

THE CANADIAN ROCKIES



Day 1 – Arrival in Calgary, Alberta

Welcome to Calgary! Upon arrival at the airport an individual transfer will be provided to your hotel. This afternoon, join your guide and depart for HERITAGE PARK HISTORICAL VILLAGE. Discover “How the West was Once” at Canada’s largest living history museum. Meet fur traders, railway workers and prairie town folk as you explore 127 scenic acres. Here you will enjoy an included dinner and entertainment.

Day 2 – Calgary – Lake Louise

The discovery of oil converted this all-Western cattle ranching town into a thriving, sophisticated city. See many of the city’s attractions this morning on your sightseeing tour, including downtown, FORT CALGARY, Stampede Park, the Saddledome, and Canada Olympic Park. Enjoy time for lunch and shopping in the Stephen Avenue District. This afternoon, travel to Lake Louise, whose green-blue waters form a perfect mirror reflection of Mount Victoria.

Day 3 – Lake Louise - Columbia Icefield – Jasper National Park

Precipitous gorges, snowcapped summits, and lakes of exquisite blues and greens come into view as you drive northward into JASPER NATIONAL PARK. A highlight today is a stop at the COLUMBIA ICEFIELD to ride the Ice Explorer on ice that is 1,200 feet thick. (As deep as the Eiffel Tower is tall!) Enjoy an orientation tour of Jasper town site upon arrival. Your evening is at leisure.

Day 4 – Jasper National Park

Your morning is free to enjoy everything Jasper has to offer – from guided hikes and quaint shops to meandering wildlife. In the afternoon journey to Maligne Lake for a fully narrated CRUISE of the glacial lake and Spirit Island. Afterward, enjoy a lakeside dinner with incredible views and local fare.

Day 5 – Jasper – Banff

Depart today for BANFF NATIONAL PARK. Check into your hotel and enjoy some time to relax.

Day 6 – Banff

Sightseeing includes a visit to Sulphur Mountain for a ride on the BANFF GONDOLA, complete with panoramic views of Banff’s spectacular scenery. Also visit Bow Falls and the Hoodoos. The balance of the day is at leisure. Consider an optional helicopter flightseeing trip for a bird’s-eye-view of the Rockies. Dinner is included tonight at a local restaurant.

Day 7 – Banff – Calgary

After checking out of the hotel today, join your guide for a visit to the CAVE AND BASIN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE which commemorates the birthplace of Canada’s national Park system, which began in Banff in 1885. The growth and development of Canada’s national parks are celebrated in interactive displays and exhibits. Naturally occurring, warm mineral springs can be found inside the cave, and outside in an emerald colored

basin. After some leisure time for last minute shopping and lunch depart for Calgary. Later join your friends and Tour Director for a Farewell dinner.

Day 8 – Possible Visit Alberta Gold Chorus rehearsal.

Day 9 – Departure from Calgary
Depart today for the Calgary Airport