

# C8 Banff-2 (Banff Caribou Lodge), AB

## Downhill Ski and Snowboard Trip

Banff National Park is home to three of Canada's finest ski resorts: Lake Louise, Sunshine Village and Mt. Norquay. The three resorts offer almost 8,000 acres of skiable terrain on one convenient, tri-area lift ticket. There's terrain to suit every level and desire, from gentle groomed runs to some of the world's most extreme in-bounds challenges. Free transportation between Banff-Lake Louise and the hotel, with a tri-area lift ticket, means that when you're here, the choice of mountains is yours. Stunning mountain backdrops, lack of lift lines and friendly local hospitality are just some of the bonuses that make a vacation here unforgettable.

### **Dates**

Sundays, March 10 –17, 2019 (March Break)

## What does it cost

**\$1,935** (cheque discounted price) Based on Minimum of 24 participants.

Full cost if paid by Credit Card: \$1,995 (Visa/MC)

## **Trip Highlights**

- Magnificent skiing at three renowned resorts: Lake Louise, Sunshine Village and Mt Norquay
- 5 day tri-area lift pass included, 6th day add\$75
- IKON Pass: deduct \$345
- Complimentary daily guided tours at all ski areas
- Shuttle bus service to all 3 ski areas included with lift ticket
- Daily hot breakfast buffet
- Accommodation: Banff Caribou Lodge, 7 nights, 2 queen beds. Based Upon Double Occupancy
- Free Roam bus pass
- Non-stop flight to Calgary plus luxury private coach transfer
- Deposit: \$100 Online Registration Deposit + \$500 to Tour Operator + cost of insurance if taken due at time of booking. If paying by cheque please send 2 cheques for both deposit and final balance. All cheques payable to "Merit Travel".
- Balance due: January 4, 2019
- Booking Deadline: December 5, 2018 (after this time unbooked space may be released).

Note – all deposits are non-refundable.

#### What's included

#### Accommodation

Banff Caribou Lodge, 7 nights, Standard rooms, 2 Queen beds. Based upon double occupancy. In room coffee maker, mini-fridge, kettle, safe, free Wi-fi, 26-person jetted hot tub. Read More

#### Meals

Daily hot breakfast buffet.

### **Lift Tickets**

5 day tri-area lift pass valid at Lake Louise, Sunshine & Mt Norquay,





- 6th Day of Skiing: Add \$75.00
- Senior 5 Day: Deduct \$30.00
- Senior 6th Day: Add \$30.00 (to Adult package)
- \* No Lifts: Deduct \$345 (includes IKON pass holders)
- Shuttle bus service to all 3 ski areas included with lift ticket
- Complimentary daily guided tours at all ski areas

### **Other Options**

- Single room: Add \$525
- Land Only: Deduct \$600. The transfer bus will not wait for passengers who are arranging their own air travel. No discount will be given for missed transfers and those passengers must make their own arrangements to get to the resort.
- National Park Fee included

## Flights: (all times local)

- Non-stop Air Canada, Toronto to Calgary
- MAR10 AC143 YYZ YYC Dep 12:05 Arr 14:25
- **MAR17 AC142 YYC YYZ Dep 11:45– Arr 17:30**
- Flights are subject to change.
- Fuel charges and taxes are subject to change

## **Baggage Fees: (subject to change)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> bag \$33.90 up to 23 kg (per direction, including taxes)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> bag \$56.50 (per direction, including taxes)

Skis and boots are considered 1 pc even if in separate bags as long as nothing else is in the bags. (Subject to change, check with the airline.)

Deviation charges: Any person deviating from the group itinerary will be charged \$50 CAD plus tax and any additional charges imposed by the suppliers and airlines. Deviations are on a request basis. Members must abide by the prearranged transfer dates and times or arrange their own transfers at their own cost.

## **Airport and Land Transfers**

Return dedicated ground transfers from airport to accommodation.

## What you should know and fine print

### **Resort Info**

Enjoy the dry western snow and stunning mountain views of one of Canada's top ski destinations! The world famous resort town of Banff lies at 1,463 m (4,800 ft) and is located in the centre of Banff National Park, flanked on all sides by Alberta's Rocky Mountains.

Countless visitors travel to Banff each year, lured by the world class resorts, renowned restaurants, decadent spas, eclectic boutiques and bustling nightclubs offering something for any taste.





Lake Louise offers four mountain faces, 4,200 skiable acres, 139 named trails and the newly-installed 6-person Grizzly Express Gondola. Lake Louise has it all; from gentle, perfectly groomed beginner runs to double black diamonds rated "the best super steeps in the country".

Blessed with abundant, natural snow, Sunshine Village is renowned for its lengthy ski season from mid-November until late May. Located at the top of the Continental Divide, the majority of the terrain at Sunshine Village is above 7,000 feet. Wide-open cruising runs with views of 2 provinces offers an unforgettable experience.

### **Sunshine Village**

3 mountains to ski/ride: Goats Eye, Lookout, Standish. Over 107 runs and 12 lifts

Annual Snowfall: up to 33 feet/9 m

#### Elevation:

- \* Top 2,730 m (8,954 ft.)
- **Bottom 1,660 m (5,440 ft.)**
- \* Total Vertical 1,070 m (3,514 ft.)

#### Terrain:

- Over 107 runs and 12 lifts
- 3,358 Skiable Acres
- 20% beginner, 55% intermediate, 25% expert

#### **Lake Louise**

4200 Skiable Acres (1700 hectares) on 4 Mountains, 4 Mountain Lodges

#### Elevation:

- \* Top 2,637 m (8,650 ft.)
- **Bottom 1,646 m (5,400 ft.)**
- \* Total Vertical 991 m (3,250 ft.)

#### Terrain:

- \$ 139 marked runs + back bowls, and 9 lifts
- 25% beginner, 45% intermediate, 30% expert
- Longest Run: 8 kilometres (5 miles)

## **Banff Caribou Lodge**

The impressive hand hewn logs accent the building's exterior and lobby and create the spectacular ambience of this lodge-style hotel in a quiet, convenient Banff setting. Located in Banff National Park just a short walk from downtown Banff, Banff Caribou Lodge and Spa has friendly staff and convenient location with easy access to local sights and activities. A roaring fireplace greets guests in the lobby of this four-story Banff lodge. Other features include the Red Earth Spa onsite, 26 person jetted hot pool, exercise room, steam room, guest laundry, and "The Keg" restaurant on the ground floor. The 184 guest rooms at Banff Caribou Lodge and Spa have in-room coffee maker, kettle, in-room safe, mini-fridge, satellite TV, free local calls. Free Wi-fi throughout. Free Roam bus pass for use on local transportation. Guests enjoy a daily hot breakfast buffet.





## **Passport / Travel Documents**

Canadian Citizens: Travelling within Canada - PHOTO ID is a requirement to board all aircraft.

**Note**: Members are solely responsible to ensure that their travel documents are complete, valid and in order.

## **Cancellation Policy**

Cancellation Policies are set by the Tour Operators, not HPSC. Please consider your commitment carefully before booking your trip.

- The Deposits and Insurance Premium are non-refundable.
- Single Supplement cost has to be covered.
- From January 4, 2019 to departure, 100% of holiday cost is non-refundable.
- Any unused portion of a ski trip will not be refunded; passengers must go through insurance, if applicable.

## **Optional Travel Insurance**

Comprehensive Travel Insurance is available to protect non-refundable payments in the event that participants are forced to cancel their vacation prior to departure or interrupt vacation due to medical reasons. All Insurance payments must accompany deposit in order to be valid. Cost of insurance varies per person, contact Tour Operator in advance for a quote. To get the proper quote you must specify your name, age, DOB, mailing address, phone number, email address, the options chosen and total trip cost.

Insurance is non-refundable from date of issuance. Please note that any unused portion of a ski trip will not be refunded as per conditions above. Passengers must submit a claim to their insurance company if they cancel after the above dates.

Approximate tour operator premiums for coverage up to \$2,000.00 prior to departure: Age 0-24: \$ 153.00, Age 25-59: \$ 160.00, Age 60-64: \$ 175.00, Age 65-69: \$ 198.00, Age 70-74: \$ 234.00

#### The Fine Print

Tickets are 100% non-refundable once issued. Name changes and deviations are not permitted once ticketed. Individuals must ensure that all names are spelled correctly and match their personal identification on their passport. The Tour Operator and Airline will not be held liable for delays or cancellations caused by strikes, labour disputes, government actions, weather or any cause beyond the Tour Operator's or Airline's control. The Airline reserves the right to change equipment or schedules. The customer hereby releases and waives any claims against the Airline and Tour Operator regarding cancellation or schedule changes.

All applicable fuel surcharges and taxes in effect as of august have been included in the package price. However in these volatile times the tour operator reserves the right to charge for unanticipated increases in the cost of fuel and taxes imposed by the resort or airline.

Check the High Park Ski Club long trip member policies (including cancellation) on our website. Notwithstanding the advent of legal recreational cannabis in Canada, you must meet customs regulation outside of Canada when traveling with the Club.

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