

Your Trip

EXPERIENCE
CANADA

2016

LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

We make a big deal about the local perspectives we provide on our tours and consider the best way to do this is by having local people share their communities with you. What that looks like is that in each town or city we visit we engage local tour operators, guides, attractions and restaurants to provide guests with an authentic taste of the local area. Guests still have the ongoing assistance of a tour director throughout the tour, however each time we do an activity it is supported by a local from that area.

SMALL GROUPS

All our tours are small enough that guests are able to get to know their fellow travelers well, with a maximum of 18 guests on any of our tours (although tours of under 10 are sometimes possible). Our small group size also means that we don't overcrowd a place we visit such as a small town, attraction or event. This allows guests to appreciate places for what they are, and not just for the masses of tourists.

ADVENTURE FOR ANYONE

There is much more to visiting a place than just being there – guests need to get out and do things in the places they visit to really experience them. We include local experiences in each destination we visit in the price of our tour packages. We provide adventures that are suitable for almost anyone – great for those who want to get out and do things, but don't quite want to climb Everest or rough it in a tent or backpacker dorm.





IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU

Although we travel as a group, we really want to make sure that a YourTrip tour is all about you. We give a good mix of included activities and time for you to explore on your own. We provide suggestions of what you can do in each region before you travel and our tour director will be able to give you plenty of suggestions. We also like to get to know you before you travel to help you get the best out of the experience. Any special occasion during the tour or special requests you may have let us know and we will do our best to try and accommodate.

We visit the must see places on the general tourist routes because you can't go to Canada and not see Lake Louise. We also pride ourselves on branching away from the beaten track and explore some the smaller regions where larger operators tend to bypass. This allows you to get a different perspective of the country being visited and to get up close and personal with local operators and attractions. It also provides a more unique story to tell at home, visiting places that others may not already been.

We can also assist you with pre or post tour extensions to get the most out of your trip to Canada using a growing network of suppliers and experienced agents both in Australia and Canada. If we can't find something for you ourselves, we will endeavour to put you in touch with someone who can. It's all about making our group tours all about you.



Your
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14 Nights - 15 Days - 3 Two Night Destinations - 1 Night on VIA Rail
Seaplane Included - Commences: Cranbrook - Final Day: Victoria BC.

Overview

Departing from Cranbrook, BC we alter from the traditional touring routes to take in many different sceneries across the Western Canadian landscape. Coast to praries, mountains to prehistoric badlands we cover it all in this 14 night tour along the top and bottom of the Canadian Rockies.

Experiences included on this tour are designed to appeal those with an interest in the great outdoors, flora and fauna, authentic Canadian cities and towns, history, aboriginal life and more. 'Adventure for Anyone' included activities assist you in experiencing Canada.

Tour Highlights

- Seaplane from Whistler to Victoria
- VIA Rail overnight sleeper plus service
- 5 UNESCO world heritage sites
- Unique route across the Rockies.
- Canadian tour director
- Local guides in each destination
- Small group. Maximum 18 guests

Day 1: Into the Rockies

Departing Cranbrook we cross the continental divide at Crowsnest Pass. This route provides an insight into the mining history of the region and the power of the mountains. A stop at Frank Slide, the site of the 1903 landslide that destroyed the town and Sparwood break our

journey before arriving at the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Waterton Lakes for a cruise along the lake with a short break on the US side in Montana. (D).

Day 2: Hidden Secrets

Within the UNESCO listed Waterton Lakes NP we are guided on a beginner grade hike into the surrounding national parks and explore the unspoilt nature of this world heritage site. Mountains disappearing into the Alberta praries and the chance of wildlife sightings will amaze you during this morning walk before the afternoon is yours to enjoy this quiet town. (B)

Day 3: Cowboy Trail

Entering the prairies of Alberta we learn about the colonial and aboriginal agricultural history of this inland province. There is a stark contrast between the mountains that shadow the prairies for much of the day as we visit UNESCO

heritage sites including Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump and Bar-U Ranch. Arriving in Brooks in the late afternoon, we step back millions of years with a sunset tour of the spectacular badlands in Dinosaur Provincial Park. (B,L)

Day 4: Calgary

We arrive in Canada's cowboy capital mid morning and most of the day is free for you to explore this cosmopolitan city. When exploring the city try some famous beef jerky, explore the various museums and cultural centres or relax, shop or dine in the Canadian city with the lowest taxes. (B)

Day 5: Beautiful Banff

Calgary in the rear view mirror we gradually climb out of the prairies and into one of the most iconic national parks in Canada, Banff National Park and the small mountain community of Banff. We are exposed to the size of the park from



the high vantage point that the Banff Gondola provides before having much of the afternoon at your own leisure to explore this town with postcard perfect views from every street. (B)

Day 6: Luscious Lakes

The morning is spent exploring the town of Banff at your leisure, perhaps getting some culture or history at one of the many local museums or getting your adventure on with a hike in the surrounding mountains or a trail along the Bow river. In the afternoon we explore the beautiful yet often overlooked Lake Moraine before arriving at the jewel of the Canadian Rockies, Lake Louise where we have plenty of time to explore or simply have afternoon tea and admire the view. (B)

Day 7: Ice Age

One of the most scenic roads in Canada, the Ice Fields Parkway is our route for the day as each corner provides another picture perfect view of the stunning Canadian Rockies. Our adventure includes taking an Ice Explorer onto the Athabasca Glacier and looking from above on the Glacier Skywalk.

On our journey to Jasper we can appreciate the volume of water captured in the glacier as we watch the water pour its way over the Athabasca falls. (B,L)

Day 8: Northern Pass

Explore the quiet mountain town of Jasper and take a birds eye view of the region from the top of the Jasper Tramway during the morning. In the afternoon cross the continental divide again near Mount Robson on our way to Clearwater, our base for Wells Grey Provincial Park. (B,D).

Days 9 & 10: Wild Waterfalls

Wells Gray Provincial Park is home to beautiful waterfalls, lakes and wilderness. We take a river floating experience and an all wheel drive waterfall discovery tour during our stay with plenty of time to explore before VIA Rail takes us overnight to Vancouver. (B.L.D)

Days 11 & 12: Vancouver

Awaking to the beautiful city of Vancouver we explore Stanley Park and Granville Island markets by bike or foot. The following morning we explore





the beautiful Capilano Suspension bridge and Grouse Mountain for a top down view of the city. There is plenty of free time to explore this amazing city including Gastown or Yaletown (B)

Day 13: Sea to Sky to Whistler.

An early start on the spectacular Sea to Sky route from the Pacific Ocean in Vancouver up to the mountain resort of Whistler. The day is yours to enjoy Whistler including a Peak to Peak experience with a mountain top dinner (B,D).

Day 14: Beautiful British Columbia

A seaplane flight takes us to Victoria where we board our zodiac in search of transient and local whale populations. Our evening is completed with a farewell dinner to conclude the formal portion of the program. (B,D)

Day 15: Victoria and its Gardens

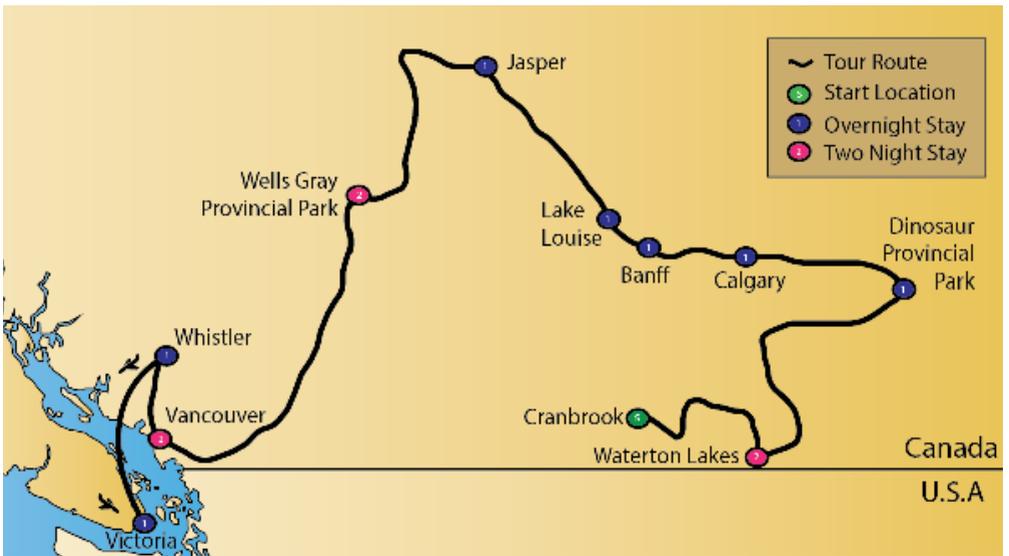
The world is now yours for further exploration but you shouldn't leave Victoria before exploring Burchart Gardens. (B)

Tour Synopsis

Our first and most exciting program, the Experience Canada program offers a great insight in the many different landscapes and history within British Columbia and Alberta. Our small group tour starts in the centre of the Canadian Rockies. We flow into the beautiful prairies of Alberta and out to the badlands, a place rarely visited by Australians before heading into the heart of the Rockies with stops at Banff, Lake Louise and Jasper. We take some time out in central British Columbia at Wells Grey Provincial Park before heading back to one of the worlds most liveable cities, Vancouver. Into the mountains again to Whistler before ending our two week expedition in the historic town of Victoria.

2016 Departures and Prices

8 June 2016 and 17 July 2016
\$7,275 Earlybird \$6,950 p.p Twin
\$8,840 Earlybird \$8,550 p.p Solo
Private Groups on Request
Bookings: www.yourtrip.com.au



WHAT IS INCLUDED ON THE EXPERIENCE CANADA TOUR ?

Experiences

Frank Slide Experience
 Bar-U Ranch Experience
 Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump
 Cruise on Waterton Lake
 Hike in Waterton Lakes National Park
 Sunset Tour of Dinosaur Provincial Park
 Banff Gondola Experience
 Jasper Tramway Experience
 Ice Explorer Experience
 Glacier Skywalk Experience
 Rafting in Wells Grey Provincial Park
 Waterfall Tour in Wells Grey PP
 Cycle or Walking Tour of Vancouver
 Stanley Park and Granville Island
 Capilano Suspension Bridge
 Grouse Mountain Gondola
 Peak to Peak Gondola at Whistler
 Whale Watching experience at Victoria
 Butchart Gardens in Victoria
 Coach, Rail and SeaPlane Transport
 Professional Tour Director

Accommodation

Waterton Glacier Suites or
 Aspen Village Inn Waterton
 Heritage Inn & Suites Brooks
 Delta Bow Valley Hotel Calgary
 Caribou Lodge & Spa Banff
 Lake Louise Inn
 Whistlers Inn Jasper
 Alpine Meadows Resort or Helmcken
 Falls Lodge
 VIA Rail on the Canadian
 Blue Horizon Hotel Vancouver
 Westin Whistler
 Fairmont Empress Victoria

Meals

14 Breakfasts
 4 Lunches
 5 Dinners

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