper | Rocky Mountaineer Train | Vancouver

| One-way tour from Calgary or Vancouver traveling through dynamic landscapes of Western Canada by coach and rail with an Alaska Cruise. This 16 day tour is packed with incredible sights and unique experiences. From glacier fed lakes of the Canadian Rockies to the fertile farmland of the Fraser Valley. This bestselling cruise tour includes the award winning Rocky Mountaineer between Jasper and Vancouver.

- ✓ Sightseeing tour of Banff with Gondola Ride
- ✓ Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- ✓ Glacier Skywalk
- ✓ Travel the Scenic Icefield Parkway with picnic lunch included
- ✓ Evening wildlife tour of the Jasper
- ✓ 7 day round-trip cruise from Vancouver to Alaska

#### Early Booking Bonus

Book by 03 April, 2018, receive up to \$650 per couple in added value which can be used for additional hotel nights, city sightseeing tours, activities or private transfers.

[See Terms & Conditions](#)



## Inclusions

### Package Includes:

- Hotel accommodation including provincial taxes for 8 nights
- 7 day Alaska Cruise on-board Holland America's MS Volendam, round-trip
- Rocky Mountaineer Train between Vancouver and Jasper
- Taxi transfer between rail depot and hotel in Jasper, Kamloops & Vancouver
- Transfer from Vancouver hotel to cruise terminal
- Evening wildlife tour in Jasper
- Full day tour between Jasper and Lake Louise with picnic lunch included
- Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- Glacier Skywalk
- Coach transfer between Banff Hotel and Lake Louise Hotel
- Sightseeing tour in Banff
- Banff Gondola
- Scheduled coach transfer between Calgary and Banff Hotel
- Vancouver Lookout
- Grouse Mountain & Capilano Suspension Bridge Tour
- National Park fees
- Travel Documentation
- Total # of meals: 9 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 7 dinners

### Not Included

- Onboard ship gratuities
- Port charges and taxes
- Fuel surcharges

### Hotel Information (Moderate Grade)

- Banff - Elk+Avenue Hotel (Standard Room)
- Lake Louise - Lake Louise Inn (Deluxe Queen Room)
- Jasper - Lobstick Lodge (Standard Room)
- Rocky Mountaineer Train (SilverLeaf Service)
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel (Provided by Rocky Mountaineer)
- Vancouver - Rosedale on Robson (One Bedroom Deluxe)
- Holland America - ms Volendam (Ocean View Stateroom)

### Hotel Information (Superior Grade)

- Banff - Banff Caribou Lodge (Standard Room)
- Lake Louise - Deer Lodge (Heritage Room)
- Jasper - Sawridge Inn (Outside Room with Balcony)
- Rocky Mountaineer Train (SilverLeaf Service)
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel (Provided by Rocky Mountaineer)
- Vancouver - Pinnacle Vancouver Harbourfront Hotel (City View Room)
- Holland America - ms Volendam (Ocean View Stateroom)

### Hotel Information (Deluxe Grade)

- Banff - Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel (Deluxe Room)
- Lake Louise - Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise (Deluxe Lakeview Room)
- Jasper - Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge (Deluxe Room)
- Rocky Mountaineer Train (GoldLeaf Service)
- Kamloops - Moderate Hotel (Provided by Rocky Mountaineer)
- Vancouver - Fairmont Waterfront (Fairmont Room)
- Holland America - ms Volendam (Verandah Suite)

### Rocky Mountaineer SilverLeaf Service

- Enjoy panoramic views from oversized windows in our single-level dome
- Relax in reclining dome-level seats
- Delicious, hot entrée options served at your seat and plated to your preference
- Complimentary beverages, including wine, beer, spirits and non-

alcoholic drinks will be served throughout the journey, along with gourmet snacks

### Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service

- Fully domed windows that give you unparalleled panoramic views from your seat in the upper-level of the bi-level dome coach
- Hot gourmet meals prepared from regional cuisine by Executive Chefs
- Complimentary beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) throughout the journey, along with gourmet snacks
- An exclusive outdoor vestibule in the lower-level of your dome coach

## Itinerary

The below itinerary is only a suggestion, we offer tailor-made personal service and solutions to help you plan your perfect vacation. This itinerary is also available in the reverse direction.

### Departs Calgary

**Day 1 Calgary to Banff (Coach)** Leave the Stampede City of Calgary on the express service to Banff where you will have ample opportunity to take in the sights.

**Day 2 Morning sightseeing tour of Banff with Gondola** This morning, tour the town of Banff and its environs. Among the highlights are visits to the Hoodoos (shaped by centuries of wind) & Bow Valley Viewpoint, Surprise Corner, Bow Falls, Lake Minnewanka and Bankhead: an abandoned mining town and the relic of Banff's industrial past. At the end of the tour you will be taken to the Banff Gondola for a breathtaking ascent to the pinnacle of Sulphur Mountain for an awe-inspiring 360-degree panorama of sheer mountain majesty. Return to downtown Banff at your leisure. (transfer not included)

**Day 3 Banff to Lake Louise (Coach)** Depart Banff early afternoon for a short drive via the scenic Bow Valley to Lake Louise.

**Day 4 Lake Louise to Jasper (Coach) - Ice Explorer Ride & Glacier Skywalk** Travel by coach today via one of the most scenic highways in North America - the Icefields Parkway. Visit the Columbia Icefield that covers an area of nearly 125 sq mi (325 sq km) and reaches a depth of 1050 ft (320 m). Time allows for an Ice Explorer ride (included) on the Athabasca Glacier, then a stop at the award-winning Glacier Skywalk (included) experiencing a glass-floored observation platform 918 ft (280 m) over spectacular glacier-formed valleys and rushing waterfalls. Photo stops along the Parkway will be made at Bow & Peyto Lakes, the Crowfoot Glacier and the Athabasca Falls. This highway is renowned for sightings of bears, elk, moose & mountain sheep, so keep your camera handy. Please note: mountain lakes in this region will be frozen through to mid-June. (picnic lunch included today)

**Day 5 Wildlife Discovery Tour in Jasper** Today is free to explore Jasper before departing this evening to experience the environs of Jasper, and for some amazing close-up photo opportunities of wildlife.

**Day 6 Jasper to Kamloops (Rail)** All aboard Rocky Mountaineer for a scenic rail journey to Kamloops in the interior of British Columbia. Leaving Jasper National Park, travel the 'Yellowhead' route past the sprawling grandeur of Mount Robson 'the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies' and follow the mighty Thompson River, the route of early fur traders, before arriving in Kamloops. (breakfast & lunch is included today)

**Day 7 Kamloops to Vancouver (Rail)** Leaving Kamloops, follow the Thompson River through Ashcroft, one of Canada's driest towns, with an average rainfall of just 18 centimetres. Pass through Rainbow Canyon, named for its cliffs striped with pinks, greens and greys creating a stunning rainbow effect. Continue on to the Fraser Canyon, where at Hell's Gate watch water torrent past the canyon walls at its narrowest point. The last leg of the journey takes you through the fertile farming region of the Fraser Valley to arrive in the Pacific port of Vancouver late afternoon. Upon arrival into Vancouver you will be transferred to your hotel. (breakfast & lunch is included today)

**Day 8 Grouse Mountain & Capilano Suspension Bridge Tour** Enjoy a six-hour sightseeing tour of Vancouver's magnificent North Shore. Travel across the Lions Gate Bridge and into the mountains to visit the original Vancouver tourist attraction - Capilano Suspension Bridge. Spend time exploring our temperate rainforest and learn all about Salmon at the Fish Hatchery. Your tour coach continues its climb up Grouse Mountain where you'll take the Skyride to the Peak of Vancouver with breathtaking views over the Lower Mainland and Coast Mountain Range. After time well spent in Vancouver's back yard, your guide will drive you back to downtown and

your hotel.

**Day 9 Embarkation in Vancouver** Your Alaska journey starts early this afternoon at the Vancouver cruise terminal where you board the ms Volendam. (Dinner is included today)

**Day 10 Scenic Cruising the Inside Passage** The fabled Inside Passage is one of the most scenic sea-lanes in the world, and one of the few where deep-draft vessels can sail close to steep mountain walls. The scenery is unbelievable, with forests in a hundred shades of green, tumbling turquoise glaciers, and evocative towns loaded with history, culture and adventure. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

**Day 11 Port of Call Juneau** No roads lead to Juneau, which gives the Alaskan capital a misty inscrutability. You need to come by air or water, but when you arrive, the place will delight you with its bounty of water, forests, and mountains. Squeezed between the Gastineau Channel and Coast Mountains, Juneau offers a lot of variety in close proximity. The massive Mendenhall Glacier and the immense Juneau Icefields are at its back door. The vast Tongass National Forest stretches away to the northeast. You can shop downtown or get out and kayak, dogsled, raft, hike, whale watch, flightsee or fish. The adventures are as bountiful as the daylight. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

**Day 12 Port of Call Skagway** Some of the aspiring Klondike gold rushers who made it to Skagway took a look at the 500-mile journey that still lay ahead of them and decided a change of profession was in order. So many of them set up shop as provisioners that Skagway was the largest city in Alaska by the end of the 19th century. Booms fade and dreams move on, but the glory days still reverberate through the town. 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. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

**Day 13 Cruise Glacier Bay** A cruise to Glacier Bay National Park with Holland America Line will show you a UNESCO World Heritage Site that protects 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 hundreds of feet into the air. You hold your breath as you catch the moment on film. Then you wait for it all to happen again. And it does: Glacier Bay has more actively calving tidewater glaciers than any place else in the world. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

**Day 14 Port of Call Ketchikan** Ketchikan clutches the shores of the Tongass Narrows, with many shops and houses built right out over the water. The stairways are weathered and the vibe is cheerful in the town that calls itself the Salmon Capital of the World. Besides the main attractions - Creek Street, the Tongass Historical Museum, Totem Bight State Park and Saxman Village - try a flightseeing trip to Misty Fjords National Monument. These deep-water fjords were gouged out by retreating glaciers, leaving granite cliffs towering thousands of feet above the sea and countless waterfalls plunging into placid waters. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

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**Day 11 Kamloops to Jasper (Rail)** Back onboard the Rocky Mountaineer follow the Thompson River through rolling plateaus to the snowy peaks of the Monashee Mountains. View Pyramid Falls and the expansive glaciers of the Albreda Icefields. Pass by Mount Robson, at 3954 metres (12,972 feet),

which is the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies. Arrive in Jasper late afternoon. (breakfast & lunch included)

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**Day 16 Banff to Calgary (Coach)** This morning is free to explore Banff before your scheduled coach to Calgary departs midday. Follow the Trans-Canada Highway and leave the Rocky Mountains to the Great Central Plains that roll to the east for 2000km and extend as far south as Mexico. This is 'cattle ranching country' and the breadbasket of Canada. Arrive Calgary mid-afternoon with drop-off at Calgary Airport or downtown hotels.



Departure dates

(Tour Code: CR261)

Depart from Calgary: Tuesdays

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Jun 5, 12, 19, 26

Jul 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Aug 7, 14, 21, 28

Sep 4, 11

(Tour Code: CR260)

Depart from Vancouver: Wednesdays

May 9, 16, 23, 30

Jun 6, 13, 20, 27

Jul 4, 11, 18, 25

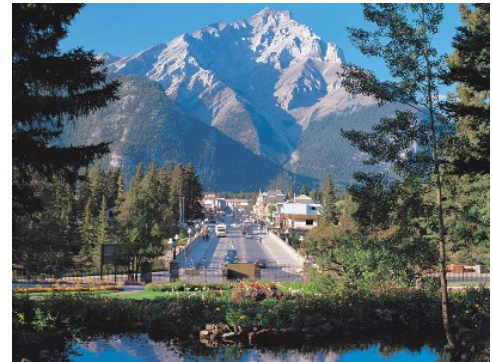
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Pricing All pricing is in CAD\$

	TWIN	SINGLE	TRIPLE	CHILD
Moderate Grade with Rocky Mountaineer SilverLeaf Service				
<b>Calgary Departures</b>				
01 May - 15 May, 2018	\$6,523	\$9,933	\$5,877	\$3,506
22 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$7,052	\$10,991	\$6,229	\$3,506
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$6,890	\$10,667	\$6,121	\$3,506
<b>Vancouver Departures</b>				
09 May - 16 May, 2018	\$6,670	\$10,226	\$5,975	\$3,506
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$7,052	\$10,991	\$6,229	\$3,506
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$6,816	\$10,519	\$6,072	\$3,506
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
<b>Upgrade to GoldLeaf</b>				
01 May - 19 Sep, 2018	\$683	\$683	\$683	\$683
Superior Grade with Rocky Mountaineer SilverLeaf Service				
<b>Calgary Departures</b>				
01 May - 15 May, 2018	\$6,698	\$10,281	\$6,021	\$3,506
22 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$7,190	\$11,267	\$6,350	\$3,506
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$7,028	\$10,943	\$6,242	\$3,506
<b>Vancouver Departures</b>				
09 May - 16 May, 2018	\$6,885	\$10,656	\$6,146	\$3,506
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$7,190	\$11,267	\$6,350	\$3,506
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$7,028	\$10,943	\$6,242	\$3,506
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
<b>Upgrade to GoldLeaf</b>				
01 May - 19 Sep, 2018	\$683	\$683	\$683	\$683
Deluxe Grade with Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service				
<b>Calgary Departures</b>				
01 May - 15 May, 2018	\$10,852	\$17,637	\$9,196	\$4,553
22 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$12,135	\$20,202	\$10,051	\$4,553
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$11,487	\$18,906	\$9,619	\$4,553
<b>Vancouver Departures</b>				
09 May - 16 May, 2018	\$10,528	\$16,989	\$8,980	\$4,553
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$12,135	\$20,202	\$10,051	\$4,553
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$11,487	\$18,906	\$9,619	\$4,553
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350

Prices are per person and include all land taxes, cruise ship port taxes are not included. Child age 10 yrs & under



Speak to a consultant



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