## BC HOT SPRINGS and NELSON STAY AWHILE

## Soothe yourself in the refreshing mineral hot springs of the Kootenay Rockies – Nakusp, Ainsworth and Fairmont.

Enjoy three nights in Nelson, BC with unique side trips. Includes a guided tour of Nelson's heritage districts, a ride on historic Streetcar #23, a stop at the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre National Historic Site, a visit to the silver mining town of Kaslo and the S.S. Moyie National Historic Site and more. Spend a free day surrounded by mountain views while relaxing at the Fairmont Hot Springs Resort!

DEPARTURES: Edmonton 7:00 a.m., Red Deer 9:00 a.m., Calgary 12:00 p.m.

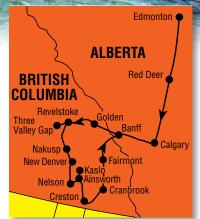
## DAY

**CANADA-WES** 

- 1 EDMONTON to CALGARY to THREE VALLEY GAP: Thursday. Your Hot Springs Getaway begins as you are welcomed aboard your deluxe coach in Edmonton. Proceed south via Red Deer to Calgary, meeting additional travel companions enroute. Cross the border into British Columbia, viewing the spectacular vistas as you wind your way over the majestic ROGERS PASS. Drive on to Three Valley Gap for overnight at Three Valley Lake Chateau. Take a tour of the GHOST TOWN, then join your fellow travellers for a GET ACQUAINTED WELCOME DINNER.
- 2 THREE VALLEY GAP to NELSON: (3 nights) Friday. Your journey continues to Revelstoke, then south to Shelter Bay for a short FERRY ride to Galena Bay and onward to NAKUSP HOT SPRINGS. Found in the foothills of the Selkirk Mountains in the natural surroundings of the Kuskanax Valley, Nakusp Hot Springs is one of BC's hidden gems! There will be time to explore the area, have lunch and soak in the pools. Carry on to NEW DENVER where you will stop at the NIKKEI INTERNMENT MEMORIAL CENTRE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE and learn the tragic story of the internment of thousands of Canadians of Japanese descent during World War II. Follow the picturesque route along Slocan Lake to the mountain town of Nelson for a three-night stay at BW Baker Street Inn.
- 3 NELSON: Saturday. This morning, discover a town with historic storybook charm and stunning geography as you join our GUIDED TOUR. Sample one of Nelson's many outstanding coffee shops and restaurants with time to shop on Baker Street. After lunch, board STREETCAR #23 for a ride along the lake on a fully restored electric tramway.
- 4 NELSON: *Sunday*. Appreciate the scenery along the shore of Kootenay Lake as you head to S
  - KASLO, a historic silver-mining town. There will be time to tour the treelined streets and vintage buildings of the village and visit the S.S. MOYIE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE. The oldest known intact passenger steamship of its type in the world, it was the last CPR sternwheeler to serve Kootenay Lake. In the afternoon, stop at AINSWORTH HOT SPRINGS and embrace the curative powers of the warm mineral waters in a natural cave and pool. Return to Nelson for overnight.
- 5 NELSON to FAIRMONT: (2 nights) *Monday*. Depart Nelson, following the north shore of Kootenay Lake on one of the most scenic routes in Canada to Balfour. Take the longest free FERRY RIDE in North America to



Fairmont Hot Springs.



Kootenay Bay, then motor along the panoramic Kootenay Valley. Drive by the GLASS HOUSE, built with 500,000

square-shaped embalming fluid bottles, weighing 250 tons. Pass through the idyllic beauty of the fertile Creston Valley, where the main industry is fruit growing. Head north through Cranbrook and continue to **Fairmont Hot Springs Resort** for two nights.

- **6 FAIRMONT:** *Tuesday*. Spend a FREE DAY enjoying the resort and FAIRMONT POOLS on your own. Leave your worries behind as you unwind and experience the therapeutic warmth of the odourless mineral spring waters. Share tour memories tonight with new-found friends at a HOSTED FAREWELL DINNER.
- **7 FAIRMONT to CALGARY to EDMONTON:** *Wednesday.* Today you will be homeward bound! Travel through the renowned Banff National Park, stopping for lunch enroute. Leaving the mountains behind, arrive mid-afternoon in Calgary and then conclude your journey in Edmonton.



## DON'T FORGET YOUR BATHING SUIT AND ROBE

INCLUDED IN YOUR HOLIDAY: •First class transportation on an airconditioned, washroom-equipped motorcoach •Quality accommodation and tax •Services of an experienced Tour Director and Driver •Baggage handling, one average piece per person •Travel Bag •Admission to attractions and sightseeing as outlined in the itinerary •Rogers Pass •Ghost Town •Welcome Dinner •Galena Bay Ferry Ride •Nakusp Hot Springs •New Denver •Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre National Historic Site •Guided tour of Nelson •Streetcar #23 •Area tour of Kaslo •S.S. Moyie National Historic Site •Ainsworth Hot Springs •Kootenay Lake Ferry Ride •Drive by the Glass House •Fairmont pools •Free day at Fairmont Hot Springs •Farewell Dinner •3 Meals Include: 1 Breakfast, 2 Dinners.



