

CALGARY STAMPEDE

Including Kick-off Parade, Rodeo and Chuckwagon Races!

July 3, 2019 - 6 Days



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Fares Per Person:

\$1995 double/twin

\$2455 single

\$1880 triple



- > Please add 5% GST.
- > **Early Bookers:** \$80 discount on first 15 seats; \$40 on next 10
- > **Experience Points:** Earn 35 points from this tour.
Redeem **35 points** if you book by **May 9**.

Includes

- Transfer to/from Victoria Airport
- Flight from Victoria to Kelowna and return
- Coach transportation for 5 days
- 5 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- White Cowboy Hat Ceremony & souvenir hat
- Transfers to and from Stampede grounds
- Reserved bleacher seating at the Calgary Stampede parade
- Reserved seating to afternoon Stampede Rodeo
- Reserved seating to evening Chuckwagon Races and Stage Show
- 2 days admission to Stampede Park
- 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 107 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. Enjoy a leisurely drive back via Radium Hot Springs and Kootenay National Park. So come and join us at the 107th Calgary Stampede.

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Itinerary

Wednesday, July 3:

A transfer is provided to the airport. We fly to Kelowna and stay overnight at the Best Western.

Thursday, July 4:

Meals: L,D

We meet the Interior passengers during pickups through the Okanagan Valley. 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, and lounge. The White Cowboy Hat ceremony with a souvenir hat is included during dinner.

Friday, July 5:

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 in prize money in events like saddle bronc, bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, and barrel racing.

Saturday, July 6:

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,

we have reserved seats at 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 7:

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 the superb Gasoline Alley Museum about how the introduction of the automobile changed our culture. The Cowboy Buffet lunch is included. Leaving Calgary, we head west into the Rockies and drive the scenic highway through Kootenay National Park. We stay overnight at the Prestige Radium Hotel. Tonight, 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 8:

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 animals are trained for movies. Lunch is included at Heather Mountain Lodge near Rogers Pass. We take an evening flight from Kelowna to Victoria and a transfer is provided to your pickup point.

Tour Policies

Payments: A deposit of \$200 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due May 9, 2019. 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 9.

Cancellation Policy: Up to April 9, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From April 10 to May 9, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person. From May 10 to June 3, the cancellation charge is 50% of the tour fare. After June 3, 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 until 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 35 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 9.

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