

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 Banff (127 km / 79 miles)

Leaving Calgary behind, the magnificent Rocky Mountains soon come into view. Feel the majesty of these mountains as you first travel through the foothills and then enter Banff National Park where the craggy peaks loom larger the closer you get. After arriving in the bustling town of Banff, the remainder of the day is free to explore its charms, including the sight of an elk strolling down main street as you are checking out the boutiques, shops, and restaurants.

Overnight Banff

Duration 2 Nights

Day 3

Banff

The entire day is free to tour Banff and the surrounding area. We suggest a visit to the Luxton Museum, or perhaps a gondola ride to the top of Sulphur Mountain. Local walking and hiking trails make for a day of discovery under ancient boughs. You may also wish to try river rafting on the Bow River or take a boat tour on beautiful Lake Minnewanka.

Overnight Banff

Day 4

Banff to Radium Hot Springs (136 km / 85 miles)

Strike out west over the Rocky Mountains today and cross the provincial border into British Columbia. The mountain passes with their endless vistas of peaks and forests create mesmerizing memories and are a photographer's dream. Arrive at Radium Hot Springs, famous for their mineral-enriched waters bubbling to the surface. The village is nestled idyllically in the pine forests, among the dramatic elevations of the Kootenay region.

Overnight Radium Hot Springs

Duration 1 Night

Day 5

Radium Hot Springs to Nelson (373 km / 232 miles)

The road leads south to the less travelled area of the province. Hidden gem communities such as the lush farm and vineyard village of Creston and the bucolic small-town markets and shoppes of Cranbrook make for ideal stops on today's journey. These stopovers serve as the perfect preview to the destination of Nelson and a quiet end to a day of exploration.

Overnight Nelson

Duration 2 Nights

Day 6

Nelson

Although a small city, a disproportionately high number of galleries, museums, historical buildings, and other attractions make this lakeside community a true treasure of the interior. The Victorian-inspired downtown area, set on terraced hillsides, create a glorious streetscape already used in several Hollywood movie productions.

Overnight Nelson

Day 7

Nelson to Vernon (338 km / 210 miles)

Today you are travelling through the very heart of the province's most bountiful agricultural region. Endless verdant fields of crops in tidy rows create a lovely sense of peaceful serenity and Vernon surprises travellers with some of the most delightful beaches in the province stretching out beside the tranquil waters of an inviting crystalline lake.

Overnight Vernon

Duration 2 Nights

Day 8

Vernon

Discover what makes this region the envy of any farmer and winemaker on a scenic guided sampler tour through the Okanagan's Wine country. Visits to several renowned wineries showcase how these New World vineyards effortlessly employ Old World techniques to create some of North America's finest vintages. This tour includes several tastings.

Overnight Vernon

Day 9

Vernon to Vancouver (440 km / 273 miles)

The final leg of the journey to the coast traverses the mountains that stand guard over the temperate, Pacific climate of the seaside region. Stops in iconic villages such as Harrison Hot Springs and Chilliwack make for a day of living the laconic West Coast lifestyle. Arrive in Vancouver just in time to, perhaps, explore the city's incredible fine dining.

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.