


Secrets of the Rockies and Glacier National Park with Rocky Mountaineer Goldleaf


Your itinerary



 Start Location

 Plane

 Cruise

 Over night

 Visited Location

 End Location

 Train

 Ferry

Day 1

Hello Calgary

Don your Stetson and buckle up those cowboy boots. You've arrived in Stampede country. Get settled into the ways of the Wild West before meeting your Travel Director and fellow explorers for a Welcome Reception.


 **Hotel** - Hilton Garden Inn

 **Included Meals** - Welcome Reception

Day 2

Unmask The Legacy Of Head-Smashed-In-Buffalo-Jump

This morning, travel to the UNESCO-listed Head-Smashed-In-Buffalo Jump, where a Local Specialist explains how buffalo were driven off a cliff by buffalo runners centuries ago. Travel on to meet the majestic Rockies at the tranquil Waterton Lakes National Park. Beneath ice-capped peaks, indulge in a memorable dinner.


 **Hotel** - Waterton Lakes Lodge

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 3

Take a Vintage Voyage Along St. Mary Lake

The Big Skies of Montana beckon this morning as you cross the international border and travel along the shore of Lower St. Mary Lake and enter Glacier National Park, touted as the Crown of the Continent. Then, continue in a restored 1930s vintage touring red "jammer". You will head up into the cirques of the St. Mary Valley along the Going-to-the-Sun Road, and stop at the Continental Divide continuing over Logan Pass. Traverse one of the few remaining rainforests in Montana as you drive alongside the glacially carved valley. Finally, you will arrive at the Lake McDonald Lodge, situated on the shore of Lake McDonald.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4

Travel Through Kootenay National Park

Today, you will exit Glacier National Park through West Glacier and head north, back into Canada. Travel along the Banff-Windermere Highway, one of the most scenic drives in British Columbia. Then, enter Kootenay National Park and drive through Sinclair Canyon. Make the climb up to Vermilion Pass at the Continental Divide, reaching an elevation of 1,680 m (5,510 ft) and enter Alberta and Banff National Park. Descending into the Bow River Valley, you will arrive in Banff where you check in at your Stays With Stories, the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs, the 'Castle in the Rockies'.

 **Hotel** - Fairmont Banff Springs

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 5

Explore Picturesque Banff

Our day begins with a morning at leisure, choose to take this time to relax or join one of our optional experiences. Choose to view the alpine forest from above during an optional helicopter ride or explore from the ground with a guided hike. Later, spend the afternoon exploring the rugged beauty of Banff, from its postcard viewpoint of Surprise Corner to Bow Falls, with an optional gondola ride.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Regional Dinner

Day 6

Take In The Tranquility Of Lake Louise

An early rise today as we head for Moraine Lake. Take a walk on the Lakeshore Trail, or the Rockpile Trail for the best views of the Canadian Rockies with stunning Moraine Lake nestled in the Valley of the Ten Peaks. This afternoon we arrive at Lake Louise where you have Your Choice of activities: a stroll into the picture perfect image of Lake Louise, keeping an eye out for rock climbers, ground squirrels, marmots or even a mountain goat. Or perhaps the picture-perfect setting of Lake Louise will awaken the artist within you as you try your hand at plein air painting.

 **Hotel** - Lake Louise Inn

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 7

Traverse Across Athabasca Glacier

Blaze a trail through the heart of the Canadian Rockies—a journey through stunning wilderness, passing sparkling mountain lakes, tumbling glaciers and sweeping valleys en route to the Athabasca Glacier. Board a specially designed Ice Explorer, crunching over the white wonderland of the glacier's surface. Later, head to your home in the heart of Jasper National Park.

 **Hotel** - Chateau Jasper

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 8

The Joys Of Jasper

Embark on a leisurely walk admiring the sheer limestone cliffs of Maligne Canyon and learning about the underground river system that flows out to Medicine Lake. Surrounded by a ring of mountains, we will indulge in a delicious regional lunch with wine at the Lake Maligne Chalet with views of the lake, followed by a cruise of Maligne Lake to Spirit Island (seasonal).

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Lunch

Day 9

Explore Kananaskis

Journey through the national parks of Jasper and Banff to arrive in the small resort town of Kananaskis. Connect With Locals and enjoy a Be My Guest experience with a short walk around the village rim trail, followed by a Farewell Dinner hosted by a backcountry guide that will share wild stories about life in the Rockies.

 **Hotel** - Crosswaters Resort

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Be My Guest

Day 10

Banff - Kamloops

You are transferred back to Banff, where your train journey starts as you travel through the Rockies on your way to Vancouver, stopping overnight in Kamloops.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Lunch

Day 11

Depart Vancouver

Continue your journey by rail through British Columbia to Vancouver. Upon arrival into Vancouver, your included transfer will take you to the Vancouver Airport or your post night hotel. Airport arrival will be between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., depending on rail traffic, please be aware when booking your flights.

 **Hotel** - Pinnacle Harbourfront

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Lunch