



# Canadian Rockies by Train



## Highlights....

British Columbia • Vancouver • VIA Rail • Jasper • Columbia Icefields • Lake Louise • Banff • Calgary

**9 Days • 13 Meals: 7 Breakfasts • 1 Lunch • 5 Dinners**

### COLLETTE EXPERIENCES

- ★ See the glistening glaciers of the Albretha Icefields and Mt. Robson – the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies.
- ★ Stand on the amazing 1,000-foot thick Athabasca Glacier during an exciting excursion at the Columbia Icefields.
- ★ Spend two nights at the magnificent Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, properly nicknamed the "Castle in the Mountains."

#### Day 1: Vancouver, British Columbia - Tour Begins

Join Collette Vacations for a remarkable journey through Alpine vistas, stunning landscapes, charming towns and beautiful lakes. Explore the beautiful Canadian Rockies by train. Your adventure begins in Vancouver.

#### Day 2: Vancouver - VIA Rail

Enjoy a memorable breakfast at the Capilano Suspension Bridge, taking in the fascinating sight of people "walking on treetops," making their way across the swaying planks. A sightseeing tour of Vancouver begins at beautiful Stanley Park, Canada's renowned urban rainforest, and continues to Chinatown, the city's waterfront, and Gastown, a turn-of-the-century center comprised of pubs, art galleries, boutiques and the world-famous steam-powered clock, perhaps the most photographed subject in all of Vancouver. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before boarding VIA Rail's *The Canadian* to begin your journey to the majestic Canadian Rockies. Relive train travel in the days of old as you are rocked to sleep tonight in your private accommodations. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 3: VIA Rail - Jasper, Alberta

Enjoy a lovely hot breakfast in the dining car as your eastbound train whisks you past the peaks of the Monashee Mountains and the stunning sight of Pyramid Falls cascading down Mt. Cheadle. **Relax in the Dome car as you experience 360-degree views of the glistening glaciers of the Albretha Icefields and on a clear day, view Mt. Robson – the highest peak of the Rockies!** Moose, mountain goats, bear and caribou call this wonderland home. This afternoon, arrive in Jasper, nestled in the heart of the Canadian Rockies at the gateway to the incredible Icefields Parkway. Settle into Fairmont's Jasper Park Lodge for a relaxing two night stay. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 4: Jasper

**Begin your day with a trip to the dramatic Maligne Canyon, one of Jasper's most spectacular landmarks.** Later, behold the picture-perfect sparkling waters of Maligne Lake, the largest natural lake in the Canadian Rockies, where you can embark on an optional cruise highlighting the beauty of Spirit Island. Return to Jasper with leisure time to explore this lovely town. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 5: Jasper - Icefields Parkway - Lake Louise

Set off for a wonderful day of sightseeing en route to Lake Louise. Journey along the unforgettable Icefields Parkway! Waterfalls, rushing rivers, glacial peaks, imposing cliffs and snowcapped peaks paint the breathtaking canvas – so have your camera handy! Enjoy a stop at the Athabasca Falls and marvel at its sheer beauty and power. At the Columbia Icefields, enjoy a fun ride\* across a mass of glacial ice over 1,000 feet thick – the largest accumulation of ice south of the Arctic Circle. Continuing down the parkway, be on the lookout for bears, furry marmots and stately elk. Enjoy a stop at Peyto Lake – a turquoise glacier-fed lake that evokes pure serenity – before arriving in Lake Louise. **Enjoy a stay at the world-famous Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise.**

*Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 6: Lake Louise - Banff

En route to Banff, view the spectacular Moraine Lake and the awe-inspiring Valley of the Ten Peaks. The jagged Ten Peaks are distinctively saw-toothed, standing out amidst stunning Alpine scenery. Arrive in charming Banff and visit a local ammonite specialist to learn about this rare gemstone found only in Alberta. **Arrive at the grand Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, known as the "Castle in the Mountains," for a luxurious two night stay.** *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 7: Banff

Set off for a scenic drive through Banff featuring the powerful Bow Falls and impressive Hoodoos – known as the "Land of the Sleeping Giants." During an afternoon at leisure, perhaps you will take a stroll through Banff's delightful downtown. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 8: Banff - Calgary

Head to the cosmopolitan city of Calgary for the final stop on your scenic adventure. Tonight, join your new friends during a special farewell dinner at a popular local restaurant. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

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**Day 9: Calgary - Depart for Home**

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## Experience It! \_\_\_\_\_ Experience Canada - VIA Rail

Listen to the peaceful sounds of a bygone era while natural beauty dances to life before your eyes in a scenic wonderland; it's a veritable journey back in time as you travel from Vancouver to Jasper. Relax and discover the delight of overnight training aboard VIA Rail's *The Canadian*. Heralded in 1955 as "the first and only all-stainless steel 'dome' streamliner in Canada," *The Canadian* has been exceeding passenger expectations ever since. Enjoy first-class meals and awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies vistas during the day. Spend the night in the comfort of your own bed inside a private sleeping room that includes a private bath. From the moment you board VIA Rail's *The Canadian*, you'll embrace the nostalgia of a golden era; rail lines trace history while whisking travelers through scenery far removed from the highway.

### YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Westin Bay Shore, Vancouver, BC or Listel Vancouver, Vancouver, BC
Day 2	The Canadian, VIA Rail
Day 3, 4	Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge, Jasper, AB
Day 5	Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, Lake Louise, AB
Day 6, 7	Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, AB
Day 8	Westin Hotel Calgary, Calgary, AB

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

#### Please Note:

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

To complete your vacation, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

\*Some attractions may not be available during the "off-season" months (weather permitting) and is reflected in the rate.

Glacier Experience is weather permitting throughout the travel season.

Order of sightseeing is subject to change.

The number of single accommodations is limited on this tour.

An overnight bag is necessary for your train experience aboard VIA Rail.

Maximum elevation: 7,000 feet.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

### Calgary Stampede

**July 2 - 7, 2011 \$105 USD per person, double, land only**

Originating in 1912, the Calgary Stampede is the world's largest rodeo. On Day 8, you will travel to the Stampede grounds where you can visit the Midway, an authentic Native North American village, various exhibits and entertainment. This afternoon enjoy a festive show of Alberta locals at the yearly Rodeo show. After dinner you will have the opportunity to purchase\* reserved seating for a great view of the various Stampede performances including the Chuckwagon races and musical entertainment. \*Chuckwagon race excursion is a pre-sold option.

Valid for any departures between July 2 - 7, 2011. The Calgary Stampede includes the Rodeo.

### Optional Hotel Upgrade Available

**May 1 - 31, 2011 \$230 USD per person, double, land only**

**June 1 - September 30, 2011 \$190 USD per person, double, land only**

**October 1 - December 31, 2011 \$150 USD per person, double, land only**

**April 1 - 30, 2012 \$190 USD per person, double, land only**

Experience some of the most breathtaking scenery in the world. During your stay at **The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise**, you can choose to upgrade your room to a "lake view" room. Witness spectacular views at the above cost per person, double. Please inquire at time of booking.

### Victoria Day Trip

**May 1, 2011 - April 30, 2012 \$160 USD per person, double, land only**

An early morning scenic ferry transports you to Vancouver Island to visit the incomparable and lovely Butchart Gardens. Set on over 50 acres, Butchart Gardens are among the world's most beautiful and are a veritable explosion of color and fragrances. Then, take a short sightseeing tour of the "City of Gardens," Victoria, and enjoy leisure time to explore this charming, seaside city. This evening you will journey back to the mainland via a short ferry ride.

This option is operated by a local representative. A pre-night stay is required to participate in this option for U.S. and Canadian clients - this does not apply to UK clients.

## IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

### IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

**\*Airline Fuel Surcharges:** Our air inclusive vacations are priced including airline fuel surcharges valid at time of print. These fuel surcharges are assessed by the airlines and are subject to increase without notice. Government taxes and fees are additional.

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**Checked Baggage Charges:** Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies, as fees vary by airline and destination.

**Cancellation Charges for this tour:** After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If waivers have not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Purchase of Waiver and Insurance guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Waiver and insurance fee itself, made to Collette Vacations for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Waiver and Insurance does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's Traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be

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