

FIT - Self Drive Holidays Best of Canadian Rockies



Calgary, AB, Canada

Product Code:

DM-SD-YYCROCKIES

Highlights

Banff – Banff National Park – Lake Louise – Moraine Lake - Yoho National Park – Icefield Parkway
– Jasper – Jasper National Park – Lake Maligne – Edmonton

Duration: 6 Days / 5 Nights

Tour of Banff + Admissions to Banff Gondola in Banff

Tour of Yoho National Park including visit to Moraine Lake, Lake Louise, Emerald Lake and
Takakkaw Falls

Lunch at Emerald Lake Lodge

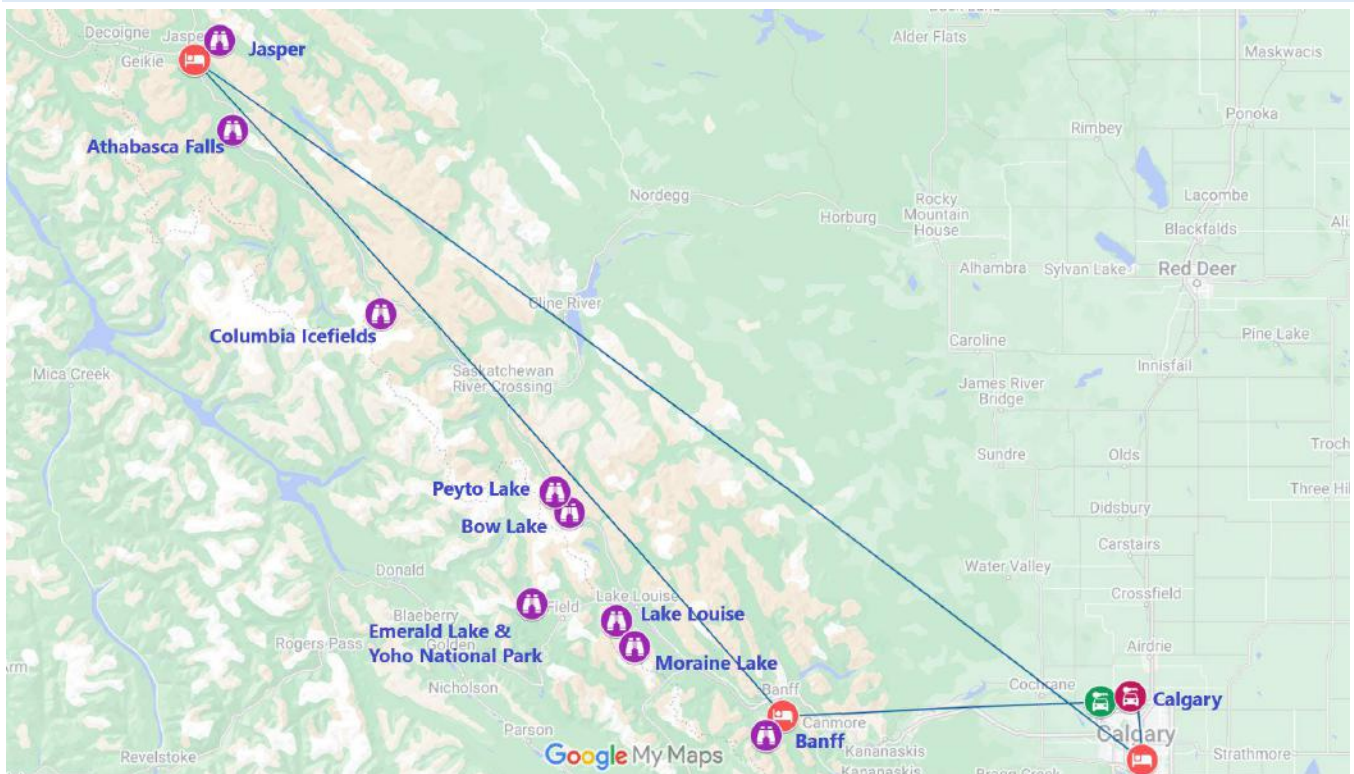
Icefield parkway Tour + Admissions to Ice Explorer & Glacier Skywalk at Columbia Icefield and
Hot Buffet Lunch

Tour Admissions to Spirit Island Cruise. If the Spirit Island Cruise

Rental of a mid-size car.

Unlimited Mileage.

Available on demand - 01 May to 31 October 2023



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The Canadian Rockies are a place of awe and wonder. No photo or picture can truly capture the awe-inspiring experience of driving through the Canadian Rockies. Awe at the soaring mountains, seemingly endless canyons, ancient glaciers, and turquoise blue lakes.

Day 1 – Calgary to Banff

This morning arrive at Calgary International (YYC). After you have picked up your bags, proceed to the Car Rental office at YYC Airport. You will present your confirmation voucher along with your valid Driver's License and credit card to rent your pre-booked car.

Leaving Calgary behind, set your sights for the next few days on the magnificent Rockies with her treasure chest of craggy and forested mountain ranges, rivers, waterfalls, and emerald blue & green lakes. The landscape as you drive down the HWY 1 from Calgary to Banff is constantly transforming and offers some of the clearest markers of the very last Ice Age, and the creation of the Canadian Rockies. Quite possibly the most amazing vista you will realize on your way to Banff is that of the very Front Range of the Canadian Rockies. These jagged, rocky peaks tower high into the sky and offer your first welcome into the beautiful Rockies. Of them, the most iconic is Mt. Yamnuska, which means "a wall of rock" in the Nakoda language.

Upon arrival in Banff, you will check into your resort. Rest of the day free to discover this bustling resort town of Banff, the gateway to the Rockies.

Mt. Rundle and Mt. Cascade, part of the Rocky Mountains tower the skyline of Banff. Boutiques and restaurants mix with château-style hotels and souvenir shops on Banff Avenue, the main thoroughfare. The 6,500 square kilometres of parkland surrounding Banff is host to animals including elk and grizzly bears.

Overnight in Banff, AB.

DAY 2 – Explore Banff National Park

Devote the day exploring Banff and the Banff National Park. Begin your day with a ride on the famous Banff Gondola to the peak of the Sulphur Mountain. The Banff Gondola delivers fantastic panoramic views from the city of Banff along with the Canadian Rockies. The Gondola Ride is included in your Self-Drive package. Visit the iconic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Lookout Point, Bow Falls, the Tunnel Mountains & the Hoodoos. Explore Johnston Canyon or spend your day in some of the interesting activities Banff offers. These include a cruise on Lake Minnewanka, hiking, Horseback Riding with a Cowboy Cookout, River Rafting in Kicking Horse, Via Ferrata on Mount Norquay and much more.

Overnight in Banff, AB.

DAY 3 – Discover the Yoho National Park

If you want to discover the magic of the Rockies, you must visit the Yoho National Park. Located in British Columbia, Yoho National Park is located along the western slopes of the Canadian Rocky Mountains west of the Banff National Park. Yoho in Cree Nation language means "Awe" and the park offers it all - deep blue rivers, roaring waterfalls, and green pines surrounding the lakes – scenery that awaits your eyes.

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Spend your day discovering the Lower Spiral Tunnel Viewpoint, the Natural Bridge, Emerald Lake, Yoho Valley Road, the Takkakaw Falls, and a visit to the town of Field. You may even want to drive all the way out and visit the beautiful village of Kicking Horse in BC.

Overnight in Banff, AB.

Day 4 - Icefield Parkway Tour from Banff to Jasper – 288 KMs

Today you will leave the town of Banff to drive north to Jasper at the top of the Icefield Park. We recommend an early morning start so you have plenty of time to stop by at all the great viewing spots along the highway and you can escape the crowds at Lake Louise as the day progresses.

With the stops you will make enroute, it will take up your entire day, arriving at Jasper closer to dinner hour. Your first stop this morning will be at Lake Louise, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The shimmering turquoise green waters of Lake Louise will leave you speechless.

It will be hard to tear away from the stunning beauty of Lake Louise. But, north along Icefields Parkway (Highway 93), a wide stretch of breath-taking country awaits you. Renowned for the Columbia Icefield off this Hwy, the parkway winds through green meadows and forested river valleys cradled by walls of dazzling peaks. You will frequently spot elk, moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, black and grizzly bears, wolf, or caribou.

You will see some interesting sights along the highway, such as, Bow Lake with majestic views of the Crowfoot Glacier, Saskatchewan River Crossing, Sunwapta River and Athabasca Falls.

Your Self-drive Package includes a visit to the Columbia Icefield and admissions to the world-famous Ice Explorer and Glacier Skywalk Experience at the Columbia Icefield.

Overnight in Jasper, AB.

DAY 5 – Explore Jasper today.

On the northernmost point on Hwy-93, Jasper is a small mountain town tucked away in the Jasper National Park. You can do two different tours of Jasper. A short leisurely drive that visits all the best locations that are close to the town. The second tour you can take is a longer drive to the best corners of the Park.

Closer to town, drive out to Pyramid and Patricia Lakes for some stunning views. Take a ride up onto Whistlers Mountain on the Jasper SkyTram and have a great chance of sharing excellent views with big horn sheep at the top of the stairs at Old Fort Point.

Further out, drive to the Maligne Lake for a Cruise to the Spirit Island. Enroute, stop to see the historic Jasper Park Lodge, Edith, and Annette Lakes. Pay a visit to the narrow and deep Maligne Canyon and the fast disappearing Medicine Lake.

If you still have time on hand, drive east to visit Miette Hot Springs for the hottest soak in the Rockies.

Overnight in Jasper, AB.

DAY 6 – Jasper to Calgary

Today morning your best of Canadian Rockies Self Drive Holiday ends. Check-out of your hotel and drive to Calgary. Drive to YYC International Airport and drop your rental car off.

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End of Canadian Rockies Self Drive Holiday.

Inclusions

- ✓ 5 Nights accommodations – 3 nights in Banff and 2 nights in Jasper.
- ✓ Admissions to Ice Explorer & Glacier Skywalk at Columbia Icefield.
- ✓ Admissions to Spirit Island Cruise. If the Spirit Island Cruise is not operating, it will be substituted with Jasper SkyTram.
- ✓ Rental of a mid-size car
- ✓ Unlimited Mileage.
- ✓ Taxes & GST.

Exclusions

- × Airfare. Offered as a supplement on request.
- × Breakfast and other meals.
- × Rental Car Insurance – Collision Damage Waiver/ Loss Damage Waiver with \$ 500 deductible. (Offered as Optional Add-on).
- × Additional Driver Fees .
- × Roadside assistance.
- × Gas for the vehicle.
- × GPS. Racks, etc.
- × Child and Infant Seats.
- × Parking & Tolls.
- × Canada Park Fees.
- × Porterage at hotels.
- × Bottled Water in hotel rooms.
- × Visa and Documentation Fees.
- × Telephone calls, Laundry, and other expenses.
- × Any personal expenses.
- × Gratuities for hotel staff (optional).
- × Travel Insurance – highly recommended. We require clients to provide us a signed Waiver in the event your client opts to decline your offer to sell Travel Insurance.
DMCI Inc. sells Manulife Travel Insurance to residents of Ontario. Please check with us for rates. Residents of other provinces as well as those coming from overseas must purchase Travel insurance in the province/country where they reside.
- × Optional Tours and activities.
- × Early Check-in and Late Check-out charges. Charges will apply.

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× If applicable, cost of any RTPCR/Antigen Test or costs related to quarantine.

Hotels Featured

Destination	Standard Hotels
Banff	Banff Ptarmigan Inn
Jasper	Maligne Lodge

Rooms featured will be Standard ROH room unless specified otherwise.

Hotels featured will be as above or similar.

Deposit

100% on confirmation.

Change & Cancellation Policy

- 46-days prior to start of tour – 100% refundable less \$250 per person.
- 45-days or less – 100% non-refundable.
- No Show – 100% non-refundable.
- Unused services – 100% non-refundable.

Note

1. The Federal and/or Provincial health authorities may require that clients are double vaccinated and produce a vaccination certificate on demand. Please refer to [Health Canada](#) site for most up to date information in this regard.
2. Federal, Provincial, Municipal Health Authorities and/or certain service providers may require clients to wear a face mask.
3. We recommend clients carry a digital/paper copy of their Vaccination Certificate on person to be produced on demand.

FAQ

- **Do I have to buy a Park Pass?** Yes. Every visitor to Banff and Jasper National Parks must buy a Park pass. The Parks cost on an average around CA \$10.50 per adult. No park pass is required for visitors between the ages of 6 and 16. The Parks also sell Family Passes (Family/Group - Up to seven people arriving in a single vehicle in a national park). The Family passes cost around \$21 per family/Vehicle.

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- **Wild Animals – Is it safe to approach wild animals? Is it safe to touch them if they behave friendly?** Absolutely NO. Neither should you get out of your vehicle to photograph them even if they seem to be calm and even friendly.
- **Do clients require a Driver's License?** - Clients operating the rental car must be in possession of a driver's license valid for operating the vehicle in Canada.
- **What kind of information is required to book my rental car?** We will need your first and last name as on your Driver's License.
- **What should be the minimum age of person driving the rental vehicle?** Clients and must be at least 21 years of age.
- **Is Insurance for the Rental Car included (Collision Damage Waiver/ Loss Damage Waiver with \$ 500 deductible)?** No. Insurance for the Rental Car is not included. We offer this as an optional Add. The CDW/LDW Add-on Package should be purchased at the time of making your reservations. Please check with us for rates that are inclusive of CDW/LDW Package.
- **What kind of documentation should I present to pick up my rental car?** You will need to present a valid Driver's License (valid in the province in Canada where you will pick up to your rental car). If there is a second driver, such person should also have a valid driver's license. You will also need to present a valid credit card. If you are a overseas resident, you will be required to present a second piece of valid Government issued photo-id such as a passport.
- **Do clients require a credit card to rent the confirmed rental vehicle?** Yes. The person in whose name the vehicle is being rented must be in possession of a credit card in his/her name. Clients are required to present the credit card along with their driver's license to rent the car.
- **Would the car rental company require a deposit to pick up the rental vehicle?** – No. However, the rental company would take an authorization for between \$300 and \$750 (depending on the location) to cover any damages, unpaid tolls, fines etc. The authorization will typically auto-cancel within 72 hours of the car being returned to rental deposit on time and in good order. Car Rental companies typically will not accept cash in lieu of credit card.
- **Am I allowed to drive my rental car into the United States?** You can. However, if you plan to drive into the United States, this intent should be brought to our notice at the time of reservations so we can alert the rental company and secure necessary approval.
- **Do rental Car contracts run on a 24-hour contract?** Yes. Car rental contracts work on a 24-hour cycle. Your car should be return at or before the drop-off time printed on your rental contract provided to you at the time of pick-up of your rental vehicle. Please make sure to review rental contract, especially the drop off date, time and drop off location before you proceed to the lot to pick up your rental vehicle.
- **Can I pick up my rental car in Canada and drop same off in the United States?** No. The car has to be returned to the drop off point in Canada as confirmed on your reservations.
- **Would I require a credit card to check-in at confirmed hotels, lodges, and inns?** Yes. Clients are required to present a Credit Card in their name at check-in. Hotel will typically take an authorization on the credit card for between \$500 and \$750 per stay to cover room incidentals and any damage to property. The authorization will auto-cancel within 72 hours of check-out.

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less any incidentals or other charges relating to the room. The hotels will also require you to present a valid Government issued photo id such as a passport or driver's license. The name on the reservation should match the name on the photo-id you present.

▪ **What is the hotel check-in and check-out times?**

- Check-in: 4 PM
- Check-out: 11 AM

Early Check-in and Late-check-outs require prior approval by the hotel. Additional charges, possibly an additional night charge will apply.

- **What is your policy should our flight be cancelled or delayed and therefore we are unable to join the tour?** – We are responsible only for services booked through us. Therefore, your inability to travel or join the tour on time due any reasons including but not limited to delayed/cancelled flights, denied boarding, delayed/cancelled visas, health conditions, death in the family, etc. are not reasons for a refund or a substitution tour. If you are unable to join the tour or fail to join the tour on time, no refund/substitution tour will be provided. All such circumstances should be covered by your Travel Insurance.

For More Information on this Tour Package, Operating Dates & Tariffs,

Contact our Destination Specialist @

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