

# Canadian Rockies:

*Banff, Jasper & Vancouver*

*August 23 - September 1, 2013*

**SV** SAGINAW VALLEY  
SU STATE UNIVERSITY

*Offered in conjunction with Go Ahead Tours*



**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**

*Photo courtesy of Rocky Mountaineer*



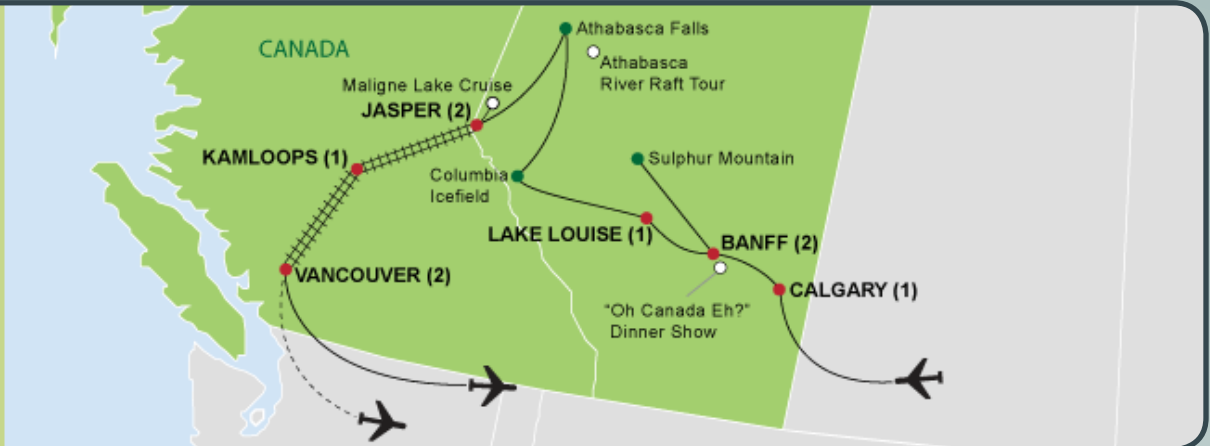
## This 10 - Day Trip Includes:

- Round-trip air transportation with a major airline, airport transfers, and motorcoach transportation to the Detroit airport
- Nine nights accommodations in comfortable and well-located hotels
- Fifteen meals including a breakfast buffet each morning, two lunches, and four dinners
- Private deluxe motorcoach and train transfer from Jasper to Vancouver
- All tours and admission fees as outlined in the trip itinerary
- Pre-dinner approximately two weeks prior to departure



### KEY

- Overnight Stays
- Included Visit
- Optional Excursion
- Extension
- ⊞ Rail Route
- ( ) # of Nights



## Trip Sponsors

This educational travel experience is offered by the SVSU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in conjunction with Go Ahead Tours. OLLI was established in 2001 as an educational resource for mid-Michigan residents who are 50 years of age or better. Founded in 1990, Go Ahead Tours offers over 85 itineraries to 60 countries across the globe. They are part of Education First, the world's largest private education company whose mission is "to break down the barriers of language, culture, and geography that divide us". Go Ahead was our travel partner for our successful tour to Tuscany last spring.

*Our travel provider*



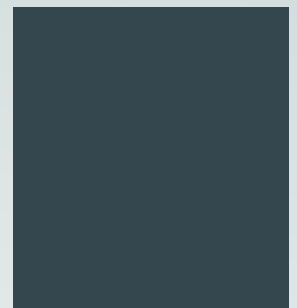
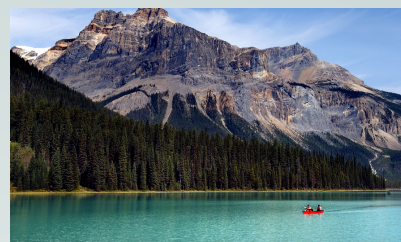
## Pre - Trip Dinner

We will offer a pre-trip dinner about two weeks prior to departure, which will feature traditional Canadian fare. You will receive your travel documents, and we will go over trip logistics. You will receive a specific date for the dinner in your confirmation letter.

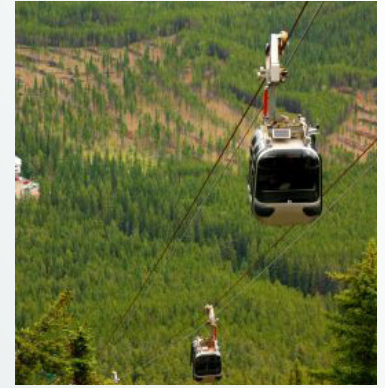
## About Our Lodging

In each city, we will be staying in three and four star hotels located in close proximity to the major attractions. The hotels that our provider uses for the majority of their tours include:

- International Hotel of Calgary (1 night)
- Bow View Lodge, Banff (2 nights)
- Lake Louise Inn (1 night)
- Marmot Lodge, Jasper (2 nights)
- Plaza Heritage Hotel, Kamloops (1 night)
- Executive Hotel Vintage Park, Vancouver (2 nights)



# Trip Itinerary



## Day 1: Friday, August 23 (Calgary)

Depart SVSU via motorcoach for our flight from Detroit to Calgary, the Nashville of the North. After clearing customs, a Go Ahead representative will greet us and accompany us to our hotel. You'll have time to explore Calgary on your own before an included dinner where you will learn more about the trip. (D)

## Day 2: Monday, August 24 (Banff)

Our tour director will lead us on a sightseeing tour of Calgary, site of the 1988 Winter Olympics. Tour the Olympic Park and stroll down Stevens Avenue, Calgary's most famous shopping destination. Enjoy soaring views of the city from the Calgary Tower. Transfer to Banff in the afternoon and catch your first glimpse of the awe-inspiring Banff National Park, one of the natural wonders of the world. Enjoy an included dinner this evening. (B, D)

## Day 3: Tuesday, August 25 (Banff)

Breathe in the crisp mountain air as you enjoy a Sulfur Mountain gondola ride over Banff National Park's gorgeous mountains and valleys. The birthplace of Canada's national park system, Banff is part of the Rocky Mountain Parks World Heritage Site. You'll discover a landscape rich in wildlife and history against a backdrop of glaciers and towering mountain peaks. You'll have time in the afternoon to explore Banff on your own. You may either enjoy dinner on your own in town, or opt for the "Oh Canada Eh? Dinner Show at an additional charge. (B)

## Day 4: Wednesday, August 26 (Lake Louise)

Say goodbye to Banff as we depart for the glittering shores of Lake Louise. En route, stop to marvel at Moraine Lake and the Valley of the Ten Peaks. Upon arrival in Lake Louise, you'll visit Chateau Lake Louise, where you'll have free time for lunch on your own. This afternoon, journey to Yoho National Park, where you'll see the ethereal Emerald Lake, which owes its color to fine particles suspended in the glacier waters, and bask in the unearthly beauty of this alpine gem. (B)

## Day 5: Thursday, August 27 (Jasper)

Leave Lake Louise for Jasper, a picturesque town nestled in the midst of Jasper National Park's shimmering glaciers, crystal lakes, waterfalls, canyons and evergreen forests surrounded by towering peaks. You'll stop on the way to visit Peyto Lake, then continue to the world-famous Columbia

Icefield, one of the world's most spectacular mountain glaciers. Take a guided drive across Athabasca Glacier onboard a vehicle specially designed for glacier driving. Continue on to Athabasca Falls, one of the gems in Jasper National Park, or opt for an afternoon Athabasca River Raft excursion. Enjoy an included dinner this evening. (B,D)

## Day 6: Friday, August 28 (Jasper)

Set off on an expedition into Jasper National Park this morning. You'll visit the steep walls of Maligne Canyon, travel to Medicine Lake and finally arrive at the shores of beautiful Maligne Lake. Consider joining an optional Maligne Lake Cruise, or spend the afternoon at leisure. (B)

## Day 7: Saturday, August 29 (Kamloops)

Today you'll hop aboard a vintage Rocky Mountaineer train for a truly spectacular full-day ride through the untamed beauty of Kamloops. Take in glacial lakes, towering mountain peaks and raging rivers from the comfort of your train car - be sure to have your camera ready! Enjoy an included lunch onboard. After stopping for the night, choose from an array of optional entertainment provided through the Rocky Mountaineer, such as a musical dinner show, or turn in for the night at your hotel in Kamloops. (B,L)

## Day 8: Sunday, August 30 (Vancouver)

Continue your journey south with today's eight-hour ride aboard the Rocky Mountaineer train to Vancouver, a friendly city with the ideal blend of urban sophistication and natural beauty. Once again, lunch will be provided on the train. (B,L)

## Day 9: Monday, August 31 (Vancouver)

This morning, tour the multicultural, cosmopolitan city of Vancouver with your guide. You'll visit the 1,000 acre Stanley Park, Chinatown and the historic Gastown District. This afternoon is free to discover this wonderful city on your own. This evening, you'll relive memories with your group over a farewell dinner. (B,D)

## Day 10: Tuesday, September 1

This morning, our Go Ahead representative escorts you to the airport for our return flight home. You'll be transferred from the Detroit airport to SVSU via motorcoach. (B)





Photo courtesy of Rocky Mountaineer

## General Information

### Activity Level

Go Ahead considers this an “active” tour. This means you will visit a number of different cities and some walking will be required.

### Weather Projection

The weather should be comfortable, the average high in this region is in the upper 60s or lower 70s during this time of year.

### Information and Reservations

Call the SVSU-OLLI office at (989) 964-4475 for further information or to make your deposit. Our office is open Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### Trip Insurance

You will be mailed or emailed information about the trip insurance that Go Ahead Tours offers upon registration. Or, you may purchase insurance on your own. Remember, insurance has to be purchased within 14 days of your deposit to cover pre-existing conditions.

### Air Details

Our package includes round-trip air and fuel surcharges. It also includes estimated government imposed taxes and fees. Should the actual taxes and fees be substantially more than our estimate, we reserve the right to increase the amount of your final balance due.

### Cancellation Fees

All cancellations must be made in writing to the OLLI office. If we can fill your space with someone from a waiting list prior to June 1, you will receive a full refund, less any name change charges imposed by the airlines. The following fees apply to everyone: 71+ days prior to departure, \$300; 70-46 days prior, \$450; 45-8 days prior, \$1,000; 7 or less days prior, 100%. We highly recommend trip insurance.

### Three Ways to Register:

- Call (989)-964-4475
- Fax the registration form to (989)-964-2656
- Mail form with payment to:  
OLLI of SVSU  
7400 Bay Road  
University Center, MI 48710

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1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship

\_\_\_\_\_ Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (exactly as it appears on your passport)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate's Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### Trip Costs

- \$3,514\* OLLI Members (double occupancy)
- \$3,574\* Non-Members (double occupancy)  
(Non-member fee includes OLLI membership)
- \$885 Single Supplement

### Deposit & Payment Schedule

- \$450 will hold your spot.
- The final balance is due by June 1, 2013.

### Payment Method

Check (payable to SVSU) Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

\*This price is valid until 10/30/12. After that date, the price increases by \$300 (\$3,814 for member, double occupancy). Your \$450 deposit locks in the lower rate. Past Go Ahead travelers will receive a discount.

How many Go Ahead Tours have you taken? \_\_\_\_