SNOCOACH TOUR INFORMATION

Arriving by Car

The Columbia Icefield area is located on the Icefields Parkway (Highway 93) and is accessible from all directions. Visitors can drive from Edmonton via Highway 16 (Yellowhead Highway), from Red Deer via Highway 11 (David Thompson Highway) or from Calgary and Vancouver via the Trans Canada Highway (Highway 1) to the Icefields Parkway. Upon arrival, please proceed to the ticket office for information on Snocoach Tours.

Peak Time

The busiest time at the Icefield is from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. If you wish to avoid this peak-time rush, plan to arrive before or after the mid-day period. You'll always receive the same courteous service.

Season

May 19 to October 1 inclusive 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily Dependent on weather conditions.

Tickets & Shuttle Service

A ticket office is located beside the National Park Interpretive Centre. Shuttle service is required from the ticket office to the Snocoach Terminal.

Rates

Adult \$14.00 Child (age 6 - 15) \$7.00 Children under age 6 are free when sharing a seat with an adult. Credit cards are not accepted.

Reservations

Snocoach reservations for individuals are not required.

GENERAL INFORMATION

• The glacier surface is slippery. Passengers choosing to disembark from the Snocoach onto the glacier, do so at their own risk.

- Proper footwear and warm clothing should be worn.
- Allow $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours for this excursion.

Brewster Services

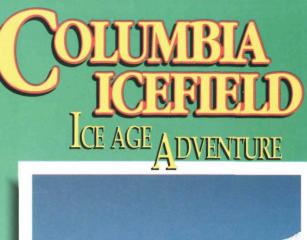
• Sightseeing tours are available from Calgary, Banff, Lake Louise and Jasper; many of which include the Columbia Icefield. For more information, contact us at the address below.

• Please contact our Calgary office (403) 260-0719 for information on our service between Calgary International Airport and Banff.

• Charter Services and other sightseeing tours may be arranged by contacting our Main Office.

• All prices subject to Federal and/or Provincial sales







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AN ICE AGE ADVENTURE

The Columbia Icefield is located on the boundary of Banff and Jasper National Parks. One of the largest accumulations of ice and snow south of the Arctic Circle, it covers an area of nearly 325 sq. km. At some places the Icefield reaches depths of 250 to 320 meters and one-third of its area lies more than 2600 meters above sea level. The on-going accumulation of snow continuously feeds eight major glaciers including the Athabasca, Dome and Stutfield Glaciers which are visible from the Icefields Parkway. The Columbia Icefield is a true "continental divide" for its meltwater feeds the streams and rivers that pour into three different oceans—north to the Arctic, east to the Atlantic and south and west to the Pacific Ocean.

Facing the Columbia Icefield Visitor's Centre lies the Athabasca Glacier - a tongue of ice 6 kilometres long and one kilometre wide descending almost to road level. Take time for Brewster's "Ice Age Adventure", a tour onto the icy slopes of the Athabasca Glacier. You will travel in a specially designed Brewster "Snocoach" to the middle of the glacier, on a 5 kilometre round trip journey. Your driver-guide will explain how glaciers are formed and point out the interesting geological features as you travel in safety and comfort.

At the icefall below the glacier headwall, you will have the option of stepping out onto ice formed from snow falling as long as 400 years ago. Caution is advised as the ice surface may be wet and slippery.

After this unique adventure, you can retire to the Columbia Icefield Chalet to relax over lunch or dinner and watch the light constantly changing over the ancient rock and ice. For those who wish to spend another day in this awesome setting, ask about overnight accommodation at the Chalet.

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THE ICEFIELDS PARKWAY

Considered one of the most scenic highways in the world, the Icefields Parkway offers an everchanging view of waterfalls, crystal clear rivers, emerald lakes, alpine meadows and snow-capped peaks. For two hundred and thirty kilometres, from Lake Louise to Jasper townsite, the Parkway winds along the shoulder of the Great Divide and passes by the spectacular mountains of the Eastern Main Ranges of the Canadian Rockies. It follows the headwaters of three major rivers and crosses two major passes enroute.

Leaving from Banff, travellers follow the Bow, Mistaya and North Saskatchewan Rivers and experience such spectacular sights as Lake Louise, Peyto and Bow Lakes, the Crowfoot Glacier, Mistaya Canyon and the Weeping Wall. Towards Jasper, the route passes the Athabasca Falls and Sunwapta Canyon. It is a majestic beauty like no other, a wilderness habitat for elk, bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat and both grizzly and black bears.

