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Canadian Rockies & Alaska Cruise

The ultimate 22 day holiday, featuring... Banff, Jasper, Lake Louise, Sulphur Mountain, Columbia Icefields, Vancouver, Whistler, Victoria and the fabulous Rocky Mountaineer Train



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

Departing 13 June 2020

Excellent value from **\$8690_{pp}** (twin share)
(inside cabin & SilverLeaf Rocky Mountaineer)

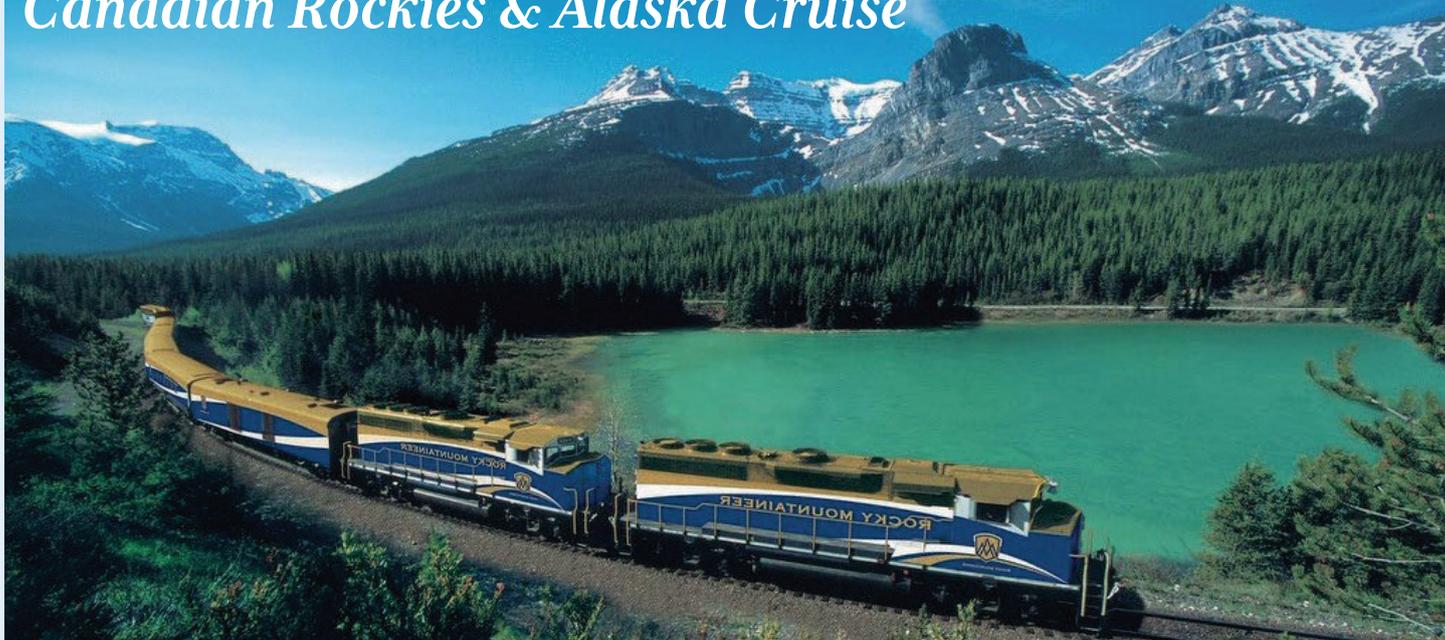
(tour price includes **\$178** airline taxes
& **\$679** port charges)

Brisbane passengers fly direct and Melbourne get free return flights to Sydney
Add-on return fares from: Hobart **\$250**, Adelaide **\$300** & Perth **\$550**

Price includes economy airfares, coach touring, hotel accommodation, 7 night luxury cruise, ferry crossings, Rocky Mountaineer train, return airport/hotel transfers, sightseeing and meals as stated in the itinerary

Travelabout... professional and accurate travel advice based on first hand personal experience!

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22-DAY DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1 Sat 13 June Sydney to Vancouver

Tour group meet at Sydney airport at 8.00am for group check-in for Air Canada direct flight AC34 to Vancouver departing at 10.25am. Arrive in Vancouver at 7.30am (same day) and transferred to the Sandman Hotel. The rest of the day is free to leisurely and independently explore Vancouver. Tonight meet your tour director and fellow travellers for a tour briefing. O/n Sandman Downtown Hotel

Day 2 Sun 14 June Vancouver – city tour & leisure

This morning, an included city tour highlights Stanley Park, Chinatown, the harbour and beaches, and more. The remainder of the day is at leisure, and your Tour Director will have suggestions for your further exploration of the city. Shoppers and browsers can take a water taxi to lively Granville Island with its outdoor markets, street musicians, and waterfront cafes. Or, visit historic Gastown with its steam-powered clock, antique shops, art galleries, and street vendors. O/n Sandman Downtown Hotel

Day 3 Mon 15 June Vancouver – Rocky Mountaineer – Kamloops

An exciting morning as you board the Rocky Mountaineer for a 2-day, all-daylight, classic rail journey. Follow the Fraser River through snowcapped mountains, eventually arriving at Kamloops. The 'Rocky Mountaineer' travels through some of Canada's most spectacular scenery. Breakfast and lunch are included. O/n Kamloops (CB,L)

Day 4 Tue 16 June Kamloops – Rocky Mountaineer – Yoho – Spiral Tunnel – Banff

Reboard the train 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. (CB,L) O/n Banff Spruce Grove Inn Banff

Day 5 Wed 17 June Banff – Sightseeing

Morning sightseeing includes an optional excursion 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 Banff

Day 6 Thu 18 June 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 7 Fri 19 June 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: 305-meters (1,000-foot) thick Columbia Icefield for a thrilling Ice Explorer ride. O/n Marmot Lodge

Day 8 Sat 20 June Jasper – Sun Peaks

Stand at the base of awesome, 3,953-metre, 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 Nancy Greene's Cahilty Lodge

Day 9 Sun 21 June Sun Peaks – Lillooet – Whistler

Head south following the once-treacherous Cariboo Wagon Trail. From Lillooet-"Mile 0 of the Gold Rush Route" – our motor coach 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 Hotel Lister

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Day 10 Mon 22 June Whistler – Ferry Crossing – Victoria

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

Day 11 Tue 23 June Victoria

A day at leisure gives you the chance to stroll around the harbour, visit the Empress Hotel, Victoria Museum, Bastion Square, and Thunderbird Park. Also enjoy 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 12 Wed 24 June Victoria – Vancouver

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

Day 13 Thu 25 June Scenic 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 14 Fri 26 June Juneau

Located at the foot of grand mountain peaks on the Gastineau Channel, Alaska's capital city of Juneau has massive Mendenhall Glacier and the Juneau Icefield at its back door. Juneau is the place to let your imagination run wild. Visit the rustic shops in town-or get out and kayak, dogsled, raft, hike, whale watch, flightsee, or fish. There's no end to the adventure because of the long daylight hours. Climb aboard the Mount Roberts Tramway for a great spot to hike and shoot a souvenir photo. (B,L,D)

Day 15 Sat 27 June Skagway

In winter, the sidewalks are all but rolled up in Skagway, so you can imagine the frightful conditions endured by gold prospectors who passed through en route to the Yukon. Take your time and poke your head into every little shop, from the Trail Bench to Lynch & Kennedy's Dry Goods. The Red Onion Saloon, with its honky tonk piano and costumed barmaids, is a treasure trove of memorabilia, featuring pictures of Klondike Kate, Peahull Annie, and other historic characters. To complete the picture of those rip-roaring days, visit the nostalgic Trail of '98 Museum. (B,L,D)



Day 16 Sun 28 June Scenic Cruising – Glacier Bay

Glacier Bay has more actively calving tidewater glaciers than anyplace else in the world. How does it feel when a colossal chunk of ice splits off a glacier and crashes into the sea? The sound is like thunder. The impact shoots water hundreds of metres into the air. You hold your breath as you capture the moment photographically. Then you wait for it all to happen again. (B,L,D)

Day 17 Mon 29 June Ketchikan

Built out over the water and up weathered stairways, Ketchikan clings to the shores of Tongass Narrows and drapes the mountains with a hospitable air. (B,L,D)

Day 18 Tue 30 June Scenic Cruising – Inside Passage

Cruise through the awe-inspiring scenery of the Inside Passage. Keep your cameras ready for spouting whales, soaring eagles, and other wildlife. Tonight, enjoy a sumptuous dinner and onboard entertainment. (B,L,D)

Day 19 Wed 1 July Vancouver

Cruise ends this morning and disembarkation between 9.00 and 10am. Take a short taxi ride to the Sandman Hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to further explore the city. Maybe spend time on Granville Island enjoying a meal, shops and popular markets and usually buskers entertaining. O/n Sandman Hotel (B)

Day 20 Thu 2 July Vancouver – at leisure – Inflight

All day at leisure and suggest you take the local bus to Grouse Mountain base and take a gondola ride atop where there are magnificent views and a 'black bear refuge'. Also visit the nearby Capilano Suspension Bridge with an interesting tree top walk and nostalgia theme with entertainment. Around 8.30pm take your private airport bus to Vancouver airport for your Air Canada flight AC33 to Sydney departing at 11.50pm. O/n Inflight (B)

Day 21 Fri 3 July Inflight

Crossing International Dateline

Day 22 Sat 4 July Arrive in Sydney

Arrive in Sydney at 7.30am and sadly your wonderful tour comes to an end, but your memories and new found friendships will continue.

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Category #8922 Coach tour, Inside cabin and SilverLeaf Rocky Mountaineer
\$8690pp (twin share) – No sole use cabin & hotel room available

Category #8925 Coach tour, Outside cabin and SilverLeaf Rocky Mountaineer
\$9350pp (twin share) – **\$11,990** Sole use cabin & hotel room

Category #8926 Coach tour, Outside cabin and GoldLeaf Rocky Mountaineer
\$9990pp (twin share) – No sole use cabin & hotel room available

PRICE STRUCTURE
Includes return economy airfares, coach tour, Rocky Mountaineer train, cruise, airline taxes, port charges and return Vancouver airport transfers

CHECKLIST

- Return economy airfares to Vancouver
- Airline taxes and port charges
- All Canadian airport, hotel and cruise transfers
- Half day Vancouver city tour
- Services of a professional tour director whilst touring
- Quality 1st class to superior hotels
- Rocky Mountaineer 2-day rail journey
- Inside Passage luxury cruise on Holland America's MS Volendam – inside stateroom
- Breakfast & lunch included on Rocky Mountaineer train journey, all meals on Holland America cruise – total of 24 meals
- Sightseeing in Banff and Victoria, Sulphur Mountain gondola ride, Columbia Icefield (Snowcoach ride) and Butchart Gardens

Earlybird Savings

- Pay in full by

7 February and save between \$133pp and \$247pp

- Also in addition to the above, if you have previously travelled with Cosmos, Globus or Avalon since 2004 and can prove your booking, you will be eligible for past passenger discount of **\$200pp**

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