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### DAY 1

Destination	Home ✈ Toronto
Meals included	
Hotel	Courtyard by Marriott Toronto Downtown, or similar

Welcome to Canada! You'll be met at Toronto Airport and taken to your hotel. After checking in with your Tour Director, the remainder of the day is free to explore the streets of this dynamic city. Discover the delights of Toronto's colourful neighbourhoods, take a ride to the top of the CN Tower, experience the lively theatre district and indulge in one of the numerous restaurants.

### DAY 2

Destination	Toronto 🚌 Niagara Falls 🚌 Toronto
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	Courtyard by Marriott Toronto Downtown, or similar

This morning we meet our fellow travellers at breakfast before setting out to discover the many identities of Canada's most cosmopolitan city. After seeing the provincial parliament buildings, the waterfront, the imposing CN Tower and lively Chinatown, we leave the city and head for the Niagara Peninsula. We pass through outlying communities and towns along the shores of Lake Ontario en route to Niagara Falls. Time is allocated to admire the falls and take part in some of Niagara Falls numerous activities.

### OPTIONAL TOUR - VOYAGE TO THE FALLS

Hop aboard to make your way to an experience no one ever forgets. Get up close and personal with the American Falls, Canadian Horseshoe Falls, and breathtaking Great Gorge – and the thundering roar, awesome power and amazing mist that come along with these natural wonders.

### DAY 3

Destination	Toronto 🚌 Ottawa
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Capital Hill Hotel & Suites, or similar

We leave the Toronto skyline behind and drive east towards Ottawa. Our route then winds through rolling farmland, following the rivers and lakes of the Rideau Waterway. Upon arrival in Ottawa, we enjoy a sightseeing tour of the national capital. Defined by the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Rideau Canal and the government buildings on

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Parliament Hill, the city offers many great sights including the public gardens, the Byward Market and City Hall.

### DAY 4

Destination	Ottawa 🚌 Quebec City
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Hôtel Ambassadeur Québec, or similar

This morning we travel along the scenic Ottawa River to the French-speaking province of Quebec. We skirt the magnificent Laurentian Mountains and follow the Chemin du Roy Highway past rustic Quebecois villages and historic shrines. Today's journey ends in Quebec's cultural heartland, Quebec City. We tour within the walls of the old city and view the ornate city gates, Lower Town, the Citadel and Battlefields Park.

### DAY 5

Destination	Quebec City
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Hôtel Ambassadeur Québec, or similar

The day is at your leisure to further explore the sights of this charming World Heritage Site.

### OPTIONAL TOUR - TADOUSSAC WHALE WATCHING TOUR

You may wish to enjoy a full day excursion to Tadoussac, including 3-hours of whale watching on the St Lawrence River at the mouth of the Saguenay River. Upon return, we will visit the spectacular Montmorency Falls that are 30 metres higher than Niagara Falls, with a flow of roughly 35,000 litres of water per second.

### DAY 6

Destination	Quebec City 🚌 Montreal
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Hôtel Faubourg Montréal, or similar

Departing from Quebec City we drive along the St. Lawrence River in the footsteps of the early settlers. Upon arrival in Montreal, we tour the second-largest French-speaking city in the world. The dynamic city of Montreal encapsulates the two founding cultures of Canada and boasts a curious blend of history and modernity. Touring the downtown area we view the Olympic Complex, charming Old Montreal, McGill University, the residential streets of Mount Royal and the bustling shopping streets.

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### DAY 7

Destination	Montreal  Toronto
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Toronto Airport Hotel, or similar

Today's route takes us back to Toronto, where you will have time to explore colourful neighbourhoods and to sample some of the city's great restaurants and wonderful entertainment. In Rockport you have the option of enjoying an entertaining and relaxing cruise through the beautiful 1000 Islands.

### OPTIONAL TOUR - THOUSAND ISLANDS CRUISE

This wonderfully lush landscape is dotted with luxurious cottages and vast estates located in the "Heart" of the 1000 Islands and surrounded by the beautiful St. Lawrence River. Referred to by the Iroquois Nation as the "Garden of the Great Spirit", the tranquility of the area belies a history of adventures, wars and rebellions. The famous Boldt Castle, Zavikon Island and Millionaire's Row are only a taste of the adventure aboard this International cruise in the heart of the 1000 Islands.

### DAY 8

Destination	Toronto
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	3 ★ Toronto Airport Hotel, or similar

Enjoy another day at leisure in Toronto in preparation for your Western Canada journey. Please note this day is unescorted.

### DAY 9

Destination	Toronto  Vancouver
Meals included	Breakfast
Hotel	4 ★ Pacific Gateway Hotel at Vancouver Airport, or similar

The time has come for some last minute shopping and to say goodbye to Eastern Canada. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Vancouver. On arrival in Vancouver, you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

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### DAY 10

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

Enjoy a free day in Vancouver before being met by your Western Canada guide and fellow travellers later this afternoon.

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 11

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 12

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 13

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 14

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 15

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 16

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 17

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 18

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 19

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 20

Destination	 Tracy Arm Fjord
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel	Holland America - MS Maasdam , or similar

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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 21

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 22

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 23

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 24

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 25

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 26

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 27

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 28


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 29

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 30

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 31

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 32

Destination	In-Transit
Meals included	
Hotel	N/A

Cross the international date-line.

### DAY 33

Destination	Home
Meals included	
Hotel	N/A

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### Inclusions

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Small group Western Canada tour - maximum 26 guests
- Return international airfares with Air New Zealand
- Internal flight from Toronto to Vancouver with Air Canada
- Return airport transfers and airport meet & greet
- 16 nights 3 to 4-star accommodation including central stays in Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec City and Montreal, and the iconic town of Banff
- 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 Kodiak Island, Homer, Valdez and spectacular glacial fjords.
- Daily breakfast, 14 lunches, 14 dinners
- Escorted English speaking guide throughout Eastern Canada and 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

- Toronto - Discover Canada's largest city on a sightseeing tour
- Niagara Falls - Witness over 3000 tonnes of water per second plummet over North America's most famous waterfall
- Ottawa - Enjoy a day in Canada's capital, including Byward Market, UNESCO listed Rideau Canal, and Parliament Hill
- Quebec City - Immerse yourself in Quebecois life during a tour within the old city walls
- Montreal - Stroll along the idyllic cobblestone streets of Old Montreal
- 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

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### 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

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

- Complimentary 24-hour In-Room Dining
- 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—

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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)

### VISTA SUITE WITH PRIVATE BALCONY - **From an additional \$4,299**

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

- Book now and secure your package with only a \$100 deposit per person.
- Pay a 2nd instalment of \$4,999 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 (including Air Canada 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

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- Any airline schedule changes or cancellations are beyond our control

### **Premium Economy or Business Class upgrades**

- Premium Economy upgrade available from an additional \$3,000 per person (subject to availability).
- Business Class upgrade available from an additional \$5,000 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: \$286 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: \$86 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.





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### OPTIONAL TOURS

To enhance your journey, we're offering the following optional activities:

- Voyage to the Falls (Day 2) - \$45pp
- Tadoussac Whale Watching tour (Day 5) - \$160pp
- Thousand Islands Cruise (Day 7) - \$40pp

Optional tours can be selected once you have finalised your tour purchase and paid your deposit. When completing your Passenger Booking Form, you will be asked if you would like to add Optional Tours, where any applicable cost will be added to your final balance. If you choose not to select them at this time, you can choose to add them later by logging in to your Account online or speaking with your Dedicated Support Agent for assistance.

Please note that you must select your Optional Tours no later than 65 days before departure, after which you will be required to purchase them on tour. Please keep in mind that anything purchased on-tour is subject to availability and prices may vary as you will be paying in local currency. We appreciate your understanding.

### EXCLUSIONS

- Visas
- Travel insurance (compulsory)
- Tipping
- Anything not mentioned in the itinerary
- Optional activities
- Personal expenses
- Shore excursions
- Gratuities on board your cruise

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### **Fitness Requirements**

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

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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 \$5,299 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.

### **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](#).





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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 Western Canada  
4-50 people Eastern Canada

### **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**

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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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