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in Western Canada

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 Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site



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CELEBRATE CANADA'S 150th!



2017 marks the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation and we invite you to celebrate with Parks Canada! Get curious about Canada's unique natural treasures, hear stories about Indigenous cultures, learn to camp and paddle and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Canada's national historic sites with us.

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As Canada's gift to you, the 2017 Discovery Pass provides free admission for the entire year to Parks Canada places from coast-to-coast-to-coast!

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Enter the Discover Canada Contest for a chance to win an unforgettable 7 day trip for four to Western Newfoundland, 1 of 3 weekend getaways in a Parks Canada oTENTik, Parks Canada merchandise and more!

Contest closes on September 30, 2017.

In collaboration with:



The good news doesn't end in 2017;
beginning in 2018, admission for children under 18 is free!

WELCOME!



Gulf Islands National Park Reserve



Fort Langley National Historic Site



Glacier National Park

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Discover Parks Canada!

Whether you're looking for **adventure**, **fun for the whole family**, or **a break from the everyday**, Parks Canada has countless unique experiences to suit your needs. Climb a rock face, discover sea creatures on the ocean floor, have a family picnic, or snuggle up by a warm fire.

There's never been a better time to visit!

PACIFIC COAST SPLENDOUR

7 DAYS

Fort Langley to Vancouver Island British Columbia



ITINERARY & SIGHTSEEING



DAY 1

Vancouver – Steveston, 30 km
Fort Langley, 60 km

Experience the early days of the west coast fishing industry at the **Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site!**

Discover the various methods of fishing and salmon canning. Explore the herring reduction plant. Listen to fascinating fishing stories. Let yourself be charmed by the picturesque fishing village of Steveston.

Continue on to Fort Langley, birthplace of the colony of British Columbia, and spend the night in an oTENTik in a real 19th century Canadian fort.



DAY 2

Fort Langley – Vancouver, 48 km
Ferry to Swartz Bay, 1 hr, 45 min – Sidney, 3 km

Become a Hudson's Bay Company worker circa 1800 at **Fort Langley National Historic Site**. Mingle with fur traders, become a blacksmith, practice barrel-making, visit the farm animals and pan for gold, you might just strike it rich!

Stroll through the village before continuing on to Vancouver. Sail through the rocky **Gulf Islands** archipelago on the ferry from Vancouver to Swartz Bay.

Pitch your tent at Sidney's McDonald Campground in **Gulf Islands National Park Reserve**, the ideal base camp for exploring the islands.



DAY 3

Ready for adventure? Make a day trip to **Saturna Island**. Walk or drive to Mount Warburton Pike's summit and enjoy astonishing views of the Gulf Islands stretched out before you.

Be sure to go to East Point for some whale watching from dry land! Be on the lookout; you might even see orcas. Remember to bring your camera! While you are there, visit the Heritage Centre and learn about the history of the island.

Enjoy a spectacular sunset before heading back to the ferry for Sidney.

Plan your travels before you leave; consult the ferry schedule.



DAY 4

How about a relaxing day at the beach? Climb aboard a walk-on passenger ferry for **Sidney Island** and cruise across Sidney Channel. In no time at all, you will be gleefully slipping out of your shoes and walking along on the warm sand for kilometres.

Enjoy a picnic while admiring the turquoise waters off Sidney Spit! It makes for an ideal day of relaxing, kite flying and building majestic sand castles.

Don't forget your binoculars; Sidney Island is a true paradise for bird-watchers.

Intrigued by nature? Once back at Sidney, stop by the Shaw Centre for the Salish Sea, the local aquarium, and discover local marine life secrets with Parks Canada interpreters.



DAY 5

Sidney – Victoria, 30 km

En route to the provincial capital! Have breakfast in the Victoria Harbour area and visit an array of shops in the little floating houses.

Spend your morning strolling through narrow streets in the City's old districts. Be sure to check out Chinatown, Canada's oldest and most colourful Chinese neighbourhood.

Sample English style tea and enjoy a plate of fish and chips before heading to **Fort Rodd Hill** National Historic Site, only a few kilometres from downtown. Spend the night in an oTENTik in the oldest artillery fort on Canada's west coast.



DAY 6

Go discover **Fort Rodd Hill and Fisgard Lighthouse** National Historic Sites. Explore secret bunkers, military command posts and 19th century buildings at Fort Rodd Hill. Listen to moving stories of soldiers and their families.

In the summer, get an introductory lesson in target shooting using a replica WWII machine gun. Remember to bring earplugs for the shooting demonstration, Canada's loudest military history lesson!

Explore the site as evening approaches and visitors head home. Make your way to the lighthouse to watch the sunset and revel in a night around the campfire.

DAY 7

Victoria – Swartz Bay, 37 km

After waking up to the sound of birds singing, sip your morning coffee while admiring the sunrise at Fisgard Lighthouse.

Take a walk through Garry Oak Meadow, a paradise of wildflowers. Discover the Camassia, a plant used as a food source by First Nations peoples.

Have a seaside snack before heading to Swartz Bay to catch the ferry back to Vancouver.





THE COWBOY TRAIL

ITINERARY & SIGHTSEEING



DAY 1

Calgary to Longview, 95 km

Bar U Ranch National Historic Site

Play out your dreams of the Old West, living like the cowboys and outlaws that occupied the ranch over 100 years ago. Learn cowboy skills like roping a steer, saddling a horse and making cowboy coffee over an open fire. Taste the freshly baked cookies at the cookhouse and hear the clattering hooves of our Percheron team as they take you on a wagon ride. It's a true Alberta experience!

Continue your journey to **Waterton** and settle into your equipped campsite. Enjoy yourself; grill some s'mores over the campfire!

Longview to Waterton, 181 km

DAY 2

Waterton Lakes National Park

Stretch your legs and lungs! Take the Bear's Hump Trail and you'll be rewarded with outstanding views of the mountains, lakes and the picturesque Waterton townsite.

Take the Red Rock Parkway up the Blakiston Valley, through rolling grasslands, all the way to Red Rock Canyon.

Carry on to Lake Cameron using the Akamina Parkway. Paddle on the lake while watching birds and animals. You could be lucky enough to hear the booming call of the sandhill crane, or even witness an osprey fishing!



DAY 3

Get your bikes ready and set out on the Kootenai Brown Trail. This 6.9-km paved trail spans from the Entrance Gate to Linnet Lake. Take in the spectacular landscapes.

In the afternoon, splash in the river and relax at the secluded Hay Barn Day-Use Area.

On the return trip, drive through the Bison Paddock Loop Road and see these magnificent animals in their natural grassland habitat.

Return to Calgary, 271 km



Looking to avoid the weekend rush? Consider visiting Waterton Lakes during the week and don't forget to reserve your accommodations ahead of time.



3 DAYS

Calgary to Waterton Lakes National Park via Bar U Ranch

Alberta

DISCOVER OTHER ITINERARIES
AND PLAN YOUR VISIT AT
WWW.PARKSCANADA.GC.CA/VISIT



FROM TRADITIONAL... TO ORIGINAL!



RESERVE AT WWW.RESERVATION.PC.GC.CA



1 ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

National Historic Site

Immerse yourself in a wilderness experience by camping in one of the teepees or trappers' tents along the North Saskatchewan River. Experience the fur trader lifestyle with Heritage Camping. Light a fire with a flint and steel to cook bannock for supper.

2 KOOTENAY

National Park

Relax with the family in your tent, RV or oTENTik at one of Kootenay's four campgrounds. Hike the Sinclair Canyon trail, paddle the Vermillion river and finish by soaking in the Radium Hot Pools before enjoying some marshmallows in front of your campfire.



3 ELK ISLAND

National Park

Don't have the gear or prefer to travel light? Try one of our Equipped Campsites. We provide the gear, you make the memories. Enjoy the *Bison Backstage Tour*, take a bike or canoe ride or simply relax. When the sun sets, try making s'mores over the campfire – the kids will love them!

4 FORT RODD HILL AND FISGARD LIGHTHOUSE

National Historic Sites

Fall asleep to the ocean's and nature's soothing sounds in your oTENTik while staying overnight in Canada's best preserved west coast artillery fort! Experience life within the fort's walls as you are taken back over 50 years ago when soldiers' families inhabited Fort Rodd Hill during their summer camp-out.

5 FORT ST. JAMES

National Historic Site

Sleep in the historic home of the fort's former chief factor, just as it was in 1896, down to the bedding, wood stove and chamber pot. Enjoy after-hours free rein of the fort.



HIDDEN GEMS

STAFF FAVOURITES

SUNWAPTA FALLS

“Explore Lower Sunwapta Falls in **Jasper National Park**. It’s a short hike (2.6 km return) that is less travelled with stunning waterfall views. Make a day out of it and go for a bike ride to Big Bend (12.6 km return) to enjoy riverside and mountain views”

Pam – Visitor Experience Manager



ECHO HARBOUR

"When the salmon are running up the small creek in the back end of **Gwaii Haanas National Marine Conservation Area Reserve**, it is a pretty amazing place to be. There are bears, eagles and seals enjoying the huge schools of salmon milling about in the creek mouth and you can watch the salmon work their way up the small "falls" right from your boat."

Jay – Technical Services



TSESHAHT "FIRST MAN"

"This house post on Benson Island in the Broken Group Islands of **Pacific Rim National Park Reserve** is worth a visit. It's located at Ts'ishaa; a great place to learn about **Tseshaht** cultural history."

Crystal – Promotions Officer



SPRING GEMS

"Spring in the Garry Oak Learning Meadow at **Fort Rodd Hill and Fisgard Lighthouse National Historic Sites** is signalled by a white burst of fawn lilies in early March, soon joined by splashes of sea blush, buttercups, purple camas and chocolate lilies. A rare ecosystem and delicate landscape once cultivated by the Lekwungen people, who grew camas lilies for their edible bulbs."

Aimée – Species at Risk Communications Officer



HARBOUR VIEW

"My favourite 'hidden gem' at the **Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site** is the view from our south harbour viewing deck. You can see all kinds of working fishing boats in Steveston Harbour, which is the largest commercial fishing harbour in Canada!"

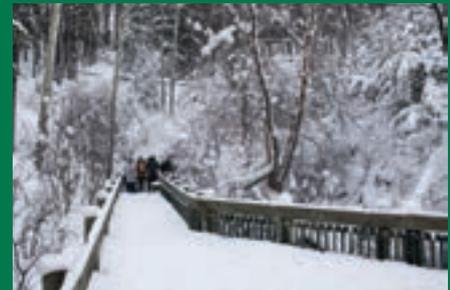
Mimi – Marketing & Visitor Services Manager



THE PLAYHOUSE!

"Children love climbing the ladder into the loft of the playhouse at **Fort Langley National Historic Site** and peeking out. The walls of the playhouse are a model of post-on-sill construction, and kids and parents can build and dismantle the walls, like a giant lego house."

Hazel and Taylor – Heritage Interpreters



WINTER WONDERS

"My hidden gem is the lower boardwalk at **Cave and Basin National Historic Site** in winter. Around flowing warm springs frosty vegetation creates a winter wonderland. In silence, you can hear the sounds of running water flowing into the marsh."

Joanne – Interpretation Officer-Coordinator



THE PLAYFORT

"If you are a first time visitor to the site, the playfort at **Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site** is a lot of fun. Games for the kids, the David Thompson puppet show, a miniature example of a fur trade fort... this site engages the whole family!"

Susan – Manager of Heritage Programs



UNSEEN SIGHTS

"Take a walk at **Bar U Ranch National Historic Site** along our viewpoint trail to the north to discover panoramic scenes of the Rocky Mountains, forgotten ranch buildings and spot the herd of cattle that still call the Bar U home. Wildlife and native plants abound along Pekisko Creek to the east of our Chuckwagon camp. Discover deer, hawks, eagles or you might happen across a cowboy proposing to his sweetheart. It's happened before!"

Travis – Site Manager



THE INSPIRATION WOODS

"Located just past the visitor kiosk at the bottom of the parkway in **Mount Revelstoke National Park**, you will find an enchanting world full of beautiful cedar hemlock forests, thick moss carpets and hanging lichen. This little known wonder is especially beautiful in the spring and fall when the creeks are flowing"

Marta – Partnering and Engagement Officer

MARK YOUR CALENDAR 2017



BIOBLITZ WITH PARKS CANADA



Gulf Islands



Gwaii Haanas



Waterton Lakes

Want to connect with nature? Get your kids outside? Take part in a Parks Canada BioBlitz. You and your family team up with scientists to find as much wildlife as possible, in a short period of time. Discover wildlife and support their protection at one of these great events.



THE PULL OF THE NET: COMMERCIAL FISHING IN CANADA

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The Cannery will celebrate Canada's 150th with a new exhibit offering a cross-country look at how the fisheries affected the economies, cultures and communities in Coastal BC and the Maritimes.

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National Historic Site p. 13



CANADA DAY

From east to west and north to south, there will be many special celebratory events at Parks Canada locations on this day. Join us as we celebrate the 150th anniversary of Confederation and the 100th anniversary of National Historic Sites.

- The biggest birthday cake is always served at **Fort Rodd Hill and Fisgard Lighthouse** National Historic Sites! Join the many activities and listen to live music by young local talents. p. 12
- Celebrate at **Fort Langley** National Historic Site, where British Columbia was born! Enjoy multicultural music, cake, family activities and a special ceremony at noon. p. 13



JULY
1-22

CANADA 150 VOYAGEURS RENDEZVOUS

Canada 150 Rendezvous is a re-enactment of the epic 1967 Centennial Canoe Race. The race leaves Rocky Mountain House on July 1 for a month long journey down the North Saskatchewan River, stopping in 18 locations along the way. Twenty 6-person teams will compete, representing their provinces and communities, including teams from Indigenous communities.

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National Historic Site p. 14



JULY
15
PARKS DAY IN WATERTON
Explore the best of Waterton's behind the scenes secrets like you've never seen before. Join us at the Waterton Heritage Centre for activities, interactive displays and more!
Waterton Lakes National Park p. 14



AUG
19
BISON FESTIVAL
Gain an appreciation of the vital role of bison in Indigenous culture and prairie ecosystems. Music, cuisine, guided tours and children's activities ensure an entertaining day for all!
Elk Island National Park p. 14



AUG
19
FAB FORTS
Victoria's largest squirt gun battle is coming to the Fort! Get your water guns ready and join us on Saturday for Parks Canada's annual Fab Forts event. Come and try to storm the Fort and take part in the many activities offered throughout the day, including face painting and live music.
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SEPT.
16
EVENING WITH THE STARS
Grab a blanket and join us at Mount Revelstoke as the pros help us understand all the neat things we see in the night sky. Take a peek through a telescope, talk to onsite astronomers and learn about the great world beyond.
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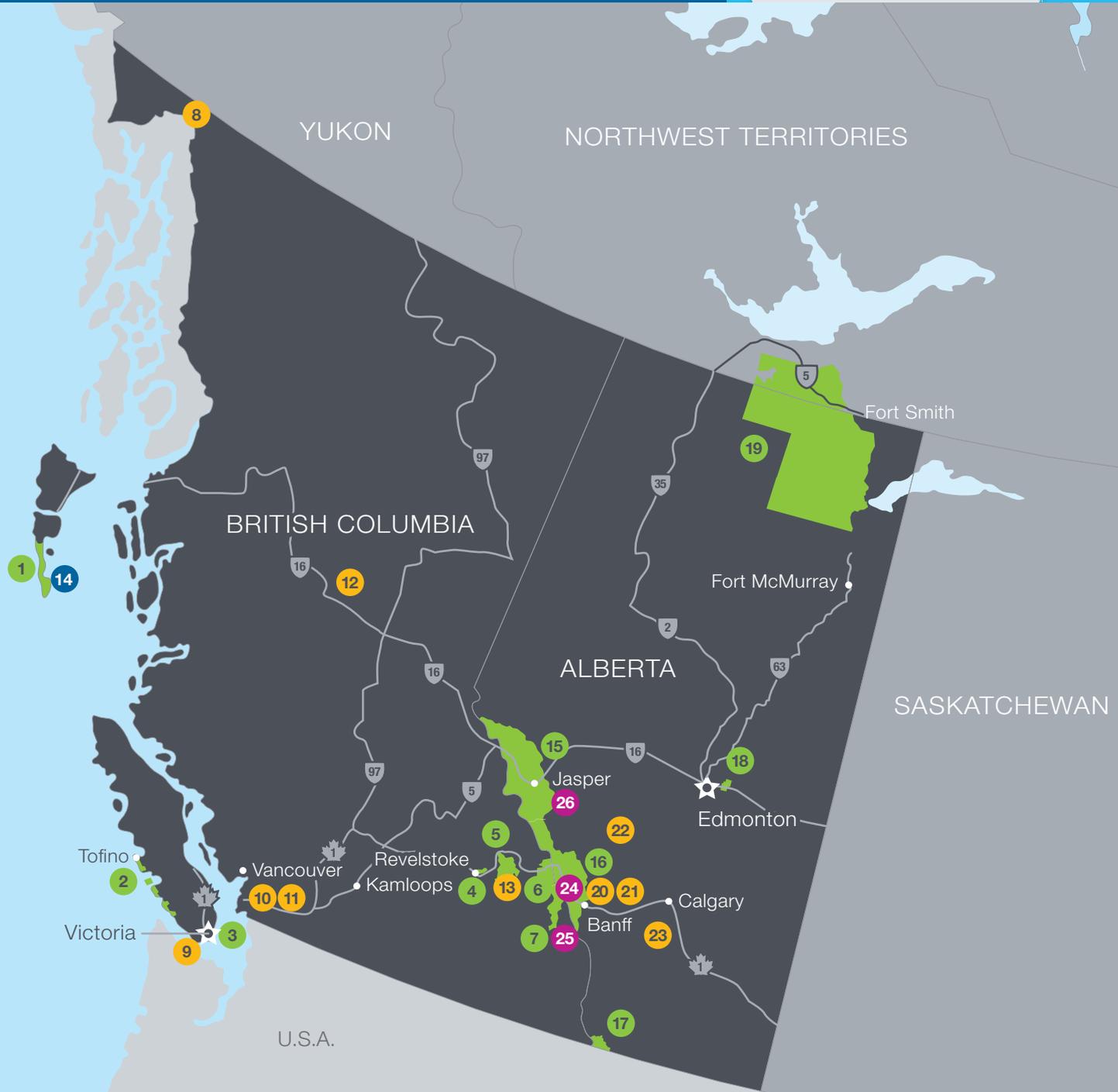


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16-31
A FORT LANGLEY CHRISTMAS
Cap off your Canada 150 celebrations by spending the day at Fort Langley. Create magical memories, complete with music and treats, in an old-fashioned fort setting. \$ – program fees apply
Fort Langley National Historic Site p. 13

OCT.
13-22
JASPER DARK SKY FESTIVAL
Are you an avid stargazer or simply enjoy the tranquility and awe of looking up into the night sky? Visit the park and celebrate the night sky during this annual festival sure to impress.
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Western Canada

National Parks, National Historic Sites and National Marine Conservation Area of Canada



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Services and activities legend

The legend below identifies some of the services and activities that may be available at the parks and sites. Watch for these symbols when planning your visit.

Parking	Horseback riding
Bus parking	Golfing
Access for the physically disabled	Tennis
Restaurant	Birdwatching
Gift shop	Marine mammals
Interpretation	Beaches
Picnic area/Shelter	Canoeing/Kayaking
Playground	Motorboating
Camping	Fishing
Recreational vehicles	Scuba diving
oTENTik	Rafting
Yurts	Hot springs
Teepees	Mountain/Ice climbing
Cabins	Winter activities
Cycling	Wi-Fi (in certain areas only)
Mountain Biking	Dark Sky Preserve
Backpacking/Hiking	



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Directory



Jasper National Park



Kootenay National Park

British Columbia

1 Gwaii Haanas (Reserve)



Amid lush rainforest islands and seas rich with wildlife, Gwaii Haanas harbours rare sites of carved poles and longhouses, making this park culturally important to the Haida people who cooperatively manage the region with Parks Canada as well as Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

Skidegate, BC

1-877-559-8818 | parkscanada.gc.ca/gwaiihaanas

2 Pacific Rim (Reserve)



Catch a wave, or spread a blanket and watch the sun dip below the horizon. From rainforests on land to marine kelp forests at sea, Pacific Rim National Park Reserve embodies the rich natural and cultural heritage of Canada's west coast.

**Ucluelet, BC – 300 km from Victoria, BC;
300 km from Vancouver, BC**

1-250-726-3500 | parkscanada.gc.ca/pacificrim
@PacificRimNPR | #WestCoastTrail

3 Gulf Islands (Reserve)



Scattered throughout the Salish Sea, the Gulf Islands teem with wildlife, a haven for rare species and threatened eco-systems and a playground with a Mediterranean-like climate for hikers, campers, cyclists, boaters and kayakers.

**Sidney, BC – 27 km from Victoria, BC;
87 km from Vancouver, BC**

1-866-944-1744 | parkscanada.gc.ca/gulfislands
@GulfIslandsNPR | #GulfIslandsNPR

4 Mount Revelstoke



Stroll through brilliant wildflower meadows, step into history with a new ski jumping exhibit or drive up from valley bottom to the top of Mount Revelstoke on the scenic parkway. From a lush green valley to alpine meadows, Mount Revelstoke National Park has something for everyone.

Revelstoke, BC

1-250-837-7500 | parkscanada.gc.ca/revelstoke
@ParksMtnSafety

5 Glacier



Ski through deep powder, lace up your hiking boots or bike through cedar forests in Glacier National Park. But there's more than just natural charms: history comes alive at Rogers Pass, the key to completion of Canada's transcontinental railway.

Revelstoke, BC

1-250-837-7500 | parkscanada.gc.ca/glacier
@ParksMtnSafety

6 Yoho



In the shadow of the Great Divide, Yoho's towering rockwalls, spectacular waterfalls and soaring peaks reveal the secrets of ancient life, the power of ice and water and the stories of plants and animals that continue to evolve today.

Field, BC – 209 km from Calgary, AB

1-250-343-6783 | parkscanada.gc.ca/yoho
@YohoNP

7 Kootenay



With diverse terrain embracing everything from arid grasslands to glaciers, Kootenay National Park offers the full Rocky Mountain experience along the historic Banff-Windermere Highway. Take a scenic drive or stay and explore the park's treasures.

Radium Hot Springs, BC – 261 km from Calgary, AB

1-250-347-9505 | parkscanada.gc.ca/kootenay
@KootenayNP

8 Chilkoot Trail



Hike a legendary trail through the northern Coast Mountains, from Alaska's Taiya Inlet to the headwaters of the Yukon River in northern British Columbia, following in the footsteps of dreamers in the Klondike Gold Rush.

Whitehorse, Yukon

1-800-661-0486 / 867-667-3910 | parkscanada.gc.ca/chilkoot
@ParksCanYukon

9 Fort Rodd Hill and Fisgard Lighthouse



Fort Rodd Hill commemorates the history, stories and lessons of Canada's emergence as a military presence on the world stage. Follow the trail to Fisgard Lighthouse in Esquimalt Harbour, a boon to navigators since 1860.

Victoria, BC – 14 km west of Victoria, BC

112 km from Vancouver, BC
1-250-478-5849 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fortroddhill
@FortRoddFisgard



Banff National Park



Chilkoot Trail National Historic Site



Yoho National Park

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10 Gulf of Georgia Cannery



Tour a historic Fraser River salmon cannery, through a herring reduction plant and interactive fishing displays. Learn about local marine life on the Fish Wall and be inspired by the industrious fishery of BC's past.

**Richmond, BC – 14 km from Vancouver, BC;
104 km from Victoria, BC
1-604-664-9009 | parkscanada.gc.ca/georgiacannery**

11 Fort Langley



Experience life as a 19th century voyageur at Fort Langley, where the colony of British Columbia was born. Mingle with fur traders, pan for gold, learn the blacksmith's art and camp in an HBC-themed oTENTik.

**Fort Langley, BC – 48 km from Vancouver, BC;
135 km from Victoria, BC
1-604-513-4777 | parkscanada.gc.ca/fortlangley
@FortLangleyNHS | #FortLangley**

12 Fort St. James



Handle beaver and muskrat pelts in a fur warehouse at Fort St. James restored to the year 1896. Meet costumed interpreters and sleep over in Canada's only bed and breakfast at a national historic site.

**Fort St. James, BC
1-250-996-7191 | parkscanada.gc.ca/stjames
@FortStJamesNHS**

13 Rogers Pass



Discover the role Rogers Pass played in the transcontinental Canadian Pacific Railway. Follow an abandoned rail line to the ruins of a Victorian-era resort, where legendary Swiss mountain guides forged popular trails and climbing routes.

**Revelstoke, BC
1-250-837-7500 | parkscanada.gc.ca/rogers**

14 Gwaii Haanas (Reserve)



Over 1800 islands and 1700 km of shoreline comprise this special place. The sea around Gwaii Haanas teems with life; it is home to a multitude of marine species, including large marine mammals such as whales, dolphins and porpoises. Its beauty and diverse marine life is protected – to be enjoyed by many future generations!

**Skidegate, Haida Gwaii, BC
1-877-559-8818 | parkscanada.gc.ca/gwaiihaanas**

Alberta

15 Jasper



Jasper astonishes visitors with its vast wilderness, dotted with glaciers, lakes, waterfalls, rivers, mountains and deep-cut canyons. Hike, paddle, swim, ski, fish, and take in soothing hot springs, scenic drives and extraordinary wildlife.

**Jasper, AB – 336 km from Edmonton, AB;
415 km from Calgary, AB
1-780-852-6176 | parkscanada.gc.ca/jasper
@JasperNP | #ExploreJasperNP**

16 Banff



With its soaring peaks, azure lakes and abundant wildlife, this Rocky Mountain park attracts millions of visitors a year. Founded in 1885, Banff is Canada's first national park and part of the first national park system in the world.

**Banff, AB – 130 km from Calgary, AB
Lake Louise, AB – 190 km from Calgary
1-403-762-1550 | 1-403-522-3833
parkscanada.gc.ca/banff | @BanffNP**

16 Lake Louise (Banff)



Enter into the heart of the Canadian Rockies, where history and wild nature blend. Featuring the world famous scenes of Moraine Lake, The Valley of Ten Peaks, Lake Louise and Victoria Glacier this destination is a must-see.

**Lake Louise, AB – 190 km from Calgary, AB
1-403-522-3833 | parkscanada.gc.ca/banff
@BanffNP | #LakeLouise**

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Learn about Parka's activities, her videos, her song and more by visiting one of our places or online: www.parkscanada.gc.ca/Parka.

PHOTO MISSIONS

Don't forget to download Parka's free app at the App Store or Google Play before your visit!



Gulf Islands National Park Reserve



Waterton Lakes National Park

17 Waterton Lakes



The prairies meet the Rocky Mountains in Waterton Lakes National Park, a 505-square-kilometre park in the southwest corner of Alberta. Exceptional scenery and easy access add up to a unique Canadian adventure.

Waterton Park, AB – 264 km from Calgary, AB
 1-403-859-5133 | parkscanada.gc.ca/waterton
 @WatertonLakesNP | #WatertonLakesNP

18 Elk Island



Experience first-hand the story of the bison and how it was saved from near extinction at Elk Island National Park, where an active conservation program replenishes herds around the world.

Fort Saskatchewan, AB – 45 km from Edmonton, AB;
340 km from Calgary, AB
 1-780-922-5790 | parkscanada.gc.ca/elkisland
 @ElkIslandNP | #DarkSkyPreserve

19 Wood Buffalo



Canada's largest National Park contains half of the world's endangered wood bison population, unique whooping crane nesting grounds and the Peace-Athabasca Delta. Access to undisturbed boreal wilderness is a unique global experience.

Fort Smith, NT
 1-867-872-7960 | parkscanada.gc.ca/woodbuffalo

20 Banff Park Museum



The oldest natural history museum in western Canada, the Banff Park Museum offers visitor's access to 5,000 vintage specimens, from stuffed mountain goats and elk to a cabinet of natural curiosities, all housed in a landmark 1903 rustic log building.

Banff, AB – 130 km from Calgary, AB
 1-403-762-1558 | parkscanada.gc.ca/banffparkmuseum

21 Cave and Basin



When three railway workers stumbled upon bubbling hot springs in 1883, they had no idea it would lead to the creation of Banff National Park. Discover the birthplace of Canada's first national park at Cave and Basin National Historic Site.

Banff, AB – 130 km from Calgary, AB
 1-403-762-1566 | parkscanada.gc.ca/cave

22 Rocky Mountain House



Two centuries ago trappers, traders and the First Nation Peoples shared the rugged western frontier of Canada. At Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site – be a part of the story. Explore, hike, camp and discover their challenges and triumphs.

Rocky Mountain House, AB – 227 km from Calgary, AB;
231 km from Edmonton, AB
 1-403-845-2412 | parkscanada.gc.ca/rockymountainhouse

23 Bar U Ranch



Experience working and living as a cowboy with interactive hands on activities at one of the most famous ranches in Canada. The Historic Bar U Ranch story begins with the open range and spans almost seven decades of change hosting royalty and outlaws along the way.

Longview, AB – 80 km from Calgary, AB;
300 km from Edmonton, AB
 1-888-773-8888 | parkscanada.gc.ca/baruranch
 @BarURanchNHS | #BarURanchNHS



Halifax Citadel National Historic Site



Looking for a great way to have fun as a family?

**Get the booklet.
 Do the challenges.
 Get the reward!**



Cave and Basin National Historic Site



Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site



Fort Rodd Hill & Fisgard Lighthouse National Historic Sites

Canadian Rockies Hot Springs

1-800-767-1611 | parkscanada.gc.ca/hotsprings
 @Hot_Springs | #HotSprings

Canada's most famous hot springs are in the Canadian Rockies national parks.

There's nothing like soaking in hot, naturally heated mineral water surrounded by dramatic mountain scenery. You will find the experience unforgettable!

In Banff, the iconic Upper Hot Springs continues to delight visitors as it has for over a century. Or, get off the beaten path and head to Radium Hot Springs in Kootenay National Park. This hot spring is nestled within the stunning rock walls of Sinclair Canyon. Jasper's Miette Hot Springs will toast your toes perfectly after a scenic hike or drive in the park.

24 Banff Upper



Banff Upper Hot Springs offers a splendid historic bathroom, located in Banff National Park.

Banff, AB – 129 km from Calgary, AB

25 Radium



Radium Hot Springs, in BC's Kootenay National Park, is famous for its canyon setting.

Radium Hot Springs, BC – 261 km from Calgary, AB

26 Miette



Jasper National Park contains Miette Hot Springs with the hottest mineral water in the Rockies.

Jasper, AB – 365 km from Edmonton, AB
 1-800-767-1611 | parkscanada.gc.ca/hotsprings

Visit on weekday mornings for a quieter experience.

The Wild Side



Mountain goat

Mountain goats have white coats, beards, and short black dagger-like horns. They are actually not goats but belong to a family of mountain antelopes of Asia. They can often be seen at the Mount Kerkeslin "Goat Lick" viewpoint and at Disaster Point on the icefields on Highway 16 east of Jasper.



Bighorn sheep

Bighorn sheep have a sandy coloured coat and a white rump. The ram's massive curved horns are unmistakable. Bighorns are primarily grazers and migrate seasonally between low grassy slopes and alpine meadows.



Cougar

Cougars are the only large cats on Vancouver Island; protected places such as Pacific Rim (Reserve) play a key role in providing habitat for them and many other species. Longer and heavier than wolves, they weigh up to 63 kg. From nose to tail tip, they can be 190 cm (longer than an average bed). Their coats are a sandy or tawny colour, and the tail may have a black tip. They are usually solitary.



Wolverine

An enduring symbol of deep wilderness, this species of special concern only adds to its mystique by being a naturally solitary animal. The mountain parks have spent the last few years monitoring these elusive mammals to better understand what they need. Next time you're driving through, enjoy the beautiful forests wolverines call home.



Grizzly

A Grizzly Bear has a large muscular hump on its shoulders and can weigh up to 320 kg. Cubs are born in late January to early February and weigh about half a kg (under 1 lb.) By the time the female emerges from the den with her cubs, they weigh around 8 kg (18 lbs.).

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