



Canadian Rockies

Banff, Jasper & Vancouver

*Space Available on first trip date:
August 29, 2022 - September 8, 2022
Itinerary on Pages to follow*

Travel Preview:
Friday, May 27, 2022
Curtiss Hall Seminar Rm D

- *10-11am Travel Preview**
with Go Ahead Tours
in classroom with Presenter on Zoom
- *11-12pm OLLI Member Travelogue**
from Canadian Rockies
with Beacher Pearce

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute



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Experience the Canadian Rockies From every angle. . .

Explore Canada's Rocky Mountains as you take in the jewel-colored lakes and snowy summits in Banff National Park and Jasper National Park. Just when you think the scenery can't get any more spectacular, climb aboard the Rocky Mountaineer to ride the rails through the soaring peaks and twisting valleys of the Coastal Range to Vancouver. With endless dazzling landscapes, this tour will open your eyes to western Canada's gems.

Pre-Trip Dinner at SVSU

We will offer a pre-trip dinner about two weeks prior to departure. This is a great opportunity for you to meet OLLI members that you will be traveling with. You will receive your travel documents, enjoy a nice meal, and we will go over trip logistics.

Travel Providers

This educational travel experience is offered by the SVSU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in conjunction with Go Ahead Tours. 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 the travel provider for our Tuscany, Canadian Rockies, Charleston to Savannah, Germany, Spain, Iceland, Ontario to Quebec, and the American South: Nashville to New Orleans trips.

About Our Lodging

We will stay in first class accommodations hand-picked to ensure quality and comfort. Specific hotel details will be given at the pre-trip dinner.

How to Register:

- Walk-in registrations • OLLI office, C-201
This is the preferred method of registration for anyone wanting to register for this trip.
- Call OLLI office • 989-964-4475
- Bring valid passport
- Bring Vaccination Record



This Eleven - Day Trip Includes:

- Round-trip air transportation from Detroit, and ground transportation from SVSU to the Detroit airport and from DTW back to SVSU on the return.
- Ten nights lodging in hand-picked hotels
- Ten breakfasts, two lunches and four dinners with beer or wine.
- Guided sightseeing tours with expert tour director & local guides as outlined in brochure. Highlights include Calgary Tower, Banff National Park, Moraine Lake, Lake Louise, Columbia Icefield, Athabasca Glacier, Jasper, Maligne Lake, a ride on the Rocky Mountaineer, Vancouver, and Buhart Gardens.
- Private deluxe motor coach & ride on Rocky Mountaineer train
- Pre-trip dinner at SVSU approximately two weeks prior to departure.
- Post-trip gathering to share photos and memories approximately two weeks following the trip.





Trip Itinerary

■ Day 1: Monday, Aug. 29 (Calgary, Alberta)

We'll depart SVSU as a group by motorcoach to Detroit airport for our flight to Calgary. This evening we'll gather for a welcome dinner. (D)

■ Day 2: Tuesday, Aug. 30 (Banff, Alberta)

After breakfast we'll head out on a guided sightseeing tour of Calgary, site of the 1988 Winter Olympics. We'll stroll down Steven Avenue, Calgary's most famous shopping destination and pass by the Calgary Olympic Park, and enjoy sweeping views of the city from atop the Calgary Tower. Later this afternoon, we'll transfer to Banff and join fellow travelers for an included dinner. (B/D)

■ Day 3: Wednesday, Aug. 31 (Banff, Alberta)

After breakfast we'll set off for Banff National Park. En-route we'll pass by Bow Falls, the Banff Springs Hotel, and Lake Minnewanka. We'll board a Sulphur Mountain gondola ride and marvel at Banff's gorgeous mountain peaks and glacial valleys from above. Enjoy a free afternoon in Banff or add an excursion. (B)

■ Day 4: Thursday, Sept. 1 (Lake Louise, Alberta)

Today we travel to the glittering Lake Louise, stopping to marvel at Moraine Lake and the Valley of the Ten Peaks on the way. We'll arrive at the glacial Lake Louise, known for its sloping Alpine shores. We'll drive into Yoho National Park and see the famous natural bridge, spiral tunnels, and Emerald Lake, named for its dazzling waters (B)

■ Day 5: Friday, Sept. 2 (Jasper, Alberta)

Soak in the region's incredible scenery as you travel to Jasper, a picturesque town nestled in the midst of Jasper National Park. We'll view the turquoise waters of Peyto Lake (weather dependent) and visit the Columbia Icefield, one of the world's most spectacular mountain glaciers. One of the trip highlights is taking a guided drive across Athabasca Glacier on an Ice Explorer. This afternoon we'll stop at Athabasca Falls in Jasper National Park then continue on to Jasper and enjoy an Athabasca River Raft Tour. (B/D)

■ Day 6: Saturday, Sept. 3 (Jasper, Alberta)

After breakfast we'll set out into Jasper National Park to explore the secluded Maligne Lake, famed for its "azure hue". We'll visit the steep walls of Maligne Canyon, take in the beautiful scenery at Maligne Lake, and the beautiful shores of Medicine Lake. Also included today is a midday cruise on Maligne Lake, considered one of the Canadian Rockies' gems, through the Samson Narrows and on to Spirit Island where you are free to disembark and explore the island (B)

■ Day 7: Sunday, Sept. 4 (Kamloops, British Columbia)

After breakfast we'll board a vintage Rocky Mountaineer train in Banff for a ride through the untamed beauty of the Rockies to the city of Kamloops. The train ride provides an opportunity to admire the glacial lakes, towering mountain peaks, and raging rivers on your day-long journey. You'll enjoy an included lunch aboard the train. Tonight's dinner will be on your own, and you'll have free time to explore. (B,L)

■ Day 8: Monday, Sept. 5 (Vancouver, British Columbia)

Today we'll continue our scenic journey on the Rocky Mountaineer headed south to Vancouver, crossing the Coastal Range of British Columbia. Lunch will be included today on the train. Dinner will be on your own this evening. (B/L)

■ Day 9: Tuesday, Sept. 6 (Vancouver, British Columbia)

Today we'll tour the multicultural, cosmopolitan city of Vancouver with your guide before enjoying a free afternoon for exploration on your own. We'll visit Granville Island and Stanley Park, a 1,000-acre public space and see the historic Gastown district (B)

■ Day 10: Wednesday, Sept. 7 (Victoria, British Columbia)

Board a ferry to Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, which is located on Vancouver Island. Then set off on a guided sightseeing tour of the city that's known for having the most beautiful gardens and mildest weather in Canada. You'll have time to stroll along the charming Inner Harbour to see the Parliament Buildings and the Empress Hotel, and explore the colorful and eclectic downtown area. Then we'll head out into the countryside to visit the 55-acre Butchart Gardens, a National Historic Site of Canada. We'll learn about the Butchart family and how they turned a former limestone quarry into a sprawling, beautiful green space. Tonight we'll celebrate your trip at a farewell dinner with fellow travelers. (B,D)

Day 11: Thursday, Sept. 8 (Departure)

Today we leave to travel home. After breakfast we will transfer to the airport for our flight home. We will be transferred from Detroit to SVSU by motor coach. (B)

General Information

Registrations

Please fill out the registration form and bring it to the OLLI office on the day of registration. Trip reservations are on first-come-first served basis. A passport is required for this trip and must be valid through six months following the end date of the tour. A copy of your passport is required at time of registration.

Tour Activity Level

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, walking up to two hours per day, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestone streets. Travelers should be healthy enough to participate in all included walks without assistance. Adding optional excursions may increase the total amount of walking on your tour. You should feel comfortable managing your own baggage at all times. If you have any mobility concerns or physical restrictions, please contact our OLLI office for additional information.

Trip Insurance

Go Ahead's trip protection will be included in the price of this trip and must be paid at the time of deposit upon registration. The "Trip protection" package has pre-existing condition coverage. Details about the travel protection package terms and conditions may be found on their website at: goaheadtours.com/about/travel-protection. If you choose not to include Go Ahead's travel protection plan, you must provide our office with a signature stating that you are declining the travel insurance for this trip. Please note that insurance fees are not refundable.

Cancellation

All cancellations must be made in writing to the OLLI office and are subject to a cancellation fee of \$50. Go Ahead's cancellation policies will prevail.

Air Details

Our package includes round-trip air from Detroit, air taxes and fees/surcharges. Specific flight information will be provided at a later date. If our flight is scheduled early, we may stay the night prior to departure in Detroit. If this is the case, there will be an added cost per person and these details will be forwarded to you closer to departure.

Weather Projection

The weather should be comfortable, the daytime average temperatures in this region should range between the upper 60's or lower 70's during this time of the year.

Waitlist & Roommates Needed

If you are looking for a roommate please contact our office and we can share names of others looking for roommates. Our office will also maintain a wait-list if this trip fills to capacity.

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Title: Mr./Ms./Mrs. _____ Gender: M/F

Name: _____
(as it appears on your passport)

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Passport # _____ Expiration _____

Roommate: _____

Trip Cost:

- \$5,627 SVSU-OLLI Members*** (double occupancy)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$449*
- \$5,657 Non-Members*** (double occupancy)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$449 and an OLLI membership, expiring 8/31/2022*
- \$6,927 SVSU-OLLI Single*** (limited singles available)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$449 and \$1,300 single supplement fee*
- \$6,957 Non-Member Single*** (limited singles available)
**This cost includes trip protection insurance of \$449, \$1,300 single supplement fee and an OLLI membership, expiring 8/31/2022*

Trip Cost Includes:

Athabasca River Raft Tour (Day 5)

Travel Protection:

- () Yes, I understand trip protection is included in my trip cost \$449
- () No, I decline the trip protection offered for this trip

Vaccinated: ___ No ___ Yes

Signature: _____

Details about the travel protection package terms & conditions can be found on their website at: goaheadtours.com/about/travel-protection

Payment Method:

- Check (payable to Go Ahead) Amount Enclosed _____
- OLLI Membership payable to SVSU _____

Credit Card: MasterCard Visa

Card Number _____

Cardholder's Name _____

Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

Will you be using any Go Ahead Travel vouchers? _____

Please note that this printed/stated itinerary is subject to change.