

# Rocky Mountain Expedition

## [Calgary to Waterton Park](#)

In Waterton Lakes National Park, the quiet prairies join the harmony of the Rocky Mountains. Waterton Glacier International Peace Park is formed as the lake crosses the border into the United States. It has been designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You won't be bored if you plan your outdoor activities, which include hiking, windsurfing, and boating. The hamlet of Waterton has a year-round population of around 100 people and offers food delivery and dining options.

**Driving Distance – 272 KM**

## [Waterton Park to Helena, Montana](#)

You're leaving Waterton today to travel to the United States, stopping in Helena, Montana for the night. You've reached the halfway point between Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks. Helena, Montana's capital city, was established as a gold camp during the late 1800s gold rush. It's a place where you can savour the food, drink, and warm hospitality that so many travellers from around the world have experienced on their journey.

**Driving Distance – 397 KM**

## [Helena, Montana to Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming](#)

Yellowstone National Park will welcome you today. Hello wildlife paradise and land of all things awe-inspiring. Yellowstone National Park was established as a national park in 1872 and is a spectacular place to visit. There are several camping options in this region, including first-come, first-serve camping at Mammoth Campground and others where reservations are needed.

**Driving Distance – 363 KM**

## [Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming to Missoula, Montana](#)

You're heading to the city today for a one-night stay before heading to Glacier National Park. Welcome to Missoula, Montana, a town built for thrill seekers. Missoula, located in Montana's Northern Rockies, has a lot to offer visitors. Many people spend their time kayaking, tubing, or fishing on one of the three rivers that flow through the area. After a long day on the road, you'll have no trouble finding some good eats and entertainment in Missoula, which has a vibrant shopping and dining scene.

**Driving Distance – 503 KM**

## [Missoula, Montana to Glacier, Montana](#)

Welcome to Glacier National Park in Montana's Rocky Mountains, home of the "Going to the Sun" Road, one of the USA's most popular scenic drives. From the end of June to early September, when the road is open to through traffic, this park is at its busiest. Checking in with the visitor centre to get a feel for the area and see what's going on in the park is a perfect way to start your

adventure here. There are over 700 miles of hiking trails in this area, so get a map and schedule your next few days accordingly. Consider spending some time at Lake McDonald if you're looking for a relaxing day.

**Driving Distance – 362 KM**

#### **Glacier, Montana to Banff, Alberta**

Banff National Park, on the Canadian side of the border, continues your endless mountain trip with incredible views, rich history, and lively mountain town vibes. Relax in the Banff Hot Springs or go hiking in the Canadian Rocky Mountains for the day.

**Driving Distance – 463 KM**

#### **Banff to Jasper**

With countless photo opportunities and wildlife encounters, this is a drive you do not want to leave. Allow for a full day to travel to Jasper. Peyto Lake and Athabasca Falls are two of our favourite places to rest along the way. The Columbia Icefield is another fantastic stop along the Icefields Parkway. Before you drive, pick up a Parkway map, which contains extensive information about the 'must-see' attractions along the way.

**Driving Distance – 288 KM**

#### **Jasper to Lake Louise**

You'll arrive in Lake Louise, an impressive emerald-colored glacier-fed lake with an enticing view, if you return down the awe-inspiring Icefields Parkway. You could picnic here all day or treat yourself at the Chateau Fairmont Lake Louise. Do you want to see another waterfall? Consider going on a hike to Bow Glacier Falls, which is located near Peyto Lake. Begin your hike at Bow Lake on the Icefields Parkway and make your way to the Bow River's source, which flows all the way into downtown Calgary.

**Driving Distance – 232 KM**

#### **Lake Louise to Calgary**

Today is the last day of your epic Rocky Mountain vacation. You're leaving Alberta's beautiful mountains and moving east to Calgary, where it all started. From beer halls to fine dining, theatre and entertainment, and fantastic shopping, this country town has it all. Finish your journey at the top of the Calgary Tower, where you can reflect on the memories you've made during this magical holiday.

**Travel Distance – 183 KM**