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### **WINTER TRAIN JOURNEY OFFERS FAMILIES TIME TO CHILL OUT: *One Child Travels Free Onboard the Rocky Mountaineer Winter Train This Holiday Season***

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada (October 15, 2007) - This winter, take an authentic family vacation and experience the Rocky Mountaineer winter train with an extra-added holiday bonus. One child between the ages of 2-11 travels free when accompanying two adults in Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service. Rocky Mountaineer Vacations offers a euphoria-inducing winter vacation that will make you forget about working long hours, traffic jams, and just about anything else. This train journey has four departures in December and brings with it the magic of Christmas as it travels through Western Canada and the Canadian Rockies. There are no televisions or cell-phone reception - the perfect combination to chill out with the children in the midst of a pristine winter wonderland.

The two-day Rocky Mountaineer winter rail journey takes guests between the city of Vancouver, British Columbia, host of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, and the ski resort town of Banff, Alberta. The journey offers a front row view of Western Canada's spectacular scenery, including the magnificent Canadian Rockies, Yoho National Park and the Spiral Tunnels. Onboard the train, guests get into the holiday spirit as they sip hot cocoa and enjoy watching a snow-dusted landscape outside their windows. Children enjoy a dedicated coach featuring an entertainer who leads the group in song, decoration making, and games during the entire journey. As any child would attest, the holidays would not be complete without a visit from Santa. Jolly ol' St. Nick joins in on the fun to deliver gifts for all when the train meets his broken down sleigh mid-route. Adults can make the most of the train's specialty coach featuring live jazz and a bar serving seasonal drinks such as mulled wine and chilled eggnog.

The ultimate way to experience the winter train is in Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf Service, where guests travel in bi-level dome coaches and dine on freshly prepared dishes from an à la carte menu of Western Canadian cuisine and seasonal dishes, such as turkey with all the trimmings. Boredom will not be an option for the young ones, as there is so much to see and do

on this winter journey of a lifetime. The memories you make onboard the train will keep your family warm through the rest of winter.

Rates for the two-day Rocky Mountaineer winter train journey begin at \$559 CDN. The *One Child Travels Free* offer applies to GoldLeaf Service deluxe bookings and allows one child aged 2-11 to travel free when accompanying, and sharing a room with, two full paying adults. Some terms and conditions may apply. The Rocky Mountaineer winter train departs from Vancouver, B.C. on December 20 and 27 and from Banff, Alberta on December 22 and 29. Motorcoach transfers to and from Calgary are available.

For additional information or to book your Rocky Mountaineer winter vacation package and receive the *One Child Travels Free* offer, contact your local travel professional or Rocky Mountaineer Vacations directly at (800) 665-7245 or visit [www.winterrailvacations.com](http://www.winterrailvacations.com)

Rocky Mountaineer Vacations offers year-round vacation packages to the most unique regions of Canada and four spectacular rail routes through British Columbia and Alberta. Best known for the world-acclaimed Rocky Mountaineer train, a two-day, all daylight rail journey between Canada's West and the Canadian Rockies, the company also offers trips onboard the new Whistler Mountaineer train, which is a daily three-hour experience between North Vancouver and Whistler, BC. Since its inception in 1990, the company has grown to become the largest privately owned passenger rail service in North America and will welcome its one millionth guest in 2008. In 2006, RMV was honoured with a World Travel Award as "World's Leading Travel Experience by Train" for the second consecutive year. Rocky Mountaineer Vacations, one of Canada's leading tourism providers, is a proud partner of Gray Line West motorcoach operations in Banff, AB and Vancouver, Whistler and Victoria, BC.

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