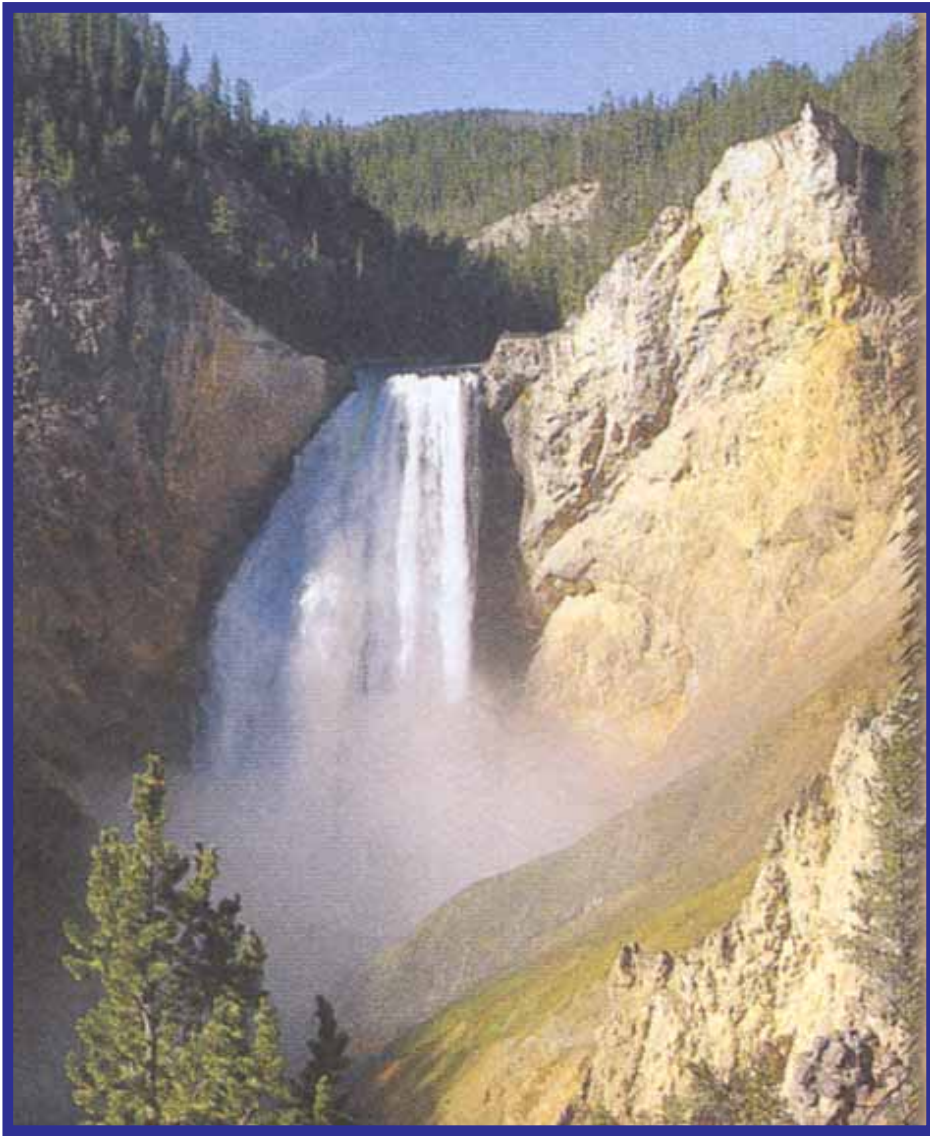


St. Louis Group Travel



Rocky Mountain Splendor

Experience the grandeur on both sides of the border

An “exclusive” Americana Tours program

August 8 - August 19, 2008



ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPLENDOR

Enjoy the scenic grandeur of North America's Rocky Mountains
AUGUST 8 - 19, 2008

Day 1 Friday, August 8 ST. LOUIS TO EDMONDTON, ALBERTA (CANADA)

We will depart the St. Louis airport for **Edmonton, Alberta, Canada**. Upon arrival at the Edmonton International Airport, we will transfer to our hotel. We will enjoy a welcome reception this evening at our hotel. Tonight enjoy dinner on your own.

Overnight Executive Royal Inn West or similar.

Day 2 Saturday, August 9 EDMONDTON TO JASPER, ALBERTA B,L

Breakfast at your hotel. This morning, after a brief city tour we will make our way to **Jasper, Alberta, Canada located in Jasper National Park**. We will have a coffee stop in Edson. After a self-guided walking tour of the **Maligne Canyon**, with its limestone walls falling a stunning 60 feet we will have **lunch** in the Maligne Lake Cafeteria. After lunch we will visit Pyramid and Patricia Lakes and, weather permitting we will take the **Jasper Tram** ride to the top of Whistler Mountain. Dinner on your own this evening in the town of Jasper with the remainder of the evening at your leisure.

Overnight at Chateau Jasper or similar.

Day 3 Sunday, August 10 JASPER TOURING AND MALIGNE LAKE B,D

Breakfast at your hotel. This morning board your waiting motorcoach and travel to **Maligne Lake** for our fully narrated, 1.5 hour tour aboard a glass enclosed and heated cruise boat, highlighted by a photo stop at the famous **Spirit Island**. After our boat ride there will be time allowed for you to have lunch on your own at the Maligne Lake cafeteria and shopping in their gift shop.

On our return to Jasper, the afternoon will be at your leisure to rest or shop. For those who feel adventurous there will be an "optional" raft trip before our dinner this evening at our hotel or local restaurant.

Overnight at Chateau Jasper or similar.

Day 4 Monday, August 11

JASPER TO BANFF B,D

Breakfast at your hotel. Today we will travel southward along one of the most spectacular highways in North America. The **Icefield Parkway** is highlighted by frequent wildlife sightings, towering mountain peaks, tranquil lakes and cascading waterfalls. Your travels include a stop at Athabasca Falls before arriving at the **Columbia Icefield**. An experience of a lifetime awaits you! Upon arrival at the Icefield Centre, shuttle to the toe of the **Athabasca Glacier** where you will board a unique, specially designed **Snocoach** for a guided tour onto the surface of the Glacier - a true Ice Age adventure! This ice field is one of the largest bodies of ice below the Arctic Circle.

Lunch on your own in the Columbia Icefield Cafeteria before continuing South to view **Peyto Lake, Bow Lake** and **Crowfoot Glacier**. After arriving in **Banff, Alberta, Canada**, take a ride up on the **Sulphur Mountain Gondola** for a panoramic 360° view of the Banff area. See the **Bow Falls** and **Surprise Corner**. After checking in to our hotel we will have time to rest before our dinner at the famous "**Tony Roma's**", located in our hotel. The EVENING is free for you to explore all that this scenic alpine community has to offer. You may browse charming boutiques, visit galleries showcasing local talent, or take a stroll along the historic Bow River.

Overnight at the Banff Park Lodge or similar.

Day 5 Tuesday, August 12 MOUNTAINS, LAKES AND CANYONS B,L

After Breakfast this morning at our hotel, we will board the motorcoach for a short drive to the beautiful **Johnson's Canyon**, where time will be provided for a walk up to the lower falls. Then we will continue on to **Moraine Lake** and beautiful **Lake Louise** for a **deli lunch** overlooking the lake. There will be time after lunch for you to walk the shores of the lake or shop in the multitude of fashionable shops of **Chateau Lake Louise**. In the afternoon, we will make our way to see the spectacular **Takkakaw Falls, Spiral Tunnels, Emerald lake, and the Natural Bridge**. Our day will conclude with the drive back to Banff where Dinner at your leisure this evening.

Overnight at the Banff Park Lodge or similar.



Day 6 Wednesday, August 13

BANFF - WATERTON

B,L

Breakfast at your hotel. This morning, we will enjoy traveling south through Kananaskis country skirting one of the highest passes in the Canadian Rockies, the Highwood Pass at 8200 feet. Then dropping into the foothills of southwestern Alberta we will continue our journey to the “**Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump**”. Here we will have a guided tour by one of the local natives of this World Heritage site. We will travel to the town of **Ft. McCloud** where we will have **lunch**. After lunch we will visit the historic **Northwest Mounted Police Fort**. After visiting the fort we will continue on to **Waterton Lake National Park**. Dinner on your own this evening.

Overnight Waterton Lakes Resort

Day 7 Thursday, August 14

WATERTON TO WHITEFISH

B,L,D

(Glacier National Park)

Breakfast at our hotel before we board our motorcoach to travel to our first photo stop of Cameron Falls and Red Rock Canyon. We will then cross the border into the USA at Chief Mountain. After **lunch at St. Mary's Lodge**, experience the spectacular “**Going to the Sun**” Road in an open air bus called a “**Gearjammer**”. Once arriving in the village of West Glacier time will be provided for an afternoon coffee stop. Then we will reboard our motorcoach and continue on to **Whitefish** to stay at the beautiful **Gross Mountain Lodge**. Tonight we will enjoy dinner at our hotel.

Overnight Gross Mountain Lodge.

Day 8 Friday, August 15

WHITEFISH - BUTTE

B,D

Breakfast at our hotel this morning This afternoon we will enjoy a **visit to Flathead Lake** for a picture/coffee stop. Lunch on your own today in the town of St. Ignatius at the “**Allard's Flathead Indian Museum.**” Not only does it serve buffalo burgers (for the brave) but the adjacent Indian Museum is not to be missed. Our coffee stop today will be near the town of Deer lodge at the historic Grant Coors Ranch. Enjoy dinner this evening at our hotel, the Holiday Inn, Butte with the remainder of the evening at your leisure.

Overnight Copper King Resort.



Day 9 Saturday, August 16

BUTTE - MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS

B,D

Breakfast at your hotel This morning we travel to **Mammoth Hot Springs** via West Yellowstone and the Norris Geyser Basin. Morning coffee stop this morning in the historical western town of Ennis. We will continue on to **West Yellowstone** via **Earthquake Lake**. Lunch on your own at the complex before our IMAX presentation of Yellowstone National Park. Continuing on to Mammoth Hot springs Lodge we will pass through the North Geyser Basin and other geological features of Yellowstone National Park, the first National park established in the world. **Dinner** at our hotel this evening.

Overnight Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone Nt'l Park

Day 10 Sunday, August 17

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS - OLD FAITHFUL

B,D

Breakfast at your hotel. Today we continue exploring Yellowstone National Park travelling to the east side of the park. We will pass by many geyser basins, several cascading waterfalls, (upper and lower falls), Mud Volcano and the Dragons Cauldron. After time on your own for lunch, we will travel through the majestic beauty to our destination, Old Faithful Snow Lodge. This lodge is nestled near “Old Faithful” and you will have plenty of time to see Old Faithful in all its glory. **Farewell dinner** this evening at our hotel.

Overnight Old Faithful Snow Lodge, Yellowstone Nt'l Park.

Day 11 Monday, August 18

OLD FAITHFUL - JACKSON HOLE

B,L,D

Breakfast at your hotel. We will depart Yellowstone National Park and head into the Grand Teton National Park. Enjoy the majestic scenery as we make our way to the ski resort town of Jackson Hole, Wyoming. We will enjoy a **picnic lunch** in the majestic setting of the Grand Teton mountains. Dinner this evening at our hotel.

Overnight Trappers Inn.

Day 12 Tuesday, August 19

JACKSON HOLE - ST. LOUIS

B

Breakfast at your hotel. At an appropriate time we will depart for the airport for our return flights to St. Louis.



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LOOK AT WHAT WE HAVE INCLUDED!

- Round trip motorcoach to the St. Louis airport
- Round trip air transportation from St. Louis to Edmonton, Alberta, Canada and return from Jackson Hole, Wyoming.
- **11 nights accommodations:** (or similar)
 - 1 night Executive Royal Inn Edmonton West, Edmonton
 - 2 nights Chateau Jasper, Jasper
 - 2 nights Banff Park Lodge, Banff
 - 1 night, Waterton Lakes Resort, Waterton Lakes
 - 1 night Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, Montana
 - 1 night Copper King Resort, Butte, Montana
 - 1 night Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone National Park
 - 1 night Old Faithful Inn, Yellowstone National Park
 - 1 night Trapper Inn, Jackson Hole, Wyoming
- **11 Breakfasts**
- **5 Lunches including:**
 - Buffet at Maligne Canyon
 - Deli lunch at Chateau Lake Louise
 - St. Mary's Lodge
- **7 Dinners including:**
 - Table D'hote meals at hotels and local restaurants
 - Grouse Mountain Lodge
 - Mammoth Hot Springs
 - Old Faithful Lodge
- Hotel service charges
- Baggage handling of **one** bag per person
- All federal and local taxes in Canada and U.S.A.
- **Prepaid tips for driver/guide are included.**
- **Comprehensive travel and medical insurance.**
- **Escorted by St. Louis Group Travel**
- **Edmonton and Jasper areas**
 - Edmonton Mall
 - Maligne Canyon
 - Pyramid Lake
 - Patricia Lake
 - Jasper Tram ride to the top of Whistler Mountain
 - Maligne Lake boat tour with Spirit Island
- **Banff area (Mountains,Lakes and Canyons)**
 - Icefield Parkway
 - Columbia Icefield
 - Brewster Snocoach tour to toe of Athabasca Glacier
 - Athabasca Falls
 - Saskatchewan River Crossing
 - Peyto Lake
 - Bow Lake
 - Sulphur Mountain Gondola
 - Johnson's Canyon
 - Lake Louise and Chateau Lake Louise
 - Takakkaw Falls
 - Spiral tunnels, Kicking Horse Pass
 - Emerald Lake
 - Natural Bridge
 - Yoho Valley
- **Waterton and Whitefish areas**
 - Head Smashed In buffalo Jump
 - St. Mary's Lodge
 - Gearjammer "Going to the Sun Road" tour
 - Allard's Flathead Indian Museum
 - IMAX presentation of Yellowstone
 - Yellowstone National Park sights such as Mud Volcano, Dragons Cauldron, Old Faithful
- **National Parks visited (with entrance fees paid):**
 - Jasper National Forest
 - Banff National Forest
 - Glacier National Park
 - Kootenay National Forest
 - Yellowstone National Park
 - Grand Teton National Park

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