

Grand Rail Circle - 2017

13 days / 12 nights



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Tour Code(s):

Circle: JBLC

Itinerary

•The circle route will leave from Vancouver and arrive in Vancouver on day 13

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Day 1 Vancouver

1 Arrive in Vancouver and spend time exploring this scenic city on your own. Overnight in Vancouver.

Vancouver To Kamloops

Travel onboard Rocky Mountaineer from the coastal city of Vancouver to Kamloops. You will see dramatic changes in scenery, from the lush green fields of the Fraser Valley, through forests and winding river canyons surrounded by the peaks of the Coast and Cascade Mountains, to the desert-like environment of the BC Interior. Highlights include the rushing waters of Hell's Gate in the Fraser Canyon and the steep slopes and rock sheds along the Thompson River. Overnight in Kamloops.

BreakfastLunch

Kamloops To Banff

Your journey continues east to the mighty Canadian Rockies and the province of Alberta. Travel across ranchlands, along rocky lakeshores, over high mountain passes and through the remarkable tunnels that form part of the rich rail history of the Canadian Rockies. Today's highlights include Craigellachie, where the last spike of the Canadian Pacific Railway was driven, the climb over Rogers Pass, Kicking Horse Canyon, the Spiral Tunnels, and the glaciers and snow-capped peaks of the Canadian Rockies. Your rail journey ends this evening in the resort town of Banff. Overnight in Banff.

BreakfastLunch

Day 4 Banff

4 This morning explore Banff on your own. After lunch, enjoy a half-day sightseeing tour of Banff and Banff National Park including Bow Falls, the Banff Gondola (admission included), Lake Minnewanka, Surprise Corner

An epic trip made of two unique rail routes fuses the sigh-triggering sights of the Rockies with a night in Whistler, Canada's premier resort town.

Vacation Highlights

- 5 day Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf or SilverLeaf Service
- 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 1 afternoon snack
- 12 nights hotel
- Vancouver Lookout
- Banff Tour, including Banff Gondola
- Yoho Park Tour, Banff to Lake Louise
- Icefields Parkway Tour, including Ice Explorer, Lake Louise to Jasper
- Jasper Highlights Tour
- Rail station transfers in Vancouver, Kamloops, Banff, Jasper, Quesnel and Whistler
- Luggage handling and National Park Pass

and the Hoodoos. Overnight in Banff.

Banff

Day 5 Explore Banff National Park on your own. Optional activities include the mineral pools at Upper Hot Springs, a nature walk on nearby mountain trails, historic museums, Lake Minnewanka or golf at The Fairmont Banff Springs. Overnight in Banff.

Banff To Lake Louise

Day 6 A half-day tour takes you into Yoho National Park to view some of its natural wonders, including the Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake, and a natural rock bridge that spans the Kicking Horse River. The tour ends in Lake Louise where the remainder of the afternoon is at your leisure. Overnight in Lake Louise.

Lake Louise

Day 7 Enjoy a free day in Lake Louise. Local activities include canoeing, hiking in the mountains, or simply relaxing and taking in the magnificent views. Overnight in Lake Louise.

Lake Louise To Jasper

Day 8 Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Banff and Jasper National Parks via the Icefields Parkway. Highlights include Bow Lake, the Columbia Icefield, and Athabasca Falls. At the Columbia Icefield, ride on an Ice Explorer to the middle of the Athabasca Glacier. Arrive in Jasper late this afternoon. Overnight in Jasper.

Jasper

Day 9 Jasper National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the Canadian Rockies' largest national park. Enjoy a scenic half-day tour of some of the park's natural attractions and rugged peaks. The remainder of the day is free to explore Jasper on your own. Overnight in Jasper.

Jasper To Quesnel

Day 10 Travel onboard Rocky Mountaineer to Quesnel. Highlights include the Rocky Mountain Trench, Mount Robson, the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies, Yellowhead Pass, Moose Lake and the Fraser River. Overnight in Quesnel.

BreakfastLunch

Quesnel To Whistler

Day 11 Your journey continues south to Whistler. Highlights include sweeping views of the Fraser Canyon, the crossing of Deep Creek Bridge, one of the highest railway bridges in the world, and the shorelines of glacial-fed Seton Lake and Anderson Lake. Overnight in Whistler.

BreakfastLunch

Whistler To Vancouver

Day 12 This afternoon return to Vancouver on Rocky Mountaineer. Highlights include the Cheakamus Canyon, Mount Garibaldi, Howe Sound and the Coast Mountains. On arrival, you will be transferred to your accommodation in downtown Vancouver.

Day 13 Vancouver

13 Your vacation ends upon checkout from your Vancouver hotel.

Commences Vancouver sundays in 2017. Ends fridays

April:	30	Fares per person share twin in New Zealand dollars
May:	7, 14, 21, 28	Gold Leaf \$9,200 - \$10,980
June:	4, 11, 18, 25	Silver Leaf \$6,600 - \$7,740

July: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

August: 6, 13, 20, 27

September: 3, 10, 17, 24

October: 1

Fares are seasonal and subject to exchange rate changes

excluding dinners and breakfasts.

Meal plan including all breakfasts and dinners

Gold Leaf additional \$1,920 Silver Leaf \$1,420

WHY NOT ADD A FABULOUS HOLLAND AMERICA CRUISE FROM VANCOUVER?

7 night inside passage cruise commences Saturdays. Alaska cruise tour starts Sundays.