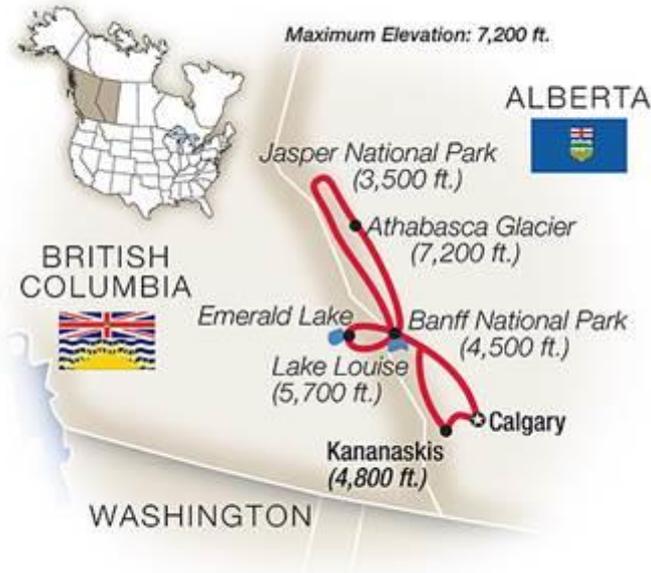


## BEST OF THE CANADIAN ROCKIES



Your Alberta vacation experience in the Canadian Rockies departs [at 3:00 PM](#) from Calgary International Airport. For guests who are spending the previous night in Calgary, an airport transfer from Calgary International Airport to The Westin Calgary is included; pick-up time today will be [1:00 PM](#) at The Westin Calgary. Your trip begins with a journey from Calgary that takes you across the last few miles of Canadian prairie to Kananaskis country, the foothills of Canada's Rocky Mountains. Your Signature Club room at the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis offers you exclusive concierge services and access to the Signature Club Lounge. Please join us this evening for a welcome reception and dinner. Lodging Delta Lodge at Kananaskis

Weather permitting, start the day with a morning helicopter excursion\* that showcases the stunning Three Sisters Peaks. Then head high up into the Canadian Rockies and cross the Continental Divide through Kicking Horse Pass on a day of Alberta travel on which you'll see some of the most beautiful lakes in North America, including Lake Louise, where you'll have lunch. Later, enter Yoho National Park, where Emerald Lake sparkles with the surrounding peaks reflected in the green waters; see the Spiral Tunnels, a century-old engineering feat created for the Canadian Pacific Railway, and Natural Bridge, a rock formation over the Kicking Horse River. Arrive at your historic château-style resort hotel on the edge of Lake Louise overlooking Victoria Glacier in Banff National Park, where you'll enjoy lake-view accommodations during your two-night stay; have dinner at the hotel [tonight](#). Lodging The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise

Come along with our naturalist guide today for an excursion (weather permitting) to lovely Moraine Lake, one of the most photographed spots in all of Canada, located in the Valley of the Ten Peaks. This glacially fed lake reflects the awe-inspiring beauty that prompted explorer Walter Wilcox, who named it Moraine Lake after the moraine, or rock pile, deposited by the Wenkchemna Glacier, to write “no scene had ever given me an equal impression of inspiring solitude and rugged grandeur,” adding that his time spent contemplating the view was the happiest half-hour of his life. In the event of adverse weather conditions, join our naturalist guide for a tour of Lake Louise. Return to The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise to spend the rest of the day as you wish. Lodging The Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise



After breakfast, set off along the Icefields Parkway, an Alberta vacation highlight whose 143-mile length past more than 600 glaciers, six icefields and a cornucopia of mountains features jaw-dropping views of spectacular rocky peaks, waterfalls and snowfields around every turn. Enjoy a barbecue lunch, and watch for bears, moose, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goats – especially in the spring and fall – en route to your lodge in the heart of Jasper National Park. During your two-night stay, you'll have an opportunity to attend a presentation by a Parks Canada official to hear the history, legends and folklore that are the very essence of Canada's magnificent national parks. Lodging The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

Continue your Alberta vacation with a day spent exploring magnificent Jasper National Park with your choice of an included "Jasper Your Way" discovery tour. You may choose from among an Athabasca River whitewater rafting adventure\* led by Rocky Mountain River Guides; a "Wildlife Discovery Tour," joining a wildlife interpreter to search for bear, elk and more; or a trip on the Jasper Tramway through alpine tundra, leading to the interesting alpine town of Jasper. Or you may want to engage in some of the optional activities at your lodge (available at an additional cost) including horseback riding, biking, tennis, golf, fishing or boating. A park official shares insights on aboriginal culture during a presentation late this afternoon. Lodging The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge



Retracing your route along the Icefields Parkway back to Banff National Park today, you'll appreciate the region's spectacular scenery from several perspectives. Take a memorable ride across the surface of Athabasca Glacier on an *Ice Explorer*, a specially designed glacial vehicle, for a close look at the glacier's geological features – another highlight of your Alberta vacation adventure. Arrive in Banff National Park, the first national park in Canada; your grand hotel, one of the Rockies' finest resorts, was built more than a century ago to resemble a Scottish baronial castle. The Fairmont Banff Springs

Today is yours to explore Banff National Park and environs as you please. You may wish to check out the village of Banff, which, with its spectacular scenery and trendy shops and boutiques, has grown over the decades to rival the chic alpine villages of the American Rockies. There are also many optional activities to choose from (available at an additional cost) in Banff National Park itself. You can ride the Banff gondola, take a guided nature walk, go horseback riding, mountain biking, or canoeing on the Bow River. Play a round of golf at your world-famous resort, or perhaps book an alpine aromatherapy massage at the Willow Stream Spa, ranked among the top spas in Canada.



The week comes to a conclusion [tonight](#) at a special farewell reception at The Banff Centre, a world-renowned cultural center where creativity in the performing arts is fostered and new works are created. Your evening includes a special musical performance and dinner overlooking the gorgeous Bow Valley, where the views are a feast for the heart and a great finale to your Alberta vacation. Lodging The Fairmont Banff Springs

Travel back to Calgary, approximately 80 miles. **your spectacular Alberta vacation experience ends [at 10:00 AM](#) at Calgary International Airport.** Guests spending additional nights in Calgary will be transferred to The Westin Calgary upon arrival; a transfer from The Westin Calgary to Calgary International Airport is included. Allow a minimum of three hours for check-in;

**CALL US WITH YOUR PREFERRED DATE AND DEPARTURE AIRPORT AND WE WILL PACKAGE THIS TOUR TOGETHER WITH ANY PRE OR POST STAY YOU MAY WISH TO ADD**