An unrivaled expedition through the Canadian Rockies featuring two days by rail aboard the Rocky Mountaineer in GoldLeaf class.
Howdy, Ags!

Join former students and friends on this well-paced sojourn through Canada’s glorious Rocky Mountains—highlighted by two days traveling aboard the Rocky Mountaineer in GoldLeaf Service—with visits to the stunning areas of Banff and Lake Louise.

En route, embrace the dynamic changes in scenery as you wind through lush green ranchlands and flowing river canyons surrounded by mountain peaks.

Enjoy a guided tour through Yoho National Park, and take advantage of leisure time to explore the small hamlets as well as Banff National Park.

Splendid evenings await at the close of each inspiring day, including two nights at the legendary resort, Fairmont Banff Springs.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than $1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly, so be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Reserve today online at texas-am.orbridge.com, by calling (800) 633-7514 or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Gig ‘em,

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Free Expedition Library
AN EARLY RESERVATION BONUS

Reserve your space by March 15, 2019, to receive the FREE Orbridge Expedition Library we’ve assembled for this program.

This exclusive gift is to thank you for joining us early. Guests who reserve after the specified date may purchase libraries. Call for details.
Head north to experience the humbling proportions and famed beauty of the Canadian Rockies.

Journey through awe-inspiring mountain landscapes, and revel in the opulence, history, and hospitality of Canada’s most iconic destinations.
**Your 7-Day Itinerary (subject to change)**

**Day 1:** Arrive in Calgary, Alberta, Canada (D)
- Leisure time, welcome dinner
- Overnight: Fairmont Palliser

**Day 2:** Calgary / Banff National Park / Banff (B)
- Sulphur Mountain gondola ride, panoramic town tour
- Overnight: Fairmont Banff Springs

**Day 3:** Banff / Yoho National Park / Lake Louise / Banff (B,D)
- Guided town and park tour, leisure time at Lake Louise
- Overnight: Fairmont Banff Springs

**Day 4:** Banff / Rocky Mountaineer / Kamloops, British Columbia (B,L)
- Scenic viewing of Kicking Horse Canyon, Rogers Pass, Craigellachie, and ranchlands
- Overnight: Kamloops Lodging*

**Day 5:** Kamloops / Rocky Mountaineer / Vancouver (B,L)
- Thompson Valley and Fraser Canyon vistas
- Overnight: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

**Day 6:** Vancouver (B,R)
- Gondola sightseeing, guided Capilano Suspension Bridge crossing, farewell reception
- Overnight: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

**Day 7:** Vancouver / Depart for U.S. (B)
(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner, R = Reception)

**Activity Level:** Guests should be comfortable boarding and disembarking trains without assistance, walking and moving between coaches while the train is in motion and navigating stairs to upper level of the coach. Guests should also be able to enjoy outdoor walking with sure-footing on uneven terrain, get in and out of a motor coach without assistance, and be able to manage stairs.

**Program Highlights**

- At Banff National Park, travel to the top of Sulphur Mountain during a scenic gondola ride.
- Enjoy luxurious GoldLeaf Service on board the Rocky Mountaineer. Embrace the sights from a glass-domed coach as you traverse the Continental Divide along Fraser Canyon, Kicking Horse River, and Shuswap Lake. **GoldLeaf Service includes:** bi-level coach with full-length panoramic windows, reclining upper-level heated seats, unlimited beer, wine, and premium spirits, and à la carte meal service in a lower-level dining room. Gourmet meals feature locally-sourced ingredients prepared by an onboard culinary team.
- Delight in front-row seating to view the passing wildlife, which may include elk, bighorn sheep, bear, and soaring eagles.
- Mingle with nature from 110 feet while traversing the Capilano Suspension Bridge and seven suspended footbridges through the serenity of a West Coast rain forest (optional).

**What’s Included**

- 6 nights hotel accommodations
- 2 full days traveling on the Rocky Mountaineer in premium GoldLeaf Service
- 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners including a special welcome dinner, and a farewell reception
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- All activities listed on the 7-day itinerary
- Private deluxe motor coach with air-conditioning and reclining seats
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities for Orbridge Travel Director, Rocky Mountaineer staff, drivers, porters, housekeeping, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times
Your Travel Director:
Your knowledgeable Orbridge Travel Director will offer additional enrichment during this journey. With their expertise of the local flora, fauna, cultural history, and natural characteristics of the Canadian Rockies, you’ll return home with a deeper appreciation of your northern adventures—accompanied by your beautiful photographs, of course.

Accommodations (subject to change)

FAIRMONT PALLISER
This landmark property has been a cornerstone of Calgary’s northern hospitality since 1914.

Conveniently situated near the city’s business and financial district, it’s within walking distance to shopping, arts, culture and entertainment venues.

FAIRMONT BANFF SPRINGS
With its unique blend of opulence and seclusion, Fairmont Banff Springs has been a favorite spot in the Canadian Rockies for over a century. Styled after a Scottish baronial castle, the property offers stunning vistas and luxurious comfort in a pristine wilderness.

Located in the heart of Banff National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Alberta’s “Castle in the Rockies” has been providing legendary hospitality to guests for more than 125 years.

NOTE: Due to this property’s historic nature, air conditioning may not be available in all guest rooms.

FAIRMONT HOTEL VANCOUVER
This opulent gem, known as the “Castle in the City,” quickly became a landmark in Vancouver after opening in 1939. The hotel has hosted many famous entertainment acts over the years, and was once even home to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

Fairmont Hotel Vancouver is the proud recipient of a four-star rating by Forbes Travel Guide 2018 and TripAdvisor’s Certificate of Excellence.

*Accommodations in Kamloops are determined by Rocky Mountaineer and are the best available in the area. Kamloops properties are considered moderate 2- or 3-star hotels and satisfy our standards of cleanliness and comfort.
Enjoy two nights in delightful Victoria—British Columbia’s picture-perfect capital. This colorful pedestrian-friendly city is an ideal spot for whale watching, biking, shopping, and sampling from the wide variety of cafés and restaurants that line bustling Government Street. Savor the island’s relaxing pace as you explore its lush, vibrant gardens, admire historical architecture, and take in the city’s friendly ambiance. During free time, visit one of Victoria’s landmark castles or churches or enjoy a stroll along the quaint inner harbor.

Post-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

Day 7: Vancouver / Victoria
Ferry to Vancouver to Victoria, explore Butchart Gardens, panoramic city tour, afternoon and evening at leisure

Day 8: Victoria (B)
Day at leisure

Day 9: Depart Victoria for U.S. (B)

What’s Included

• A 1.5 hour ferry cruise from Vancouver to Victoria across the Strait of Georgia

• Two nights accommodations at the Fairmont Empress (shown above) or similar, with breakfast each morning

• Admission to Butchart Gardens

• A guided panoramic city tour

• Gratuities to local guide

• Private group airport transfer for guests departing at the suggested times
What Guests Are Saying...

Traveling with the Aggies is the only way to travel internationally. As soon as you meet your group, you are instant friends and are never alone in a foreign country.
~Cathy Ward

We will forever cherish our amazing memory of trips taken with the Traveling Aggies, as well as wonderful new friendships we have made! Now, whenever we travel on ‘non-Aggie’ trips, we realize nothing can compare!
~Randy ’74 and Gail Parker

Traveling Aggie trips are always “special” whether in large groups or small and we look forward to our next one soon.
~Will ’71 and Carolyn ’81 Dierksen