

# Coast to Coast Rail Adventure

May 15 - 28, 2020

13 nights 14 days  
31 meals



## Highlights:

VIA Rail's The Ocean • Rocky Mountains • Mount Robson • Jasper National Park • Alberta • Saskatchewan • Qu'Appelle Valley • Manitoba • Ontario • Canadian Shield • Great Lakes • Toronto • Casa Loma • CN Tower • Skydome • Chinatown • Yorkville • St. Lawrence Market • Quebec • Montreal • Ste-Catherine Street • St-Helen Island • Mont-Royal • St-Joseph's Oratory • Montreal's Old Port • Place Jacques Cartier • Notre Dame Basilica • Eastern Townships • St. Benoit Abbey • Magog • Montreal Botanical Garden • VIA's The Ocean • Montregie Hills • Baie-des-Chaleurs • New Brunswick • Moncton • Nova Scotia • Halifax • Halifax Public Gardens • Peggy's Cove • Pier 21 • The Citadel

### Price Per Person:

Double: **\$8,089.<sup>00</sup>**

Single: **\$9,365.<sup>00</sup>**

Prices include Sleeper Plus Class accommodation on VIA Rail.

Single Space very Limited. Berth or Prestige Class pricing available upon request

Prices include all taxes

*An adventure of a lifetime to discover our beautiful country from Coast to Coast. Canada is a vast and incredible landscape of varied beauty and scenery. Soaring mountains, peaceful rolling prairies, lush forests, pristine lakes and waterfalls, bustling cities, quaint towns and villages - all flanked by the awe inspiring power of the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. Boasting world famous destinations and sights this fourteen day exploration will be an epic and unforgettable journey. VIA Rail's iconic rail service transports you across the ever-changing landscape with ease, comfort, and exceptional service. Experience VIA's Great Western Way and Maritime Way along with stays in three of Canada's diverse cities: Toronto, Montreal, and Halifax.*

### Day One:

*Vancouver – VIA Rail*

**Meals: D**

An evening departure from the **Pacific Central Station** onboard **VIA Rail's Canadian**. Your adventure begins as soon as you step onboard. The bustle of the city will be replaced by the relaxing sway of the train gliding away from Vancouver. Enjoy a relaxing evening in one of the lounges or in your sleeping class accommodation as you begin your rail journey in style.

### Days Two - Four:

*VIA Rail*

**Meals: B, L, D, each day**

Wake up to views of the magnificent **Rocky Mountains**. Watch for wildlife and mighty **Mount Robson**. Following a short stop in **Jasper National Park** the train crosses **Alberta's** scenic flatlands. Rise early on Day Three for panoramic views of **Saskatchewan's** lovely **Qu'Appelle Valley**. The train continues east through **Manitoba** and heads toward **Ontario's** rugged **Canadian Shield** region. The journey continues through this wilderness area with its many lakes and waterways. Start heading south towards the province's capital and the **Great Lakes**.

### Day Five:

*VIA Rail – Toronto*

**Meals: B, L, D**

A late afternoon arrival in **Toronto** after your scenic excursion across what VIA calls the **Great Western Way**. Experience the vibrant atmosphere of one of Canada's liveliest cities. Check-in to the harbourfront **Westin Harbour Castle** located in the revived waterfront area for a two night stay.

### Day Six:

*Toronto*

**Meals: B**

After breakfast see more of the bustling city of Toronto. A city tour with a local step-on guide will introduce you to some of the city's noteworthy attractions such as **Casa Loma**, the **CN Tower**, the **Skydome**, **Chinatown**, trendy **Yorkville**, **St. Lawrence Market**, and much more. You'll discover that Toronto is a dynamic, multi cultural metropolis with a core of soaring skyscrapers as well as a surprising amount of lush green spaces and parks. The afternoon and evening are free to relax and explore. The hotel is conveniently located close to many popular sights.

### Day Seven:

*Toronto – Montreal*

**Meals: B, L, D**

A leisurely morning departure with a Business Class seat on VIA's train to **Montreal**. Sit back and relax in comfort while travelling past cities such as **Ottawa** and **Kingston**. Arrive in Montreal, a colourful, lively city. Three nights will be spent at the **Delta Montreal** as the group discovers this beautiful area of **Quebec**.

### Day Eight:

*Montreal*

**Meals: B, D**

Get a real taste of Montreal with a morning city tour. The city has so many fascinating and historical sights to discover, a local guide will bring them alive. Highlights of the tour will include **Ste-Catherine Street**, **St-Helen Island**, **Mont-Royal**, **St-Joseph's Oratory**, the **Old Port**, **Place Jacques Cartier**, and much more including entrance into the well-known **Notre Dame Basilica**. The church's Gothic Revival architecture is among the most dramatic in the world with a grand and colourful interior. The rest of the afternoon is yours to either relax or see other Montreal highlights. Join the group for an included dinner at a local restaurant.





**Day Nine:**

*Eastern Townships*

**Meals: B, L**

The **Eastern Townships** area is not to be missed on a visit to the Montreal area. Imagine New England's charm with a Quebec flair. This region immerses its visitors in a totally different ambiance. Stop at the idyllic **St. Benoit Abbey**, founded in 1912 in a beautiful rural setting. There will time for lunch and strolling the lovely lakeside town of **Magog**. Return to the hotel for a restful evening.

**Day Ten:**

*Montreal – VIA Rail's The Ocean*

**Meals: B, L, D**

After checking out of the hotel the group will have the opportunity to visit one of the city's jewels, the **Montreal Botanical Garden**, recognized as one of the world's greatest botanical gardens. Early evening depart on **VIA's The Ocean** to travel **The Maritime Way** from Montreal to **Halifax**. Imagine departing Montreal just as dusk is falling, shrouding the city skyline as you pull through the **Montregie Hills**, distant lights marking the small towns you pass on your journey east. Sleep in the comfort of your cabin.

**Day Eleven:**

*VIA Rail – Halifax*

**Meals: B, L, D**

As dawn breaks, the train descends the coast of **Baie-des-Chaleurs**, and soon you'll be in **Moncton** and then Halifax as your journey reaches the **East Coast** in the early evening. Check in to the **Hotel Halifax** for a three night stay. The group will enjoy dinner at the hotel.

**Day Twelve:**

*Halifax*

**Meals: B**

A new day of adventure awaits in **Nova Scotia's** seaside capital city. The group will get a great taste of the East Coast on a city tour with a local step-on guide featuring sights such as **Halifax Public Gardens**, the **dockyards** and **harbourfront**, the site of the Halifax explosion, as well as a visit to the vibrant fishing village of **Peggy's Cove** where you will have the opportunity to photograph their world famous lighthouse. Return to the hotel late afternoon to relax or do more exploring of this beautiful area of the Maritimes.

**Day Thirteen:**

*Halifax*

**Meals: B, D**

**Pier 21** and the **Citadel** are featured today. Pier 21 is a unique place to learn about the experiences of immigrants as they arrived in Canada. The Halifax Citadel was completed in 1856 and is now a restored national landmark commemorating Halifax's role as a key naval station in the British Empire. This evening the group will share one more dinner together to celebrate the journey from Coast to Coast!

**Day Fourteen:**

*Halifax – Vancouver*

**Meals: B**

The final leg of the journey is a flight home with WestJet from the East Coast to the West Coast. Arrive back in Vancouver early evening with countless memories, photographs, and new friends from your Coast To Coast Rail Adventure.

**Accommodation:**

<b>VIA Rail</b>	The Canadian
<b>Toronto</b>	Westin Harbour Castle
<b>Montreal</b>	Delta Montreal
<b>VIA Rail</b>	The Ocean
<b>Halifax</b>	Hotel Halifax

**Tour includes:**

- Home pick-up & drop-off service
- Five nights Sleeper Plus Class accommodation with VIA Rail's The Canadian and The Ocean\*
- VIA Rail Business Class Toronto to Montreal
- Eight nights hotel accommodation
- Thirteen breakfasts
- Eight lunches
- Ten dinners
- Meal gratuities
- Gratuities on all VIA Rail trains
- All side tours and entrance fees
- Services of step-on guides
- WestJet flight Halifax to Vancouver

*\*For detailed information on VIA's Sleeper Plus Class accommodations please contact our office*

Out of Province medical insurance is recommended

**AGELESS PEACE OF MIND: \$540.<sup>00</sup>**

Should be physically active, able to walk up stairs and on a moving train. This tour is not suitable for those who rely on a walker.

