The York Factory Express

Circa 1825

Established under the authority of Royal Charter, the Hudson Bay Company erected it's first trading post on the southern shores of the Hudson Bay in 1674. For nearly 300 years, the Hudson Bay Company monopolized North America's fur and trade economy by creating a network of posts along major trading routes through the continent's most rugged country: The Canadian Shield. The most iconic of these routes was the York Factory Express. The 4,200 kilometer trip over mountains and through treacherous whitewater was usually run from Ft. Vancouver on the Columbia River to York Factory on the Hudson Bay and could be completed in as little as three months time.

• Projection: Mercator • Central Meridian | 114° West • Latitude of Origin | 53° North •
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