

# FIT (Independent Touring) – Multi Destination Tour Best of Canadian Rockies



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## Highlights

Banff – Banff National Park – Yoho National Park - Lake Louise – Moraine Lake – Jasper National Park - Jasper

Duration: 6 Days/5 Nights

Tour of Banff + Admissions to Banff Gondola

Mountain Lakes & Waterfalls Tour of Yoho National Park including lunch

Icefields Parkway Discovery Tour with visit to Columbia Icefield + Buffet Lunch

Admissions to Ice Explorer Glacier tour & Glacier Skywalk

Explore Jasper Coach tour & Maligne Lake Cruise including Lunch

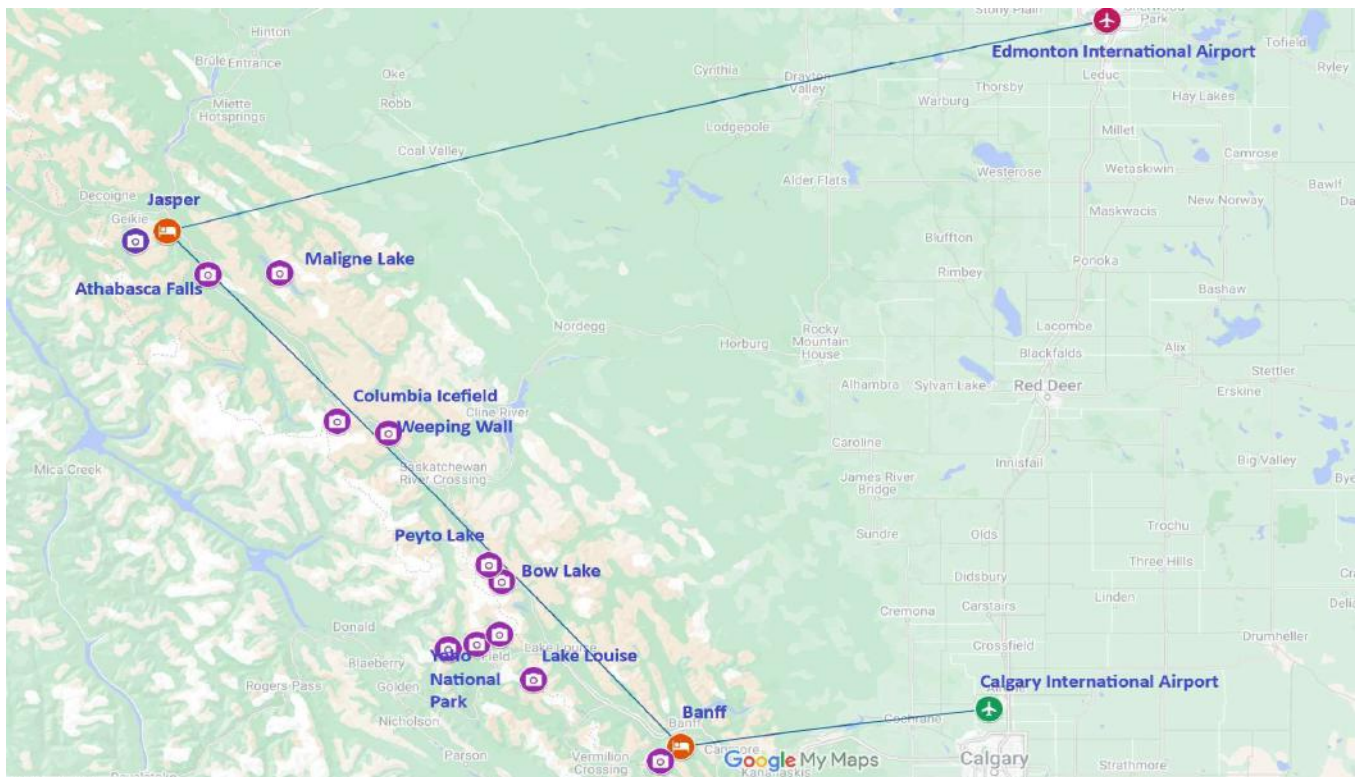
This tour is available in the reverse order starting from Edmonton

Available - 01 May to 31 Oct 2023

This is not an Escorted Group Tour. This tour can be operated in the opposite direction

This tour is 100% customizable

This tour can be operated also as a Private Tour. Additional costs will apply.



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The best of Canadian Rockies brings you the very best of the Rockies. You will get to see the beauty of the Banff, Yoho, and Jasper National Parks. Lush forests, commanding mountains painted lakes, Banff has it all. Alpine meadows, limestone canyons and mineral hot springs and wildlife sightings is what awaits you on this tour.

### Day 1 – Transfer by tour coach from Calgary International Airport to Banff

Arrive this afternoon at Calgary International Airport (YYC). After collecting your bags, proceed to the shuttle desk at the airport for your transfer to the mountain resort of Banff, AB.

With Mt. Rundle and Mt. Cascade, part of the Rocky Mountains, dominating its skyline, the resort town of Banff is by far the largest town in the Rockies. Banff features chateau style hotels, plenty of shops and dining options and a range of sightseeing and soft adventure options.

The ride to Banff takes approximately two hours. On arrival in Banff, check into your hotel. Rest of the day free to explore Banff Avenue with its many shops and restaurants on your own.

*Overnight in Banff, AB.*

### DAY 2 – Explore Banff & its Wildlife including admissions to Banff Gondola

Today, set off on a tour exploring Banff & its Wildlife. Your tour includes admissions to Banff Gondola for a ride to the summit of the Sulphur Mountain.

See some of the most incredible sights and sounds that western Canada has to offer on this full guided sightseeing tour of Banff. All the guests get to learn about the culture, geology, and wildlife while exploring the spectacular sights of the renowned mountain town of Banff.

This tour will include some of the most scenic and historically significant highlights of Banff such as the Banff Springs Hotel, Bow Falls, Surprise Corner Lookout, Hoodoos Viewpoint and Lake Minnewanka. While on the tour, enjoy hot chocolate or fresh water (depending on the time of year) and maple cookies at one of the scenic stops. This a complete orientation to Banff and a great tour for seeing wildlife in the morning!

This tour will include admissions to the famous Banff Gondola for a ride to the summit of the Sulphur Mountain. The view from the viewing deck at the summit of the Sulphur Mountain are spectacular with a 360-degree panorama view of the Bow Valle

Tour stops include -

- Bow Falls
- Surprise Corner Viewpoint
- Lookout Point
- Hoodoos
- Lake Minnewanka

Upgrade – You may upgrade this tour by adding a cruise on Lake Minnewanka. Please check with us for rates and availability.

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### DAY 3 - Mountain Lakes & Waterfalls Tour of Yoho National Park and Lake Louise and Lunch

Get to see the best that Banff National Park and the surrounding wildernesses. This tour takes you to the most treasured spots in the Canadian Rockies through Banff and Yoho National Parks.

The Yoho National Park in British Columbia to the west of Banff National Park is a place loaded with stories. From the history of the Canadian railroad to Takakkaw Falls (the second-highest waterfall in Canada!), follow the trails through a park whose name means "awe" in the Cree language.

The tour includes a 20-minute stop at Lake Moraine (late May onwards) and will pass by the Victoria Glacier, Takakkaw Falls, Valley of Ten Peaks, Spiral Tunnels, and Yoho National Park.

At Emerald Lake you will stop for lunch (included in your tour) at the historic lodge tucked on the shores jewel-toned lake in the middle of a beautiful glacial cirque. You'll have time to stroll and explore.

Stop times on this tour vary depending on the area. Typically, the tour offers an approximately 30-minute stop at Lake Louise, and one hour break at Emerald Lake Lodge. When Moraine Lake and Takakkaw Falls are not affected by seasonal road closures, the tour also offers a 50-minute stop at Moraine Lake and a one hour stop at the Takakkaw Falls.

The tour duration will be seasonally adjusted depending on road closures, weather conditions.

Tour Stops include (may change depending on road closures).

- Moraine Lake
- Spiral Tunnels
- Emerald Lake
- Takakkaw Falls
- Lake Louise

Tour includes Lunch at Emerald Lake.

*Overnight in Banff, AB.*

### Day 4 – Icefields Parkway Discovery Tour from Banff to Jasper including admission to Ice Explorer & Glacier Skywalk and hot Buffet Lunch

Featuring over one hundred visible glaciers, turquoise lakes and rushing waterfalls you will discover Canada's most scenic mountain roadway i.e., the Icefield's Parkway. Every twist and turn of the spectacular 230 KM (143-miles) Icefields Parkway (Highway 93) reveals cloud-piercing peaks, valley-carving glaciers, teal lakes, and dense forests.

Running from Lake Louise to Jasper, this scenic Alberta coach tour offers stunning views of the Canadian Rockies, with lots of roadside lookouts and trailheads along the way. From the iconic Lake Louise to the otherworldly Columbia Icefield and beyond to Jasper, this tour allows you to see glaciers up close and discover how they've shaped our landscape.

A once-in-a-lifetime experience you at the Columbia Icefield where you will board the famous Ice Explorers for a ride to the Athabasca Glacier, the largest icefield south of the North Pole. You will also get to step beyond the Valley's edge and do a walk on the Glacier Skywalk, a glass-floored

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suspended observation platform extending 30 meters out over the Sunwapta Valley: where glass is the only thing that separates you from rugged and wild terrain 918-foot (280 m) below.

This 8 ½ hour coach tour will include stops at:

- Lake Louise
- Bow Lake
- Columbia Icefield Adventure
- Glacier Skywalk
- Athabasca Falls

Tour includes Buffet Lunch.

*Overnight in Jasper, AB.*

### Day 5 – Explore Jasper Tour including Lake Maligne Cruise and Lunch

Jasper as you may notice is a laid-back place. Covering over 11,228 square kilometers (4,335 square miles), Jasper National Park is Canada's largest park in the Rocky Mountains and the second largest Dark Sky Preserve in the world. Jasper and its surroundings offer treasures of sights and sounds for you to discover.

Spend the day on this tour exploring the highlights of Jasper National Park with hot lunch included. We'll tour the historic townsite then head to the fascinating Maligne Canyon. Lookout for wildlife as your tour coach travels out of town to the various scenic spots included in your tour.

The tour culminates in an unforgettable cruise on Maligne Lake to Spirit Island. Surrounded by breathtaking mountains, glacier fed Maligne Lake is world-renowned for its beauty and is home to the world-famous Spirit Island. Experience these iconic locations in a completely unique way on our Maligne Lake Cruise.

Note - Explore Jasper w/ Lunch (Pre-Lake Opening Only) (Operational only from 2nd May to 26th May) - Explore the spectacular natural treasures of the largest national park in the Canadian Rockies. Stand above the massive walls of Maligne Canyon for stunning views of rushing waterfalls, discover the mystery of the disappearing water at Medicine Lake – all on this incredible sightseeing tour. Lunch will also be provided on this trip.

Note - Explore Jasper & Maligne Lake Cruise – (Operational from 27th May) - Explore the spectacular natural treasures of the largest national park in the Canadian Rockies. Stand above the massive walls of Maligne Canyon for stunning views of rushing waterfalls, discover the mystery of the disappearing water at Medicine Lake and experience the scenic lake cruise of Maligne Lake – all on this incredible sightseeing tour.

Tour Stops include:

- Maligne Canyon
- Medicine Lake
- Maligne Lake

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Tour includes lunch.

*Overnight in Jasper, AB.*

### Day 6 – End of your Best of Canadian Rockies Tour.

Today marks the end of your Best of Canadian Rockies Tour. Our tour coach will transfer you to Edmonton International Airport (YEG). This is a four-hour run, and the coach departs Jasper at 7 AM. Pick up from hotels in Jasper starts at 5:45 AM.

You will arrive at Edmonton International Airport (YEG) around 12 Noon.

If you are booking your own flights, make sure to book flights departing only around 4 PM.

*End of your Best of Canadian Rockies Tour.*

### Inclusions

- ✓ 5 Nights accommodations.
  - 3-night's accommodations at Banff, AB.
  - 2-night's accommodations at Jasper, AB.
- ✓ Daily Breakfast at Banff & Jasper.
- ✓ Transfer by coach from YYC Airport/Calgary downtown to hotel in Banff.
- ✓ Coach tour of Banff including admissions to Banff Gondola.
- ✓ Coach tour of Yoho National Park including Moraine Lake, Spiral Tunnels, Emerald Lake and Takakkaw Falls.
- ✓ Icefields Parkway Discovery from Banff to Jasper with photostop in Lake Louise and Buffet Lunch.
- ✓ Visit to Columbia Icefield including admissions to Ice Explorer Glacier tour & Glacier Skywalk.
- ✓ Coach tour of Jasper including lunch (Tour operating from 2nd May to 26th May 2023).
- ✓ Coach tour of Jasper including Maligne Lake Cruise and lunch. (Tour typically operating 27th May to 10 Oct 2023).
- ✓ Coach transfer from hotel in Jasper to Edmonton International Airport (YEG).
- ✓ Resort Fees, Taxes & GST.

### Exclusions

- × Airfare. Offered as a supplement on request.
- × Meals other than Breakfast.
- × Travel Insurance – highly recommended. If client declines your offer to sell Travel Insurance, you are required to secure a Liability Waiver signed by the client that you must provide us on demand. We sell Travel Insurance to residents of Ontario. Non-residents of Ontario as well as clients from abroad must purchase Travel Insurance in the province/state/country where they reside.

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- × 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 Tours and activities.
- × Early Check-in and Late Check-out charges. Charges will apply.
- × Gratuities for Tour Guides/Driver cum Guides (Expected)
- × If applicable, cost of any RTPCR/Antigen Test or costs related to quarantine.

## Hotels Featured

Destination	Standard Hotels
Banff, AB	Banff Ptarmigan Inn
Jasper, AB	Maligne Lodge

Rooms featured will be Standard ROH room unless specified otherwise.

Hotels featured will be as above or similar. We feature a range of hotel properties. Hotel upgrades are available. Please check with us for rates and availability.

## Deposit Policy

100% Deposit required on confirmation of this Tour.

## 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](https://www.healthcanada.ca) site for most up to date information in this regard.

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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

- **Is this tour an Escorted Tour with a Tour Director?** No. This is not an Escorted Tour with a Tour Director. Some services offered on an escorted tour such as check-in assistance by a dedicated Tour Director, etc. are therefore not offered on our Multi Destination Tours. Commentary on sightseeing tours will be either a pre-recorded commentary or narrated by your driver-guide in English.
- **Are there fixed dates of departure for this tour?** The tour departs every day of the season. There is no such thing as tour departs only on certain fixed days like on a fully escorted coach tour.
- **Is this tour customizable?** Absolutely yes. This tour is fully customizable. Additional costs may apply depending on how much customization is required.
- **Will I be sitting with the same group of people on this tour like on an Escorted Tour?** No. The participants one each of the tour may vary.
- **Will I be picked up from my hotel for the tours?** In most cases yes. This information will be provided to you along with the confirmations. If you have to travel to a tour pickup point, it is never more than 15 minutes by cab or Uber.
- **What size of coaches are used for transfers and tours?** We use 56-, 33- and 24-seater coaches for our tours and transfers.
- **Where is the Brewster Express desk located in the Calgary International Airport?** For pick up at the Calgary International Airport, please proceed to Lane 23 (which is located outside across from exit door #7 and the Tim Hortons on the arrivals level). Your bus will arrive approximately 15 minutes prior to your departure time and your driver will check you in. As per AHS guidelines, you must wear your mask while onboard and maintain social distancing.
- **What happens if my flight arrives at the Calgary airport late and I miss my transfer?** - Guests can catch the next available transfer. We recommend providing your flight details upon booking so that our staff can anticipate any changes and ensure you will be well accommodated.
- **How long does it take to get to my destination?** - 2 hours.
- **Are the transfers direct or will there be stops along the way?** - All transfers are direct with limited stops for pick-up and drop-off at the major hotels.
- **Will I get dropped off at my hotel in Banff?** Yes. In 99% of the cases, you will be dropped off at your hotel. If there is any change to this, you will be informed of same at the time booking confirmation.

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- **Canada Park fees - Is it free to enter Banff and Jasper National Parks?** - No. Parks Canada requires all adult visitors to Canada's national parks to buy a permit for the duration of their stay to support visitor services and facilities. The park pass typically costs \$ 10.50 per person per day of stay in the Banff and National Park.
- **Banff Tour and Yoho National Park Tours (Day 2 & 3) – Will we be picked up from the hotel?** – Typically, hotel pick up is offered most Banff hotels.
- **Icefield Parkway Tour from Banff to Jasper (Day 4) – Should I wear warm clothing?** - Warm layers are recommended for the Columbia Icefield Adventure, as temperatures on the glacier can be significantly cooler. Sunglasses are also recommended for the Columbia Icefield Adventure to reduce the brightness of the sun's reflection on the glacier.
- **Will the tour bus transport my luggage from Banff to Jasper** – Yes. You are allowed one piece of luggage per person.
- **Jasper to Edmonton Transfer** – Will I be picked up from my hotel? Yes. You will be picked up from your hotel in Jasper for the transfer to Edmonton.
- **How long does it take to travel between Jasper and Edmonton?** - It takes approximately 5½ hours to travel from Jasper to Banff. This includes travel time and restroom stops (364 kilometers or 226 miles).
- **Jasper to Edmonton Transfer** –What time will I be picked up from my Jasper Hotel? What time will we reach Edmonton International Airport? The shuttle bus departs Jasper at 7:00 AM. Pickup time starts around 6 AM. Exact pickup time will be advised to you at the time of confirmation of your tour. You will arrive at Edmonton international Airport around 12:30 PM.
- **Will I see wildlife on these tours?** There is a chance of seeing wildlife on the tour and we often spot animals, however we do not guarantee seeing wildlife on any of our tours. Our guides have a lot of knowledge about the animals within the park and can fill you in about them if you see any wildlife or if you have any questions.
- **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.
- **Would clients 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 less any incidentals or other charges relating to the room.
- **What is the hotel check-in and check-out times?**
  - Check-in: 4 PM
  - Check-out: 11 AM

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

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- **What is your policy should our flight be cancelled and therefore we are unable to join the tour?** – DMCi Inc. is 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,

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