

# 2021- RAIL AND CRUISE PACKAGES

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**CANADIAN DISCOVERY**  
**THE ROMANCE OF RAIL, ROCKY MOUNTAIN VISTAS and PACIFIC CRUISES**  
**15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS**



Experience the ultimate Canadian adventure. Discover the dynamic mix of English and French culture in Montreal - the city of art and music. The rush of Canada's largest city enthralls visitors to Toronto, and a trip to the breathtaking Niagara Falls is sure to inspire. Starting in Toronto, a VIA Rail journey winds across the prairies to arrive Edmonton. Carry on to the Rocky Mountains and the incredible protected, wildlife-rich parklands of Alberta. Banff and Jasper boast unforgettable wilderness experiences before boarding a spectacular scenic rail journey to the final stop in the gleaming seaside city of Vancouver.



## ITINERARY

### **DAY 1 MONTREAL (DEPARTURE ON FRIDAY)**

Arrive at Pierre Elliot Trudeau International Airport, Montreal. Independently transfer to your centrally-located hotel. After checking in with your tour director, the remainder of the day is free. Overnight in Montreal.

**Accommodation: Montreal for 2 nights**

### **DAY 2 MONTREAL**

Today we begin the day with a tour of Montreal's downtown area, featuring views of the Olympic Complex, charming Old Montreal, McGill University, the residential streets of Mount Royal and the bustling shopping district. The colonial history of this city that is a national centre for arts as music is evident at the turn of every corner. Artist alley, hundreds of restaurants and a vibrant night scene make it one of the most dynamic destinations in Canada. Overnight in Montreal. (B)

### **DAYS 3 MONTREAL - OTTAWA**

After breakfast, we depart Montreal and head inland to the provincial border, travelling through the townships of western Quebec en route to the Canada's capital. The interior of Quebec maintains strong tie with their agricultural past, evident by the many farms that can be seen along the route. Arriving in Ottawa, we discover the wonders of Canada's capital. On our tour, we view the Parliament Buildings, residences of the Prime Minister and the Governor General, the Rideau Canal (designated World Heritage Site by UNESCO), among our stops. Overnight in Ottawa. (B)

**Accommodation: Ottawa for 1 night**

### **DAY 4 OTTAWA - TORONTO**

Today we travel westward towards Toronto. The road travels through the pleasant Eastern Townships including the dramatic waterways of the Gananoque region, historic Kingston and Prince Edward County. Arriving in Toronto, take the remainder of the day and evening to do some independent exploration of the downtown area. Overnight in Toronto. (B)

**Accommodation: Toronto for 2 nights**

### **DAY 5 TORONTO – NIAGARA FALL EXCURSION**

This morning after breakfast we set out to discover the many identities of the Canada's most cosmopolitan city. After seeing the provincial parliament buildings, the waterfront, the imposing CN Tower and lively Chinatown, we leave the city and head for the Niagara Peninsula. We pass through outlying communities and towns along the shores of Lake Ontario en route to Niagara Falls. Time is allocated to admire the falls and take part in some of Niagara Falls numerous activities, such as an optional helicopter sightseeing flight, or Hornblower boat tour at the base of the falls. Overnight in Toronto. (B)

**DAY 6 TORONTO - EDMONTON – VIA RAIL, THE CANADIAN**

This morning after breakfast, we transfer to Union Station in Toronto and board The Canadian VIA Rail train for our cross-country, 2-night journey! Your welcoming onboard hosts for the next 3 days provide all the amenities of the train. The industrial centres of southern Ontario soon give way to the sparsely populated forests and wetlands of Manitoba as night falls to the sway of the train. Overnight onboard The Canadian. All onboard meals included. (B/L/D)

**Accommodation: Onboard the Canadian for 2 nights**

**DAY 7 TORONTO - EDMONTON – VIA RAIL, THE CANADIAN**

The wide open spaces of Canada's fertile prairies are your backdrop today as you enjoy your second day of rail passage across Canada. Between well prepared meals and attentive service, take some time and explore the train, perhaps even visiting the Skyline Car and its arching domed windows for a full 180 degree view of the golden fields of wheat that are often referred to as the Breadbasket of the World. Overnight on board The Canadian. All onboard meals included. (B/L/D)

**DAY 8 VIA RAIL, THE CANADIAN – EDMONTON**

The sway of the train gently wakes you as you begin the final leg of your rail adventure. Leaving behind the western reaches of the prairies, the tended fields give way to the rugged rolling wild plains of the Alberta heartland. Travelling midway up the length and width of the province, we arrive in the evening in the provincial capital of Edmonton. Disembark and check into our hotel. Overnight in Edmonton. All on-board meals included. (B/L/D)

**Accommodation: Edmonton for 1 night**

**DAY 9 EDMONTON - BANFF**

Today you leave behind the capital and delve into the Rocky Mountains! En route, get a taste of the wonders to come as you cross into Banff National Park, a world-famous protected park that is home to incredible wildlife, unforgettable vistas and magnificent mountain villages. Arrive in Banff and take some time to explore this iconic Canadian destination. Overnight in Banff. (B)

**Accommodation: Banff for 2 nights**

**DAY 10 BANFF**

After breakfast, depart on a captivating tour of Banff, revealing the glorious natural wonders, fascinating history and the local sights that make it one of the must-see destinations in the country. Afterwards, the rest of the day is at leisure. Perhaps take an optional ride on the Banff Gondola for a ski-high view of the town and mountains. Overnight in Banff. (B)

**DAY 11 BANFF - JASPER**

Today's journey through Jasper and Banff National Parks promises to be a highlight of your holiday! Shortly after leaving Banff, we travel through a rugged wilderness flanked by dramatic vistas. Arriving at the Columbia Ice field, we board a specially constructed Ice Explorer to ride on the surface of the ancient Athabasca Glacier. Afterwards, we continue on to the quiet village of Jasper where the rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight in Jasper. (B)

**Accommodation: Jasper for 2 nights**

#### **DAY 12 JASPER**

This morning after breakfast, enjoy a sightseeing tour of Jasper and its surroundings. Afterwards, perhaps, take advantage of some free time to embark on an optional Jasper rafting excursion, racing down the river as a professional guide navigates the rapids. Overnight in Jasper. (B)

#### **DAY 13 JASPER - VANCOUVER – VIA RAIL**

Today we board VIA Rail for a full-day and overnight train journey to Vancouver. Travel through the mountain passes and along the valleys as some of the most spectacular landscapes in Canada roll by just outside your window! Overnight on board Via Rail. Breakfast included at the hotel. All on-board meals included. (B/L/D)

**Accommodation: Onboard Via Rail for 1 night**

#### **DAY 14 VIA RAIL – VANCOUVER**

Our final train journey ends as we arrive at the Pacific coast and the gleaming towers of Vancouver. After disembarking the train, we depart on a tour of Vancouver with its unique mix of historic British culture and modern Asian influences. Afterwards, you may choose to do an optional flight simulator tour of Canada. Overnight in Vancouver. (B)

**Accommodation: Vancouver for 1 night**

#### **DAY 15 VANCOUVER**

A time for last-minute shopping and farewells. Individual transfer to Vancouver International Airport in time to check in for your return flight. (B)

### **INCLUSIONS**

- Accommodation for 14 nights
- Sightseeing tour in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Niagara Falls, Banff, Jasper, Vancouver
- Columbia Ice field Experience
- VIA Rail - Toronto to Edmonton, including all meals
- VIA Rail - Jasper to Vancouver, including all meals
- \*\*Please note: Passengers should bring an overnight bag on the train as they will not have access to their luggage whilst on board VIA Rail\*\*
- 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners
- Transportation by modern tour coach with experienced tour driver
- Tour director throughout
- Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Provincial Taxes and Federal GST and/or HST
- Travel and Information Kit

#### **Not included**

Flights unless otherwise noted · Transfers unless otherwise noted · Meals unless otherwise noted  
· Gratuities · Beverages · Optional excursions



#### GUARANTEED DEPARTURES FOR 2021

Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package		
<b>Friday departure:</b>	<b>Twin</b>	<b>Single</b>	<b>Triple</b>
<b>Via Rail Berth included</b>			
June 18 July 9 August 13 September 3, 17	5799	7999	5379
<b>Via Rail Cabin included</b>			
June 18 July 9 August 13 September 3, 17	6735	8269	6319

#### PRE AND POST TOUR ACCOMMODATION 2021

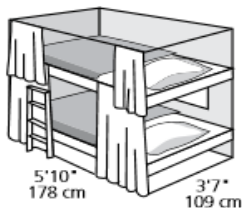
Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package		
	<b>Twin</b>	<b>Single</b>	<b>Triple</b>
<b>MONTREAL: Hotel Place Dupuis, Standard Room (breakfast NOT included)</b>			
May 1 - Jun 30 & Sep 1 - Oct 31	129	235	95
Jul 1 - Aug 31	140	249	99
<b>VANCOUVER: Holiday Inn Vancouver Centre, Deluxe (breakfast NOT included)</b>			
May 1 - Sep 30	175	349	129

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Montreal	Hotel Place Dupuis
Ottawa	Best Western PLUS Ottawa Downtown Suites
Toronto	Bond Place Hotel
Toronto to Edmonton	Via Rail train – The Canadian
Edmonton	Coast Edmonton West Hotel & Conference Centre
Banff	Banff Inn or High Country Inn
Jasper	Jasper Inn or Marmot Lodge
Jasper to Vancouver	Via Rail train
Vancouver	Holiday Inn Vancouver Centre

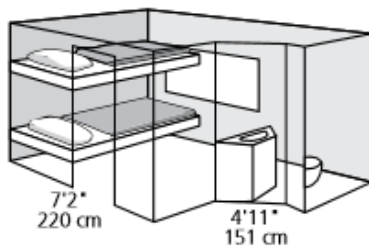
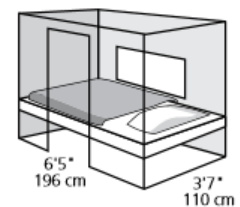
### Via Rail Accommodation

On VIA Rail sleeping cars, passengers enjoy a reserved seating area for daytime travel, which is made into sleeping berths by an attendant in the evening. Passengers should bring an overnight bag on the train as they will not have access to their luggage whilst on board VIA Rail. A shower room and toilet facilities are located in each car in trans-continental cars only. Three types of accommodation are offered.



Berth Class (Upper / Lower) offers deep-cushioned seats with an optional table by day that convert to upper and lower beds with privacy curtain at night. Toilet and shower facilities are shared. Complimentary shower kits including soap, shampoo, cap, towel and washcloth.

Cabin for 1 (Canadian) is a small private room with a sink and air conditioning. Access to shared showers with complimentary shower kits containing soap, shampoo, cap, towel and washcloth. The room accommodates one adult in a single bed and two can sit together at least part of the time during the day if desired. Two people travelling together in cabins for 1 are usually located adjacent to each other.



Cabin for 2 (Canadian) is a private room for two people with toilet facilities and air conditioning. The room contains comfortable armchairs in the daytime, which convert to upper and lower beds at night. There is a small closet (holds 1 large and 1 small suitcase), reading lamp and a sink with razor outlet. Access to a shower room, just a few steps away, with a complimentary shower kit containing soap, shampoo, cap, towel and washcloth.

Passengers might need an overnight bag as they will not have access to their luggage on the train.



## **ROCKIES TRAIL AND CRUISE TO THE GLACIERS**

**17 DAYS / 16 NIGHTS**



The majestic vistas, expansive protected parklands and western Canadian culture combines with an unforgettable Alaskan Cruise up the Inside Passage on a captivating 17-day coach and cruising tour. The relaxed lifestyle of the Alberta ranchlands give way to the national parks of the Rocky Mountains, teeming with wildlife amidst spectacular and unique geography. The high mountains of Whistler and the Coastal range are the gateway to the historic streets of Vancouver. Boarding a comfortable, full service Holland America Cruise, sail north through the dramatic scenery of the Pacific Northwest coastline. With ports of call at several Alaskan destinations such as Ketchikan and Juneau, this cruise provides a true sampling of the wonders of Alaska.



## ITINERARY

### **DAY 1 CALGARY (DEPARTURE ON THURSDAY)**

Arrive at Calgary International Airport. Individual transfer to your centrally located hotel. After a check-in the remainder of the day is free. The tour director will contact you in the late afternoon to give details on joining the tour. Explore the Old West at the Glenbow Museum or Fort Calgary on your own, browse through the Eau Claire Market, ride up the Calgary Tower for a great view and savour the great restaurants and dynamic nightlife. Overnight in Calgary.

**Accommodation: Calgary for 1 night**

### **DAY 2 CALGARY - BANFF NATIONAL PARK**

We begin the day with a city tour of Calgary. Leaving the city, we travel west on the Trans-Canada Highway into the rolling foothills of the Rocky Mountains. The majestic peaks of the Canadian Rockies soon fill the horizon as we approach Banff National Park, our first of several in the Canadian national parks system. We soon arrive in the charming resort town of Banff. Overnight in Banff. (B)

**Accommodation: Banff for 2 nights**

### **DAYS 3 BANFF NATIONAL PARK**

Today we will enjoy a tour of the region around Banff. The area became Canada's first national park in 1885 to protect its natural hot springs. An optional Helicopter Sightseeing Tour will give you the chance to see the eastern ranges of the Rocky Mountains. Alternatively you can take an optional gondola ride to spectacular Sulphur Mountain. Bring your camera! The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the surroundings of Banff, stroll along Banff Avenue, or relax and enjoy the scenery. Overnight in Banff. (B)

### **DAY 4 BANFF NATIONAL PARK - JASPER NATIONAL PARK**

Today's journey through Banff and Jasper national parks promises to be a highlight of our Rockies Trail program. Shortly after leaving Banff we visit the famous scenery of Lake Louise, one of the most photographed lakes in Canada. Afterwards, we travel north on the famed Ice fields Parkway through a rugged wilderness flanked by dramatic mountain ranges. At the Columbia Ice field we board a specially constructed Ice Explorer to ride on the surface of the ancient Athabasca Glacier. Close to Jasper, you have the chance to go on an optional raft trip on the Athabasca River. Your experienced guide will point out the natural and human history as you raft through short rapids and stretches of calm waters. Overnight in Jasper. (B)

**Accommodation: Jasper for 1 night**

### **DAY 5 JASPER NATIONAL PARK - KAMLOOPS**

Before leaving Jasper National Park this morning, you can take part in an optional Spirit Island Cruise on Maligne Lake, the most picturesque and largest glacier-fed lake in the park. You may alternately take an optional motorcycle tour of Jasper, riding in the comfortable sidecar with an unmatched view of the forests and mountains. Then, we travel west along the Yellow head Highway and into the heartland of British Columbia. Breathtaking, unspoiled vistas await visitors in every season of the year. The route takes us along the Thompson River through the picturesque Shuswap Highlands. Overnight in Kamloops. (B)

**Accommodation: Kamloops for 1 night**

#### **DAY 6 KAMLOOPS - WHISTLER**

We can expect a day of dramatic scenery changes when we drive through the ranch lands and head for the coastal mountains. A journey along the Duffey Lake Road exposes new vistas at every turn. An optional Floatplane Sightseeing Tour over Garibaldi Park gives you an inspiring view of a natural preserve of volcanic peaks, alpine lakes and meadows. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Whistler. (B)

**Accommodation: Whistler for 1 night**

#### **DAY 7 WHISTLER - VICTORIA**

The Sea-to-Sky Highway leads us south through spectacular coastal scenery today. You will visit the Capilano Suspension Bridge suspended high above a magnificent canyon. From Horseshoe Bay, we cruise by ferry across the Strait of Georgia to Vancouver Island and continue by coach to Victoria, British Columbia's capital city. Arriving in Victoria, we embark on a city tour of this former British enclave. Overnight in Victoria. (B)

**Accommodation: Victoria for 2 nights**

#### **DAY 8 VICTORIA**

Proud of her maritime heritage, Victoria has retained a quaint, colonial demeanour evident in the many 19th century landmarks throughout the city. Today we treat ourselves to a tour of the world famous Butchart Gardens, one of the world's great floral displays set in a reclaimed stone quarry. Time will be allocated here for browsing through the regal gardens. You can take part in an optional Floatplane Sightseeing Tour over downtown Victoria and the Strait of Juan de Fuca with the Olympic Mountains in the distance. You can also go on an optional Whale watching Excursion aboard a Zodiac or a regular vessel. Watch for the orcas and the abundance of marine wildlife. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore the city's delights. Overnight in Victoria. (B)

#### **DAY 9 VICTORIA - VANCOUVER**

We continue through the resort region of the Gulf Islands to the ocean side city of Vancouver. Upon arrival in Vancouver, we enjoy an interesting tour of the city, including Stanley Park, English Bay, Gastown, Chinatown, and much more. The remainder of the day is free for independent exploration or simple relaxation. This evening features our farewell dinner party. Overnight in Vancouver. (B/D)

**Accommodation: Vancouver for 1 night**

#### **DAY 10 VANCOUVER – ALASKAN CRUISE**

Today you check out of your hotel and are transferred to the Vancouver cruise terminal where you board Holland America's Koningsdam and are welcomed by the crew who will be your hosts for your cruising adventure. Familiarize yourself with amenities of the ship and watch the sun set over the water from the wide decks of this magnificent craft. The ship weighs anchor and sets sail this afternoon for one of the most famously beautiful passages in the world. Breakfast and dinner included. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/D)

**Accommodation: Onboard Ms. Koningsdam for 7 nights**

#### **DAY 11 INSIDE PASSAGE**

Enjoy the fantastic scenery on the first full day of cruising, travelling through the Inside Passage. Just beyond the deck rails, the gems of Alaska are laid open in a spellbinding vista of rain forests, glaciers, fjords and white-capped peaks. Along the way it is common to view whales and sea lions at play along the coastlines as well as a near countless assortment of marine bird life. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 12 TRACY ARM INLET – PORT OF JUNEAU**

Travel the Stephens Passage as it flows into the Boundary Ranges at Tracy Arm, a narrow, twisting, 48 - kilometre-long fjord that ends at the twin Sawyer glaciers. Lush rain forest gives way to ancient stone as the land dramatically rises to 2100m towering peaks, the waterway ending at the twin Sawyer Glaciers. Arriving in the port of Juneau, take some time to explore this unique state capital and its frontier culture and spirit. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 13 PORT OF SKAGWAY**

Cruising to the Gold Rush stopover town of Skagway, travel in the footsteps of the prospectors that either continued on to the gold fields, or remained to create the historic town that still thrives today. Perhaps take some time to 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. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 14 GLACIER BAY**

An exciting day cruising ahead, exploring the famous waters of Glacier Bay - home to Glacier Bay National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the park boasts 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 dozens of metres into the air. Glacier Bay has more active 'calving' (splitting off) tidewater glaciers than anyplace else in the world. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 15 PORT OF KETCHIKAN**

Cruise into the port of Ketchikan today, set along the shores of the Tongass Narrows, unique for its many shops and houses built suspended above the water. Known as the Salmon Capital of the World, this lively town also is home to Creek Street, the Tongass Historical Museum, Totem Bight State Park and the Saxman Village. The town is surrounded by natural wonders, inviting all visitors to discover their wild side amidst the wilds of the Alaskan landscape. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 16 INSIDE PASSAGE**

Today the ship slowly retraces its voyage along the Alaskan and British Columbia coastlines. Watch how the landscape slowly and subtly changes as you descend into the more southern and warmer climate of the Pacific Northwest temperate area. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 17 VANCOUVER**

Early this morning you arrive in the port of Vancouver and disembark the Koningsdam. You transfer individually to Vancouver's International Airport in time to check in for your return flight. (B)



## INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation for 16 nights
- Banff and Lake Louise region tour
- Columbia Icefield Ice Explorer ride
- Ferry cruise through the Gulf Islands to Vancouver Island
- City tours in Calgary, Victoria & Vancouver
- Admission to Butchart Gardens
- Capilano Suspension Bridge
- Transfer from hotel to Cruise Terminal on Day 10
- Meals: 9 breakfasts and 1 dinner (from day 1 to 9) and full board onboard the cruise
- 7 night return cruise from Vancouver to Alaska, on board Holland America, Koningsdam
- Transportation by modern tour coach with experienced tour driver
- Tour director from Day 1 - 9
- Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Provincial Taxes and Federal GST
- Travel and Information Kit

### Not included

Flights unless otherwise noted · Transfers unless otherwise noted · Meals unless otherwise noted  
Gratuities · Beverages · Optional excursions



**GUARANTEED DEPARTURES FOR 2021**

Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package	
Thursdays departure:	Twin	Single
<b>Interior Cabin</b>		
<del>June 10</del> , July 15	<b>5485</b>	<b>9079</b>
August 19	<b>5259</b>	<b>8625</b>
<b>Ocean View Cabin</b>		
<del>June 10</del> , July 15	<b>6545</b>	<b>11 199</b>
August 19	<b>6249</b>	<b>10579</b>
<b>Verandah Cabin</b>		
<del>June 10</del> , July 15	<b>7125</b>	<b>12 350</b>
August 19	<b>6825</b>	<b>11 729</b>

**PRE AND POST TOUR ACCOMMODATION 2021**

Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package		
	Twin	Single	Triple
<b>CALGARY: Delta Hotels by Marriott Calgary Downtown, Guest Room (breakfast NOT included)</b>			
May 1 - Jul 7	<b>149</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>115</b>
Jul 9 - Oct 31 (Sun - Thu)			
May 1 - Jul 7	<b>119</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>89</b>
Jul 9 - Oct 31 (Fri - Sat)			
Jul 8 - 18 (Sun - Thu)	<b>285</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>199</b>
Jul 8 - 18 (Fri - Sat)	<b>265</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>189</b>

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Hotel Options or similar	
City	
<b>Calgary</b>	Delta Hotels by Marriott Calgary Downtown
<b>Banff</b>	Mount Royal Hotel or Banff Aspen Lodge
<b>Jasper</b>	Lobstick Lodge
<b>Kamloops</b>	Doubletree by Hilton Kamloops or The Plaza Hotel
<b>Whistler</b>	Delta Hotels by Marriott Whistler Village Suites
<b>Victoria</b>	Coast Victoria Hotel & Marina by APA
<b>Vancouver</b>	Sutton Place Hotel Vancouver
<b>From Vancouver to Vancouver</b>	Holland America Cruise - Koningsdam

### HOLLAND AMERICA ACCOMMODATION

The Holland America Koningsdam cruise ship featured in the Rockies Trail and Cruise program offers 3 cabin types: interior cabin, ocean view cabin and verandah. The verandah and ocean view cabins have an either a window or sliding glass door. The interior cabin does not have a window.

All cabins feature:

Two lower beds convertible to queen, approximately 16.25 square metres, complimentary 24-hour room service, Dual voltage 110/220 AC, Four pillows in every stateroom, complimentary use of bathrobes, 100% Egyptian cotton towels, bathroom accessories & hair dryer, complimentary beach towel service, plentiful storage space in your bathroom & wardrobe, laundry service\*, 23" LCD-HD Interactive television system to view & select shore excursions, order room service & watch movies\*, luggage delivery, individual safe, direct-dial telephone, thermostat-controlled air-conditioning, mini-bar\*.

*\*at additional charge*

In addition to these features, the individual categories feature:

#### **Verandah**

- Balcony (3.9 square metres). Please note: Inclusion of a balcony can vary depending on ship and location of cabin.
- Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors
- Sitting area, some with sofa bed

#### **Ocean view Cabin**

- Window





## **WESTERN CANADA AND THE INSIDE PASSAGE**

### **15 DAYS / 14 NIGHTS**



The shared history of western Canada and Alaska is as intertwined and connected as their geographies, yet they endure and thrive as distinctive and unique cultures and destinations. Discover the iconic Rocky Mountain vistas of Banff, the stark beauty of the British Columbia interior and the magnificently developed Whistler village and metropolis of Vancouver. Board a fabulous cruising vessel and depart for the Alaskan wilds along the stunning Inside Passage. Watch the massive cliffs of ice move and shear off the Hubbard Glacier and explore the culturally rich communities of Juneau and Ketchikan. Arrive back in the welcome waters of Vancouver with a wealth of memories and a greater appreciation of the people and landscapes of western North America.



## ITINERARY

### **DAY 1 CALGARY (DEPARTURE ON SATURDAY)**

Arrive at Calgary's International Airport and transfer independently to your downtown hotel. After an individual check-in, the remainder of the day is free to explore the streets of this dynamic city, famous for its annual Stampede. The tour director will contact you in the late afternoon. Overnight in Calgary.

**Accommodation: Calgary for 1 night**

### **DAY 2 CALGARY - BANFF NATIONAL PARK / CANMORE**

This morning we set out to meet fellow travelers at breakfast before we tour the sights of Calgary. We admire such modern and historic landmarks as the Calgary Tower, Fort Calgary and the skyscrapers of the commercial district. Leaving Calgary behind we set our sights on the Rocky Mountains, which can already be seen, far off in the distance. Experience the majesty of the mountains as we first travel through the foothills and then enter Banff National Park. We tour the region around Banff amidst snow-capped peaks, sparkling glaciers and emerald green lakes and see landmark Banff Springs Hotel, Bow Falls and Tunnel Mountain. Overnight in Canmore. (B)

**Accommodation: Canmore for 2 nights**

### **DAYS 3 BANFF NATIONAL PARK / CANMORE**

The entire day is at leisure to tour Banff area and browse through the many boutiques and specialty shops along Banff Avenue. An optional full-day tour is offered to the Columbia Ice field. The tour starts with a visit to Lake Louise, followed by a scenic drive to the world famous Ice fields Parkway. At the spectacular Columbia Ice field we board an Ice Explorer vehicle that will take us onto the surface of the ancient Athabasca Glacier for an incredible and unique sightseeing experience. Overnight in Canmore. (B)

### **DAY 4 CANMORE - KAMLOOPS**

Our drive today is on the famed Trans-Canada Highway, following a route charted by the railroad engineers and fur traders of the mid-1800s. We continue our tour of the Canadian parks system as we cross the jagged Kicking Horse Pass into British Columbia's Yoho National Park. From the highway, we are treated to a dazzling display of vast ice fields, deep canyons, dense forests and glacier-fed streams. One awe-inspiring landscape follows another en route to Glacier National Park. We continue through the Monashee and Selkirk mountain ranges to the rugged interior town of Kamloops. Overnight in Kamloops. (B)

**Accommodation: Kamloops for 1 night**

### **DAY 5 KAMLOOPS - WHISTLER**

Kamloops to Whistler We can expect a day of dramatic scenery changes when we drive through the ranch lands and head for the coastal mountains. An optional Floatplane Sightseeing Tour over Garibaldi Park gives you an inspiring view of a natural preserve of volcanic peaks, alpine lakes and meadows. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Whistler. (B)

**Accommodation: Whistler for 1 night**

**DAY 6 WHISTLER - VANCOUVER**

We drive south along the spectacular Sea-to-Sky Highway through a dramatic landscape of jagged fjords and glaciated mountain peaks. We leave the countryside behind and explore the metropolis of Vancouver on a sightseeing tour. Highlights include Stanley Park, Prospect Point, English Bay, historic Gastown, bustling Chinatown and much more. The afternoon is free to discover more of this coastal gem. Overnight in Vancouver. (B)

**Accommodation: Vancouver 2 nights**

**DAY 7 VANCOUVER**

The Pacific Ocean and the Coast Mountains form the backdrop to your day at leisure in Vancouver. You might want to do some shopping down on Robson Street, relax in Vancouver's playground Stanley Park or stroll through the markets of Granville Island. You can also go on an optional full-day tour to Victoria, the charming provincial capital that is proud of her maritime heritage. Before taking the ferry back to Vancouver, you will visit Butchart Gardens, one of the world's great floral displays set in a reclaimed stone quarry. Overnight in Vancouver. (B)

**DAY 8 VANCOUVER – ALASKAN CRUISE**

Today you check out of your hotel and are transferred to the Vancouver cruise terminal where you board Holland America's Koningsdam and are welcomed by the crew who will be your hosts for your cruising adventure. Familiarize yourself with amenities of the ship and watch the sun set over the water from the wide decks of this magnificent craft. The ship weighs anchor and sets sail this afternoon for one of the most famously beautiful passages in the world. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/D)

**Accommodation: Onboard Ms. Koningsdam for 7 nights**

**DAY 9 INSIDE PASSAGE**

Enjoy the fantastic scenery on the first full day of cruising, travelling through the Inside Passage. Just beyond the deck rails, the gems of Alaska are laid open in a spellbinding vista of rain forests, glaciers, fjords and white-capped peaks. Along the way it is common to view whales and sea lions at play along the coastlines as well as a near countless assortment of marine bird life. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

**DAY 10 TRACY ARM INLET - PORT OF JUNEAU**

Travel the Stephens Passage as it flows into the Boundary Ranges at Tracy Arm, a narrow, twisting, 48 - kilometre-long fjord that ends at the twin Sawyer glaciers. Lush rain forest gives way to ancient stone as the land dramatically rises to 2100m towering peaks, the waterway ending at the twin Sawyer Glaciers. Arriving in the port of Juneau, take some time to explore this unique state capital and its frontier culture and spirit. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

**DAY 11 PORT OF SKAGWAY**

Cruising to the Gold Rush stopover town of Skagway, travel in the footsteps of the prospectors that either continued on to the gold fields, or remained to create the historic town that still thrives today. Perhaps take some time to 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. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)



#### **DAY 12 GLACIER BAY (CRUISING)**

An exciting day cruising ahead, exploring the famous waters of Glacier Bay - home to Glacier Bay National Park. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, the park boasts 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 dozens of metres into the air. Glacier Bay has more active 'calving' (splitting off) tidewater glaciers than anywhere else in the world. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 13 PORT OF KETCHIKAN**

Cruise into the port of Ketchikan today, set along the shores of the Tongass Narrows, unique for its many shops and houses built suspended above the water. Known as the Salmon Capital of the World, this lively town also is home to Creek Street, the Tongass Historical Museum, Totem Bight State Park and the Saxman Village. The town is surrounded by natural wonders, inviting all visitors to discover their wild side amidst the wilds of the Alaskan landscape. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. Full board included. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 14 INSIDE PASSAGE**

Today the ship slowly retraces its voyage along the Alaskan and British Columbia coastlines. Watch how the landscape slowly and subtly changes as you descend into the more southern and warmer climate of the Pacific Northwest temperate area. Overnight on board the Koningsdam. (B/L/D)

#### **DAY 15 VANCOUVER**

Early this morning you arrive in the port of Vancouver and disembark the ship. You transfer individually to Vancouver's International Airport in time to check in for your return flight. (B)



## INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation for 14 nights
- Sightseeing tour in Banff, Calgary, Vancouver
- 7 night return cruise from Vancouver to Alaska, on board Holland America, Koningsdam
- Meals: 7 breakfasts (from day 2 to 8); full board onboard the cruise (from day 8 to 15)
- Transportation by modern tour coach with experienced tour driver
- Assisted transfer from hotel to cruise terminal on day 8
- Tour director from day 1 to 7
- Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Provincial Taxes and Federal GST and/or HST
- Travel and Information Kit

### Not included

Flights unless otherwise noted · Transfers unless otherwise noted · Meals unless otherwise noted  
 · Gratuities · Beverages · Optional excursions

### GUARANTEED DEPARTURES FOR 2021

Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package	
Saturday departure:	Twin	Single
<b>Interior Cabin</b>		
<del>May 22</del> June 5 August 7	4025	6959
<del>June 19</del> July 10, 24	4155	7555
<b>Ocean View Cabin</b>		
<del>May 22</del> June 5 August 7	5079	9075
<del>June 19</del> July 10, 24	5215	9375
<b>Verandah Cabin</b>		
<del>May 22</del> June 5 August 7	5499	9919
<del>June 19</del> July 10, 24	5789	10 525

**PRE AND POST TOUR ACCOMMODATION 2021**

Price in CAD\$, per person starting from	Land package		
	Twin	Single	Triple
<b>CALGARY: Sandman Hotel Calgary City Centre, Standard Room (breakfast NOT included)</b>			
May 1 - 31	79	159	65
Jun 1 - 6, Jun 11 - Jul 8 Jul 19 - Sep 30	89	179	69
Jun 7 - 10	179	359	129
Jul 9 - 18	189	379	135
<b>VANCOUVER: Sandman Hotel Vancouver City Centre, Standard Room (breakfast NOT included)</b>			
May 1 - 31	149	295	109
Jun 1 - Sep 30	189	375	135

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Hotel Options or similar	
City	
<b>Calgary</b>	Sandman Hotel Calgary City Centre
<b>Banff</b>	Coast Canmore Hotel & Conference Centre
<b>Kamloops</b>	Ramada Kamloops
<b>Whistler</b>	Whistler Village Inn & Suites or Pinnacle Whistler or Listel Hotel
<b>Vancouver</b>	Sandman Hotel Vancouver City Centre or Sandman Suites on Davie
<b>From Vancouver to Vancouver</b>	Holland America Cruise - Koningsdam





### **HOLLAND AMERICA ACCOMMODATION**

The Holland America Koningsdam cruise ship featured in the Western Canada and the Inside Passage program offers 3 cabin types: interior cabin, ocean view cabin and verandah. The verandah and ocean view cabins have an either a window or sliding glass door. The interior cabin does not have a window. All cabins feature:

Two lower beds convertible to queen, approximately 16.25 square metres, complimentary 24-hour room service, Dual voltage 110/220AC, Four pillows in every stateroom, complimentary use of bathrobes, 100% Egyptian cotton towels, bathroom accessories & hair dryer, complimentary beach towel service, plentiful storage space in your bathroom & wardrobe, laundry service\*, 23" LCD-HD Interactive television system to view & select shore excursions, order room service & watch movies\*, luggage delivery, individual safe, direct-dial telephone, thermostat controlled air-conditioning, mini-bar\*.

*\*at additional charge*

In addition to these features, the individual categories feature:

#### **Balcony**

- Balcony (3.9 square metres). Please note: Inclusion of a balcony can vary depending on ship and location of cabin.
- Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors
- Sitting area, some with sofa bed

#### **Outside Cabin**

- Window

