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## Calgary Stampede, Canadian Rockies & Glacier

Departure June 29, 2019

All aboard the storied rails of the *Empire Builder* for a 10-day trip through Glacier National Park, the colorful Canadian Rockies and to the Calgary Stampede. Beginning in Chicago, set off on Amtrak's *Empire Builder* for a tour that includes Montana's Glacier National Park and some of Canada's most iconic towns, including Banff, Jasper, and Calgary.

### Itinerary

#### Day 1 - *Empire Builder* to Glacier National Park

Depart Chicago or Seattle aboard the iconic *Empire Builder* for the overnight journey to Glacier National Park. Overnight train.

#### Day 2 – En Route to East Glacier Park

Take time to admire the changing scenery from the Lounge Car. Large panoramic windows provide the perfect lookout over the natural undulations in the land. Overnight Whitefish, MT.

#### Day 3 - Glacier National Park

Glacier National Park is best seen from the ground, and one of the most iconic ways to enjoy the lush landscape is from vintage Red Jammer buses. With the top back and the windows down, we make our way along the gorgeous Going-to-the-Sun Road. This tour is the best way to learn about the wildlife, geology, and history of the park. Overnight Whitefish, MT. (B)

#### Day 4 - Banff

Early this morning we cross the United States border into Canada and begin our journey to Banff. We travel north through British Columbia towards Radium Hot Springs and into Kootenay National Park. Continue to Banff, where we arrive with plenty of time for independent exploration. Overnight Banff, AB. (B)

#### Day 5 - Banff/Jasper National Parks

Natural wonders can be found at every turn on today's excursions. We will explore Banff National Park and everything it has to offer. The tour begins at Lake Louise, and after ample time to explore, we continue our journey up the Icefields Parkway. Stunning views await on the afternoon's excursion the Columbia Icefields. Enjoy the town of Jasper. Overnight Jasper, AB. (B, L)



#### Day 6 - Jasper

Following breakfast, we will enjoy a tour of Jasper National Park and The Maligne Valley. We will enjoy the area's natural wonders and spectacular scenery. Your evening is at leisure. Overnight Jasper, AB. (B)

#### Day 7 - Calgary

After breakfast, we board our motorcoach bound for Calgary. We arrive back in Banff in time for lunch and exploring before continuing to Calgary. Enjoy free time in Calgary this evening. Overnight Calgary, AB. (B)

#### Day 8 - Calgary Stampede

Today is a free day in Calgary for you to enjoy the city or spend additional time at the Calgary Stampede. Transportation and Calgary Stampede tickets are included. Calgary's zoo and science centers are popular stops in the city, and there are numerous museums, galleries, and shops to explore. Meet back with your fellow travelers tonight for a special dinner in the Clubhouse before the main event, the Chuckwagon Races and Grandstand Show. Overnight Calgary, AB. (B, D)

## Day 9 - Calgary Stampede

This morning is yours to enjoy. This afternoon, we make our way to the Stampede Grounds for the world-renowned Stampede Rodeo. Take in the sights and sounds of the rodeo, shop at the many vendors, sample the food and do not miss the events. Bareback bronc riding, bull riding, barrel racing, saddle bronc, steer wrestling and tie-down roping are all highlighted during the rodeo today. Overnight Calgary, AB. (B)

## Highlights and Inclusions

- Rail travel on Amtrak (1 night on train)
- Hotel accommodations for 8 nights
- 9 meals
- Meals onboard the train when upgrading to a roomette or bedroom
- Going-to-the-Sun Road aboard vintage Red Jammer buses
- Sightseeing in Banff National Park, Jasper National Park and Lake Louise

## Train and Hotel Accommodations

Hotels include Grouse Mountain Lodge (Whitefish); Delta Banff Royal Canadian (Banff); Sawridge Resort & Spa (Jasper), AB; Delta Calgary Downtown (Calgary). Hotel accommodations are based on availability; substitutes will be similar in quality and amenities.

Amtrak accommodations are available in Coach class. Coach accommodations include a reclining seat with leg rest. (Roomette & Bedroom upgrade rates and availability will be provided 10 months prior to departure. These accommodations are recommended and limited in quantity.) All travelers have access to the Sightseer Lounge.



## Day 10 - Conclusion

Your Calgary Stampede adventure comes to a close this morning. Make your way to Calgary's international airport for your return flight home.



- Columbia Icefields
- Maligne Valley Wildlife & Waterfalls Tour, including Spirit Lake cruise
- Calgary Stampede Tickets to the Grandstand Show, Chuckwagon Races and 6 major rodeo events
- Services of a professional tour manager
- Transportation by deluxe motor coach
- Baggage Handling

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**Pricing: \$3,195 pp double occupancy**

**Airfare is separate and can be booked by Country Travel & Tours. A valid passport is required for this vacation. Travel Insurance is not required but is highly recommended. For more information, contact:**



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