#### Canada & Alaska

Depart Cairns 28 May at 5.25AM arrive Brisbane 7.30AM – Qantas Depart Brisbane 28 May at 10.20AM arrive Los Angeles 6.00AM – Qantas Depart Los Angeles 28 May at 9.00AM arrive Calgary 1.03PM – Westjet

Commence the following tour in Calgary on the 28 May and ending in Vancouver on the 05 June

# Day 1 - Calgary.

Welcome to Calgary! Your Tour Director is on hand late this afternoon to answer any questions.

Day 2 - Calgary-banff National Park.

The discovery of oil converted this cattle ranching town into a thriving, sophisticated city. Sightseeing shows off downtown, Fort Calgary, Stampede Park, the Saddledome, and Canada Olympic Park. Next, drive west through the foothills of the Rockies into BANFF NATIONAL PARK. On arrival, enjoy an orientation tour.

#### Day 3 - Banff National Park.

Full day at leisure. Banff is one of Canada's favourite resorts, and the national park is home to 53 species of mammals. The most commonly seen are deer and big horn sheep. If the timing is right, you may spot black bears, grizzlies, or wolves. Your Tour Director will suggest an optional helicopter ride over the Canadian Rockies.

Day 4 - Banff National Park-lake Louise-columbia Icefield-jasper National Park

First stop is Lake Louise, whose cold waters reflect the surrounding mountains and glaciers. Precipitous gorges, snowcapped mountain ranges, and exquisite lakes come into view as the motorcoach scales three mountain passes. Another highlight today is a stop at the COLUMBIA ICEFIELD to experience the Ice Explorer, an all-terrain vehicle that travels on ice measuring 750 feet (230 metres) thick. Late this afternoon, join our optional float trip down the historic Athabasca River. In Jasper, an orientation tour showcases the unspoiled beauty. Accommodation for the next two nights are in JASPER NATIONAL PARK.

# Day 5 - Jasper National Park.

Join the optional narrated cruise on Maligne Lake to Spirit Island. On the return journey, you'll be mesmerized by dramatic Maligne Canyon. With much of the afternoon and evening free, consider hiking or exploring Jasper's local charm. While exploring the largest national park in the Canadian Rockies keep an eye out for native wildlife which includes grizzly bears, moose, caribou, and wolves.

# Day 6 - Jasper National Park-via Rail The Canadian.

On VIA Rail's the Canadian, a late-afternoon departure allows you a last chance to explore Jasper before you transfer to the train station for the overnight run west across Canada's Rocky Mountains to Vancouver. The Canadian features renovated cars, comfortable cabin accommodations in Sleeper Plus class, and delicious meals. Enjoy regional cuisine over a 3-course dinner in the dining car. Spend time in the Skyline car, with dome seating and a lounge area, or relax in the Park car and meet other travellers. The comfortable cabins come with bed turndown service, in-car shower access, and lots of little extras, such as a personal toiletry kit. (D)

#### Day 7 - Via Rail The Canadian- Vancouver.

Continue through the ranchlands along the South Thompson River, the fertile fields of the Fraser Valley, and snowcapped Coast Mountains. Upon arrival, city sightseeing focuses on Vancouver's beautiful beaches and harbour, Chinatown, Gastown, and lovely STANLEY PARK. (B)

#### Day 8 - Vancouver-ferry Crossing- Victoria.

This morning, sail across the Strait of Georgia through the spectacular Gulf Islands, known for its Mediterraneanlike climate. Afternoon sightseeing in Victoria includes world-famous BUTCHART GARDENS, Bastion Square, and Thunderbird Park with its collection of totem poles.

# Day 9 - Victoria-ferry Crossing- Vancouver.

Morning departure for Vancouver.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Vancouver centre Broadway IN: 05 June OUT: 08 June

Commence the following cruise in Vancouver on the 08 June and ending in Vancouver on the 15 June

# Nieuw Amsterdam

Ship: Nieuw Amsterdam

Cruise Line: Holland America Line

**Departure:** 08 June 2019 **Duration:** 7 Nights

Ports Of Call: Vancouver, Scenic Cruising The Inside Passage, Tracy Arm Inlet, Juneau, Skagway,

Glacier Bay, Ketchikan, Scenic Cruising The Inside Passage, Vancouver

**Departure Port:** Vancouver, B.C., CA **Arrival Port:** Vancouver, B.C., CA

# Itinerary

**Day Destination** Arrival **Departure** Date/Time Date/Time 1Vancouver, 08/06/2019 -08/06/201916:30 B.c., CA 09/06/2019 2Scenic Cruising The Inside Passage 3Tracy Arm 10/06/201909:0010/06/201909:30 Inlet 3Juneau, 10/06/201913:0010/06/201922:00 Alaska, US 4Skagway, 11/06/201907:0011/06/201921:00 Alaska, US 5Glacier Bay 12/06/201907:0012/06/201916:00 6Ketchikan, 13/06/201911:0013/06/201919:00 Alaska, US 7Scenic 14/06/2019 Cruising The Inside Passage 8Vancouver, 15/06/201907:00 B.c., CA

<sup>\*</sup> Ports of call may vary based on itinerary and departure dates selected

Depart Vancouver 15 June at 12.45PM arrive San Francisco 3.05PM – Westjet

Accommodation: Hilton San Francisco Square IN: 15 June OUT: 18 June

Depart San Francisco 18 June at 10.45PM arrive Sydney 20 June at 6.25AM – Qantas Depart Sydney 20 June at 1.05PM arrive Cairns 4.15PM – Qantas

Cost per person \$8,676\*pp and includes the following:

- Airfares
- Airport taxes
- 9 day tour including 1 breakfast and 1 dinner and sightseeing as per itinerary
- 3 nights accommodation in Vancouver
- 7-night cruise in an ocean view cabin including all meals and entertainment
- 4 nights accommodation in San Francisco