Arrival 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 Banff (127 km / 79 miles)

The road westward to Banff leaves the towers of glass and steel behind, replaced by the rolling grasslands of Kananaskis horse country on the way towards the mountains. The journey through the valley opens one beautiful vista after another as you make your way to the Bow Valley and the world-renowned resort town of Banff.

**Overnight Banff** 

Duration 2 Nights

Day 3

**Banff National Park** 

The Rockies arguably most famous town deserves its grand reputation. Nestled in the protected lands of Banff National Park, magnificent elk casually walk the local pathways and parks to the delight of visitors. A wide selection of boutiques, shops and restaurants confirm the town's international flair and there is no shortage of fabulous outdoor adventures.

**Overnight Banff** 

Banff to Jasper (288 km / 179 miles)

Today you drive to Jasper via the spectacular Icefields Parkway. We suggest a stop at Peyto Lake en route for a stretch and a short walk. Dozens of incredible photo opportunities of ancient forests and crisply outlined mountain peaks present themselves around every bend of the road. An abundance of small roadside waterfalls and alpine meadows delight travelers along this route, which is considered one of the most scenic drives in the world.

Overnight Jasper

Duration 1 Night

Day 5

Jasper to 100 Mile House (451 km / 280 miles)

Today embark on your journey westward over the provincial border into the wilds of British Columbia's interior enroute to the Cariboo Region, an area famous for its bountiful precious mineral deposits. This rugged land drew prospectors and adventurers during the Gold Rush period, many of whom stayed on to found the small communities that still flourish today.

Overnight 100 Mile House

Duration 1 Night

Day 6

100 Mile House to Anahim Lake (407 km / 253 miles)

Today you continue westward through the pristine wilderness of the British Columbia interior. Travelling along the Chilcotin – Bella Coola Highway you arrive at Eagle's Nest Resort on the shores of Anahim Lake. A true Canadian vacation resort, the property is surrounded by water on three sides, the deep waters of the lake reflecting the ancient forests and rising volcanic rock escarpments.

Overnight Anahim Lake

Duration 2 Nights

Anahim Lake

Enjoy the beautiful outdoors today at the resort. Relax on the wide decks and soak up the sun, or perhaps embark on a hike along the nearby Rainbow Ridge trail along the top of a sheer volcanic rock wall overlooking the forest below.

Overnight Anahim Lake

Day 8

Anahim Lake to Hagensborg (Bella Coola Area) (118 km / 73 miles)

Today you depart Anahim Lake and travel further north through the British Columbia Mountain ranges before turning west and journeying into the southern arm of Tweedsmuir National Park. The largest protected park in the province, this area boasts a near untouched wilderness where visitors can admire the rugged landscape the way it was for hundreds of centuries. Leaving the park, you travel into the peaceful Bella Coola valley, home to the Nuxalt First Nations people and situated at the headwaters of a 100 km inlet leading to the Pacific Ocean.

Overnight in Hagensborg

Duration 1 Night

Day 9

Hagensborg (Bella Coola Area to Port Hardy (Cruise)

Enjoy a full day ocean cruise on board BC Ferries through a long and winding inlet waterway carved into the mountainous landscape. This tranquil, meandering cruise ends in Port Hardy, and you can look forward to unsurpassed spectacular scenery throughout your voyage.

Overnight Port Hardy

Duration 1 Night

Port Hardy to Campbell River (233 km / 145 miles)

Today's travels take you south along the eastern shore of Vancouver Island. After following the shores of Nimpkish Lake, the road turns inland, giving you a roadside view of the rugged landscape of the island's interior. Arrive at Campbell River, known as a centre for some of the world's best sport fishing.

Overnight Campbell River

Duration 1 Night

Day 11

Campbell River to Victoria (265 km / 165 miles)

Following the Strait of Georgia separating the island from the British Columbia mainland, you continue along the coast past the quaint villages of Parksville, Nanaimo, and Chemainus. Proceeding along the scenic Malahat Drive, you arrive in beautiful colonial Victoria.

Overnight Victoria

Duration 2 Nights

Day 12

Victoria

Today, explore this elegant capital city. We suggest a visit to Beacon Hill Park and the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria. Alternatively, you may decide to drop in for afternoon tea at the Fairmont Empress Hotel and experience a taste of British charm.

Overnight Victoria

Day 13

Victoria to Vancouver (70 km / 43 miles)

Traverse the charming landscape of Victoria one last time before enjoying a mini cruise on BC Ferries back to Vancouver through the Strait of Georgia. Arriving in Vancouver, take advantage of one of the many fine eateries available in this cosmopolitan jewel on the Pacific.

Overnight Vancouver

Duration 2 Nights

Day 14

Vancouver

You will have the entire day to tour Vancouver and the surrounding area. Enjoy exploring neighborhoods such as Yaletown, Gastown, Granville Island and Stanley Park, or venture along the meandering pathways along the ocean, visit a gallery, or indulge in a little shopping on Robson Street. Capilano Suspension Bridge and Grouse Mountain are two attractions close by that are well worth a visit.

Overnight Vancouver

Day 15

Vancouver

Your trip ends today and you either return to Vancouver International Airport for your flight home or check into your hotel if you plan to extend your stay.