



LAND TOUR

## CASTLES AND FESTIVE WINTER WONDERLAND

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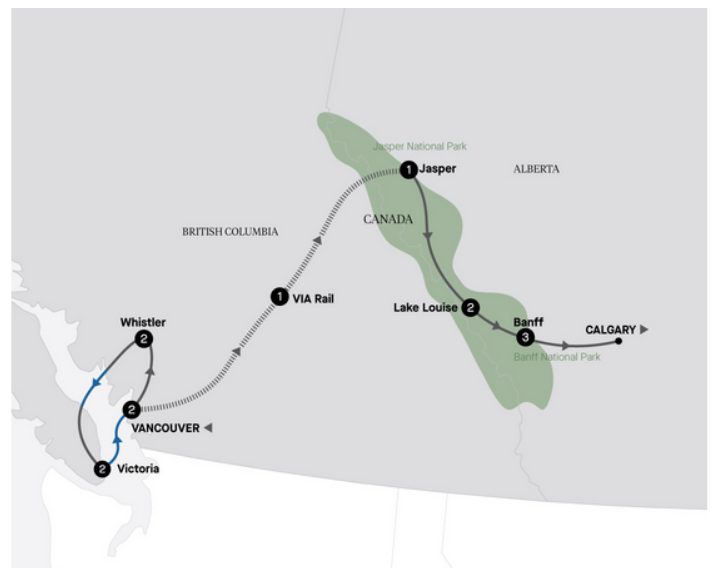
14 days / 13 nights Land Tour



Victoria to Calgary

### ITINERARY

To view the itinerary in greater depth, simply click on your preferred day from the interactive list to unveil its details. Discover daily activities, immersive experiences and insider local tips that make your travel unforgettable.



### VICTORIA TO CALGARY

14 days / 14 nights Land Tour

DAY 1

#### 20 December: Arrive Victoria

Once you've arrived, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy a welcome dinner this evening with your fellow guests.



**Stay:** Two Nights, Victoria, Fairmont Empress

**Daily:** • Dinner

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## DAY 2

### 21 December: Victoria, The Butchart Gardens

Choose how to spend your day in Victoria with a range of Freedom of Choice activities on offer. Later, enjoy a fantastic Signature Experience.

#### Freedom of Choice – Horse-Drawn Carriage Tour

Who doesn't love a good old-fashioned horse-drawn carriage ride? Sit back and relax as you're taken through the James Bay district, along the waterfront, and across Beacon Hill Park and Totem Park.

#### Freedom of Choice – The Royal BC Museum

For those craving a taste of history, delve into British Columbia's past, present and future at the Royal BC Museum. There are over seven million artefacts on display – more than enough to keep you busy.

#### Freedom of Choice – Traditional Afternoon Tea

In a city drenched in European charm, you might like to indulge in a Victorian tradition – tea with scones, clotted cream and jam at the Fairmont Empress.

#### Signature Experience – Magic of Christmas

Visit The Butchart Gardens and see the Magic of Christmas lights display. Soak up the festive cheer as you wander through this enchanting wonderland, filled with thousands of sparkling lights.

Freedom of Choice:

Give your holiday a personal touch with a choice of included sightseeing or dining options to suit your interests.

Signature Experience:

These all-inclusive, once-in-a-lifetime moments allow you to experience an unforgettable world of exclusive moments, incredible cultures and charming surprises.

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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## DAY 3

### 22 December: Victoria, Vancouver



Board your BC Ferries service from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen and arrive in Vancouver.

**Stay:** Two Nights, Vancouver, Fairmont Waterfront

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 4

## 23 December: Vancouver

Today, experience the best of Vancouver on a fantastic half-day sightseeing tour. Led by a knowledgeable local guide, you'll soak up the scenery at the vast Stanley Park, explore the trendy Granville Island, immerse yourself in the historic neighbourhood of Gastown, and visit the Capilano Suspension Bridge.

**Daily:** • Breakfast

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DAY 5

## 24 December: Vancouver, Whistler /

Travel North along the Sea to Sky Highway to Whistler and learn why Whistler attracts so many outdoor enthusiasts. Enjoy a Signature Experience, then delight in a Christmas Eve dinner at your hotel in the evening.

### Signature Experience – Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre

The heritage of Canada's Indigenous people comes to light at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre, where you'll enjoy a guided tour.

Signature Experience:

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**Stay:** Two Nights, Fairmont Chateau Whistler

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 6

## 25 December: Christmas in Whistler

Wake to a spectacular white Christmas in Whistler, a magical setting for an unforgettable occasion. Celebrate this evening with a special Christmas Day gala dinner at Fairmont Chateau Whistler, which includes a festive drink, fine seasonal food and special live entertainment.



**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 7

## 26 December: Whistler, VIA Rail

Take a moment to relax this morning. In the afternoon, you'll head to the station for your overnight VIA Rail journey to Jasper National Park. Dinner is served on board your train.

**Stay:** VIA Rail, in Sleeper Plus Class

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 8

## 27 December: VIA Rail, Jasper

Your journey continues this morning along the railway. Sights set on Jasper, watch as the snowy Canadian Rockies pass by your window. Once at your lodge, take in the beauty of Jasper National Park. In the evening, enjoy dinner at one of your lodge's restaurants.

**Stay:** Jasper National Park, Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 9

## Jasper, Lake Louise - 28 Dec

Leaving Jasper, you'll journey through the Rocky Mountains and along the Icefields Parkway (weather permitting). Later, arrive at Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, your spectacular accommodation for the next two nights.

**Stay:** Two Nights, Banff National Park, Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, in a Lakeview Room

**Daily:** • Breakfast

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DAY 10

## 29 December: Lake Louise



Today begins with a memorable Signature Experience. Later, soak up the wintry atmosphere of this special place at your leisure. You might like to use the time to curl up by the fireplace and watch the snowy landscapes outside. Or perhaps venture outdoors and enjoy one of the resort's many activities on offer, which are available at an extra cost. Choose where to enjoy dinner this evening from your hotel's sensational collection of restaurants.

### **Signature Experience – Horse-Drawn Sleigh Ride**

Set out on a horse-drawn sleigh ride along a frozen lakeside trail at Lake Louise. Admire the breathtaking beauty of the stunning surroundings.

Signature Experience:

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**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 11

## **30 December: Lake Louise, Banff**

Savour a delicious breakfast before travelling to Banff, where you will take a ride on the Banff Gondola and enjoy mountain views across Banff National Park. Then, a Signature Experience awaits.

### **Signature Experience – Meet a Mountie**

In spectacular Banff National Park, you'll have the chance to meet one of Canada's renowned Mounties and hear tales from the iconic Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Signature Experience:

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**Stay:** Three Nights, Banff National Park, Fairmont Banff Springs, in a Mountain View Room

**Daily:** • Breakfast

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DAY 12

## **31 December: New Year's Eve at Banff**

A broad range of experiences are on offer today. This evening, welcome in the New Year with a special dinner.

### **Freedom of Choice – Dog Sledding^**



When it comes to snow activities, dog sledding is at the top of many peoples' lists. Experience the thrill as a passenger, or if you're feeling daring, give your guide a helping hand. ^Surcharge applies.

### **Freedom of Choice – Johnston Canyon Icewalk**

Walk along a series of steel paths built into the walls of Banff's Johnston Canyon. Walk by waterfalls and icefalls, and wander over deep gorges and through natural caves.

### **Freedom of Choice – Banff Experience**

It's Banff's people, alpine architecture and wildlife that make it so unique, and this is your chance to hear about it all. You will also visit the Cave and Basin National Historic Site.

### **Freedom of Choice – Afternoon Tea at Fairmont Banff Springs**

Savour a special festive-themed afternoon tea in the Rundle Lounge of Fairmont Banff Springs. Enjoy the traditional English-style indulgences and a selection of fine teas.

### **Freedom of Choice – Fairmont Spa**

Harking back to the hot spring that first called travellers some 100 years ago, soothe your tired muscles in the mineral pool and pulsating waterfalls at Fairmont Banff Springs.

Freedom of Choice:

Give your holiday a personal touch with a choice of included sightseeing or dining options to suit your interests.

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 13

## **1 January: Banff**

Enjoy a day to explore Banff at your leisure. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner as you toast your magical journey with your newfound friends.

**Daily:** • Breakfast • Dinner

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DAY 14

## **Banff, Depart Calgary - 2 Jan**

Be transferred to Calgary and say your goodbyes before joining your onward flight.



Daily: • Breakfast

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