



8th World Plumbing 2008 Conference Tour B

September 13, 2008 - Saturday – Sydney to Vancouver & Victoria

Today we leave Australia and arrive in Vancouver and then on to Victoria to arrive early morning. Transfer to our hotel where you will be able to drop your bags and set out exploring this friendly city. Overnight – Laurel Point Inn or similar

September 14, 2008 - Sunday – Victoria

Today is a leisure day to acclimatize and to explore Victoria and enjoy this lovely city. Overnight – Laurel Point Inn or similar

September 15, 2008 – Monday – Victoria to Vancouver

The morning is free to explore the BC Museum before joining your coach to visit Butchart Gardens. After a few hours enjoying the flowers, we head to the ferry terminal and sail back to Vancouver. Overnight Pacific Palisades or similar

September 16, 2008 - Tuesday - Vancouver

Today enjoy an orientation tour of Vancouver, visiting the major points of attraction. After that we visit Capilano Canyon and the suspension bridge that crosses the Canyon. There is a wonderful First Nations Interpretive Center and the largest private collection of Totem Poles in Canada to see. This afternoon, keep exploring. Overnight Pacific Palisades or similar



September 17, 2008 - Wednesday – Vancouver



Today we have a day at leisure. Perhaps take the optional excursion to Whistler, **the home of the 2010 Winter Olympics**. The Whistler Mountaineer takes you along the spectacular coastline in total comfort, allowing you time to explore the all pedestrian townsite, before heading back to Vancouver. This optional tour can also be done in both directions by coach.

Overnight Pacific Palisades or similar

September 18, 2008 – Thursday – Vancouver to Kamloops

Today board the Rocky Mountaineer and travel through the fertile Fraser River valley to Kamloops for our overnight stay. Tonight enjoy the Two River Junction Musical Revue.

Overnight Kamloops hotel. (B, L, D)

September 19, 2008 - Friday – Kamloops to Jasper

Board the train early this morning to travel into the heart of the Rockies. Pass Mount Robson, the highest mountain in the Canadian Rockies before heading into Jasper for the evening.

Overnight at the Lobstick Lodge (B, L)



September 20, 2008 - Saturday - Jasper

Today's excursion (5 hours) starts early morning to see some of the local wildlife such as deer, elk, wolves, coyotes, big horn sheep which roam the area frequently. Bring own binoculars! It will lead to Maligne Canyon for a short walk alongside the gorge. Bypassing Medicine Lake group reaches Maligne Lake for a boat cruise on the lake. The afternoon is at leisure.

Overnight at the Lobstick Lodge

September 21, 2008 - Sunday – Jasper to Lake Louise

After breakfast on your own, the journey continues on the most scenic road of the Canadian Rockies, the Icefield Parkway, to Lake Louise. Passing by turquoise shimmering lakes there is usually an abundance of wildlife to be seen: bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose, bear and elk are only some of the species found in the Rocky Mountains. Stops will be made en route, amongst others at Bow and Peyto Lake, Columbia Icefield for a ride on the Ice Explorer as well as at Sunwapta and Athabasca Falls.

Overnight at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise in Lake View Rooms (D)



September 22, 2008 - Monday – Lake Louise to Banff

Today we have a short drive on the scenic byway to Banff. The rest of the day is at leisure to enjoy time at this famous townsite. Perhaps a walk to the Indian Trading Post to check out the authentic crafts.
Overnight Fox Hotel & Suites or similar (B)

September 23, 2008 - Tuesday – Banff

In the morning sightseeing tour of Banff and area to see sites such as Cave & Basin, Tunnel Drive, Lake Minnewanka, Bow Valley and Bow Falls, Banff Springs Hotel, Surprise Corner, the tour ends at the base of Banff Gondola. Ride up Sulphur Mountain to enjoy the view of Banff, the valley and surrounding mountains. Walk back to the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.
Overnight Fox Hotel & Suites or similar



September 24, 2008 – Wednesday – Banff to Calgary

Accommodation at the Conference Hotel – Hyatt Regency Calgary

September 25, 2008 - Thursday - Calgary

Conference program. Accommodation at the Conference Hotel – Hyatt Regency Calgary

September 26, 2008 - Friday - Calgary

Conference program. Accommodation at the Conference Hotel – Hyatt Regency Calgary

September 27, 2008 - Saturday - Calgary

Conference program. Accommodation at the Conference Hotel – Hyatt Regency Calgary

September 28, 2008 - Sunday

Fly Calgary to Vancouver & Sydney

September 29, 2008 - Monday – In Air

September 30, 2008 - Tuesday – Arrive Sydney

Inclusions and pricing

COST INCLUDES:

Canada Section

- 11 nights accommodation in twin rooms at the hotels listed in the room categories listed, depending on availability at time of booking
- 4 nights accommodation at the conference hotel, the Hyatt Regency Calgary.
- Transfers and transportation on 47 – 54 passenger highway coaches with drivers as listed including highway tolls, deadheads and drivers accommodation where needed
- Local English speaking driver/guide on all sightseeing tours.
- Transportation for coach and passengers on BC Ferries Vancouver to Victoria & return
- Airfares with Air Canada based on flying Sydney/Vancouver/Victoria – surface – Calgary/Vancouver/Sydney
- Rocky Mountaineer Vancouver to Jasper in Red Leaf Class including 1 night accommodation in Kamloops in a moderate hotel and 2 breakfasts + 2 lunches on board as well as 1 dinner show in Kamloops
- Luggage handling in and out at the hotels – mandatory (1 bag per person)
- 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 2 dinners inclusive gratuities as listed, no drinks included
- National Park fees, Vancouver Parks fee
- Admissions to attractions/activities as listed: Butchart Gardens, Banff Gondola, Ice Explorer, Maligne Lake cruise, Capilano Suspension Bridge
- Applicable local sales, hotel taxes and 3% GST(all taxes as per April 2007, GST rebate for Non-Canadians has been applied

COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Cost of Conference fees for the 8th World Plumbing Conference from 24 – 28 September. Registration forms will be sent to you under separate cover.
- Travel Insurance (approximately \$ 196 per person (\$ 388 per couple) with QBE Travel Insurance
- Excess luggage – 1 Suitcase (Max 23 Kg. allowed plus airline carry-on bag)
- Other meals than listed as included, drinks
- Other fees and admissions than listed as included
- Anything stated as optional
- All rates are based on 2008 rates
- Items of a personal nature
- Airline taxes (approximately \$490 per person), Fuel Surcharges. These are listed separately.

Prices

The prices below are based on initial Earlybird 2008 prices. In discussions with the operators concerned, most feel these prices will hold for 2008. Prices are subject to currency fluctuation, and can be altered at any time up to the date of departure.

\$ 7,695 per person on a twin share basis
\$ 2,595 Single Supplement

Extras to be pre-paid:

Air tax - \$490 per person

Fuel Surcharge - \$190 per person

QBE Travel Insurance for 18 days approximately \$196 per person (\$ 388 per couple)

Deposit Required:

- A deposit of **\$1,000 per person** is required to secure a space on the tour.
- A further **\$3,000 per person** is required by **30 April 2008**.
- The balance of monies due for the tour is required by **01 June, 2008**.