

SELF DRIVE HOLIDAYS 2021 & 2022

BEST OF ROCKIES & WEST COAST

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DAY 1 – Arrive in Calgary

Arrive in Calgary. On arrival at Calgary International Airport (YYC) pick up your bags and proceed to the Car Rental office at YYC Airport. You will present your confirmation voucher along with your valid Driver's License and credit card to rent your pre-booked car. Rest of the day free to explore Calgary on your own.

Overnight in Calgary, AB.

DAY 2 – Calgary to Banff - 129 KMs

Leaving Calgary behind, you will set your sights today on the magnificent Rocky Mountains. 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 you have arrived in the bustling town of Banff, the remainder of the day is free to explore its charms.

On arrival in Banff, you will check into your hotel. Rest of the day free to explore this bustling town in the Rockies.

Mt. Rundle and Mt. Cascade, part of the Rocky Mountains dominate the skyline of Banff. Boutiques and restaurants mix with chateau-style hotels and souvenir shops on Banff Avenue, the main thoroughfare. The 6,500 square kilometres of parkland surrounding Banff is host to animals including elk and grizzly bears.

Overnight in Banff, AB.



Tour Inclusions:

- ✓ 10 Nights' accommodations.
- ✓ Rental of a Mid-Sized car Toyota Corolla or Similar with unlimited mileage. Driver must be 21 years or older. Upgrades to SUV or Minivan also available for an additional cost.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Banff Gondola.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Ice Explorer and Glacier Skywalk.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Lake Maligne Cruise.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Peak to Peak Gondola.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Flyover Canada.
- ✓ Admission tickets to Capilano Suspension Bridge, Treetops Adventure & Cliff Walk.
- ✓ Taxes & GST.

DAY 3 – Explore Banff National Park

Spend the day exploring Banff and the Banff National Park. Start your day with ride on the famous Banff Gondola to the peak of the Sulphur Mountain. The Gondola Ride is included in your Self-Drive package. Visit Lookout Point, Bow Falls, the Tunnel Mountains & the Hoodoos.

Explore Johnston Canyon or spend your day in some of the interesting activities Banff offers. These include a cruise on Lake Minnewanka, hiking, Horseback Riding with a Cowboy Cookout, river rafting in Kicking Horse, Via Ferrata on Mount Norquay and much more.

Overnight in Banff, AB.

DAY 4 – Icefield Parkway Tour from Banff to Jasper – 288 KMs

This morning, you will leave the town of Banff to drive north to Jasper at the top of the Icefield Park. This is 288 km drive and with the stops you will make enroute, it will take up your entire day, arriving into Jasper closer to dinner hour. Your first stop this morning will be at Lake Louise, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The shimmering turquoise green waters of Lake Louise will leave you speechless.

You will find it hard to tear away from the stunning beauty of Lake Louise. But, north along Icefields Parkway (Highway 93), a wide stretch of breath-taking country awaits you. Renowned for the Columbia Icefield off this Hwy, the parkway winds through forested river valleys cradled by walls of dazzling peaks. You will frequently spot elk, moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, black and grizzly bears, wolf, or caribou.

Interesting viewing spots along the highway include Bow Lake with majestic views of the Crowfoot Glacier, Saskatchewan River Crossing, Sunwapta River and Athabasca Falls.

Your Self-drive Package includes a visit to the Columbia Icefield and admissions to the world-famous Ice Explorer and Glacier Skywalk Experience at the Columbia Icefield.

Overnight in Jasper, AB.

Tour Exclusions:

- × Airfare.
- × Meals.
- × Canada Park Fees - approx. \$10 per person x 4 days.
- × Travel Insurance - recommended. We require Travel Agent to secure a signed Waiver in the event client declines your offer to sell Travel Insurance. DMCi will require Travel Agent to provide us the signed waiver when required as a part of the Terms & Conditions of Contract.
- × DMCi sells Manulife Travel Insurance. Please check with us for rates.
- × Collision Damage Waiver & Theft Protection for the rented Car and Roadside Assistance not included in package cost. Same is available at an additional cost.
- × Young Driver Surcharge - Drivers age 21 and 24 are required to pay CAD 30.00 plus taxes, per day at the time of rental pick up.
- × Gas for the vehicle.
- × GPS, Child Seats, Racks, etc.
- × Parking & Tolls.

For More Information on this Tour Package, Operating Dates & Tariffs, please visit:

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or contact your favourite Travel Agent.

Day 5 – Explore Jasper today.

On the northernmost point on Hwy-93, Jasper is a small mountain town tucked away in the Jasper National Park. You can do two different tours of Jasper. A short leisurely drive that visits all the best locations that are close to the town. The second tour you can take is a longer drive to the best corners of the Park.

Closer to town, drive out to Pyramid and Patricia Lakes for some stunning views. Take a ride up onto Whistlers Mountain on the Jasper SkyTram and have a great chance of sharing excellent views with big horn sheep at the top of the stairs at Old Fort Point.

Further out, drive to the Maligne Lake for a Cruise to the Spirit Island. Enroute, stop to see the historic Jasper Park Lodge, Edith, and Annette Lakes. Pay a visit to the narrow and deep Maligne Canyon and the fast-disappearing Medicine Lake.

If you still have time on hand, drive east to visit Miette Hot Springs for the hottest soak in the Rockies.

Overnight in Jasper, AB.

Day 6 – Drive from Jasper to Kelowna – 653 KMs.

Leave Jasper this morning for Kelowna in BC. Leaving Jasper National Park, this 7-hour or so drive including stops enroute will take you down on the 'Yellowhead Hwy'. Originally explored by trappers and traders, you will drive past the sprawling grandeur of Mount Robson, the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies. Beyond Mount Robson Provincial Park, the highway follows the Thompson River through the snowy peaks of the Monashee and Caribou Mountains to Kamloops where you will turn on to Hwy 97 to arrive in Kelowna early evening.

There are many scenic stops you can make on the route including the beautiful Helmcken Falls and the Spahats falls in the Wells Gray Provincial Park

Overnight in Kelowna, BC.

Day 7 - Drive from Kelowna to Whistler - 509 KMs.

Departing Kelowna this morning, you will cross the Okanagan Lake and drive west. Past the town of Hope, you will drive along the Fraser River towards North Vancouver. Here, you will turn on to Hwy 99, the Sea to Sky Highway, one of the country's most popular routes, flanked by the mountains and the Howe Sound. The highway passes several scenic viewing spots, the best of which is Shannon Falls. Tumbling over a series of cliffs to fall 335 m to the ground, this is the third-highest waterfall in British Columbia. It is located just off the highway, and easily accessible with a short walk to the multiple viewpoints around the falls. Spend some time here to capture memorable photographs of nature's power and beauty.

You will arrive in Whistler later afternoon. Rest of the day free.

Overnight in Whistler, BC.

Day 8 – Explore Whistler today.

Your tour package includes the most popular of Whistler's attraction, the world-famous Peak-2-Peak Gondola. The Peak 2 Peak Gondola is a 11 minute, 4.4 kilometres (2.7 miles) long cable car ride that spans the Whistler and Blackcomb Peaks. Be ready to spend on an average of 2 hours to enjoy this experience best.

Whistler also offers several tours including a Helicopter Tour of the Mountain ranges around the Whistler Village with a Glacier Landing, Mountain Biking, Ziplining, RZR/ATV Rainforest Tours, River Rafting and more. Winter promises you lots of winter fun including skiing, tobogganing, snowtubing, snowshoeing, Nordic skiing, snowmobiling, dogsledding and more.

Overnight in Whistler, BC.

Day 9 – Drive from Whistler to Vancouver – 121 KMs.

Wake up to another bright new day and enjoy your journey.

Drive from Whistler to Vancouver along the breathtaking Sea to Sky Highway, counted among the most beautiful highways in the world with the ocean on one side and the rugged mountains on the other. Keep your cameras ready because you will find plenty of photography spots along the way.

After an approximately 2-hour journey, you will drive into Vancouver. Once you reach your hotel, take some time to savour some local goodies before you check-in to your cozy rooms and unwind. The rest of the day is free to explore Vancouver.

Overnight in Vancouver, BC.

Day 10 – Tour of Vancouver with Flyover Canada.

Today, you will get to witness the fabulous combination of glitzy city sights and a surreal forest escape that has now become synonymous with Canada tourism.

Use your day to explore the best sites Vancouver has to offer. Take in the view at the spectacular waterfront, including the five iconic 90 ft white sails standing tall atop the Canada Place, Soak in the energy as you stroll along Robson Street, packed with busy stores, thriving eateries and several other service establishments. Then, marvel at the stunning view of the two mountains towering over the Lions Gate Bridge, guarded by concrete lion statues at the south end of the bridge and along Stanley Park Drive. Drive through Stanley Park, the 400-hectare natural West Coast rainforest right in the heart of the city.

Drive across the Lion's Gate Bridge to North Vancouver and on to one of Vancouver's most visited attractions – "the Capilano Bridge, Treetops and Cliff Walk" Admissions are included in your tour package.

End the day with a 4 D Flight Simulation Experience at FlyOver Canada (included in your package). The complete FlyOver Canada experience lasts about 25 minutes and counts among the best things to do in Canada.

It starts out with an exciting audio-visual show called UpLift, which showcases the country's people and passions and gets you ready for the breathtaking flight simulation ride. Then, move on to the boarding zone, where the flight guides will prepare you for the Ultimate Flying Ride that will take you soaring over the great Canadian expanse, all without leaving Vancouver.

Overnight in Vancouver, BC.

Day 11 – End of your self-drive tour.

This morning checkout of hotel and time to go back home.

End of your Self-Drive Canadian Holiday.

