

Mountain Lakes & Glaciers with Alaska Cruise - ms Volendam

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

From CAD\$5,567 per person

Canada Alaska Cruise Tours - See the best of Alaska by cruise and experience the majestic Canadian Rockies on this 16 day independent cruise, coach & rail tour. Cruise the Inside passage, Glacier Bay and Tracey Arm and visit the port cities of Juneau, Skagway and Ketchikan. Stay in the Rocky Mountain resorts of Banff, Lake Louise & Jasper and travel by train in a sleeper berth on-board VIA Rail train between Vancouver & Jasper.

- ✓ 7 day round-trip cruise from Vancouver to Alaska
- ✓ Travel the scenic Icefield Parkway between Jasper and Lake Louise, stopping for a picnic lunch
- ✓ Evening Wildlife Tour in Jasper
- ✓ Banff Gondola
- ✓ Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- ✓ Glacier Skywalk



Inclusions

Package Includes:

- 7 day Alaska Cruise on-board Holland America's ms Volendam, round-trip
- Sleeping berth onboard VIA Rail Sleeper Touring service for 1 night
- 7 nights hotel accommodation
- Scheduled coach transfer between Calgary and Banff hotel
- Sightseeing tour of Banff
- Banff Gondola
- Scheduled coach transfer between Banff and Lake Louise
- Full day tour between Lake Louise and Jasper with picnic lunch included
- Ice Explorer ride onto Athabasca Glacier
- Glacier Skywalk
- Evening wildlife tour in Jasper
- Vancouver Lookout
- Grouse Mountain & Capilano Suspension Bridge Tour
- Transfer from Vancouver hotel to cruise terminal
- Rail station transfers in Jasper & Vancouver
- National Park fees
- Travel Documentation
- Total # of meals: 8 breakfasts, 8 lunches, 7 dinners (Vancouver departures)
- Total # of meals: 8 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 8 dinners (Calgary departures)

Not Included

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

Hotel, Cruise Ship & Rail Information: (Moderate Grade)

- Holland America - ms Volendam (Ocean View Stateroom)
- Banff - Elk+Avenue Hotel (Standard Room)
- Lake Louise - Lake Louise Inn (Deluxe Queen Room)
- Jasper - Lobstick Lodge (Standard Room)
- VIA Rail (Semi Private Sleeper Bedroom)
- Vancouver - Rosedale on Robson (One Bedroom Deluxe)

Hotel, Cruise Ship & Rail Information: (Superior Grade)

- Holland America - ms Volendam (Ocean View Stateroom)
- Banff - Banff Caribou Lodge (Standard Room)
- Lake Louise - Deer Lodge (Heritage Room)
- Jasper - Sawridge Inn (Outside Room with Balcony)
- VIA Rail (Cabin)
- Vancouver - Pinnacle Vancouver Harbourfront Hotel (City View Room)

Hotel, Cruise Ship & Rail Information: (Deluxe Grade)

- Holland America - ms Volendam (Verandah Suite)
- Banff - Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel (Fairmont Room)
- Lake Louise - Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise (Fairmont Lakeview Room)
- Jasper - Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge (Fairmont Room)
- VIA Rail (Cabin)
- Vancouver - Fairmont Waterfront (Fairmont Room)

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 Vancouver

Day 1 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 2 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 3 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 4 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 5 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 6 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)

Day 7 Scenic Cruising the Inside Passage Enjoy sailing through the fjords of the Inside Passage. (Breakfast, lunch & dinner are included today)

Day 8 Disembarkation in Vancouver After breakfast you will disembark the ms Volendam in Vancouver and take a transfer (included) to your hotel. Balance of day is at leisure. Canada's third-largest metropolitan centre, Vancouver is a busy port city with a thriving multi-cultural ambiance. The city is located in a spectacular setting with the Coast Mountains across the Burrard Inlet to the north, and the waters of the Strait of Georgia to the

west. Restaurants, shopping, nightlife, a mild climate and a cosmopolitan atmosphere make Vancouver a favourite tourist destination. (Breakfast is included today)

Day 9 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 10 Vancouver to Jasper (Rail) This evening (7.30pm), check in at the Pacific Central Station and board VIA Rail's 'Canadian' for the famous train journey to the majestic Canadian Rockies. Exclusive to Sleeper Touring Class: By day, sit back in comfortable seating and enjoy the comfort of your very own accommodation. In the evening attendants transform your quarters into a cozy bunks or bedroom. Prior to dinner, enjoy complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres in the Dome where you will experience the true essence of travelling by train as a panoramic scene sweeps by. In Sleeper Touring Class some of the amenities include thick towels, plump pillows, cozy down duvets and a shower kit.

Day 11 Canadian Rockies by daylight onboard VIA Rail; arrive in Jasper late afternoon (Rail) By the time you awake this morning the train will have just departed Kamloops to begin a day of travelling towards the Canadian Rockies and Jasper. Around lunchtime the 'Canadian' begins its passage into the Canadian Rockies with views of snow-capped peaks, Pyramid Falls and the expansive glaciers of the Albretha Icefields. Pass by Mount Robson, which at 3954 metres is the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies. Arrive in Jasper at 4.00pm and transfer to your hotel. The balance of the afternoon is yours to explore this unique mountain community. (Breakfast & lunch included today onboard VIA Rail)

Day 12 Jasper - Evening wildlife tour 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 13 Jasper to Lake Louise (Coach) 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 stop at the award-winning Glacier Skywalk (included) to experience a glass-floored observation platform 918 ft. (280 m) over spectacular glacier-formed valleys and rushing waterfalls. After, continue along the Icefield Parkway where stops 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 14 Lake Louise to Banff (Coach) Depart Lake Louise mid-morning for a short drive via the scenic Bow Valley to Banff, arriving midday.

Day 15 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 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 2000 kilometres 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.

Departs Calgary

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Departure dates

(Tour Code: CR230)

Departs from Vancouver: Wednesdays

Jul 4, 11, 18, 25

Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Sep 5, 12, 19

(Tour Code: CR231)

Departs from Calgary: Tuesdays

Jul 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Aug 7, 14, 21, 28

Sep 4, 11

Pricing All pricing is in CAD\$

	TWIN	SINGLE	TRIPLE	CHILD
Moderate Grade with Semi-Private Bedroom on-board VIA Rail				
Vancouver Departures				
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$5,803	\$9,625	\$5,019	\$2,411
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$5,567	\$9,153	\$4,861	\$2,411
Calgary Departures				
29 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$5,803	\$9,625	\$5,019	\$2,411
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$5,641	\$9,301	\$4,911	\$2,411
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
Upgrade to Private Cabin				
01 May - 19 Sep, 2018	\$359	\$359	\$359	\$359
Superior Grade with Private Cabin on-board VIA Rail				
Vancouver Departures				
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$6,354	\$10,314	\$5,552	\$2,824
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$6,192	\$9,990	\$5,444	\$2,824
Calgary Departures				
29 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$6,354	\$10,314	\$5,552	\$2,824
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$6,192	\$9,990	\$5,444	\$2,824
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	\$350
Deluxe Grade with Private Cabin on-board VIA Rail				
Vancouver Departures				
23 May - 29 Aug, 2018	\$10,099	\$17,690	\$3,032	
05 Sep - 19 Sep, 2018	\$9,451	\$16,394	\$3,032	
Calgary Departures				
29 May - 21 Aug, 2018	\$10,099	\$17,690	\$3,032	
28 Aug - 11 Sep, 2018	\$9,451	\$16,394	\$3,032	
Port Charges	\$350	\$350	\$350	

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



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