

# Canada's Rock Mountains

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# Map of Canada



# **Getting Here & Getting Around**



# Calgary Airport to Banff

- (Transfer 90 minutes)
- Brewster Express
- Banff Airporter

# Around Banff Township

- Roam bus public transit
- Taxi (no Uber) in Banff only, not Lake Louise

### Banff to Lake Louise

(45 minutes)

• Brewster Express is the only transportation company that will take passengers and luggage between Banff and Lake Louise for non self-drivers.

### Lake Louise Township

- There are no taxis or shuttle bus systems in Lake Louise in winter, except for the SkiBig3 shuttles that pick up from hotels to the ski areas for SkiBig3 lift ticket holders.
- Guests at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise have additional access to a private complimentary shuttle for accessing Lake Louise Ski Resort's winter activities,

including skiing, boarding, snowshoeing, gondola sightseeing, and the day lodge restaurants.

- Lake Louise activities are predominantly centered around where you stay and what's accessible from your hotel within walking distance or what your hotel offers in terms of on-site activities.
- Only one tour company offers a transfer experience from Lake Louise. Radventures offers a small group tour along the Icefields Parkway to experience Abraham Lake to see the Ice Bubbles, and will pick up from Lake Louise hotels. All other tours to winter activities in Banff National Park (other than ski) depart from Banff township, not Lake Louise.
- In the summer months, Moraine Lake Bus Company offers transfers to Lake Louise and Moraine Lake from Samson Mall or the Lake Louise Summer Gondola. While Fairview Limousine and Shuttle Service pick up guests in the summer months from the Lake Louise Inn.

# Ski Buses (SkiBig3)

- In winter, only SkiBig3 operates a shuttle service connecting the three ski areas in Banff National Park, including Banff Mt. Norquay, Banff Sunshine, and Lake Louise Ski Resort, complimentary with a SkiBig3 lift ticket, Ikon pass, or Mountain Collective pass.
- The SkiBig3 shuttles take skis/boards only, not luggage.

- The shuttles operate regularly throughout the day in winter to each of the ski areas and have multiple pick-up stops from hotels in both Banff and Lake Louise.
- See www.skibig3.com/ski/ski-shuttle

# Banff & Lake Louise to Jasper National Park

(3 hours)

• Sundog Tours partner with Brewster Express to operate seasonal transfers connecting Banff and Lake Louise with Jasper National Park for visitors who want to explore further and also Ski Marmot Basin in Jasper or explore Jasper National Park.

# Self Drive + National Park Passes

- Self-drivers must purchase a National Parks pass either at the park gate entry or online at www.banfflakelouise.com/ park-pass-purchase.
- Self drive is only recommended in winter for confident, experienced drivers in snowy conditions.
- Winter driving in Banff can be unpredictable, expect snowy and icy conditions. Snow tires are required on the Icefields Parkway if driving onto Jasper and recommended for all other roads.
- Car hire companies from the airport gateway of Calgary include: Alamo, Avis, Budget, Hertz, National.



Banff township



Sunshine Mountain Lodge Banff National Park's only on-mountain hotel



Brewster Mountain Lodge



Canalta Lodge\*



Hidden Ridge Resort\*

# **Places to Stay**

Castles Cabins Condos

#### Banff Township

- Alpine hub for accommodation and dining.
- All attraction tours depart Banff.
- An active town offering activities year-round.
- Winter is the off-peak season, offering cost-saving opportunities.
- Only 1.5 hours from Calgary.



Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel



Fox Hotel & Suites\*



Buffalo Mountain Lodge



Moose Hotel & Suites\*



Mount Royal Hotel



Elk+Avenue Hotel



The Rimrock Resort Hotel



Banff Caribou Lodge



Moxy Hotel



The Dorothy Motel



Hotel Canoe & Suites



Peaks Hotel & Suites\*



Basecamp Suites Banff\*



Banff Ptarmigan Lodge





Lake Louise Village





Lake Louise Ski Resort

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#### Lake Louise & Surrounding Area

- No taxis, Ubers, or shuttles year round in Lake Louise.
- Winter only SkiBig3 ski resort shuttle buses operate to the resorts.
- Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise offers a concierge shuttle for in-house guests.
- In Lake Louise, your hotel becomes your primary destination if you are not utilizing personal transportation.
- No activities with transfers depart Lake Louise year round other than Radventures winter Abraham Lake Ice Bubbles tour.
- Self drivers cannot access Lake Louise or Moraine Lake in summer/ autumn without the Parks Canada shuttle system.



Emerald Lake Lodge<sup>^</sup>



Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise



Baker Creek By Basecamp\*^



Mountaineer Lodge



Lake Louise Inn



Deer Lodge Check if closed for renovations



Storm Mountain Lodge ^ Located between Banff and Lake Louise

^These properties are accessible via self drive only. \*Self contained options.

# Visit our neighbour Jasper National Park



Sun Dog Tours



Jasper Township



Ski Marmot Basin

# **Seasonal Activities & Experiences**

### Year-Round



Sightseeing Gondolas



Banff Food Tours



Cave and Basin



Shopping Bear St + Banff Ave



Via Rail connecting with Jasper



Wildlife Tours



Banff Upper Hot Springs



Caving



Johnston Canyon

### Summer



**Rocky Mountaineer** 



Lake Minnewanka Cruise



Athabasca Glacier Ice Explorer



Bow Valley Canyon Tours



**Banff Trail Riders** 



Hop On Banff





**Discover Banff Tours** 



White Mountain Adventures



Radventures



**Banff Adventures** 

# **Seasonal Activities & Experiences**

Winter\* | November-April



Dog Sledding\*\*



Snowshoeing







SnowDays Festival (Jan)



Helicopter Ice Bubbles Tours\*



Helicopter Sightseeing



SkiBig3 Banff Sunshine, The Lake Louise Ski Resort, Mt. Norquay



Tubing\*



Icewalks



Christmas Markets (Nov only)



Horse-Drawn Sleigh Rides\*



SkiBig3 Guided Adventures



Nightrise at Banff Gondola



Winter Fat Bike Tours

\*These winter activities are subject to snowfalls. #These winter activities take place outside Banff National Park.





#### SkiBig3 is the tri-area lift pass for Banff National Park's 3 ski areas

- Mount Norquay
- Banff Sunshine
- The Lake Louise Ski Resort

# What's included in the SkiBig3 tri-area pass?

- Choice of any of the three ski areas to ski/ride.
- Shuttles from various stops in Banff and Lake Louise daily to the ski areas in winter only.
- Shuttles carry your ski gear under the bus.

### **Membership Affiliation**

- Ikon Pass
- Mountain Collective

#### SkiBig3 Adventure Hub (Ski/Board Rentals)

- Located in downtown Banff.
- Free delivery and pick up to your hotel in Banff pre-and post-skiing.
- Lake Louise skiers can leave the skis at the resort and SkiBig3 will collect them.

# SkiBig3 Statistics

Snowfall: 30 feet average (9 metres)

Acres: 7,748

**Top Elevation:** 8,954 ft (2,730m)

Base Elevation: 5,350 ft (1,630m)

Longest Run: 5 miles (8km)

