

BARKERVILLE & SUN PEAKS RESORT

July 24, 2017 - 5 Days



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Fares Per Person:

\$855 double/twin

\$1030 single

\$800 triple



> Please add 5% GST.

> **Early Bookers:** \$50 discount on first 15 seats; \$25 on next 10

> **Experience Points:** Earn 21 points from this tour.

Redeem **21 points** if you book by **June 21**.

Includes

- Coach transportation for 5 days
- 4 nights of accommodation & hotel taxes
- Ashcroft Manor
- Local guide from Quesnel to Barkerville
- Barkerville Historic Town
- Guided walking tour of Barkerville
- Gold panning with souvenir gold flakes
- Barkerville stagecoach ride
- Theatre Royal show with program
- Cottonwood House
- Chairlift to alpine meadows at Sun Peaks
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **6 meals** : 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches

The Old West Meets Luxury Resort

Enjoy the warmth of the BC Interior summer with an ideal combination of exploring the historic Gold Rush Trail and relaxing in luxurious mountain resort comfort. Barkerville is celebrating its 156th anniversary in 2017, and the restored town is still bringing joy to visitors young and old, as they relive the days of the old west. Listen to Judge Begbie; watch the gold cleanup at the Cornish waterwheel; ride in a stagecoach; eat at Wake-Up Jake's Café, and enjoy a lively show at Theatre Royal. Sun Peaks is one of BC's best four-season resorts, with summer welcoming outdoor adventurers and holiday-seekers alike. Relax at the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel, the finest of many in the village and ideally located in the midst of all the shops and restaurants of this come-of-age resort town. Ride the chairlift high onto Tod Mountain and admire the display of colourful alpine blossoms.

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Itinerary

Monday, July 24

Meals: L

We drive through the Thompson Valley to Cache Creek and have lunch at historic **Ashcroft Manor**. It was built in 1862 as a stopping place for Gold Rush travellers and ranks as one of the oldest surviving buildings in the province. This visit nicely sets the scene for the Gold Rush stories through the next two days. During the afternoon drive north along the Cariboo Highway, we visit the scenic **Painted Chasm** and pass through 100 Mile House and Williams Lake. In Quesnel, we stay two nights at the Best Western Tower Inn.

Tuesday, July 25:

Meals: B

We are treated to the knowledge of an expert historian during the drive from Quesnel to Barkerville. Governor James Douglas, sometimes called "Father of British Columbia", was a key figure in Barkerville's early years and our guide's name is also James Douglas! After arrival in **Barkerville**, join the guided walking tour. For the rest of the visit, there is lots to see and enjoy at your own pace — listen to a discussion of Cariboo justice with Judge Begbie at Richfield Courthouse; watch the gold cleanup at the Cornish waterwheel; buy something tasty at Goldfield Bakery; view a historic slide show at the Museum; or attend church at St. Saviour's. Throughout the day, you can walk through numerous historic buildings, staffed with costumed interpreters who bring the 1880s vividly to life. A stagecoach ride around Barkerville is included, as well as **gold panning** where you keep what you find. We also have tickets to see an afternoon performance at **Theatre Royal**. During the return to Quesnel, we visit **Cottonwood House**, built in 1864 as a stopping place on the wagon road.

Wednesday, July 26:

Meals: B,L

Near 100 Mile House, we follow Highway #24 through Lone Butte and past dozens of attractive lakes. We join the Yellowhead Highway at Little Fort. Our destination is **Sun Peaks Resort**, just outside of Kamloops. Since 1994, a modest ski area called Tod Mountain has been transformed into fabulous Sun Peaks, complete with a mountain-side village of hotels, shops and restaurants. Although best known for its world-class skiing, Sun Peaks is a wonderful place to visit in the summer. Our accommodation for two nights is at the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel, located in the centre of the village with lots of restaurants and shops nearby. It is a full-service hotel with dining room, lounge, indoor and outdoor whirlpools, and fitness centre.

Thursday, July 27:

Meals: B

Today is yours to enjoy as you like. Included is a scenic ride on the **Sunburst Chair**, a quad lift with protective bubble, which whisks you nearly 1,000 metres up the mountain to the alpine meadows and Sunburst Lodge. In late July, the alpine flower bloom is starting and you can spend the day strolling the alpine meadows resplendent with colourful wildflowers. Enjoy the panoramic view encompassing 100 km around. For the rest of the day, you may wish to play a round of golf, walk the many trails, soak in the hot pools, or take a horseback ride.

Friday, July 28:

Meals: B

The morning is leisure time and there is a late check-out. We leave Sun Peaks after lunch and head home to Kamloops and the Okanagan.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due June 21, 2017.


Discounts: Early bookers receive \$50 discount on first 15 seats and \$25 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after June 21.

Cancellation Policy: Up to June 21, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From June 22 to July 10, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After July 10, there is no refund.

Fare Changes: Changes to taxes and surcharges from tour suppliers can occur at any time and are beyond the control of Wells Gray Tours, therefore Wells Gray Tours reserves the right to increase fares due to such changes up until the time of departure.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause for medical and cancellation claims, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Please contact us for details.

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 **Activity Level:** Light activity including short distances to walk. The guided walking tour around Barkerville is optional. The Richfield Courthouse is a 1.5 km gently uphill walk from Barkerville centre. Walking trails on the alpine meadows at Sun Peaks range from easy strolls to hikes of several hours, and the choice is yours. If you think you may have difficulty participating in Activity Level 1, Wells Gray Tours recommends that you bring a companion to assist you. The tour director and driver have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance.

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