# Vancouver to Toronto by Rail

A Nostalgic Journey Aboard VIA Rail's

The Canadian in Premium Class



\* All aboard, eh? \*



# Your 7-Day Itinerary (subject to change)

NOTE: VIA Rail Canada, like other passenger railways in North America, operates on tracks owned by freight companies. While VIA Rail strives for on-time departures and arrivals, increased freight traffic on the railway will often cause delays. These delays could result in delayed departure from Vancouver, delayed arrival in to Toronto, and shortened / limited time off of the train. Onboard services are guaranteed and any changes to the schedule will be communicated and updated as the journey continues.

Day 1: Arrive in Vancouver, British
Columbia, Canada (R)
Special welcome reception
Overnight: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

Day 2: Vancouver / Board VIA Rail's

The Canadian (B,D)

Guided city tour prior to boarding

Overnight: The Canadian

Day 3: The Canadian / Kamloops / Jasper, Alberta / Edmonton (B,L,D) Brief stops in each town Overnight: The Canadian

(B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner, R=Reception)

**Day 4:** The Canadian / Saskatoon, Saskatchewan / Winnipeg, Manitoba (B,L,D)

Travel through Saskatoon to Winnipeg with brief stops in each town
Overnight: *The Canadian* 

Day 5: The Canadian / Hornepayne, Ontario (B,L,D) Continue through Ontario Overnight: The Canadian

Day 6: The Canadian / Toronto (B,L)

Disembarkation, leisure time, special wine and dessert farewell reception

Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

Day 7: Toronto / Depart for U.S. (B)

Activity Level: Guests should be comfortable boarding and disembarking trains without assistance, walking and moving between cars while the train is in motion, and navigating steep, narrow stairs to the upper level of the observation car. All hallways are narrow and have handrails, but train travel can be unpredictable and some unexpected movement may occur. Guests who enjoy the relaxed pace of train travel will delight in spending much of the program's time on the railway. At brief train stop locations, ground may be uneven and covered in loose gravel, with no sidewalks.





## **Discover**

- Set out on a guided panoramic city tour of Vancouver, including a delicious lunch featuring local delights.
- From your stateroom, or from seats in the domed observation car or Prestige Park lounge car, admire the vastness and diversity of Canada—starting in Vancouver, traversing across five provinces—through the Canadian Rockies and across expansive prairies—arriving at the shores of Lake Ontario.

## Repose

- Enjoy the serenity of travel by rail as you spend four days unplugged from the outside world, with the beauty of the Canadian wilderness unfolding before you.
- Relax at leisure within your private Prestige
  Class stateroom—providing 50% more living
  space than other class cabins—featuring a
  picture window that's 60% larger than standard
  cabin windows, a leather couch by day that
  transforms into a comfortable double bed with
  luxury linens by night, heated floors, private en
  suite bathroom with shower, flat screen TV, and
  turndown service.
- Prestige Class amenities also include personalized concierge service, priority seating in the dining car, and complimentary snacks and beverages in the Park Car 24-hours a day.

# **Experience**

 Savor the best in Canadian cuisine with a selection of local and regional specialties prepared by onboard chefs.



## What's Included

- 2 nights luxury hotel accommodations
- 4 nights accommodations in Prestige Class onboard VIA Rail's The Canadian
- 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 4 dinners (snacks and bar orders are included while aboard the train)
- Special welcome and farewell receptions
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- Admission to all activities and tours as described in the 7-day itinerary
- Private motor coach transportation for the sightseeing tour
- Gratuities for Orbridge Travel Director, onboard guides, drivers, porters, housekeeping staff, VIA Rail attendants, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times







# Accommodations (subject to change)

The Canadian Railway hotels, a group of historic hotels built between 1886 and 1930 by the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National railway companies, were designed to promote rail travel and provide modern, luxurious accommodations for passengers as they traveled across Canada. This program includes one night each at two of the most well-known, iconic hotels.

#### FAIRMONT HOTEL VANCOUVER.....

Opened in 1939—just in time for a visit by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth—this opulent gem, known as the "Castle in the City," quickly became a landmark in Vancouver. The newly-renovated hotel features distinguished restaurants and lounges, an indoor pool, gym, and spa.





#### VIA RAIL'S THE CANADIAN.....

Experience an inviting blend of modern amenities with a sense of nostalgia, and the perfect way to unplug and enjoy nature's beauty at a slower pace.

The Canadian's Prestige Class provides an elegant and spacious cabin with oversized picture window with blinds, flat screen TV, modular leather L-shaped couch seating by day and comfortable double bed with luxurious bedding for two at night and private bathroom with shower and deluxe amenities.

Passengers in Prestige Class also enjoy priority boarding, access to the Business Lounge at Toronto's Union Station, private concierge service with in-cabin cocktails and canapés, turndown service, and privileged access to the Park Car.











#### FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK

Built by the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1929, it was the tallest building in Canada at the time, and featured magnificent architecture and luxury, including over 1,000 en suite guest rooms, a glassenclosed roof garden, and a concert hall with a 50-ton pipe organ. It has recently undergone a five-year, multimillion dollar renovation to combine stunning, redesigned guest rooms with carefully preserved historic elements.

Located directly across from Union Station, this elegant property is minutes away from the city's best attractions, featuring five restaurants, four lounges, an indoor pool, gym, spa, and business center.











Enjoy two nights in delightful Victoria—British Columbia's picture-perfect capital. This colorful pedestrian-friendly city is an ideal spot for whale watching, biking, shopping, and sampling from the wide variety of cafés and restaurants that line bustling Government Street. Savor the island's relaxing pace by exploring its lush gardens, and admire the historical architecture while embracing Victoria's friendly ambiance.

## Pre-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

**Day +1:** Arrive in Victoria, British Columbia Afternoon and evening at leisure

Day +2: Victoria (B)

Guided panoramic tour of Victoria (through
Chinatown and past the Parliament
Buildings), afternoon and evening at leisure

Day +3: Depart Victoria / Vancouver /
Main Program Begins (B)
Explore Butchart Gardens, ferry to
mainland Vancouver, join main program

## What's Included

- A 1.5 hour ferry cruise from Victoria to Vancouver across the Strait of Georgia
- 2 nights accommodations at the Fairmont Empress (shown below) or similar, with breakfast each morning
- A guided panoramic city tour
- Admission to Butchart Gardens
- Gratuities to local guide
- Private group airport transfer for guests arriving at the suggested times











Kick off this Canadian adventure with the country's must-do signature attraction—Niagara Falls! With the guidance of a skilled captain, get up-close and personal with Canadian Horseshoe Falls and breathtaking Great Gorge. Hear the thundering roar and feel the mighty power and unbelievable mist that come along with these natural wonders. In addition, enjoy a guided city tour through Toronto to explore a majestic castle, a vibrant farmers market, and spectacular views in all directions high from the CN Tower.

# Post-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

### Day 7: Arrive in Toronto, Ontario, Canada Enjoy Toronto at leisure in the afternoon after the city tour Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

Day 8: Toronto / Niagara Falls (B,L)
Guided Hornblower boat tour, lunch
overlooking the falls, leisure time at
Niagara-on-the-Lake
Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

Day 9: Toronto / Depart for U.S. (B)

## What's Included

- 2 nights accommodations at the Fairmont Royal York (or similar), with breakfast each morning
- A guided city tour of Toronto
- Access to stops on the city tour, including Casa Loma, the St. Lawrence Market, and the CN Tower
- Private transportation to/from Niagara Falls
- Niagara Falls boat tour, including a scenic lunch
- Gratuities to local guide and driver





