

CALGARY STAMPEDE

Including Kick-off Parade, Rodeo and Chuckwagon Races!

July 5, 2018 - 5 Days



a world to experience



Fares Per Person:

\$1395 double/twin

\$1740 single

\$1310 triple



- > Please add 5% GST.
- > **Early Bookers:** \$80 discount on first 15 seats; \$40 on next 10
- > **Experience Points:** Earn 34 points from this tour.
Redeem **34 points** if you book by **May 16**.

Includes

- Coach transportation for 5 days
- 4 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- Reserved bleacher seating at the Calgary Stampede parade
- 2 days admission to Stampede Park
- Reserved seating to afternoon Stampede Rodeo
- Reserved seating to evening Chuckwagon Races and Stage Show
- Transfers to and from Stampede grounds
- Souvenir White Cowboy Hat
- Heritage Park Historical Village & Museum
- Radium Hot Springs pool with towel rental
- Northern Lights Wolf Centre
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **8 meals:** 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 1 dinner

Celebrating 106 years of the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth!

Pull on your jeans and boots, don your cowboy hat, and get ready for a yee-haw good time at the annual Calgary Stampede! There is so much to see and do: wander through the barns to view the prize-winning animals, thrill to the rides on the midway, admire some of the greatest western artists in the world, explore the native village, live it up at Nashville North, visit the agricultural shows, and enjoy non-stop live entertainment throughout the day and night. We have included reserved seats to the premier Stampede events: the kick-off parade, the thrilling afternoon rodeo, and the spectacular evening chuckwagon races and stage show. Our 2018 tour has a new itinerary with a leisurely drive home via Radium Hot Springs. So come and join us at the 106th Calgary Stampede.

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Itinerary

Thursday, July 5:

Meals: L,D

We travel east through Rogers Pass with a stop for lunch in Golden. Upon arrival in Calgary, we settle into the **Glenmore Inn** for a three-night stay. The rooms are spacious with hotel amenities that include an indoor heated pool with water slide, fitness area, in-room spa services, free wi-fi, all-day restaurant, lounge, and room service. Dinner is included at the hotel tonight.

Friday, July 6:

Meals: B

Rising early this morning, we head to downtown Calgary for a special treat — reserved bleacher seating to watch the **Calgary Stampede Parade!** The Parade is 4 km long starting with the Showband, followed by a dynamic ribbon of pageantry featuring beautiful floats, bands, riders, celebrities, and cultural entries. Then we head to Stampede Park. This afternoon features the exciting **Stampede Rodeo** where the world's best cowboys compete for \$2 million dollars in prize money in events like saddle bronc, bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, and barrel racing. A transfer is provided back to the hotel following the rodeo, but you are welcome to stay and return to the hotel on your own. There is some lively night time entertainment in venues around the city.

Saturday, July 7:

Meals: B

This is another full day at the Calgary Stampede! Several transfers are provided between Stampede Park and the hotel, a 20-minute drive away. Tonight are the thrilling **Chuckwagon Races**, where four wagons thunder around the 1 km track in pursuit of fame and fortune. This is followed by

the **Grandstand Stage Show** with hundreds of entertainers and a dazzling fireworks display.

Sunday, July 8:

Meals: B,L

Step back in time during a visit to **Heritage Park**, a lively historical village where you can meet friendly pioneers, ride an authentic steam train, enjoy the antique midway and immerse yourself in the old west. Also explore Heritage Town Square which includes restaurants, shopping and the superb Gasoline Alley Museum where you discover how the introduction of the automobile changed our culture. The White Cowboy Hat ceremony and Cowboy Buffet lunch are included. Leaving Calgary, we head west into the Rockies and drive the scenic highway through Kootenay National Park. We stay overnight in Radium at the Prestige Hotel. Tonight, we relax in the soothing waters of **Radium Hot Springs**. Sir George Simpson of the Hudson's Bay Company made the first recorded visit in 1841, bathing in a one-person sized pool dug out of the gravel. The present Aquacourt was built in 1951 and is now Canada's largest hot springs pool with a water temperature of 103 degrees F.

Monday, July 9:

Meals: B,L

Near Golden, we visit the **Northern Lights Wolf Centre** where a pack of wolves, all born in captivity, roam a large enclosure. The Centre promotes wolf conservation in a healthy environment. Some of their animals are trained for movies. Lunch is included at Heather Mountain Lodge near Rogers Pass, then we journey home during the afternoon.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$200 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due May 16, 2018. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$80 discount on first 15 seats and \$40 on next 10 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after May 16.

Cancellation Policy: Up to May 16, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From May 17 to June 4, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After June 4, 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.

Photo Credit: Calgary Stampede



Activity Level: There is lots of walking at Stampede Park, as the coach unloading area is on the outer edge. There are steps to the bleacher seating at the parade. There is elevator or escalator access to the grandstand for rodeo and chuckwagon events, but there may be stairs to reach your seat. The coach cannot carry a scooter. If you are not able to participate in Activity Level 2, 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. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require ongoing assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense. Travel insurance will probably not cover you.

E-points: This tour earns 34 e-points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points, or e-points. One e-point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until May 16.

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