US & Canadian Rockies, with Alaska cruise (2027)



Departing from **Vancouver**, on the Pacific coast, a fabulous combined coach tour + cruise. You will discover the **Rockies** of Canada with the great parks (**Jasper**, **Banff**...) and cross to the US side, in **Montana**, with **Glacier** National Park, then the extraordinary **Yellowstone** National Park in **Wyoming**, before crossing Idaho to reach **Seattle**, where you board a magnificent 6-day cruise aboard the **MSC Poesia**, discovering the treasures of **Alaska**, via the **Inside Passage**. French-speaking guide.



Day 1

Arrival at the airport of Vancouver, in British Columbia. Transfer to the hotel. Vancouver is a modern coastal city, a former trading port in the 19th century, before prospering thanks to the railway.

Set between mountains and the Pacific Ocean, it stands out for its cultural diversity, lively neighbourhoods and deep connection with nature, present everywhere in and around the city.

Dinner not included and free time in town. Night in Burnaby, in the south-eastern suburbs of Vancouver.



Day 2

In the morning, panoramic city tour of Vancouver, with the Stanley Park and its totem poles, the Gastowndistrict, Chinatown, Robson Street, False Creek, English Bay, Queen Elizabeth Park, Canada Place, the market on Granville Island. Lunch. Afternoon at leisure.

Optional : discover the Capilano Bridge and Grouse Mountain.

Night in Vancouver (hotel outside the centre).



Day 3

Departure for Kamloops via the Coquihalla Highway. The road crosses the Cascade Range, through the Fraser River region, which is fed by melting snow and glaciers.

This river and its tributaries are where a significant share of the world's salmon comes to spawn.

Arrival in Kamloops, a town surrounded by rolling hills at the confluence of two rivers. It is one of the sunniest holiday spots in Canada. Dinner. Night in Kamloops.



Day 4

On to visit Wells Gray Provincial Park, home to the most beautiful waterfalls in Canada, such as the wonderful Helmcken Falls, 141 m high.

Among the falls are Dawson Falls and Spahats Creek Falls, which plunge into the bottom of a canyon of the Clearwater River.

Lunch around Valemount, a small town near Mt Robson, whose summit is very often snow-capped, and not far from Jasper National Park, in Alberta. Dinner at leisure. Night in Valemount.



Day 5

Road to Jasper National Park, the largest in the Canadian Rockies, with its breathtaking landscapes. It is home to Mt Columbia, the highest peak in Alberta, rising to 3,750 m. Bears, moose, elk, wolves and more live here.

City tour of Jasper and discovery of Maligne Lake, the largest lake in the region, before reaching the spectacular Maligne Canyon. Stop at Miette Hot Springs.

Dinner and night in Hinton, on the south bank of the Athabasca River.



Day 6

You take the magnificent Columbia Icefields Parkway, a 232 km road. It offers panoramic views of around a hundred glaciers, impressive waterfalls and the turquoise waters of Bow Lake.

Stop at the iconic Lake Louise, with its emerald waters. It is one of the wonders of Canada. Lunch. Road to Banff National Park, another wonder,

home to many species including the cougar, wolf, lynx, black bear & grizzly. Road to Calgary. Dinner at leisure. Night in Calgary (hotel outside the centre).



Day 7

Visit of Calgary, host of the 1988 Winter Olympics, and its 'Stampede' (home to major rodeos). Quick orientation tour of Calgary with City Hall, Olympic Park, Bow River and Fort Calgary.

Lunch at leisure. Road to Waterton Lakes National Park, on the edge of neighbouring Montana , where mountains and lakes teem with wildlife (moose, bears, grizzlies, cougars, grey wolves...).

Dinner. Night in Lethbridge.



Day 8

Entry into the USA in the state of Montana, to discover Glacier National Park, with its mountain ranges shaped by prehistoric rivers of ice, its alpine meadows, deep forests, lakes, waterfalls and some fifty glaciers! The scenery is breathtaking.

Lunch at leisure in the park. Road to Helena, capital of Montana. City tour. The city was founded during the 1864 gold rush.

Dinner and night in Helena.



Day 9

Departure for Yellowstone, the largest, most beautiful and oldest national park in the world! At an average altitude of 2,400 m, the northern part is home to the magnificent limestone terraces of Mammoth Hot Springs. To the east lies the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone and its impressive falls. And in the south-west, you can admire incredible geysers, including the famous Old Faithful, and beautiful multicoloured springs. It is the kingdom of the bison...

Lunch at leisure. Dinner and night in Gardiner, at the north entrance of the park.

Day 10

You will spend some time admiring the geysers, the springs (including the famous and colourful Grand Prismatic Spring) and other geothermal



features of this incredible park.

Picnic lunch. Road to Grand Teton National Park, with its beautiful views (the summit rises to 4,200 m) and lovely lakes, including Jackson Lake and Jenny Lake.

Road to Idaho Falls, a major city of Idaho. Dinner at leisure. Night in Idaho Falls at the Comfort Inn (outside the centre).



Day 11

Departure for Craters of the Moon National Monument, an incredible lava field formed 15,000 years ago. You can walk across the expanses of cooled lava, whose shapes and colours are incredibly diverse.

Road to Boise, capital of Idaho, in the heart of a farming and mining region. The city is home to one of the largest Basque communities in the United States. Hot springs run beneath it, which many residents use for heating... Dinner. Night in Boise.



Day 12

Road to Washington State. Lunch at leisure.

In the afternoon, road to Yakima, a Native American territory famous for its excellent apples! It is also an important wine region.

Depending on the season, a short stop at an apple orchard, a vineyard or a microbrewery (hops are grown in the region).

Dinner. Night in Yakima.



Day 13

Road to Seattle. Orientation tour of the 'Rainy City', set between Puget Sound and Lake Washington. This cosmopolitan city is a model of ecology and urban planning.

Visit of Pike Place Market, Pioneer Square, the Waterfront, Capitol Hill and Kerry Park, with its superb panorama over the city, dominated by the famous Space Needle, 182 m high. In the distance you will see the iconic Mount Rainier.

Lunch. Afternoon at leisure and individual return to the hotel. Night in a hotel outside the centre (near the airport).



Day 14

Morning at leisure. Independent transfer (unassisted) to the port of Seattle and boarding of the MSC Poesia, 293 m long and able to accommodate some 3,200 passengers (1,229 cabins).

The cruise is full board. Departure at the end of the day to sail through the emblematic Inside Passage, among majestic fjords.

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 15

Day aboard the MSC Poesia.

On board you will enjoy many entertainment shows and talks, as well as a spa, pools and a variety of restaurants and bars. From the decks, admire the fabulous coastal scenery of Alaska.

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 16

During the stop in Ketchikan, you can admire the colourful houses of Creek Street, built on stilts.

The Totem Heritage Center houses authentic Native totem poles.

Surrounded by rainforests, the town is known as the salmon capital of the world.

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 17

The stop at Icy Strait Point reveals the Native village of Hoonah and its wild coastline.

The trail to the Historic Cannery offers beautiful views over the bay and perhaps the chance to spot whales or bears, the emblem of this territory of the First Nations Tlingit.

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 18

Visit of Tracy Arm Fjord, with its towering walls, turquoise waters and sculpted icebergs. Stop in Juneau.

Accessible only by boat or plane, the capital of Alaska lies at the gateway to the exceptional Mendenhall Glacier, with its turquoise waters. Many paid options are available in this former stronghold of the Klondike Gold Rush (whale watching, helicopter flights, dog sledding...).

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 19

Day at sea.

The perfect time to make the most of the many activities on board.

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 20

Stop in Victoria, the jewel of British Columbia, on Vancouver Island. Victoria charms with its Victorian architecture. Optional: visit to the famous Butchart Gardens.

Other excursions on offer include a panoramic bus tour (including the impressive Parliament building), an orca-watching cruise, and a visit to Craigdarroch Castle...

Lunch, dinner and night on board.



Day 21

Return to the port of Seattle at 7 am.

Free time and individual or group transfers to the airport (depending on flight times).

Extended stay on request.

Accommodation