

24 Day Rockies & Alaska Explorer

Vancouver

Kamloops

Jasper

Lake Louise

Banff

Sun Peaks

Whistler

Inside Passage

Juneau

Ketchikan

Tracy Arm Fjord

Haines

Icy Strait Point

Inian Islands

Anchorage

Time to get excited

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Experience the rugged, unparalleled beauty of the Canadian Rockies. You'll see immense mountain peaks, majestic waterfalls, turquoise lakes and quaint mountain towns – you'll even walk on a glacier. Then cruise through pristine, wild Alaska to marvel at the undisturbed wilderness & dramatic fjords.

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DAY 1

Destination	Home ✈ Vancouver
Meals included	
Hotel	4 ★ Pacific Gateway Hotel at Vancouver Airport, or similar

Welcome to Canada! You'll be met at Vancouver Airport and taken to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to relax or see the city at your own pace.

A visit to British Columbia means you'll be close to nature, even in the city. With mountain and ocean views, Vancouver is actually quite compact and a great city to explore on foot. You can take the 3km loop around False Creek Olympic Village for great views of the city skyline.

Bike or walk through the urban oasis of Stanley Park. It's larger than New York's Central Park, with a seawall of nearly nine kilometres to protect it from winter storms. There's a lake, gardens, totem poles and more. Or head to historic Gastown, Vancouver's oldest neighbourhood, and wander the cobblestone streets, admire old Victorian buildings and see the iconic Gastown Steam Clock.

Vancouver is an exciting foodie destination, whether it's for fine dining, buzzing Granville Island market, or a bite of a famous Japadog, a small chain of street food stands selling Japanese-inspired hot dogs.

DAY 2

Destination	Vancouver 🚗 Kamloops
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Kamloops, or similar

The wild beauty of Canada's west awaits – we'll leave for Kamloops today. Our journey takes us through the fertile Fraser Valley onto the desert-like country of the Thompson-Okanagan region. Sage brush and rolling hills dominate the landscape, making a startling contrast from the lush coastal mountain region of the Vancouver and lower mainland area.

You'll stay the night in Kamloops. Known as an adventure destination, Kamloops is a haven for hiking, cross-country and downhill skiing or paddling the many lakes. There is plenty to do at night, whether it's enjoying live music or eating at buzzing restaurants, lively pubs and food trucks.


Please note: Some guests will be joining the Rocky Mountaineer today and will re-join the group in Jasper tomorrow.

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DAY 3


Destination	Kamloops  Jasper
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Jasper Inn, or similar

This scenery is everything you've hoped for – the rugged, unparalleled beauty of the Canadian Rockies. We'll head north again via Clearwater and the beautiful alpine wilderness of Wells Gray Park.

Crossing the Yellowhead Pass, we'll head east passing Mount Robson. It's the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies and makes an imposing sight as we approach it.

When we arrive, we'll do some sightseeing and stay the night in Jasper.

DAY 4

Destination	Jasper  Banff
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Banff Inn , or similar

This morning we'll depart along the Icefield Parkway, one of the world's most beautiful drives, passing some of Canada's highest mountains and most magnificent glaciers. It's hard to grasp the magnitude, the sheer majesty of the Rocky Mountains until you're actually surrounded by them. Jagged peaks, brilliant blue lakes, waterfalls, impressive glaciers – this is what you've imagined. The wildlife won't disappoint, either. Perhaps you'll pause to watch a passing moose or elk!

We'll stop at Athabasca and Sunwapta Falls before reaching Athabasca Glacier, one of the largest non-polar ice fields in the world. We'll pass Bow Lake and Peyto Lake, with its surreal colour – yes, it really is that blue! – on the way to Banff, the flagship town of the Rockies, to stay the night. This quaint mountain town is located within Banff National Park, part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site.

DAY 5

Destination	Banff
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Banff Inn , or similar

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Today it's a full day touring the stunning beauty of Banff, passing the Bow Falls, Tunnel Mountain Drive with the wind-eroded hoodoos and Surprise Corner, revealing the Banff Springs Hotel. Bow Falls is not particularly high, but the sheer volume of water roaring over it is impressive.

Like the rest of this region, Banff is a dream location for photography. We'll see the quaint high street of Banff and the luxurious Banff Springs Hotel. Nicknamed the 'Castle in the Rockies', it was built in 1888 by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Today's sightseeing also includes a photo stop at incredible Lake Louise. Imagine postcard-perfect views of calm turquoise waters against a backdrop of rocky mountain peaks. It's usually busy, for good reason. In summer, visitors come to canoe or paddle board and in winter, it transforms into a skating rink. You may spot a grizzly bear wandering the shore.

We'll continue onto Johnston Canyon via Bow Valley Parkway. This gives great views of the Bow River that meanders through the valley, alongside the parkway. We'll visit magnificent Moraine Lake, another beautifully coloured Rockies lake, with its picture perfect vistas and the rugged Valley of the Ten Peaks framing the lake.

We'll return to Banff to stay overnight.

DAY 6

Destination	Banff 🚗 Sun Peaks
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Coast Sundance Lodge, or similar

Heading west into British Columbia and Yoho National Park, we'll make a stop at the natural bridge of stone across the Kicking Horse River as well as the beautiful, peaceful Emerald Lake. The natural bridge of stone is a fascinating feat of nature, a unique rock that has been gradually carved out over time by the powerful river to resemble a bridge.

Continue through Rogers Pass and Revelstoke on the way to the quaint mountain village of Sun Peaks for overnight.

DAY 7

Destination	Sun Peaks 🚗 Vancouver
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Holiday Inn Vancouver-Centre, or similar

This morning we'll head for Vancouver. It's a scenic trip, travelling west along the shore of Kamloops Lake to reach Cache

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Creek. You may wish to visit the Hat Creek Ranch, a restored roadhouse from the 1860s gold rush, which displays the history of the gold rush era as well as the culture of the region - the cowboys and native peoples (admission not included).

We'll continue along the Fraser Canyon, where you'll view the raging turbulence of Hell's Gate. You may like to ride the Airtram (additional expense), which descends 153 metres across the Fraser River. It offers stunning views and the thrill of the steep run across the canyon.

We'll continue through Hope and the fertile agricultural lands of the Fraser Valley to reach Vancouver.

DAY 8


Destination	Vancouver  Embark on Holland America cruise
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

The morning is free time for you, until your midday transfer to Vancouver Cruise Terminal for your 14 day Great Alaskan Explorer cruise.

You might spend the morning exploring the downtown sanctuary of Stanley Park, a favourite for tourists and locals alike. Stop and smell the roses at the Stanley Park Rose Garden or visit the Vancouver Aquarium, located within the park. There are always people walking, cycling or rollerblading along the scenic seawall, enjoying the views of the city, ocean, mountains and Lions Gate Bridge.

You'll board your ship ready for the cruise experience of a lifetime to the vast, pristine wilderness of Alaska. Over the next 14 days you'll see nature's wonders like Tracy Arm and Hubbard Glacier and visit interesting Alaskan towns like Homer and Ketchikan.

DAY 9

Destination	 Inside Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

Alaska's Inside Passage is a protected network of waterways that wind through glacier-cut fjords and lush temperate rainforests along the rugged coast of Southeast Alaska. Arguably one of the greatest cruising routes in the world, the Inside Passage stretches through stunning landscapes, from Misty Fjords National Monument to famed Glacier Bay

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National Park & Preserve.

Sailing the Inside Passage today offers opportunities to spot some of Alaska's most iconic wildlife, with humpback whales and orca plying the bountiful waters alongside the ships, bald eagles soaring overhead and brown bears lumbering on the shoreline.

DAY 10

Destination	 Ketchikan
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

Today will give you a glimpse of the Native Alaskan experience with a visit to Alaska's "First City" of Ketchikan – so named because it's the first major landfall for most cruisers as they enter the picturesque fjords of the Inside Passage, where the town clings to the banks of the Tongass Narrows, flanked by green forests nurtured by abundant rain.

Ketchikan has long been an important hub of the salmon fishing and packing industries – visitors can try their luck on a sportfishing excursion or simply savor the fresh seafood at one of the local restaurants. It is also one of the best spots along the Inside Passage to explore the rich cultural sights of Native Alaskan nations like the Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian.

There are several port activities to choose from. You can see intricately carved totem poles at the Totem Heritage Center and Totem Bight State Park, while the attractions of Saxman Village just outside of Ketchikan offer the chance to see Tlingit culture in action, with working carvers and a dance show in the clan house. A salmon fishing excursion is not only a chance to land the day's catch, but you'll also have a great chance of spotting sea lions, whales, seals and other wildlife. You can also fish for the largest flatfish in the world, halibut, on a fishing expedition with an experienced Alaskan guide.

Leave time to explore the sights in the town itself, including historic Creek Street, a boardwalk built over the Ketchikan Creek, where you can shop for souvenirs, smoked salmon and local art, while exploring gold rush-era tourist attractions like Dolly's House Museum.

DAY 11

Destination	 Tracy Arm Fjord
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
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A scenic cruising day today to see the dramatic natural gem of Tracy Arm, a classic fjord. Steep cliffs and glacier-covered mountains flank this fjord, fringed by the largest intact coastal temperate rainforest in the United States. Old-growth trees colonised Tracy Arm's mouth long ago as the Ice Age retreated. But further up the sinuous 48 km waterway, its icy grip lingers a little. There, the twin Sawyer Glaciers flow from the peaks down to the sea, sloughing off stories-high chunks of water frozen decades or even centuries before.

Even more glorious than nearby Glacier Bay, Tracy Arm is part of the 5.7 million acres of pure wilderness sheltered by the Tongass National Forest, America's biggest. Visitors often see bears, whales and mountain goats roaming across various corners of this pristine area – not to mention chubby baby seals resting on the ice floes.

Summer temperatures average 0 to 16 degrees Celsius, so pack warm clothing. And don't forget waterproof gear, even when traveling by cruise ship: More than a metre and a half of rain falls here each year! We also recommend a water bottle, thermos or reusable coffee cup: On scenic cruising days, cruise ships ban paper and disposable plastic products that could litter this unsullied environment.

DAY 12

Destination	 Haines
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

Today we'll visit Haines, the adventure capital of Alaska. Haines boasts a unique rustic feel, even more so than other Alaskan cities. It's almost as if time has stopped and chain stores, and even stop lights, haven't infiltrated this town.

In the late 1890s, when Jack Dalton turned an Indian trail into a tollway (\$10 for four horses with an unloaded sled or wagon), the town emerged as a stop for prospectors headed to the Yukon for the Klondike Gold Rush. Decades later it became a logging town, before turning to tourism. These days, Haines is known as a haven for artists and nature lovers and is visited by far fewer cruise ships than other Alaskan coastal cities.

Haines is a hotspot for rafting and hiking, fishing (salmon, halibut and trout) in the Chilkat River or kayaking on Chilkoot Lake – as well as heli-skiing in the winter. During the late fall and early winter, thousands of bald eagles migrate through this area to feed on the salmon, an event celebrated by the Alaska Bald Eagle Festival in November.

The memory of prospector days lingers on with opportunities to pan for gold, while the Indian Arts gallery, with its totem pole carving studio, offers a glimpse of an even older Haines.

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Port activities include nature and wildlife delights like the Glacier Point wilderness safari, or freshwater fishing on Chilkoot Lake. Experience the adventure capital with an ATV exploration or a kayaking excursion.

DAY 13

Destination	 Icy Strait Point  Inian Islands
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

Back in the old days when a freezer was a piece of ice, fishermen in Alaska had two problems. The first one was finding the fish, although that wasn't too complicated, the ocean was chock-full of fins; but the second problem was a little harder. The government regulated how long you could keep your catch on the boat, and it wasn't very long.

Canneries were the answer. As operations spread up and down Southeast Alaska, these became true company towns. A big cannery needed a couple of hundred workers, for everything from keeping books to making the millions of cans needed to ship all that fish, as well as the actual cleaning and prepping of fish on the line, called "slime row".

Canneries were usually somewhere beautiful, someplace you could see from far off and aim your boat towards. But canneries didn't survive the advent of refrigeration. Most were taken back by the forest or simply left to rot. With one exception: Icy Strait Point, beautifully restored. Just opposite Glacier Bay, Icy Strait Point stretches for a few hundred metres along the beach; the old wooden buildings, bright red in the endless green of the Tongass, now offer a museum and a cannery demo. But more interesting is simply the madness of scale. Icy Strait Point gives a chance to look into history to see where Alaska's money came from, all in a ghost town of millions of fish.

There are other exciting things you might opt to see and do here, like a whale watching cruise, a cooking class or a halibut fishing excursion. Explore Chichagof Island's stunning mountain trails on a small-group ATV expedition, or experience the world's longest zip-line.


We'll cruise on to enjoy Alaska at its most pristine and wild as we pass the Inian Islands. Located at the northernmost point where the Gulf of Alaska enters the Inside Passage of Southeast Alaska, the Inian Islands are prime feeding waters for a wide array of creatures, including sea lions, humpback whales and sea otters. This is the undisturbed wilderness you'd hoped to experience on your Alaskan adventure.

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DAY 14

Destination	At Sea 
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

It's a day at sea today, and a chance to relax and explore the best of what your cruise ship has to offer. Every day onboard offers delicious dining options, culinary experiences, world-class entertainment and cultural performances.

DAY 15

Destination	 Anchorage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar


We'll visit Anchorage today, where approximately 40 percent of Alaska's population live. This diverse city of 300,000 includes a large military population, Native Alaskans, individuals who work for the oil industry and adventure-seeking types who want to get away from "the Lower 48".

Much like Seattle, Anchorage is a place where you can find a coffee shop (or espresso shack) anywhere. Locals enjoy skjoring, a winter sport where a person is pulled on skis by one or more dogs or sometimes a horse. While some cities have deer, Anchorage has lots of moose, known for being a bit rambunctious (and should be steered clear of if seen wandering down a street).

Anchorage is a city where you can see the northern lights – aurora borealis – on a clear dark night, typically during colder months. There are also plenty of attractions to hike, bike and enjoy wildlife at, such as the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail or Flattop Mountain Trail inside Chugach State Park.

Optional port activities include a visit to the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, a glacier cruise or a tour within Anchorage to experience Alaska Native culture.

DAY 16

Destination	 Homer
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

A day in Homer today, the area known as the halibut fishing capital of the world. These rich fishing grounds here

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attracted Native Alaskans centuries before British settlement. The town captivates audiences around the globe as the home of the Discovery Channel's Kilcher family, made famous by Alaska: The Last Frontier. Homer's port also anchors the F/V Time Bandit, which swashbuckled into TV viewers' hearts via Deadliest Catch.

This plucky little town sells End of the Road certificates to visitors who've motored here to the furthest reach of the Kenai Peninsula. It's something worth celebrating: a drive down the world's longest street that protrudes into the ocean! But walkers, bikers and in-line skaters can also experience the thrill, thanks to a 6.5km-long paved multi-use trail.

Top Homer attractions include the Pratt Museum, the Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center and hikes at Grewingk Glacier Lake. Of course, optional port activities include a fishing expedition to snare some famed halibut. There is also guided sea kayaking, hiking and a chance to learn about farming in Alaska.

DAY 17

Destination	 Valdez
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

A paradise for fishing enthusiasts, Valdez offers every kind of salmon, huge halibut and ample opportunity to reel them in. Rivers and streams spill into the Sound here and are ideal for kayaking.

You'll have the chance to take an optional coach tour through the stunning alpine setting of Thompson Pass and Worthington Glacier, or a historical cruise to discover the rich history of Port Valdez. For the adventurous types, there is whitewater rafting and kayaking.

DAY 18

Destination	 Hubbard Glacier
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

A cruising day today and one to savour – sailing towards Hubbard Glacier is an incredible feeling. The glacier is up to 65 metres wide at its face and 50 metres tall, but that's only the tiniest piece of the ice: The main channel of this frozen river begins 122 kilometres back, pouring down from around the 3400-metre mark off the shoulder of Mt. Walsh. The deep blue of the face of the glacier on a sunny day is simply dazzling.

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The glacier is on the move. Hubbard is the longest tidewater glacier (meaning it ends at the ocean) in North America. But unlike nearly every other tidewater glacier on the continent, Hubbard is advancing, not retreating; it's forever pushing a little further into the bay. Chunks of ice that break off become floaties for seals.

You might like to take the option of boarding an expedition vessel for Hubbard Glacier, cruising near the rocky shoreline and weaving through a maze of icebergs.

DAY 19

Destination	 Juneau
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

We'll visit Juneau today, which may well be the most remote, most beautiful and strangest state capital in the United States. Surrounded by water, forest and mountain sights, visitors seeking things to do in Juneau can hike a glacier, eat fresh-caught fish on a seaside patio and tour a grand capitol building all in one day.

The city itself is pleasant, but the real highlight of a visit to Juneau is tracking down some wildlife. You can hike up Mount Roberts to chance upon wild deer and bald eagles. Most sightseeing and whale-watching tours head north to Auke Bay – bring a good pair of binoculars to get the best view of these majestic and surprisingly graceful creatures. Optional tours include visiting the Mendenhall Glacier, or taking to the air to see glaciers from an authentic Alaskan seaplane. Or you might enjoy a traditional Alaskan salmon bake in Southeast Alaska's rainforest before toasting marshmallows over a campfire.

The sleepy, misty city of around 32,000 – mostly fishermen and small-business owners – has a frontier town vibe, but welcomes more than a million visitors each summer to its natural attractions, cementing Juneau as Alaska's number one tourist destination.

DAY 20

Destination	 Misty Fjords
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar


Sculpted by glaciers over millions of years, Misty Fjords' u-shaped 'canals' wind through steep canyons of granite, shrouded in western hemlock, Sitka spruce and western red cedar. Misty Fjords is a part of Tongass National Forest and home to grizzlies, salmon, whales, mountain goats and deer.

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DAY 21

Destination	 Inside Passage
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

We'll cruise back along the glacier-lined, wildlife delight of the Inside Passage again. Enjoy the last of the calm waters and spectacular scenery before you return to Vancouver.

DAY 22

Destination	 Disembark cruise - Vancouver ✈ Home
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	N/A

Upon arrival at the Vancouver Cruise Terminal, you'll be met by your guide. A morning sightseeing tour of Vancouver begins leaving Canada Place and the waterfront with a drive around Stanley Park, stopping at the totem poles. We'll see Chinatown, North America's second largest, and historic Gastown with its 19th century buildings, cobblestone streets and hidden passageways.

We'll then make a stop at Granville Island with its famous public market, art and craft shops and many cafes and restaurants. Your tour will end at Vancouver Airport for your return flight home.

We hope you've enjoyed this extraordinary journey.

DAY 23

Destination	In-Transit
Meals included	
Hotel	N/A

Cross the international date-line.

DAY 24

Destination	Home
Meals included	
Hotel	N/A

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Arrive home today. We hope you've been *inspired*.

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Inclusions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Small group Canada tour - maximum 26 guests
- Return international airfares with Air New Zealand
- Return airport transfers and airport meet & greet
- 7 nights 3 to 4-star accommodation including central stays in the iconic towns of Banff and Jasper
- 14 night in-depth Alaska cruise on board Holland America's intimate 1,258 guest MS Maasdam in an Inside Cabin (upgrades available). Cruise Alaska's less seen Inian Islands, Homer, Valdez and spectacular glacial fjords.
- Dedicated private transportation on a spacious full sized coach. 2 seats for every 1 guest
- Daily breakfast, 14 lunches, 14 dinners
- Escorted English speaking guide throughout the Rockies
- Incredible sightseeing as per the itinerary including Canada's quintessential national parks
- BONUS Specialty dining package on board your cruise including lunch at Pinnacle Grill, Dinner at Canaletto, sparkling wine and more
- All Taxes, Fees & Port Expenses during your cruise
- All national park entry fees and taxes
- 24/7 customer service and your own Dedicated Support Agent

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SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Jasper - Look for native wildlife including bears, moose, wolves and mountain goats in Jasper National Park
- Icefields Parkway - Travel past glaciers, waterfalls and towering peaks on one of the most scenic highways in the world
- Lake Louise - Stop by the glittering shores of Lake Louise
- Banff - Explore Banff's stunning natural beauty on a full day tour
- Moraine Lake - Witness the picture perfect vistas of Moraine Lake
- Sun Peaks - Spend the evening in this quaint mountain village
- Fraser Canyon - Descend through this narrow canyon and pass the raging waters of 'Hell's Gate'
- Inside Passage - Spot whales, dolphins, bears and eagles as you sail the Inside Passage
- Ketchikan - Discover the 'Salmon Capital of the World'
- Tracy Arm Fjord - Marvel at the twin Sawyer Glaciers as they flow from the peaks down to the sea
- Haines - Spend the day in the Adventure Capital of Alaska and discover its rich history
- Icy Strait Point - Explore the meticulously restored canneries of Icy Strait Point
- Inian Islands - Look for sea lions, otters and humpback whales in Alaska's most pristine environment
- Anchorage - Discover life in Alaska's largest city
- Homer - Be captivated by this little town and the End of the Road
- Valdez - Take your pick of shore excursions to explore this remote village
- Hubbard Glacier - Stand in awe as North America's largest tidewater glacier calves giant pieces of ice into the sea
- Juneau - Explore Alaska's remote capital city and surrounding wilderness
- Misty Fjords - Immerse yourself in the u-shaped fjords, home to grizzlies, salmon, whales, mountain goats and deer
- Vancouver - Visit Stanley Park, historic Gastown and the famous Granville Island Public Market on a guided city tour

HOLLAND AMERICA LINE CRUISE DETAILS

Maasdam's size gives her access to many new and off-the-beaten-path ports of call, allowing you to delve deeper into the places and cultures you visit. Each voyage features fascinating lectures, interactive workshops, cultural performances and memorable shore excursions to explore your destination through the lens of photography, culture, nature and port-to-table culinary experiences. Experienced onboard naturalists and discussions with local tribal members deepen your understanding of the place you visit.

Stateroom Details

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Each stateroom aboard MS Maasdam includes the following services and amenities:

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- Daily Housekeeping
- Nightly turndown service
- Generous Storage
- Safes for your valuables
- Deluxe bathrobes
- Elemis Aromapure bath amenities
- Complimentary fresh fruit
- Complimentary shoeshine service
- Complimentary ice service

Gratuities

Holland America will automatically charge US\$14.50 per person, per day to passengers in interior, ocean-view and balcony cabins and US\$16 to suite passengers. Gratuities apply to both adults and children. You may adjust or remove these automatic gratuities by visiting the front desk.

Stateroom Bedding

INSIDE - **Included**

Two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed—Holland America's signature Mariner's Dream™ bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, premium massage shower heads and a host of amenities are featured in these comfortable staterooms. (Approximately 13-20 square metres)

OCEAN VIEW - **Additional \$349 per person**

These expansive staterooms include two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed—Holland America's Signature Mariner's Dream™ bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, premium massage shower heads, a host of amenities and an ocean view. (Approximately 16-23 square metres)

LANAI - **Additional \$1,849 per person**

Sliding glass doors (mirrored for privacy) open onto the public Promenade deck from this comfortable stateroom, which includes two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed—Holland America's Signature Mariner's Dream™ bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, premium massage shower heads and other amenities. (Approximately 16-23 square metres)

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VISTA SUITE WITH PRIVATE BALCONY - **From an additional \$3,999 per person** with a teak-lined verandah, floor-to-ceiling windows and comfortable sitting area, these comfortable suites are filled with light. They include two lower beds convertible to one queen-size bed—our signature Mariner's Dream™ bed with plush Euro-Top mattresses, plus a whirlpool bath and shower, mini-bar and refrigerator. (Approximately 26 square metres including verandah)

For more information on your Holland America cruise, click [HERE](#).

Shore Excursions

For a list of available shore excursions, click [HERE](#). Please note that shore excursions listed are subject to change. Shore excursions are bookable on board or through your Holland America cruise personaliser, which you will receive approximately 120 days prior to departure.

ROCKY MOUNTAINEER UPGRADE

For the ultimate Canadian experience, you may wish to upgrade to the Rocky Mountaineer between Vancouver and Jasper. For more information, click [HERE](#).

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payment

- For a limited time, secure your package with only a \$1 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of \$3,499 per person within 28 days.
- You will then be invoiced for final payment 120 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

- Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
- Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
- Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
- Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
- Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment
- Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
- Your booking is confirmed once your Booking Form is submitted and you can begin the countdown to your Inspiring Vacation!
- You will then be allocated and contacted by one of our Dedicated Support Agent's (within 48 hours) who will support you right up until you return from your journey

FLIGHTS, UPGRADES & EXTENSIONS

Airfare Information

- Full-service airline used is Air New Zealand (or similar if unavailable)
- Flights will require a minimum of 1 transit (maximum 2)
- All tickets will include 20 kilos checked baggage per person, along with 7 kilos of hand luggage.
- Despite the airlines baggage allowance, we recommend travelling with 20 kilos per person due to restrictions with internal flights (where applicable), as well as coach and train transportation. Also, you will be responsible for handling your luggage at all times as the services of porters is not included. If travelling over this amount, you will be liable for any excess baggage fees enforced by the airline, payable direct.
- Once ticketed, flights are non-refundable; any changes will be subject to the airline rules and change fees
- Full names as per passport (including all middle names) are required
- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control

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Premium Economy or Business Class upgrades

- Premium Economy upgrade available from an additional \$3,500 per person (subject to availability).
- Business Class upgrade available from an additional \$5,500 per person (subject to availability).

Please specify this as a 'Special Request' when completing your booking and you will be quoted for the additional fare. In the event your selection is unavailable, or that you are dissatisfied with the quote, you will be provided with a full refund.

Land Only discount

A reduction of \$1,200 per person applies if you wish to arrange your own airfares. To purchase a land-only fare, please select this option in the booking process under 'Departure City'.

Please note, if you are not arriving or departing as per the group itinerary, airport transfers are also no longer included. If you would like us to arrange this service for you, please refer to the 'Extra services' section for pricing.

How to extend your stay

Some customers like to enhance their holiday by extending their stay pre- and/or post-tour. If you wish to do so, please follow these steps:

1. Follow the 'Book Now' prompts after signing up, until you reach the 'Special Requests' field
2. Here, please specify your preferred flight arrangements and if you require additional accommodation, with the number of nights needed.
3. After finalising your purchase and submitting your booking form, a member of our team will be in contact with you via email to verify your request.

Please note, a supplement of \$150 per person (plus any applicable fare and tax differences) applies to deviate from the standard itinerary. We will contact you via email with a quote and proposed flight itinerary, and then proceed with collecting the additional payment required to confirm your request.

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EXTRA SERVICES

You can enhance your holiday by arriving or departing before or after the tour, adding a stopover package en-route or booking a tour extension. On this tour you can choose from the following options:

Pre and post tour accommodation (deviating from group flights forfeits your group airport transfers)

- Pre-tour accommodation: \$178 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast and transfer
- Post-tour accommodation: \$329 per room per night for double/twin/single including breakfast

Arrival and departure airport transfers

- Arrival Transfer: \$54 per vehicle
- Departure Transfer: \$165 per vehicle

Please specify in the 'Special Request' field when making your purchase your preferred travel arrangements and if you would like our team to book additional nights' accommodation and/or airport transfers. The additional cost for these land arrangements will be added to your final payment invoice and are subject to availability.

Please note, the transfers are not private and you may be grouped with other Inspiring Vacations customers.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visas
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Tipping
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Fitness Requirements

While the tour itinerary should give you some guidance and overview to the expected

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requirements, to determine if this tour is right for you we categorise each of our tours in terms of their intensity. These guidelines are to ensure that each tour group is conducted as expected and to ensure the overall satisfaction of all Inspiring Vacations customers. As a general rule, portage is not included, therefore at all times you are expected to handle your own luggage where help may not be available. This particular tour is categorised as a "3":

3 – Moderate Tour: A good level of fitness and mobility is required, as this tour includes a moderate level of physical activity and is considered a medium-fast paced tour. You should be able to walk up and down stairs, get on and off the coach and able to walk reasonable distances of approximately 2 kilometres per day or more with ease. Any physical ailments you may have must be disclosed at the time of booking to determine your suitability. If you have any form of walking aids, other than a walking stick or hiking poles, then this tour is not suitable.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Tipping is not compulsory on your trip, but they can make a big difference to locals employed in the tourism industry. If you feel that your guide and driver have done an impeccable job, you can choose to give a gratuity, but this is entirely your decision. For the services of your guide, it is suggested that you budget for CAD\$5 per person, per day. Tipping of your driver is also appreciated and we would suggest CAD\$4 per person, per day. Holland America will automatically charge US\$14.50 per person, per day to passengers in interior, ocean-view and balcony cabins and US\$16 to suite passengers. Gratuities apply to both adults and children. You may adjust or remove these automatic gratuities by visiting the front desk.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

Single supplement is \$4,299 per person in addition to the twin-share price.

Triple share

Not available.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is required to protect yourself against the unexpected.

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Visa & Passport Information

It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return to New Zealand.

CANADA - An E-Visa waiver is required.

To begin your visa application please click [HERE](#).

Information required:

- Visa type (tourist)
- Entry type (single)
- Arrival date and departure date (no specific flight details are required)
- Passport information
- Pay CAD \$7pp by credit card

Wait for it to be approved and you will be notified via email within approximately 48 hours.

USA - An E-Visa waiver is required.

To begin your visa application please click [HERE](#).

Information required:

- Visa type (tourist)
- Entry type (single)
- Arrival date and departure date (no specific flight details are required)
- Passport information
- Pay USD \$14pp by credit card

Wait for it to be approved and you will be notified via email within approximately 48 hours.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation including e-tickets and hotel details will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Group Size

16-26 people

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Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are the same price as adults.

Tour Length

The total length of the tour in days includes time spent in flight and is subject to change, depending on the flight schedule. Please refer to the day-by-day itinerary for the time spent in your destination(s).

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