

GRAND CANADIAN EXPLORER: EXPLORING EASTERN & WESTERN CANADA

Featuring - Banff, Jasper, Montreal, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver

DURATION	GROUP SIZE	AIRPORT	PRICE STARTING FROM
15 Nights / 16 Days	2 People	Land Only	Twin Sharing Price - \$5,620.00 Single Supplement Price - \$2,445.00

Grand Canadian Explorer: Exploring Eastern & Western Canada

Embark on a captivating journey through Eastern Canada, beginning with the awe-inspiring wonder of Niagara Falls. Witness the majestic power of the falls before venturing to the vibrant metropolis of Toronto, where iconic landmarks and cultural experiences await. Explore the historic streets of Ottawa, Canada's capital, and delve into its rich heritage. Continue your adventure in Montreal, where European charm blends seamlessly with modern sophistication. From the thundering cascades to bustling cityscapes, this tour promises an unforgettable exploration of Eastern Canada's diverse landscapes, culture, and history. Your western Canada expedition commences in Calgary, serving as the gateway to Banff National Park, a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site celebrated for its awe-inspiring mountain vistas, crystalline turquoise lakes, and thriving wildlife. Discover the enchanting town of Banff, nestled amid the majestic Rockies, and revel in the sheer beauty of the surrounding landscape. Next, journey onward to the renowned Lake Louise, renowned for its pristine waters and majestic mountain backdrop. Embark on a scenic drive along the famed Icefields Parkway, renowned as one of the world's most captivating routes, as you make your way towards Jasper National Park. Along this picturesque route, marvel at glaciers, waterfalls, and rugged peaks that adorn the landscape. Upon reaching Jasper National Park, immerse yourself in the untouched wilderness and encounter abundant wildlife. Whether cruising the tranquil waters of Maligne Lake or exploring the iconic Athabasca Falls, you'll be immersed in the park's natural wonders. Concluding your adventure in Vancouver, the vibrant metropolis on the Pacific coast, you'll discover a perfect blend of urban charm and coastal beauty. This lively city serves as an ideal conclusion to your Canadian Rockies experience. Throughout the journey, you'll encounter spectacular scenery, diverse wildlife, and unforgettable moments, ensuring an enriching and remarkable exploration through the heart of Western Canada.



Tour Price Inclusions

- ◆ 15 Nights accommodation in TWN/DBL sharing basis at listed hotels or similar
- ◆ Daily breakfast at restaurant in the hotel
- ◆ Arrival and departure transfers on private basis
- ◆ Sightseeing tours on seat-in-coach basis with local English speaking driver/guide
- ◆ Regional flight Montreal to Calgary, Edmonton to Vancouver
- ◆ Entrance fees to visit attractions as per itinerary
- ◆ All hotel taxes

Tour Price exclusions

- ◆ All other meals & other sightseeing or services
- ◆ Any type of mandatory fee like a resort fee / city tax etc. has to be paid at the hotel directly
- ◆ Any other services or Items not mentioned above as included
- ◆ Gratuities for meals, tourist guides , drivers

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DAY 1 Toronto - Arrival - [-/-]

Commence your adventure of the eastern Canada. Upon reaching Toronto, you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Downtown. Once you've checked into your hotel, the rest of the day is yours!

Overnight in Toronto

DAY 2 Toronto - Niagara Falls sightseeing [B/-]

Embark on your Niagara Falls excursion with convenient pickup from downtown Toronto before heading to the majestic falls.

Your first destination is Skylon Tower, where you'll ascend 520 feet in a glass elevator to the observation area. From here, you'll marvel at panoramic views of all three Niagara Falls—Bridal Veil Falls, Horseshoe Falls, and the American Falls—as well as the Niagara River and even catch a glimpse of the Toronto skyline.

Next, delve into the immersive experience of Journey Behind the Falls, descending 125 feet to explore cave-like tunnels behind the roaring cascades. Feel the power of the falls as you hear and sense their thunderous presence, and capture stunning photos from two observation decks.

Following this, board the Niagara City Cruises Voyage To The Falls Boat Tour (seasonal, operating April - November only, replaced with admission to Niagara's Fury and Butterfly Conservatory in the winter months) for an up-close encounter with the falls. Sail around the Niagara gorge, feeling the refreshing mist while clad in a provided recyclable rain poncho.

After the boat tour, enjoy a narrated driving tour of Niagara, learning about its rich history and unique geography. Your guide will highlight points of interest such as Dufferin Islands, the International Control Dam, the Old Scow, Whirlpool Rapids, and the Floral Clock.

Finally, enjoy an hour of free time to explore the city independently, whether it's grabbing a snack, snapping extra photos, or picking up souvenirs.

At the conclusion of your tour, your guide will escort you back to downtown Toronto.

Overnight in Niagara Falls

DAY 3 Toronto Sightseeing [B/-]

Embark on a personalized small-group tour of Toronto with a convenient downtown hotel pickup, where your guide will warmly welcome you in the main lobby.

Your tour kicks off with a visit to Toronto's iconic CN Tower, where you'll glide up the glass elevator to the tower's observation deck, the LookOut Level. Here, you'll soak in a panoramic vista of the cityscape while feeling the breeze at 342 meters in the air on the outdoor terrace. Don't miss the chance to walk on the glass floor, a pioneering feature when it debuted in 1994!

Next, enjoy an informative driving tour through the city, narrated by your guide. Pass by notable landmarks such as Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto's Old City Hall, the Toronto Waterfront, the University of Toronto, Queens Park, and Dundas Square. At Nathan Phillips Square, snap a photo with the iconic "Toronto" sign and learn about the intricate PATH network beneath the city.

Then, delve into another beloved Toronto institution, the St. Lawrence Market, acclaimed as the world's top food market by National Geographic. Here, you'll have some free time to shop or grab a quick bite to eat.

Lastly, savor breathtaking views of the city from Toronto Harbour during a tranquil Toronto Harbour Cruise.

Rest of the day is free at leisure. Whether you prefer to explore the bustling streets, sample delicious cuisine at one of the city's renowned restaurants, immerse yourself in its rich cultural scene with a visit to a museum or art gallery, or simply unwind and relax in the comfort of your accommodation, the choice is entirely yours. Take advantage of this opportunity to discover the city's hidden gems, embark on a leisurely stroll along the waterfront, or perhaps catch a captivating performance at one of Toronto's acclaimed

theaters.

(Please note that the cruise is seasonal and may be substituted with a visit to Casa Loma during the off-season).

Overnight in Toronto

DAY 4 Toronto - Ottawa [B/-/-]

Following breakfast, complete your check-out and proceed to train station for your train to Ottawa. Get on board VIA Rail's Corridor train heading towards the Canadian capital, Ottawa. This city is where the Prime Minister resides, and it houses Parliament Hill. Once you arrive and settle in your hotel, you'll find yourself within walking distance of iconic attractions such as Parliament Hill, various national museums, and the historic Rideau Canal, designated as a World Heritage Site.

Overnight in Ottawa

DAY 5 Ottawa - Sightseeing [B/-/-]

Discover Ottawa, Canada's capital city, with our knowledgeable and personable local guides who will lead you to explore top attractions such as Parliament Hill and enjoy a leisurely Rideau Canal Cruise, along with a narrated drive highlighting key points of interest.

Experience the best of Ottawa's attractions and sights without the hassle of long lines or wait times. Our fully guided tours include admission fees to all attractions, as well as complimentary hotel pick-up and drop-off in our comfortable vehicles.

Your journey begins as your guide welcomes you at your downtown Ottawa accommodations and escorts you in one of our complimentary vehicles.

To kick off your adventure, embark on a scenic drive through Rockcliffe Park. As large tour buses are prohibited, our smaller group size grants you exclusive access to hidden gems such as the official residence of the US Ambassador to Canada, Rideau Hall (the Governor General's Residence), and the Prime Minister's Residence. Pause at the Rockcliffe lookout point for stunning views of the Ottawa River, perfect for

capturing memorable photos.

Your next stop is a serene Rideau Canal Cruise, offering panoramic views of downtown Ottawa and a delightful journey along the picturesque Rideau Canal from Dow's Lake to the Ottawa River.

Following the cruise, enjoy a narrated drive past iconic landmarks including the Parliament Buildings, with brief stops outside the Supreme Court and Canadian Museum of History for photo opportunities.

Cap off your tour with a visit to Parliament Hill, the seat of Canada's government. Delve into the nation's rich history and admire the Gothic revival-style architecture on a fully narrated walking tour of the grounds.

At the conclusion of your tour, your guide will return you to your downtown Ottawa hotel.

DAY 6 Ottawa - Montreal [B/-/-]

Enjoy your breakfast. After breakfast, check-out and set and proceed to train station for your train to Montreal. Enjoy the opportunity to practice your French while traveling onboard VIA Rail's Corridor service as you depart Ottawa. Greet the culturally vibrant province of Quebec as you enter Montreal, the world's second-largest French-speaking city. Arrive in Montreal and proceed to hotel for check-in.

You'll have the evening free to unwind and explore this dynamic city at your leisure. Whether you prefer to stroll through the charming streets of Old Montreal, sampling delicious cuisine at one of its many restaurants, or immersing yourself in its vibrant nightlife scene, the choice is yours. Alternatively, wander through the bustling neighborhoods of Plateau-Mont-Royal or Mile End, known for their eclectic shops, galleries, and cafes. With so much to see and do, Montreal promises an unforgettable evening of exploration and relaxation.

Overnight in Montreal

DAY 7 Montreal - Sightseeing tour [B/-/-]

Discover one of Canada's most vibrant cultural centers renowned for its exceptional culinary offerings and rich history on this engaging 5-hour small group tour led by

our enthusiastic local guide. Your journey begins as your guide greets you at your downtown Montreal accommodations, setting the stage for a fully guided tour in the comfort.

Embark on your adventure with a narrated drive from the base of Mont Royal to its summit, passing by notable points of interest such as the Golden Square Mile, known for its Victorian-era architecture, and the Notre Dame des Neiges cemetery, the largest in Canada. Upon reaching the Mont Royal Lookout, savor breathtaking panoramic views of Montreal, the Saint Lawrence River, and the surrounding Appalachian mountain region.

As you descend from the mountain, explore fascinating areas including McGill University, downtown Montreal, and Chinatown. Upon reaching historic Old Montreal, immerse yourself in its rich history, capturing photos of its oldest buildings, including the stunning Gothic-revival Notre Dame Basilica, amidst its cobblestone streets and magnificent architecture.

Conclude your tour with a picturesque boat cruise along the Saint Lawrence River, offering arguably the best views of Montreal's skyline. Relax and enjoy insightful commentary as you soak in the city's history and beauty from the water.

At the conclusion of your tour, your guide will accompany you back to your downtown Montreal hotel. Experience the rich history and culture of Montreal.

Overnight in Montreal

DAY 8

Montreal - Day trip Quebec City and Montmorency Falls [B/-/-]

Explore the captivating allure of Montmorency Falls and the picturesque old-world charm of Quebec City's narrow streets, steep hills, and historical riches during this full-day excursion. Delight in a journey through the 400-year-old Quebec City, established in 1608 by Samuel de Champlain along the Saint Lawrence River, evolving into a prominent hub connecting the Arctic to the Mississippi Delta.

Accompanied by a seasoned and licensed guide from Pro-Guide Québec, embark on a 45-minute walking exploration of Place Royale, the cradle of French civilization in North America. Following this, hop aboard

the Gray Line motorcoach for a scenic drive to Montmorency Falls, offering a breathtaking backdrop for memorable photographs.

Returning to Old Québec through the Saint John's Gate, you'll traverse Grande Allée, akin to the Champs Élysées of Quebec City, teeming with sidewalk eateries, cafes, and European architectural splendors that draw throngs of visitors. The itinerary unfolds with visits to renowned landmarks such as the Plains of Abraham, where the British triumphed over the French in 1759, the Citadel—a designated National Historic Site, the Québec Parliament, the Price Building, and more.

Following the comprehensive tour, savor three hours of leisure time in Petit Champlain, indulging in lunch, shopping, and experiencing the area's vibrant *joie de vivre*.

DAY 9

Montreal - Calgary - Banff [B/-/-]

Today signifies the culmination of your Maple leaf Journey. You will be transferred to Montreal airport for your return flight to Calgary. After arriving in Calgary, make your way to the designated shuttle counter for your pre-arranged transfer to Banff. Located within the majestic Banff National Park in the Canadian Rockies of Alberta, Canada, Banff is a charming and captivating town highly revered by travelers across the country. Upon reaching Banff, proceed with the check-in process. If you happen to arrive earlier than expected, take the opportunity to explore Banff Avenue, the town's main street, boasting a lively array of shops, restaurants, galleries, and accommodations, making it a vibrant hub for tourists.

Enjoy your overnight stay in the enchanting town of Banff.

Overnight in Banff

DAY 10

Banff - Discover Banff tour with Gondola [B/-/-]

Today's tour offers a fantastic introduction to Banff, showcasing some of its most picturesque and historically significant attractions. These highlights include visits to the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Bow Falls, Surprise Corner Lookout, and the breathtaking Lake Minnewanka, the largest lake in Banff.

The journey continues as you are transported to the base of Sulphur Mountain, where you'll embark on a scenic ride aboard the Banff Gondola, ascending to the summit at an impressive elevation of 7,486 feet. From this vantage point, you'll be treated to unparalleled views of Banff, the Bow Valley, and a sweeping 360-degree panorama of six stunning mountain ranges. Standing on the spacious main-level observation deck, you'll feel like you're on top of the world.

After an unforgettable experience at the summit, you'll descend on the Banff Gondola and be conveniently transported back to your Banff hotel. Throughout the tour, keep your camera ready to capture wildlife encounters, as this journey provides excellent opportunities to spot local fauna. Our knowledgeable guides, who are experts on Banff, will gladly answer any questions you have and share their wealth of knowledge about the area.

Overnight in Banff

DAY 11

Banff - Lake Louise - Columbia Ice Fields - Jasper [B/L/-]

After enjoying breakfast at your Banff hotel, you'll be picked up for a remarkable journey through some of the most breathtaking mountain landscapes in North America. As you traverse the spine of the Canadian Rockies, you'll be treated to an unending procession of colossal mountains, jagged snowy peaks, and numerous glaciers, creating an awe-inspiring amphitheater of nature.

On this tour, you won't have to worry about navigation or watching the road. Simply sit back, relax, and immerse yourself in the grandeur of the towering mountains while keeping an eye out for wildlife on the edges of the forest.

The first stop is the Columbia Icefield Glacier Discovery Centre, where you'll board an Ice Explorer vehicle. Embark on a thrilling drive onto the Athabasca Glacier, while learning about its history and having some free time to savor the magnificent views. You'll have the unique opportunity to touch this ancient sheet of ice and even taste pure, cold water directly from the glacier.

Next, head to the nearby Glacier Skywalk, where a 1-kilometer walkway leads to a platform with a glass floor, offering an extraordinary perspective of a 918-foot drop. Marvel at the gigantic glaciers perched

above you and admire the breathtaking views of the Sunwapta Valley below.

During this unforgettable journey, you'll also enjoy a delicious picnic lunch at a scenic viewpoint, adding to the overall experience of the day. After lunch, the tour continues to Jasper. Upon arrival in Jasper, check in and relax.

Overnight in Jasper

DAY 12

Jasper - Discover Jasper tour with Maligne lake Cruise [B/-/-]

Embark on an awe-inspiring tour through one of the most magnificent areas within Jasper National Park. The journey begins with a visit to Maligne Canyon, an extraordinary natural wonder shaped by over 10,000 years of erosion, resulting in a striking 49-meter-deep gorge. Take a leisurely stroll to witness the magnificent Maligne River as it rushes through the canyon, creating a mesmerizing series of waterfalls.

Continuing on, you'll encounter the intriguing Medicine Lake, known for its unique "disappearing" phenomenon. From there, the tour proceeds to Maligne Lake, where a captivating 90-minute interpretative boat cruise awaits, guiding you to the renowned Spirit Island. Don't forget your camera, as this location offers a truly picturesque setting worthy of a postcard.

Following the boat cruise, take some time to unwind and absorb the scenic beauty, or savor a delightful treat at the Lake Chalet. Alternatively, for those seeking a different experience, a 75-minute guided walk along the shoreline trail of Maligne Lake is available as a charming alternative to the boat cruise.

Whether you choose to cruise the waters or explore the shoreline on foot, this tour promises a remarkable encounter with the natural splendors of Jasper National Park, leaving you with cherished memories of this remarkable journey.

Overnight in Jasper

DAY 13

Jasper - Edmonton Airport - Flight to Vancouver [B/-/-]

Early morning you will be transferred to Edmonton airport for your flight to Vancouver. As you say goodbye to the awe-inspiring Canadian Rockies, a mix of contentment and wistfulness fills your heart, cherishing the unforgettable memories woven into this exceptional journey.

Once you arrive in Vancouver, the lively city nestled on the Pacific coast, a warm welcome awaits, and you'll be swiftly taken to your comfortable hotel. Settling into the new environment, you'll sense the captivating fusion of urban charm and the natural beauty that surrounds this coastal metropolis.

With a wide-open afternoon ahead, you can fully immerse yourself in Vancouver's enchanting allure at your own pace. The city presents an array of captivating activities and experiences to indulge in, from leisurely strolls along the scenic seawall, exploring lively neighborhoods, to relishing diverse culinary delights at local restaurants.

Overnight in Vancouver

DAY 14

Vancouver - City highlights with Capilano Suspension bridge tour [B/-/-]

Explore the captivating history and vibrant presence of Vancouver on this captivating tour that takes you through urban landscapes, picturesque seaside parks, and ancient rainforests. The journey begins in downtown, where you'll discover iconic landmarks like Canada Place, the site of the 2010 Olympic Cauldron.

Wander through a blend of modern and historic architecture, passing by the Arts and Financial Districts, and the trendy shopping hub of Robson Street. Then, venture into the enchanting Stanley Park, a 1,000-acre urban rainforest, providing a serene escape amidst the bustling city.

Cross the Lions Gate Bridge to Vancouver's scenic North Shore, where the majestic Capilano Suspension Bridge Park awaits. Immerse yourself in the rich culture of First Nations as you explore their impressive artwork and learn the history at the Story Centre.

From the Cliffwalk, marvel at the towering cedars and the Capilano River flowing far below in the valley. Feel the thrill of walking across the suspended bridge, leading to the other side, where the TreeTops Adventure promises unique and educational experiences.

Returning through Stanley Park and English Bay, prepare your senses for an immersion in the lively Granville Island Market. Indulge in local and handmade artisan products, relish delicious food, coffee, and tea,

and be captivated by eclectic artwork and West Coast music.

Continue the journey through bustling Chinatown, a homage to the Far East, and then make your way to historic Gastown, the heart of Vancouver and the place where it all began. Throughout this tour, you'll witness the vibrant past and the dynamic present of Vancouver, a city that beautifully harmonizes nature with urban life.

Overnight in Vancouver

DAY 15

Vancouver - Day free at leisure [B/-/-]

Take full advantage of a day of leisure and relaxation in Vancouver, embracing the chance to immerse yourself in the city's captivating ambiance and discover its various attractions at your own rhythm.

Begin your day with a leisurely walk along the picturesque seawall, where the waterfront and mountains unveil breathtaking vistas. Inhale the crisp ocean breeze, savoring the tranquility of Vancouver's natural landscapes. Alternatively, consider enhancing your experience by pre-booking one of our recommended add-ons to make your day even more special.

Add-on: Day trip to Victoria and Butchart Gardens - USD 180 Per person on Seat-In-Coach basis

Embark on a full-day guided tour from Vancouver City to Victoria, the capital city of British Columbia. Experience the excitement of spotting marine life as you sail on a BC Ferry to Vancouver Island. Once there, immerse yourself in the beauty of the renowned Butchart Gardens, boasting over 900 varieties of flowers across 50 acres.

Your journey commences in downtown Vancouver aboard a comfortable, climate-controlled bus. A 90-minute BC Ferry ride awaits, taking you through the scenic Southern Gulf Islands across the Georgia Strait. Keep a keen eye out for orcas during this captivating voyage.

Upon arriving on Vancouver Island, the tour proceeds to the captivating Butchart Gardens, a designated National Historic Site of Canada. Witness millions of

bedding plants in an array of colors and explore the expansive 50-acre garden at a leisurely pace for two hours.

Heading to downtown Victoria, you'll pass through Canada's oldest China Town and the picturesque Victoria Harbor, including the Inner Harbor. In the heart of downtown, you'll have free time to discover the local area.

Indulge in a leisurely stroll around the Inner Harbor, immerse yourself in the thriving arts and cultural scene, or visit iconic landmarks like the historic Empress Hotel or the Royal BC Museum.

As the day concludes, take the ferry and bus back to your meeting point in Vancouver, reflecting on the memorable experiences and unforgettable sights of Victoria that have enriched your adventure.

Add-on: Day trip to Whistler - USD 145 Per person on a Seat-In-Coach basis

Depart from Vancouver, embarking on an enchanting journey to Whistler. Marvel at the breathtaking panoramas of the ocean, towering mountains, and majestic glaciers, while keeping an eye out for the chance to spot fascinating local wildlife.

The first captivating stop on this adventure is Shannon Falls, renowned as the third-highest waterfall in British Columbia. Witness water gracefully cascading over a series of cliffs, tumbling from an impressive height of 335 meters (1,099 feet). You'll find two viewing platforms just a short walk from the parking lot, providing the perfect vantage point to admire the falls'

grandeur.

Next on the itinerary is the Sea to Sky Gondola, located just south of Squamish. A short ride will carry you up to the summit, situated an astounding 885 meters above sea level. Take this moment to relish the breathtaking views of the surrounding mountain ranges and the turquoise waters of Howe Sound. Enjoy the leisure to savor a delectable meal, embark on invigorating hikes along the trails, and simply bask in the natural beauty that envelopes you.

Continuing along the picturesque Sea to Sky Highway, you'll soon arrive at the world-famous Whistler Village. The charming pedestrian-only village boasts a myriad of delights to suit every taste. Take four hours to explore the village's world-class restaurants and indulge in shopping for unique souvenirs. Alternatively, let yourself wander through the enchanting streets, taking in the ambiance of this renowned destination.

As the day draws to a close, watch the sunset illuminate the journey back to Vancouver, cherishing the memories of an extraordinary day filled with natural wonders and unforgettable experiences in Whistler.

Overnight in Vancouver

DAY 16

Vancouver Departure [B/-/]

Today marks the conclusion of your Grand Canadian tour. You will be transported to Vancouver Airport for your return flight home or to your next connecting destination.

Payment Policy

Deposit: US\$300 per person [Non-refundable / Non-transferable]

50% Deposit: 145 Days before departure

Full Balance: 90 Days before departure

Cancellation Policy

- ◆ From the date of booking to 145 days before departure: \$300 per person Non-Refundable / Non-transferrable Deposit + interruption insurance cost (if purchased) + Cost of Air ticket if issued
- ◆ 144-90 days before departure: 50% of the cost per person
- ◆ 89 days or fewer before departure: **No refund is available.**

Note:

A person becoming single because of the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement

All payment cut-off dates are firm, and missing deadlines without approved extensions will result in cancellations without refunds being offered.

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