# Aboard the Rocky Mountaineer

Aug 3 – 8, 2024

Our 6-night Rocky Mountaineer Adventure starts Saturday, Aug 3rd, when we all check in to the Pan Pacific Hotel in Vancouver, and it ends in Calgary on Thursday, Aug 8th. The trip is Gold Leaf Service Level from beginning to end.

For those who wish to arrive early, The Pan Pacific Hotel has offered to extend our special room rates for you, but you must book the rooms directly with the hotel. To reach the hotel from the U.S. callers need to use this number: 800-663-1515 and ask for the “Sunny Jim” Block. Room category is “Deluxe” at $719 CAD/night (currently @$531 US) + taxes and includes a $50 per room food and beverage credit. Note: This is the same type room that we will be booked in starting Saturday, Aug 3.

Currency: USD is readily accepted in Canada, but rarely at a good exchange rate. You’re best to convert to Canadian. All US credit cards are accepted.

OUR ROCKY MOUNTAINEER ADVENTURE OFFICIALLY BEGINS

**Sat, Aug 3** is hotel check-in at the Pan Pacific Hotel

James, Brent, Georgia, Fred and I will be hanging out at the hotel bar from 6 – 7, if you want to drop by to touch base. You will be free to have dinner on your own.

**Sunday, Aug 4**

Free Day in Vancouver

Our first official “group activity” is scheduled on Sunday evening, August 4. Dinner and concert will take place at Steamworks Brew Pub in Gastown, a historic neighborhood within walking distance of the hotel.
Dinner/Concert, 6 – 9 pm

Steamworks Brew Pub, 375 Water Street, Vancouver <https://steamworks.com/brew-pub>

Dinner included.

**Monday, Aug 5**
Day 1 of the Train Sight-seeing trip. We – along with our bags - will be picked up at the hotel and taken to the train, where we will departs from Vancouver. The train travels through the mountains and stops for the night in Kamloops between 5:30 – 7:30 pm. We won’t know what hotel Rocky Mountaineer is booking for us until closer to the trip, but they assure us the hotel will be up to their “Gold Level” standards. You should have time to enjoy some of the sights in Kamloops that evening.

**Tuesday, Aug 6**

Day 2 of the Train Sight-Seeing trip as the Rocky Mountaineer makes its way through the mountains past Lake Louise to the famous resort town of Banff and to our hotel, the Fairmont Banff Springs, located within Banff National Park. You are free to explore the hotel and its surroundings tonight, or to wander into historic downtown Banff if you prefer (about a 10-15 minute walk or short cab ride).

**Wed, Aug 7**

Since we’ll be in staying within the National Park, you are extended a pass to explore the park. We are told that there are plenty of possible excursions to choose from and several companies available to book with (we’ll send out some links soon) or you can book your own excursions with the concierge at the hotel upon arrival.
Dinner/concert, 6 – 9 pm
Rose & Crown, 202 Banff Ave <https://roseandcrown.ca>

Transportation provided between hotel and restaurant. Pick-ups from the Banff Springs Hotel begin at 6pm and will run back and forth until all guests who want to go have made it, then will return after the show. We have a private area for our group, but you are on your own for dinner and bar.

**Thursday, August 8 Banff to Calgary**

We are traveling from Banff to Calgary on an exclusive motorcoach, and this is scheduled to be a full day of sightseeing. In the morning we’ll visit rustic and quaint downtown Banff with time to explore, shop and enjoy lunch in town. Then, the motorcoach will take us sightseeing through Banff National Park, with a stop at the Banff Gondola. After that, we’ll head to Calgary.

**Calgary, August 8**

We have a 5:00pm check-in at the Fairmont Pallisar in Calgary.
Dinner/Concert, 6 – 9 pm
Bottlescrew Bill's Pub/ BSB Brewing 140 10th Ave. SW, Calgary https://www.bottlescrewbill.com

The restaurant is within walking distance from the hotel.
We have a private dining area for our group, but you are on your own for dinner and bar.

OUR ROCKY MOUNTAINEER ADVENTURE ENDS

Note: If you would like to stay an extra day or two in Calgary, we have arranged for a small block of rooms at a discounted rate. To book one, email: Princess.Lim@Fairmont.com; PAL.TourReservations@Fairmont.com

SUBJECT: Dream Vacations Group Block

Check-in date:

Check-out date:

Room Type:

Guest Name/s:

Once processed, they will send a confirmation letter together with a secure payment link to input credit card details.

Note: Room type is a Fairmont Room 200 Sq ft $369 CAD (approx $274 U.S.) + taxes. This is the same type of room we will be booked in by Rocky Mountaineer for our one night stay.

Other Rooms Available:

Deluxe                         250 sq ft $399 CAD

Signature                      325 sq ft $419 CAD

One Bedroom Suite        450 sq ft $749  CAD

Fairmont Gold \*           350 sq ft $559 CAD

\*Gold Option Includes Access to the Fairmont Gold Lounge, Exclusive VIP Service, dedicated VIP Concierge, Breakfast, All Day Snacks & Evening Canapes