

# 5 Day Canadian Rockies

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## Escorted Package Includes

- Round trip flights St. Louis-Calgary, Calgary-St. Louis
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 4 nights accommodations
  - 1 night Calgary
  - 3 nights Banff
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portorage
- All transfers included only with airfare purchase on package arrival & departure dates†
- Breakfast daily
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

## Special Features

- Calgary, set between prairies and peaks, a city that grew out of the Canadian West
- Views of glistening Lake Louise, located in the heart of grand and historic Banff National Park
- Explore wondrous Banff National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

### DAY 1, Saturday - Depart for Canada

Arrive in Calgary, Alberta's major city and gateway to the Canadian Rockies and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your Tour Manager, who will introduce you to the exciting journey through Canada that awaits you. Your tour will begin with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 7 pm on the day of arrival. We recommend that you select flights which arrive in your destination no later than 5 pm on Day 1 of the itinerary or earlier, if possible

**Overnight:** Calgary

### DAY 2, Sunday - Calgary City Tour, Canmore, Travel to Banff

This morning, embark on a city tour of Calgary. Set dramatically between prairies and peaks, Calgary is a chic metropolis, buzzing with innovative energy while embracing its rich western heritage. Drive past the major sites to see a combination of historical, architectural and vintage landmarks of this diverse city. Continue on to the town of Canmore, nestled along the banks of the Bow River in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. After lunch at leisure, continue to Banff. Enjoy the unparalleled mountain scenery as you approach wondrous Banff National Park, named a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Nestled in the very heart of the magnificent Canadian Rockies, the snow-capped mountains, glistening glaciers and sweeping panoramas are just one part of the allure of Banff. This afternoon, perhaps join the *optional* Cave & Basin and Banff Gondola Ride. Visit the Cave & Basin National Historic Site, the

geographical birthplace of Canada's National Park System. Afterward, soar to the top of Sulphur Mountain via gondola to experience a stunning bird's-eye view of six incredible mountain ranges. Tonight, perhaps explore the dining scene in Banff with a wide choice of western saloons, English pubs and international restaurants

**Optional:** Cave & Basin and Banff Gondola (PM)

**Overnight:** Banff

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 3, Monday - Banff National Park**

Enjoy a leisurely morning, or begin the day with an *optional* Sleigh Ride through the snow-covered meadows with the spectacular backdrop of the Rockies. Afterward, explore the wondrous Banff National Park. Follow the Tunnel Mountain drive for spectacular scenery and continue along the shores of Two Jack Lake and Lake Minnewanka, "Water of the Spirits", a gorgeous lake in the eastern area of Banff where First Nations people inhabited the areas around 10,000 years ago. Later, return to Banff for an afternoon at leisure, or participate in the *optional* Introduction to Curling to learn more about the history and rules of this iconic winter sport. Try your hand at a friendly game to show off your newly acquired skills! Tonight, perhaps discover the delights of this charming village with its trendy shops and local delicacies

**Optional:** Sleigh Ride (AM)

**Optional:** Introduction to Curling (PM)

**Overnight:** Banff

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 4, Tuesday - Lake Louise, Banff National Park**

This morning, depart for stunning Lake Louise, symbolic of the quintessentially Canadian mountain scene. The glacial lake, known for its sparkling blue waters, is located at the base of impressive glacier-clad peaks. This area is one of the most astonishingly picturesque areas of Banff National Park. From here, return to Banff for an afternoon at leisure, or join the *optional* Johnston Canyon Icewalk. Experience the winter wonderland of Banff's Johnston Canyon. Discover a world of frozen waterfalls and blue ice pillars during your hike

**Optional:** Johnston Canyon Icewalk (PM)

**Overnight:** Banff

**Meals:** Breakfast

### **DAY 5, Wednesday - Depart Canada**

Early morning group departure from Banff to Calgary International Airport for your departure flight. Passengers returning to Calgary from Banff on Day 5 should select flights that depart no earlier than 2:00 pm. Banff is approximately a two-hour drive from the Calgary International Airport

**Meals:** Breakfast

Note: Prices subject to change without notice.



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