



Lac Beauvert



Pool - Jasper Park Lodge

JASPER PARK LODGE

October 12, 2020 – 6 Days

Includes South Thompson Guest Ranch

Celebrate the majesty of the Canadian Rockies as travellers have been doing for well over a century. Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge has been hosting travellers to the mountains for over a century. This renowned hotel usually charges over \$500 a night for a room and it is booked solid in the summer and fall. The lodge normally offers a seniors' fall getaway at a very attractive price, but is not able to hold this event in 2020 due to Covid restrictions. Wells Gray Tours has secured the same bargain room rate with all meals included, and has arranged all our own private activities during the 2 days and 3 nights stay. This tour offers extraordinary savings and lets you experience this famous lodge at a very attractive price.

Activity Level: 1



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15 Meals Included:

5 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 4 dinners

Fares per person:

\$1,660 double; \$1,710 twin; \$2,010 single

Deluxe rooms and suites also available.

Please add 5% GST.

Early Bookers:

\$80 discount on first 10 seats; \$40 on next 6

Experience Points:

Earn 40 points from this tour

Redeem 40 points if you book by August 25.



Icefields Parkway

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Day 1: Monday, October 12

After departing Vancouver and meeting the Victoria travellers, we have lunch in Chilliwack, then follow the Coquihalla to Kamloops. We stay at **South Thompson Guest Ranch** which has a beautiful country setting beside the placid South Thompson River. A traditional Thanksgiving Dinner is included.

Meals included: Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: South Thompson Guest Ranch

Day 2: Tuesday, October 13

We travel along the Yellowhead Highway past majestic **Mount Robson**, highest in the Canadian Rockies. In mid-afternoon, we arrive at the splendid **Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge** for our three-night getaway experience.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

Day 3: Wednesday, October 14

This morning, we visit the **Jasper Yellowhead Museum** which has exhibits about the fur trade, the railway, and early exploration and tourism in Jasper National Park. Some interesting artifacts are Curly Phillips' canoe, the ice axe from Mt. Alberta, and David Thompson's musket balls recovered from Athabasca Pass. An interpretive program may be offered. There are several activities offered during the afternoon:

- 1) A drive to Pyramid and Patricia Lakes.
- 2) A walk from the lodge on a good trail around Lac Beauvert.
- 3) A rafting float trip on the Athabasca River. It's a gentle 2-3 hour trip with no white water. \$77 per person. Please book by August 27.

- 4) Enjoy the many facilities at Jasper Park Lodge such as the 18-hole golf course (extra charge), outdoor pool, whirlpool, or health club.

In late afternoon, the lodge historian presents an entertaining talk.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

Day 4: Thursday, October 15

A **local photographer** provides tips about picture taking in the mountains and how to best capture the marvelous panoramas that surround us. This includes an excursion to several viewpoints near Jasper. After lunch, we drive to **Maligne Canyon** for a short walk with spectacular views of the narrow gorge and waterfalls. Those who want more exercise can take the one-way walk downhill along the canyon rim, and the coach picks you up at the bottom. Instead of Happy Hour at the lodge, join your tour director for a **Walk and Wine** around the parklike grounds.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation: Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge

Day 5: Friday, October 16

We say farewell to Jasper Park Lodge after breakfast and travel through Yellowhead Pass, then south along the Yellowhead Highway. Lunch is in Clearwater, followed by a side trip into Wells Gray Park to see 75-metre tall **Spahats Falls**.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Coast Hotel Kamloops

Day 6: Saturday, October 17

We travel back to Vancouver with lunch in Hope.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

AUTUMN IN ROCKY MOUNTAIN LUXURY

Celebrate beauty and friendship in the majesty of the Canadian Rockies as travellers have been doing for well over a century. The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway built a tent camp here in 1915 to serve its first-class rail passengers. By 1923, the Canadian National Railway had taken over, and built bungalows and a main lodge building which was said to be the largest single-level log structure in the world. It was destroyed by fire in 1952. Jasper Park Lodge set new high standards for accommodation and hospitality in the wilderness. Many celebrities have stayed, including Bing Crosby, John Travolta, the Kennedys, and Marilyn Monroe. It is a favourite with the Royal Family, and Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip were last here in 2005.




WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Coach transportation for 6 days
- 5 nights accommodation and hotel taxes
- 4 days of entry fees for Jasper National Park
- Jasper Park Lodge welcome reception
- Jasper Yellowhead Museum
- Talk by lodge historian
- Photography tour by a local expert
- Wine and Walk around the lodge grounds
- Service gratuities at Jasper Park Lodge
- Knowledgeable tour director
- Luggage handling at hotels
- **15 meals:** 5 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 4 dinners

TOUR NOTES

The main building of Jasper Park Lodge has the lobby, dining rooms, lounge, activity rooms, pool, shops, and a few bedrooms available to guests in wheelchairs or with significant mobility challenges. You are staying in rooms located around the extensive parklike grounds in individual cabins, duplexes, or small motel-like buildings. Junior suites may offer a lake view, but Fairmont and deluxe categories do not have a lake view. Most rooms are a 5-10 minute leisurely walk to the main building but, if you prefer not to walk, a very efficient shuttle service operates on request from your room to the main building and back. If you qualify for a room in the main building, we can ask about availability at the time of booking.

Please note that Fairmont rooms, deluxe rooms and junior suites are NOT in the main lodge building.

 **Activity Level 1:** Light activity including short distances to walk and some stairs. See the accommodation note above regarding location of Jasper Park Lodge rooms. Your room is not located in the main building. The coach cannot carry a scooter. If you are not able to participate 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. If you are not capable of keeping up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour.

TOUR 30 This is a Tour 30 departure, meaning capacity of the tour is limited to 30 participants or less, a more intimate travel experience.

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$150 per person is requested at the time of booking and the balance is due August 25, 2020. By paying the deposit, you agree to the Terms & Conditions, Activity Level and Cancellation Policy outlined.

Discounts: Early bookers receive \$80 discount on first 10 seats and \$40 on next 6 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after August 25.

Cancellation Policy: Up to July 24, your tour payments will be refunded less an administrative charge of \$50 per person. From July 25 to August 25, the cancellation charge is \$150 per person (your deposit). From August 26 to September 8, the cancellation charge is 50% of tour fare. From September 9 to September 22, the cancellation charge is 80% of tour fare. After September 22, 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.

Home pickups are available within Greater Vancouver for an additional charge of \$40 per person round trip. Please request no later than at final payment. This mini-bus will take you to the coach which starts in Victoria and travels from Tsawwassen through Delta and Surrey.

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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Experience Points: This tour earns 40 points. Each time you travel on a Wells Gray tour, you earn Experience Points. One point equals \$1. Redeem your points on select tours or accumulate enough points to earn a free tour! Redemptions offered until August 25.

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