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JULY 16-22, 2024

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NIAGARA FALLS &  
TORONTO PRE-TOUR  
and VICTORIA POST-TOUR

# *Toronto to Vancouver by Rail*

A Nostalgic Journey Aboard VIA Rail's  
*The Canadian* in Premium Class



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CONFIDENCE**

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guarantee

*\* All aboard, eh? \**



Thompson Rivers Confluence, Kamloops

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Join us for a once-in-a-lifetime train trip across Canada—a small-group journey (26 guests maximum) from Toronto across the expanse of five provinces, through the Canadian Rockies to the Pacific Northwest.

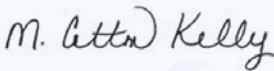
Enjoy upgraded Prestige Class premium accommodations onboard VIA Rail's *The Canadian*, providing the perfect combination of modern and elegant cabins, private concierge service, delightful meals prepared by onboard chefs, all-inclusive bar service, and observation cars that allow for unobstructed viewing of Canada's great wilderness.

This is what travel was meant to be. And with time to explore Niagara Falls, Toronto, and Victoria during the optional pre-tour and post-tour, it's a unique opportunity to get to know the beauty and history of our northern neighbor.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than \$1,000 per couple, we anticipate this program will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.


Please reserve online at [uconn.orbridge.com](http://uconn.orbridge.com), by calling our travel partner, Orbridge, at (866) 639-0079, or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Sincerely,

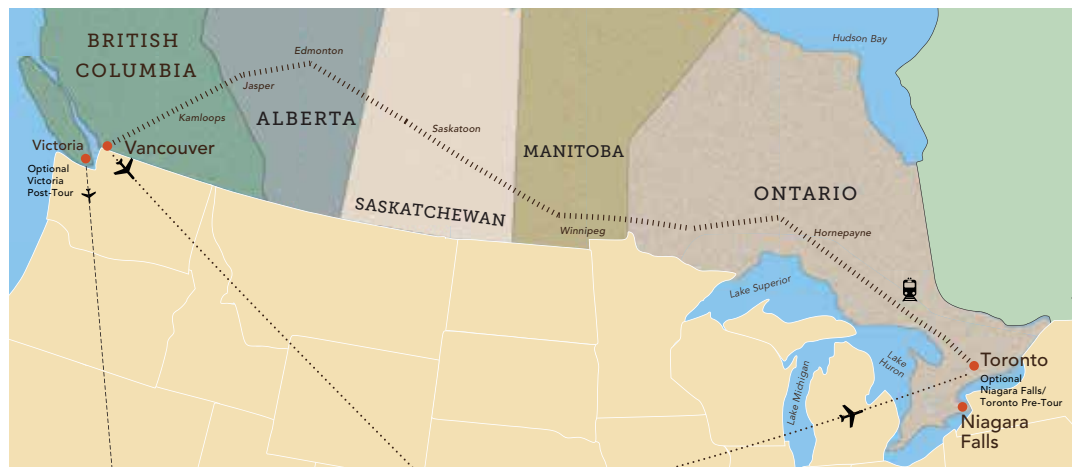


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Senior Vice President for Stakeholder Engagement  
and Chief Operating Officer  
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## Your 7-Day Itinerary (subject to change)

**NOTE:** VIA Rail Canada, like other passenger railways in North America, operates on tracks owned by freight companies. While VIA Rail strives for on-time departures and arrivals, increased freight traffic on the railway will often cause delays. These delays could result in delayed departure from Toronto, delayed arrival in to Vancouver, and shortened / limited time off of the train. Onboard services are guaranteed and any changes to the schedule will be communicated and updated as the journey continues.

### Day 1: Arrive in Toronto, Ontario,

Canada (R)  
Special welcome reception  
Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

### Day 2: Toronto / Board VIA Rail's

*The Canadian* / Hornepayne (B,L,D)  
Morning embarkation, mimosa toast,  
travel through Ontario  
Overnight: *The Canadian*

### Day 3: *The Canadian* / Winnipeg,

Manitoba (B,L,D)  
Travel through Manitoba, brief leisure  
time in Winnipeg, depart for Saskatoon  
Overnight: *The Canadian*

### Day 4: *The Canadian* / Saskatoon, Saskatchewan / Edmonton,

Alberta (B,L,D)  
Travel into Alberta, brief stops in each town  
Overnight: *The Canadian*

### Day 5: *The Canadian* / Jasper / Kamloops, British Columbia (B,L,D)

Brief stops in each town  
Overnight: *The Canadian*

### Day 6: *The Canadian* / Vancouver (B,R)

Disembarkation, guided city tour, special  
wine and dessert farewell reception  
Overnight: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

### Day 7: Vancouver / Depart for U.S. (B)

(B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner, R=Reception)

**Activity Level:** Guests should be comfortable boarding and disembarking trains without assistance, walking and moving between cars while the train is in motion, and navigating steep, narrow stairs to the upper level of the observation car. All hallways are narrow and have handrails, but train travel can be unpredictable and some unexpected movement may occur. Guests who enjoy the relaxed pace of train travel will delight in spending much of the program's time on the railway. At brief train stop locations, ground may be uneven and covered in loose gravel, with no sidewalks.





## Repose

- Enjoy the serenity of travel by rail as you spend four days unplugged from the outside world, with the beauty of the Canadian wilderness unfolding before you.
- Relax at leisure within your private Prestige Class stateroom—providing 50% more living space than other class cabins—featuring a picture window that’s 60% larger than standard cabin windows, a leather couch by day that transforms into a comfortable double bed with luxury linens by night, heated floors, private en suite bathroom with shower, flat screen TV, and turndown service.
- Prestige Class amenities also include personalized concierge service, priority seating in the dining car, and complimentary snacks and beverages in the Park Car 24-hours a day.

## Experience

- Savor the best in Canadian cuisine with a selection of local and regional specialties prepared by onboard chefs.

## Discover

- From your stateroom, or from seats in the domed observation car or Prestige Park lounge car, admire the vastness and diversity of Canada—starting at the shores of Lake Ontario, traversing across five provinces—including expansive prairies and the Canadian Rockies—and ending in Vancouver.
- Set out on a guided panoramic city tour of Vancouver.



## What’s Included

- 2 nights luxury hotel accommodations
- 4 nights accommodations in Prestige Class onboard VIA Rail’s *The Canadian*
- 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches, and 4 dinners (snacks and bar orders are included while aboard the train)
- Special welcome and farewell receptions
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- Admission to all activities and tours as described in the 7-day itinerary
- Private motor coach transportation for the sightseeing tour
- Gratuities for Orbridge Travel Director, onboard guides, drivers, porters, housekeeping staff, VIA Rail attendants, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times







## Accommodations (subject to change)

The Canadian Railway hotels, a group of historic hotels built between 1886 and 1930 by the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National railway companies, were designed to promote rail travel and provide modern, luxurious accommodations for passengers as they traveled across Canada. This program includes one night each at two of the most well-known, iconic hotels.

### FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK .....

Built by the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1929, it was the tallest building in Canada at the time, and featured magnificent architecture and luxury, including over 1,000 en suite guest rooms, a glass-enclosed roof garden, and a concert hall with a 50-ton pipe organ. It has recently undergone a five-year, multimillion dollar renovation to combine stunning, redesigned guest rooms with carefully preserved historic elements.

Located directly across from Union Station—and conveniently connected to the depot by an underground pedestrian walkway—this elegant downtown property is minutes away from the city’s best attractions, and features five restaurants, four lounges, an indoor pool, gym, spa, and business center.



### VIA RAIL’S THE CANADIAN .....

Experience an inviting blend of modern amenities with a sense of nostalgia, and the perfect way to unplug and enjoy nature’s beauty at a slower pace.

*The Canadian’s* Prestige Class provides an elegant and spacious cabin with oversized picture window with blinds, flat screen TV, modular leather L-shaped couch seating by day and comfortable double bed with luxurious bedding for two at night and private bathroom with shower and deluxe amenities. Passengers in Prestige Class also enjoy priority boarding, access to the Business Lounge at Toronto’s Union Station, private concierge service with in-cabin cocktails and canapés, turndown service, and privileged access to the Park Car.



### FAIRMONT HOTEL VANCOUVER .....

Opened in 1939—just in time for a visit by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth—this opulent gem, known as the “Castle in the City,” quickly became a landmark in Vancouver. The newly-renovated hotel features distinguished restaurants and lounges, an indoor pool, gym, and spa.



## Optional Pre-Tour Niagara Falls & Toronto



Kick off this Canadian adventure with the country's must-do signature attraction—Niagara Falls! With the guidance of a skilled captain, get up-close and personal with Canadian Horseshoe Falls and breathtaking Great Gorge. Hear the thundering roar and feel the mighty power and unbelievable mist that come along with these natural wonders. In addition, enjoy a guided city tour through Toronto to explore a majestic castle, a vibrant farmers market, and spectacular views in all directions high from the CN Tower.

### Pre-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

#### **Day +1:** Arrive in Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Enjoy time at leisure in Toronto  
Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

#### **Day +2:** Toronto/ Niagara Falls (B,L)

Guided Hornblower boat tour, lunch overlooking the falls, leisure time at Niagara-on-the-Lake  
Overnight: Fairmont Royal York

#### **Day +3:** Toronto / Main Program Begins (B)

Guided city tour, join guests for main program

### What's Included

- 2 nights accommodations at the Fairmont Royal York (shown at left) or similar, with breakfast each morning
- A guided city tour of Toronto
- Access to stops on the city tour, including Casa Loma, the St. Lawrence Market, and the CN Tower
- Private transportation to/from Niagara Falls
- Niagara Falls boat tour, including a scenic lunch
- Gratuities to local guide and driver





## Optional Post-Tour

### Victoria



Enjoy two nights in delightful Victoria—British Columbia’s picture-perfect capital. This colorful pedestrian-friendly city is an ideal spot for whale watching, biking, shopping, and sampling from the wide variety of cafés and restaurants that line bustling Government Street. Savor the island’s relaxing pace by exploring its lush gardens, and admire the historical architecture while embracing Victoria’s friendly ambiance.

## Post-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

### Day 7: Vancouver / Victoria

Explore Butchart Gardens, panoramic city tour, evening at leisure

### Day 8: Victoria (B)

Day at leisure

### Day 9: Depart Victoria (B)

After breakfast, guests departing during the suggested times take a complimentary transfer to Victoria International Airport for flights home

## What’s Included

- A 1.5 hour ferry cruise from Vancouver to Victoria across the Strait of Georgia
- 2 nights accommodations at the Fairmont Empress (shown below) or similar, with breakfast each morning
- A guided panoramic city tour
- Admission to Butchart Gardens
- Gratuities to local guide
- Airport transfer for guests departing during the suggested times





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Niagara Falls & Toronto Pre-Tour: July 14-16, 2024

Victoria Post-Tour: July 22-24, 2024

Standard  
Rate:

**\$7,499**

~~\$12,499~~ Single

Special  
Rate:

**\$6,995\***

\$11,995 Single

Niagara Falls / Toronto Pre-Tour: \$1,195\*  
Single Pre-Tour: \$1,595

Victoria Post-Tour: \$1,195\*  
Single Post-Tour: \$1,595

## Reserve by Credit Card:

Online: [uconn.orbridge.com](https://uconn.orbridge.com)

Phone: (866) 639-0079

Fax: (206) 452-5655

## Reserve by Check:

Made payable to **Orbridge, LLC**

Mail to: Orbridge, P.O. Box 1376

Poulsbo, WA 98370

## GUEST INFORMATION:

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## DEPOSIT PAYMENT:

☐ Check ☐ ACH (Automated Clearing House) ☐ MasterCard/Visa ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

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## DEPOSIT:

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining pre-tour (\$500/person) +

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining program (\$850/person) +

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining post-tour (\$500/person) = **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment.** To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: \$850 per person per program and \$500 per person for any pre/post-tour. Orbridge accepts payment by check, ACH, wire or major credit card. Final payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date. Reservations made after the final payment due date are due at the time of registration. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund. CST#2098750-40 WST#602828994

**Reservation Grace Period.** Reservations made 121+ days prior to the departure date may be cancelled within 30 days from the reservation date ("Grace Period") for a full refund. Notice of cancellation must be received in writing during the Grace Period. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date.

**Reservation Cancellations and Refunds.** Notice of cancellation must be submitted to Orbridge in writing. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date. If the cancellation notice is received after the Grace Period (if applicable): (a) 91+ days prior to the departure date, all monies paid will be refunded less an administrative fee of \$350 per person for the main program and \$200 per person for a pre/post-tour; (b) 90-76 days prior to the departure date, a 25% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (c) 75-61 days prior to the departure date, a 50% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (d) 60-46 days prior to the departure date, a 75% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (e) within 45 days prior to the departure date, a 100% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program. A 100% cancellation fee applies to all non-refundable airfare. Refunds, if any, will be processed within 30 days of our receipt of your written notice.

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Special Alumni Rate: **Save more than \$1,000**  
per couple

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By paying the deposit or participating in this travel program applicants and participants accept in full all of the terms and conditions set forth herein and on the tour operator's website at [www.orbridge.com](http://www.orbridge.com).

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