

COSMOS®

Turning travel dreams into reality™

CANADIAN & ALASKAN MASTERPIECE

INCLUDED FEATURES

- Return flights on Air Canada - Sydney to Vancouver
- Melbourne and Brisbane passengers only pay \$150 for return connecting flights to Sydney
- All Canadian airport, hotel, cruise and airport transfers
- Half day Vancouver City Tour
- Services of a professional tour director whilst touring
- Quality 1st class to superior tourist standard hotels, all with private ensuite facilities
- Rocky Mountaineer 2-day rail journey (RedLeaf service)
- Inside Passage luxury cruise on Holland America's MS Volendam in inside staterooms
- All meals included on Rocky Mountaineer train journey and Holland America cruise – total of 24 meals
- All passengers get complimentary return home to airport transfers (within 20km radius of airport)
- Sightseeing in Banff and Victoria, Sulphur Mountain gondola ride, Columbia Icefield (Ice Explorer ride) and Butchart Gardens.

SCENIC HIGHLIGHTS

Glacier National Park, Banff National Park, Yoho National Park, Bow Pass, Lake Louise, Emerald Lake, Moraine Lake, Lake Maligne, Peyto Lake, Sunwapta Pass, Jasper National Park, British Columbia's Gold Rush and Cariboo regions, Strait of Georgia, Gulf Islands, Sea-to-Sky Highway to Horseshoe Bay, Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan, and Inside Passage.

Terms & Conditions:

General Information and Booking Conditions

Tour operator: Circuit Travel Pty Limited trading as Cosmos, will provide coach touring and arrange the cruise content of this tour. Whilst touring a professional tour director will be appointed to assist the group with general tour operations, general sightseeing, commentary and passenger assistance. Coaches are modern air-conditioned luxury coach. A seat rotation system is generally operated for comfort and convenience of all passengers. Smoking is not permitted on coaches, however frequent comfort stops are made whilst touring. Cosmos reserve the right to vary the itinerary or substitute hotels should unforeseen circumstances beyond their control necessitate. Standard Cosmos tour and booking conditions apply, copy of Cosmos brochures are available upon request.

Airline: Air Canada will provide International flights as indicated. All flights are subject to the airline's usual conditions of travel. All seats are in economy class. Should you wish to vary your return flights, a group booking split away fee of \$150pp applies.

Cruiseline: Cosmos have contracted with Holland America Lines to provide the cruise of the Inside Passage and is subject to their usual conditions of travel. Brochures are available upon request.

Travel Insurance: It is a condition of this tour that comprehensive travel insurance is taken out to protect passengers from cancellation charges, curtailment, emergency evacuations, medical, accident, baggage costs, etc. Travelabout offers 10% discount on travel insurance. However if you wish to arrange your own travel insurance, a copy of the policy is required prior to departure. In the event of any insurance claims, Travelabout will charge an administration service fee of \$110 per claim for supporting documentation and statements as requested, where the policy is issued by Travelabout @ Ryde-Eastwood. However where policies are not issued by Travelabout, then a \$165 administration fee applies.

Hotels: Hotels used in this tour are rated first class to

moderate standard, similar to 3 and 4 star hotel rating. All rooms have private bathroom, and mostly with tea and coffee making facilities. A list of hotels will be given prior to departure.

Tour price: Tour price includes return economy airfares, accommodation, coach touring, transfers, entry fees and all meals as indicated. Hotel portage of one suitcase per passenger is included. Payment by credit/debit card will attract a surcharge of 2.2% for Visa and MasterCard. Diners and American Express are not accepted. Tour cost are subject to currency fluctuations out of our control and should the tour cost increase by more than 5%, passengers have the right to cancel their tour within 7 days of notification, with no penalty incurred.

Deposits and payments: A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is required to secure your place on this tour. Final payment is required by 24 May 2011. We strongly recommend taking out travel insurance to protect your deposit.

Tour price does not include: Airline/airport charges and taxes, port charges, tips and gratuities, passports, visas, meals other than stated, drinks, laundry and items of personal nature.

Gratuities: Prepaid gratuities of \$120pp for your Cosmos tour director and driver can be made with your final payment. Cruise gratuities are additional and cannot be pre-paid.

Passports and visas: All passengers travelling are required to hold a valid passport, with a minimum validity of 8 months prior departure. Australian passport holders require a US visa waiver. Non-Australian passport holders may require entry visas.

Luggage: One standard suitcase per person is allowed and not to be larger than 750 x 450 x 250 and not heavier than 22 Kilos. Aircraft and coach carry-on luggage is limited to 400 x 330 x 160 and no heavier than 8 kilos

Tour cancellation: Tour cost is based on a minimum of 12 passengers travelling, should we not achieve this number, we reserve the right to cancel or re-cost the tour. If cancelled a full refund will be paid.

Agents responsibility: Drindoe Pty Limited ABN 43 002 845 909, registered office at level 3, 1 Bolger Street, Campbelltown NSW 2560. Drindoe Pty Limited is a fully licensed travel agent with full accreditation, trading as Travelabout at Ryde-Eastwood, and act in the capacity as agent for companies and persons providing services on this tour. Drindoe Pty Limited makes every effort to ensure that the reservations and bookings made with companies and persons providing such services on this tour are fulfilled by them. However Drindoe Pty Limited in its capacity as an intermediary while acting in good faith, does not accept any responsibility for default causing loss or injury to person or property. Whether by negligence or otherwise on the part of the any company or their employee or any individual providing any of the features or services offered on this tour. Drindoe Pty Limited is not liable for any loss suffered by any person or any additional expense caused or occasioned by delays, change of aircraft services, illness, injury, strikes, civil and international disturbances, quarantine, flood or whatsoever nature interfering with, altering or adding cost of the service requested or booked.

Tour brochure: All care has been taken in preparing this brochure and all information contained herein was correct when printed and is subject to change without notice. No inaccuracies are intended.

Cancellations and refunds: Any cancellation must be made in writing to Travelabout at Ryde-Eastwood. Cancellation outside 60 days of departure will incur loss of deposit. The following cancellation fees apply per person (number of days prior departure): 60-30 days 40%; 29-14 days 75%; 13-8 days 85%; within 7 days 100%. We regret not being able to make any refund for absence from tour, meals, sightseeing, entry fees, etc.

N.B. Please feel free to contact our office, should you have any queries with booking conditions, tour inclusions or insurance

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ALASKA

Departing SYD–MEL–BRIS 07 August 2011

The ultimate 20 Day holiday, featuring...
Banff, Jasper, Lake Louise, Sulphur Mountain, Columbia Icefields, Vancouver, Whistler, Victoria
and the fabulous Rocky Mountaineer Train journey!

Including a spectacular 7 Night Holland America cruise of the famed Inside Passage
featuring Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan and the awesome Glacier Bay!

EXCELLENT VALUE AT \$7,170*

(twin share & inside cabin)

(Tour price includes \$411 airline taxes & \$417 port charges)

Outside cabin upgrade \$310pp - Balcony cabin upgrade \$1280pp

Melbourne & Brisbane passengers only pay \$132pp for return flight connections to Sydney
Tour price includes economy airfares, coach touring, hotel accommodation, 7 night luxury cruise,
ferry crossings, return airport/hotel transfers, sightseeing and meals as stated in the itinerary.

Travelabout @ Ryde-Eastwood

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**DAY 1 – SUN 07 AUG
SYDNEY TO VANCOUVER**

Tour group meet at Sydney airport at 8.00am for group check-in for Canada Airlines direct flight AC34 to Vancouver departing at 10.25am. Arrive in Vancouver at 7.30am (same day) and transferred to the Sandman Hotel. Early afternoon join a Vancouver Grand City Tour, discovering the highlights of this beautiful city. Tonight meet your tour director and fellow travellers for a tour briefing. O/n Sandman Suites on Davie NB All passengers get complimentary home to airport transfers within 20km radius of their airport

Melbourne and Brisbane passengers depart from domestic terminals at 6.00am and join the group in Sydney at the Air Canada departure lounge. Luggage will be checked through to Vancouver with immigration and customs completed in Sydney

**DAY 2 – MON 08 AUG
VANCOUVER – FRAZER CANYON – KAMLOOPS – VIA ROCKY MOUNTAINEER**

Morning transfer to board the Rocky Mountaineer.

Follow the Fraser River through snow-capped mountains, eventually arriving at Kamloops. The Rocky Mountaineer travels through some of Canada's most spectacular scenery. Breakfast and lunch are included. All passengers need to pack an overnight bag for the train journey. Suitcases will be transported separately to Banff and collected the following day. Continental breakfast and a cold lunch are included on board the Rocky Mountaineer and snacks and non-alcoholic drinks are also provided free of charge. O/n Kamloops Ramada Inn

**DAY 3 – TUE 09 AUG
KAMLOOPS – YOHO NATIONAL PARK – BANFF – VIA ROCKY MOUNTAINEER.**

Board your train this morning and witness spectacular sights such as Shuswap Lake, the Monashee Mountains, and Glacier National Park. Travel through the heart of the Selkirk Mountains before entering the spectacular domain of Yoho National Park. The train winds through the Spiral Tunnels before climbing Kicking Horse Pass. Cross the Continental Divide and enter the province of Alberta and Banff National Park. O/n Banff Spruce Grove Inn

**DAY 4 – WED 10 AUG
BANFF SIGHTSEEING**

Morning sightseeing includes a visit to Sulphur Mountain for a Gondola ride, complete with panoramic views of Banff's spectacular scenery. The balance of the day is at leisure. Play golf, horseback ride, hike the many wilderness trails in the area, stroll through Banff, or simply relax at the hot springs. Your Tour Director will suggest an optional helicopter ride over the Canadian Rockies and can offer recommendations for dinner. O/n Banff Spruce Grove Inn

**DAY 5 – THU 11 AUG
BANFF – LAKE LOUISE**

A day of scenic grandeur. Travel to Lake Louise and Yoho National Park. See the Natural Bridge spanning Kicking Horse River. Also visit Emerald Lake and Moraine Lake. Overnight in Lake Louise, where green-blue waters form a perfect mirror reflection of Mount Victoria. O/n Lake Louise Inn

**DAY 6 – FRI 12 AUG
LAKE LOUISE – COLUMBIA ICEFIELDS – JASPER**

Scale Bow Pass with splendid views of Peyto Lake, then climb Sunwapta Pass to savour stunning vistas of alpine meadows, waterfalls, and massive glaciers. Next stop: 1,200-foot (365-metres) thick Columbia Icefields for a thrilling Ice Explorer ride. O/n Marmot Lodge

**DAY 7 – SAT 13 AUG
JASPER – SUN PEAKS**

Stand at the base of awesome, 12,970-foot Mount Robson. Travel through British Columbia's Gold Rush and Cariboo regions, enjoying tantalising glimpses of the soaring granite mountains of Canada's Rockies. Watch for wildlife as you continue to the internationally renowned Sun Peaks ski resort. O/n Coast Sundance Lodge

**DAY 8 – SUN 14 AUG
SUN PEAKS – WHISTLER**

Head south following the once treacherous Cariboo Wagon Trail. From Lillooet - "Mile 0 of the Gold Rush Route" - your motorcoach will follow the shores of Seton and Duffey Lakes with a mid-afternoon arrival in Whistler. There are plenty of optional activities to choose from, including flightseeing by floatplane over the lakes and glaciated peaks of Garibaldi Provincial Park. O/n Listel Best Western Hotel

**DAY 9 – MON 15 AUG
WHISTLER – VICTORIA**

This morning, set sail across the Strait of Georgia to Vancouver Island. In Victoria, sightseeing includes Butchart Gardens, Empress Hotel, Legislative Buildings, Bastion Square, and Thunderbird Park. O/n Royal Hotel & Scot Suites

**DAY 10 – TUE 16 AUG
VICTORIA AT LEISURE**

A day at leisure gives you the chance to stroll around the harbour, go shopping on Government Street, or have lunch in one of the many pubs. Your Tour Director will suggest several optional excursions, including a whale-watching cruise.

O/n Royal Scot Hotel & Suites

**DAY 11 – WED 17 AUG
VICTORIA – VANCOUVER**

Board your ferry this morning back to the Canadian mainland, where you will transfer to your luxurious Holland America cruiseliner MS Volendam for a 7-night voyage through the famed Inside Passage. (D)

**DAY 12 – THU 18 AUG
CRUISING INSIDE PASSAGE**

Spend the day cruising one of the world's most spectacular waterways. Located along the coast of British Columbia, the Inside Passage is the longest sheltered inland waterway in the world. Watch the water for orcas and humpback whales. (B,L,D)

**DAY 13 – FRI 19 AUG
JUNEAU**

See what many consider to be the most beautiful capital in the nation-Juneau, Alaska. The terrain is hilly and winding, and narrow streets create a small town quaintness that exists side-by-side with cosmopolitan sophistication. (B,L,D)

**DAY 14 – SAT 20 AUG
SKAGWAY**

Peacefully seated at the base of a river valley bordered by the Coast Mountains, Skagway takes you back more than a century to a time when this native fishing village was teeming with prospectors. Today, wooden sidewalks, old-fashioned saloons, quaint gift shops, and horse-drawn carriages serve as reminders of the Alaska Gold Rush days. (B,L,D)

**DAY 15 – SUN 21 AUG
CRUISE GLACIER BAY**

This protected national park is home to 15 active glaciers and abundant wildlife, including seabirds, otters, and humpback whales. If you're lucky, you may witness enormous walls of ice crashing thunderously into the sea. (B,L,D)

**DAY 16 – MON 22 AUG
KETCHIKAN**

Home to the largest concentration of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian people in the state, Ketchikan on Revillagigedo Island boasts the world's largest collection of totem poles. Equally impressive is its selection of museums and cultural centres featuring native dance, carvings, and artefacts. (B,L,D)

**DAY 17 – TUE 23 AUG
CRUISING INSIDE PASSAGE**

Travel through the Inside Passage, shaped by glaciers millions of years ago. Tonight, enjoy a sumptuous dinner and onboard entertainment. (B,L,D)

**DAY 18 – WED 24 AUG
VANCOUVER AT LEISURE – INFLIGHT**

Cruise ends this morning and disembarkation between 8.30 and 10am. The rest of the day is at leisure to further explore the city. Maybe visit Grouse

Mountain and Capilano Bridge, revisit Gastown or take a ferry ride around the harbour. At 8.30pm a group airport transfer from Sandman Hotel. Tonight you depart Vancouver on Air Canada flight AC33 at 11.50pm. O/n Inflight (B)

This morning we suggest you take a short taxi ride to the Sandman Hotel, where you can leave your luggage until your airport transfer.

**DAY 19 THU 25 AUG
INFLIGHT**

Crossing International Dateline

**DAY 20 FRI 26 AUG
ARRIVE IN SYDNEY**

Arrive in Sydney at 8.15am and sadly your wonderful tour comes to an end, but your memories and new found friendships will continue.

Again, all passengers get complimentary airport to home transfers within 20km radius of their airport

Melbourne and Brisbane passengers depart Sydney around midday for their return flight home.

