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## Canadian Rockies & Glacier Park

Medicine Hat, AB - Banff, AB (2 nts) - Kalispell, MT - Medora, ND

Aug. 14 - 21, 2024 8 Days



### PRICE INCLUDES:

- Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- Utopia Tours Tour Director
- Baggage Handling (1 bag p.p.)
- Minot, ND - Meal
- Medicine Hat, AB
- Calgary AB -Lunch
- Canadian Rockies
- Chateau Lake Louise / Victoria Glacier
- Banff, AB (2 nights at High Country Inn)
  - Banff Nat'l Park
- Jasper National Park
- Columbia Icefields / All-Terrain Ice Explorer on the Athabasca Glacier and inc lunch
- Bow Falls
- \* Gondola Ride up Sulphur Mtn
  - Kootenay Nat'l Park
- Kalispell, MT
- Glacier Nat'l Park- Tourmobiles
  - Going to the Sun Hwy Tour
- Great Falls, MT
  - lunch inc
- Medora, ND
  - Pitchfork Steak Fondue
  - Medora Musical
  - Buffet Breakfast
- 7 Breakfast & 5 Meals

Passport, or enhanced drivers licenses are required for this tour

This tour is an adventure taking you to the majestic Canadian Rockies and Glacier National Park. On this tour you'll stand at the shores of Lake Louise, step foot out on a glacier, enjoy the scenic drive through national parks, and end with a performance of the Medora Musical at sunset, and more!

**Wed., Aug. 14: Minot, ND (D)** Join Utopia Tours as we travel into Canada to experience the Canadian Rockies, the Banff area, plus Glacier Park and Medora. The Rockies will entice you with majestic views and scenery. Our destination today is **Minot, ND**. **Meal inc** this evening.

**Thurs., Aug. 15: Medicine Hat, AB (B)** We depart Minot this morning and soon **cross the border at Portal, ND. (Passports)** We will enter into Saskatchewan with its fascinating landscape and go on to Moose Jaw, the Friendly City. Then continue on, arriving this evening in **Medicine Hat, AB**. Various restaurants around the hotel

**Fri., Aug. 16: Canadian Rockies—Banff, AB (B,L)** Our journey continues and we anxiously await seeing the **Canadian Rockies** as they soon appear on the horizon. We will go through **Calgary, AB**, home of the Calgary Stampede and often called "Cowtown." We will have an **included lunch** here, then head for **Banff, AB**, located in the beautiful Banff National Park. We will stop to view beautiful **Bow Falls**. Then check in to the famous resort area of **Banff for a 2-night stay** at the **High Country Inn**, located within walking distance to many restaurants and shops. This will be a free after-evening to explore around Banff and enjoy an evening meal (on own) **Included** will be taking the **Banff Gondola Ride up Sulphur Mtn** for a beautiful view of Banff & Bow Valley. While at the top, you may wish to enjoy a meal at the Sky Bistro Rest. (not inc)

**Sat., Aug. 17: Banff (B) After inc breakfast**, we will travel through **Banff National Park** and into **Jasper National Park** we will drive up the **Columbia Icefields Parkway**, a journey through natural history and captivating landscapes. Here **lunch inc** and we will board an **all-terrain vehicle Ice Explorer out to the Athabasca Glacier**. This is one of the largest non-polar ice fields in the world, and you will be able to walk on the glacier! Returning to the Visitor's Center you will have lunch in the cafeteria. On our return down the Parkway, we will make a stop at **Lake Louise**. Here, the **Victoria Glacier** sits as a backdrop across the Lake from **Chateau Lake Louise**. We will spend some time here for pictures and relaxing enjoying the beautiful setting within **Banff Nat'l Park**.

Then we head back to **Banff** and return to the hotel for a free evening to enjoy this mountain setting town.

Price per person/Room Occ: Double Occ-\$2,400; Triple Occ-\$2,370; Quad-\$2,240; Single-\$3,200  
Deposit Per Person: \$200 due upon sign-up. Final balance due by June 23, 2024 Payments by Cash or Check only. No credit cards at this time  
Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance information is available on our website with details and pricing.

## STATES & PROVINCES VISITED ON THIS TOUR: MN-ND-SK-AB-BC-MT

**Sun., Aug. 18: Kalispell, MT (B)** This morning we will leave Banff through British Columbia and the **Kootenay National Park** and back into the States. We will travel through Radium Hot Springs known for its Hot Springs. Coffee & lunch stops will be made along the way. We will **cross the border back into the U.S.** Our scenic journey continues as we make our way to **Kalispell, MT**, a resort town near Whitefish Lake in the Rocky Mountains and gateway to **Glacier National Park**. The Great Northern Railway was built through what is now Whitefish, in 1904, sparking development of the town. We stay in Kalispell a short distance away.

**Mon., Aug.19: Glacier National Park - Great Falls, MT (B)** Our tour takes us a short drive to **Lake McDonald where we board their red tourmobiles to view Glacier National Park on the "Going to the Sun Highway."** Glacier National Park is a 1,583 square mile wilderness area in **Montana's Rocky Mountains**. It was established as a park in 1910, and lodges and chalets were constructed by the Great Northern Railway. Work was completed on the Going-to-the-Sun Highway in 1932. Mountain goats are the symbol of the Park. Be on the lookout for them as we go through the Park. The Highway goes over **Logan's Pass, crosses the Continental Divide**, and arrives at **St Mary's** to enjoy lunch at the Lodge. After this exciting adventure we travel on to **Great Falls, MT**, for the night. Montana's name is derived from the Spanish word meaning mountain.

**Tues., Aug 20: Medora, ND (B,L,D)** From Great Falls, MT, we will make a coffee stop and later have an **included lunch** as we travel the wide-open spaces of Montana to **Medora, ND**, located in the **North Dakota Badlands**, and on the edge of **Theodore Roosevelt National Park**. After arriving this afternoon we will have some free time, then check into our lodging. This evening we head out to enjoy a **savory meal at the Pitchfork Fondue**. At dusk we watch the **Medora Musical** from our outdoor seats, nestled into the hillside and overlooking the Badlands. This western-style musical show is proudly dedicated to the legacy of President Theodore Roosevelt, and the time he spent here in the Badlands of the Dakota Territory, and is one of the most popular tourist attractions in North Dakota.

**Wed., Aug. 21: Home (B)** A **Buffet Breakfast** is included this morning in Medora. Homeward bound today routing through Bismarck & Fargo and back into Minnesota. We hope you enjoyed this **Canadian Rockies Tour**, seeing the glaciers, mountains, valleys, lakes, wildlife, and awesome beauty it provides. We arrive home this afternoon. **Thank you for traveling with Utopia Tours.**



**Included in Banff is taking the Banff Gondola Ride up Sulphur Mountain for a beautiful view of Banff & Bow Valley.**

**Payments by cash or check only (cc's not accepted at this time). Cancellations penalties apply if you cancel after 6/23/24. If Utopia Tours cancels, tour payments are fully refundable. See Policy Sheet for more information. Price includes transportation, Utopia Tours tour director, baggage handling (1 p.p.), meals & attractions as noted in Includes section. Travel Guard Trip Cancellation Insurance is available. \*Information (dates, inclusions, prices, etc) subject to change without notice. Pick-ups along tour route.**

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