

Day 1

Arrive in Calgary

Arrive at Calgary's International Airport and transfer independently to your hotel. The Roadbook you received has all the information needed for your trip. Depending on your time of arrival, you might visit Heritage Park Historical Village, Canada's largest living history museum or go up the Calgary Tower's observation deck which offers a spectacular 360° view across the bustling city, the majestic Rocky Mountains, rolling foothills, and expansive prairie landscape. Alternatively, you can always browse the boutique shops and other attractions of the downtown area.

Overnight Calgary

Duration 1 Night

Day 2

Calgary to Brooks (189 km / 177 miles)

A short drive just east of the city and the landscape is dramatically transformed. Drumheller is known world-wide for its massive fossil fields set amongst a dramatic landscape of wind-shaped rock formations. A visit to the Royal Tyrrell Museum reveals the history of the area's dinosaurs and the people that have spent their lives researching them.

Overnight Brooks

Duration 1 Night

Day 3

Brooks to Waterton (283 km / 176 miles)

In the morning, you are treated to a visit to Dinosaur Provincial Park where these prehistoric creatures once roamed and flourished. Active dig sites continue to reveal new fossils every year, and the interpretative displays superbly depict this prehistoric world. Continue to Waterton set in the middle of Waterton Lakes Provincial Park, a spectacular park that features some of the best hiking in the country, as well as opportunities to canoe, kayak, bike, or cruises on the lake.

Overnight Waterton

Duration 2 Nights

Day 4

Waterton

Today is yours to explore the magnificent park and enjoy a wide range of exhilarating views. Day trails offer easy to moderate routes that take you into incredible natural settings. Alternatively, you may independently book a cruise on the lake that follows the shoreline southward across the international border with the United States.

Overnight Waterton

Day 5

Waterton Lakes to Fernie/Cranbrook (173 km / 107 miles)

Head west today over the provincial border into British Columbia, perhaps stopping in the high-altitude community of Crowsnest Pass and visit the Frank Slide Interpretative Centre, depicting the massive landslide that buried part of the mining town 1903. Later, arriving in Fernie, take some time to explore this outdoor adventure hub, boasts hiking, biking, a summer farmers' market, and outdoor art displays.

Overnight Fernie

Duration 1 Night

Day 6

Fernie/Cranbrook to Nelson (326 km / 203 miles)

Today travel farther into the British Columbia interior and consider a stop in the small city of Cranbrook. The fascinating Canadian Rail Museum and the colonial period buildings of Fort Steele tell the remarkable story of the opening of the west. Continue to the small city of Nelson on the western arm of Kootenay Lake, where you might enjoy the outdoor bistros of the Victorian downtown serving up local delights set against a magnificent scenery.

Overnight Nelson

Duration 1 Night

Day 7

Nelson to Osoyoos (261 km / 162 miles)

Today the road leads along the Canadian / United States border and the small towns dotted along the highway. Consider a stopover at Gladstone Provincial Park and spend some time on the beaches of Christina Lake, its clean, deep waters being one of the area's best kept secrets. Continue your trip until you arrive in Osoyoos and relax for the evening in this pleasant lakefront community.

Overnight Osoyoos

Duration 2 Nights

Day 8

Osoyoos

Beach-lovers rejoice, a day at the waterside under the sun on the shores of Osoyoos Lake rivals any oceanfront destination. Tour-friendly winery estates are set astride lush vineyards next to the arid landscapes, providing a dramatic contrast of ecologies.

Overnight Osoyoos

Day 9

Osoyoos to Vancouver (398 km / 247 miles)

Heading over your last mountain range en route to the coast, you should stop at popular Harrison Hot Springs. The public springs offer mineral enriched waters that soothe the muscles of weary travellers. Harrison Lake offers a pleasant place to relax or rent a paddle boat and do some exploring on the calm waters. Continuing westward until you arrive in the bustling metropolis of Vancouver.

Overnight Vancouver

Duration 2 Nights

Day 10

Vancouver

This fabulous city on the shores of the Pacific effortlessly fuses British heritage with vibrant international flair, including Asian-influenced restaurants, spectacular urban parks, and near-endless local attractions

Take the day and explore the city at your own pace, maybe neighborhoods such as Yaletown or Gastown, Grouse Mountain, world-renowned Stanley Park or follow the meandering pathways along the ocean, visit a gallery, or indulge in some shopping on Robson Street.

Overnight Vancouver

Day 11

Vancouver

When it's time, make your way to Vancouver International Airport for your flight home unless you plan to extend your stay.