



# **Great Canadian Rail Journey**

May 23 - June 5, 2022



**★** Book by September 13, 2021 and receive \$400 off the tour price!

Only \$5,949

per person double occupancy, airfare included from Omaha

One of our most popular tours! Traverse the breathtaking Canadian countryside from Toronto to Jasper aboard *The Canadian* on VIA Rail. Then continue on motorcoach through the magnificent Canadian Rockies and onto Vancouver. Certainly a tour of a lifetime!

#### **ITINERARY**

#### May 23 - Depart Omaha / Arrive in Toronto

Meet us this morning at one of our many convenient pick-up points as we make our way to Omaha's Eppley Airfield to board our connecting flight to Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Upon arrival, our deluxe motorcoach will be waiting to take you to your downtown accommodations for your two-night stay. Here, your Local Tour Director will prepare you for your upcoming adventure! You are free to spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

#### May 24 - Niagara Falls / CN Tower

This morning, drive along the shores of Lake Ontario to Niagara Falls. Here, enjoy a Niagara Falls sightseeing cruise for a thrilling boat ride to view the thundering falls from river level! Then, make your way back to Toronto for a brief guided sightseeing tour and dinner with amazing views atop the 1,815-foot-tall CN Tower. (B, D)

#### May 25 - Toronto / VIA Rail - The Canadian

After breakfast we make our way to Union Station to board The Canadian, VIA Rail's premier transcontinental train. Spend the next three days and nights on this classic trip across Canada's heartland. Aboard, enjoy Sleeper Plus (first) Class in their refurbished art-deco cars from the 1950's. Domed observation cars let you enjoy views of the Canadian countryside as you roll past Ontario's landscapes. All meals on-board are included, and you won't want to miss any of them, as the chef offers a tempting array of soups, salads, main courses and desserts! **(B, L, D)** 

#### May 26 - The Canadian / Winnipeg, Manitoba

Watch the scenic countryside from your windows as you relax in first-class today! Travel past the sparkling lakes and sun-dappled forests of Ontario. Try the observation dome for unparalleled views or enjoy quiet conversation in one of the comfortable lounges. Manitoba is known for its endless golden prairies and vast cultivated fields. In the late evening, we arrive in Manitoba's capital city of Winnipeg for a brief stop before continuing west into Saskatchewan. (B, L, D)

#### May 27 - The Canadian / Saskatchewan

Continue through the prairies and winding rivers of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. View the ever-changing landscape with ease and comfort as you meet and mingle with fellow passengers or enjoy freshly prepared meals that showcase Canadian cuisine and regional specialties. (B, L, D)

### May 28 - The Canadian / Jasper, Alberta

Travel from Saskatchewan to Jasper with brief stops in Saskatoon and Edmonton. Admire the scenery as the train roughly parallels the famed Yellowhead Route, Canada's historic trail of westward expansion. Then, our time on The Canadian ends as we arrive in Jasper for local sightseeing. (B)

## May 29 - Jasper National Park / Maligne Lake Cruise

Today finds us in stunning Jasper National Park, where we'll have free time to take in the sights. Later, we'll enjoy an excursion to beautiful Maligne Lake and a fully-narrated cruise to Spirit Island. (B)

#### May 30 - Columbia Icefield / Lake Louise

This morning, travel through Jasper National Park on Icefields Parkway to the 750-foot-thick Columbia Icefield for a thrilling Ice Explorer Ride. Climb Sunwapta Pass to savor stunning vistas of alpine meadows, waterfalls and massive glaciers. Next, stop at magnificent Lake Louise, whose green-blue waters form a perfect mirror reflection of Mount Victoria. Continue onto Banff, where we'll be overnight. **(B, D)** 

#### May 31 - Banff

Our morning sightseeing in Banff includes the Bow River and Falls. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to enjoy this beautiful area. Consider an optional helicopter flightseeing trip for a bird's-eye view of the Rockies. **(B)** 

#### June 1 - Yoho National Park / Kamloops, British Columbia

This morning, travel through the spectacular beauty of Yoho National Park, one of Canada's most popular recreational areas and site of pre-Cambrian fossil finds. Then, on to Canada's Glacier National Park, where our motor coach climbs 4,379-foot-high Rogers Pass, a perfect spot for photos of the surrounding mountain cliffs and glaciers. Continue to Kamloops, where a riverside BBQ with s'mores awaits! **(B, D)** 

#### June 2 - Victoria, British Columbia

This morning we catch a BC Ferry to Vancouver Island and the very British "Garden City" of Victoria. Then, we take a tour of Victoria including the gardens of Beacon Hill Park, the Fairmont Empress Hotel, Bastion Square and Thunderbird Park. **(B)** 

#### June 3 - Butchart Gardens

This morning is at leisure for independent sightseeing and shopping in Victoria. Your Tour Director may suggest an optional wildlife and whalewatching trip. For shoppers, Government Street's elegant shops and Market Square's collection of specialty stores are good places to start. History buffs should be sure to visit the Royal British Columbia Museum. Later today, we'll visit the world famous Butchart Gardens followed by a special dinner in the gardens. **(B, D)** 

#### June 4 - Vancouver, British Columbia

This morning we take the BC Ferry and sail through the Gulf Islands, an archipelago known for its Mediterranean-type climate. Upon arrival in Vancouver, enjoy a city tour including the harbor, beaches, Chinatown, historic Gastown and Stanley Park, with its towering evergreen forests and totem polls. (B)

#### June 5 - Return Home

After breakfast, we make our way to Vancouver International Airport for our return flight to Omaha. Upon arrival in Omaha, say goodbye to your fellow travelers and Moostash Joe Tour Director with many fond memories of your Great Canadian Rail Journey as you make it back to your original pick-up points. **(B)** 

#### **MEALS INCLUDED:**

(B) - Breakfast

(L) - Brunch

(D) - Dinner

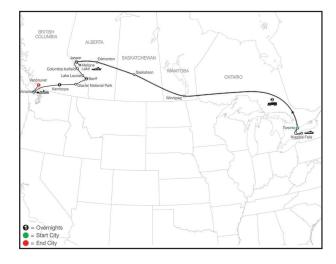
#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Nights One & Two - Westin Harbour Castle, Toronto, Ontario, Canada Nights Three, Four & Five - Aboard *The Canadian* on VIA Rail Canada Nights Six & Seven - Chateau Jasper Hotel, Jasper, Alberta, Canada Nights Eight & Nine - Banff Park Lodge, Banff, Alberta, Canada Night Ten - South Thompson Inn Guest Ranch & Conference Centre, Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada

Nights Eleven & Twelve - Delta Victoria Ocean Pointe Resort, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

Night Thirteen – Delta by Marriott Vancouver Suites, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Departs: Norfolk, Fremont, Lincoln & Omaha, NE





Moostash Joe Tours P.O. Box 969 Fremont, NE 68026 **Single Occupancy Price:** \$7,048

**Deposit Due:** \$550 per person

#### **Travel Protection Price:**

\$373 per person, double occupancy \$498 per person, single occupancy

#### **Cancellation Penalties:**

Up until 121 days prior to departure: Full Refund 120-66 days prior to departure: \$550 per person 65 days or less prior to departure: No Refund

A valid passport is necessary to take this tour.