



CONNECTIONS BOUTIQUE GROUP JOURNEYS

## North America: Canadian Rockies 2019

9 days from \$6,295

Limited to 24 guests

Explore Canada's breathtaking natural wonderland on an expertly led itinerary that reveals mist-shrouded forests and flower-popping meadows, rapid rivers and vibrantly colored lakes, and astonishing wildlife, all wrapped in the stunning heights of the Canadian Rockies.

### A&K Advantages

Discover Alberta's bright blue lakes, endless mountains and wildlife, experiencing epic hikes, floats and adventurous drives

Take part in a hands-on lesson with a professional photographer in Jasper, one of the most picturesque landscapes in the Canadian Rockies

Feed your adrenaline on the exciting Icefield explorer, specially designed to traverse Athabasca Glacier

Hike the vibrantly colored Emerald Lake region with one of the country's best naturalist guides

17 meals, with 8 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 5 dinners

# Itinerary

## DAY 1 ARRIVE EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA

Arrive in Edmonton, where you are met and transferred to your hotel. Tonight, gather with your fellow guests for a welcome reception and dinner.

Fairmont Hotel Macdonald | Meals: Dinner

## DAY 2 EDMONTON & JASPER | FORT EDMONTON PARK

Begin your day with a pre-opening visit to the Art Gallery of Alberta with its more than 6,000 works of art by Canadian and international artists. Travel west through Jasper National Park to your iconic mountain lodge.

Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## DAY 3 JASPER | CANYON SKYSCRAPERS

Cruise along the mile-high Maligne Lake to the famous Spirit Island, a tiny islet surrounded by the towering snow-capped Rockies. You may opt to join your fellow guests for a guided hike through the Maligne Canyon, with its impressive 200-foot-tall limestone walls. Later, experience a hands-on lesson in wildlife and landscape photography from a professional. Enjoy the remainder of your day exploring your natural surroundings at leisure.

Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge | Meals: Breakfast

## DAY 4 LAKE LOUISE | THROUGH THE ICE FIELDS

Travel along the scenic Icefields Parkway for a full day of adventure. Visit Sunwapta Falls and then stop at the massive Athabasca Glacier (7,000 feet) for an exciting ride across its surface on a specially designed vehicle. After lunch, see Crowfoot glacier and the glacier-fed Peyto Lake. Finish the day at your historic resort set on Lake Louise (5,750 feet).

Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 5 LAKE LOUISE | FLORA AND FAUNA

Travel through serene Yoho National Park, pausing to explore Takakkaw Falls, before proceeding to Emerald Lake, vibrantly colored by glacial sediment. Meet with your expert guide, who reveals the geological and natural forces behind this scenic lake, and describes the breathtaking natural surroundings and habits of the endangered grizzly bear. After lunch, weather permitting, view the Spiral Tunnel and Kicking Horse Natural Bridge. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore Lake Louise at your own pace.

Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

## DAY 6 BANFF | CANADA'S STUNNING FIRST NATIONAL PARK

Start your day with a visit to glacier-fed Moraine Lake in Banff National Park, one of the most beautiful lakes in the Canadian Rockies. Then, head to Johnston Canyon, with its sheer walls, waterfalls, tunnels and pools. Stroll the interpretive walkways before continuing to Banff. Take a trip up to the summit of Sulphur Mountain on the Banff Gondola for striking views over the Rockies. Later, arrive at your extraordinary hotel, which is styled after a Scottish Baronial castle and known as the "Castle in the Rockies."

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 7 BANFF | NESTLED IN NATURE

Bordered on all sides by wilderness, Banff is a national park resort community surrounded by spectacular nature, home to roaming deer, elk and other wildlife. Enjoy a relaxing and memorable float trip down the majestic Bow River. The rest of your day is at leisure to enjoy Banff at your own pace, perhaps exploring the community's restaurants, galleries and unique shops.

Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel | Meals: Breakfast

## DAY 8 CALGARY | KANANASKIS COUNTRY

Explore picturesque Kananaskis Country as you take in stunning views of Mount Douglas and Mount Kidd. Savor a delicious barbecue lunch at Boundary Ranch before travelling to Calgary. Take a tour of the city and then check in to your historic hotel. This evening, gather with fellow guests to attend a special farewell dinner.

Fairmont Palliser Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## DAY 9 DEPART CALGARY

This morning, transfer to Calgary International Airport for your departure flight.



# Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Prices</b>	<b>Single Supplement</b>	<b>Availability</b>
<b>Sep 07 - Sep 15, 2019</b>	\$6,295	\$2,495	Call for Availability

## Journey Details

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years old.

First group event: welcome briefing at 6:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 8.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).