

Banff & Lake Louise

Ski Season

November to May

Average Snowfall

3 to 9 metres

Snow

Light and dry

Accommodation

Ski-in/ski-out, slopeside, townhomes, condos, lodges and hotels

Top Tip

First thing when you arrive, check the ski shuttle times (they are free with your SkiBig3 lift ticket). It'll make planning your mountain days a breeze.

And don't miss Mt. Norquay. A local favourite with epic views and playful terrain. Head up midweek to skip the ski school crowds. – Laura Hutchings



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Insider Tip

Skiing is the main attraction, but don't miss a winter hike through Johnston Canyon, a well-kept snowy forest trail leading to stunning frozen waterfalls. Fun and accessible for all abilities. – Rob Macready

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Three Mountains, One Lift Pass

The charming towns of Banff and Lake Louise sit in Canada's first National Park, giving you access to three world-class resorts: Banff Sunshine, Lake Louise, and Mt. Norquay. Banff Sunshine offers high-alpine terrain and long seasons with some of the best powder skiing in the Rockies. Lake Louise impresses with vast terrain and jaw-dropping views, while Mt. Norquay delivers local charm, quick laps, and family-friendly fun.

With the SkiBig3 Lift Ticket, explore everything from steep chutes and wide bowls to mellow glades and cruisers, plus enjoy a free shuttle to wherever the snow calls. This bucket-list destination blends dramatic peaks, alpine villages, and unforgettable ski days. One pass. Three resorts. Endless adventure.

Getting There

Sit back, relax, and soak in the mountain views with a stunning shuttle ride from Calgary International Airport—just 1.5 hours (145km) to Banff or 2 hours (190km) to the breathtaking Lake Louise.

Top Reasons to Visit

World Heritage Site

Banff National Park is one of seven that make up the Canadian Rockies, an area so spectacular it is a protected UNESCO World Heritage Site. The rugged mountain landscapes are filled with wildlife, icefields, glaciers, alpine meadows, lakes, waterfalls and canyons.

Shopping, Dining & Après

Banff and Lake Louise are stunning and authentic Canadian mountain towns that offer alpine charm, shopping, various stay options, fine dining, and vibrant après-ski with easy access to nature and your outdoor adventure.



Banff Sunshine Mountain Stats

Annual Snowfall	9 metres	Ski Runs	137
Skiable Terrain	3,358 acres	Lifts/Gondolas	13
Ability Level	Beg: 20%, Int: 55%, Adv/Exp: 25%	Max Altitude	2,730 metres (8,957 feet)
		Terrain Park	Yes
Vertical Drop	1,070 metres		

Lake Louise Mountain Stats

Annual Snowfall	4.5 metres	Ski Runs	164
Skiable Terrain	4,200 acres	Lifts/Gondolas	12
Ability Level	Beg: 25%, Int: 45%, Adv/Exp: 30%,	Max Altitude	2,637 metres (8,650 feet)
		Terrain Park	Yes
Vertical Drop	991 metres		

Mt Norquay Mountain Stats

Annual Snowfall	3 metres	Ski Runs	60
Skiable Terrain	190 acres	Lifts/Gondolas	6
Ability Level	Beg: 38%, Int: 25%, Adv/Exp: 37%	Max Altitude	2,450 metres (8,040 feet)
		Terrain Park	Yes
Vertical Drop	503 metres		



Three Mountains, One Lift Pass

Imagine having access to almost 8,000 acres of skiable terrain across three mountains – Banff Sunshine, Lake Louise Ski Resort and Mt. Norquay, on one lift ticket including transfers. With SkiBig3 that's a reality. Bringing together three world renowned resorts in one national park and on only one lift ticket. Included are daily shuttles from Banff and Lake Louise to your choice of the three ski areas.

Kids ski for free: kids 12 and under, can ski for free at all three ski resorts. When booked with Travel & Co before 31st October.



Winter Experiences

Private Guided Adventures

Explore SkiBig3 with a local. With almost 8,000 acres of terrain to discover it's hard to know where to start! Grab your friends and family and explore the best terrain and hidden stashes with your own private SkiBig3 Guide.



Kicking Horse: Day Trip

Head over to Kicking Horse for a day of steep chutes and glade skiing in the Champagne Powder Capital of Canada. This true big-mountain experience includes transfers and a 1-day lift ticket. The trip operates from early January.



Johnston Canyon: Ice Walks

This trail is a renowned natural attraction that takes visitors through a breathtaking journey of lush forests, wildlife, and stunning waterfalls. Wintertime Icewalk is an expedition that all visitors must experience at least once.



Dog Sledding

Immerse yourself in winter wonderland and explore the rich history, culture and techniques of dog sledding as your musher (guide) and team of energetic huskies guide you through the awe-inspiring winter scenery.



Snowshoeing

Winter is a fantastic time to get outside and discover the beautiful snowy landscape of the Canadian Rockies on foot. Snowshoeing is a unique way to explore and a fun activity that's easy to learn no matter your age or fitness level.



Ice Skating

Ice skating in Banff and Lake Louise makes for a truly magical way to soak up the crisp mountain air and take part in a quintessential Canadian pastime. From first-timers to local pros, skaters of every age and ability.



Fat Biking

Winter fat bikes are the newest way to explore Banff National Park. With massive tires giving surprising traction on snow, fat biking in Banff and Lake Louise opens up a whole new world of exploring the park on two wheels.



Ice Hockey Games: Calgary Flames

Your trip wouldn't be complete without a fun filled evening at a Calgary Flames hockey game! Head into Calgary, includes hotel pick up and drop off in Banff. There's nothing more Canadian than an ice hockey game.



More Activities

Snowschool Lessons, Tubing, Cross Country Skiing, Banff Sunshine and Lake Louise Gondola Sightseeing, Sleigh Rides, Banff Hot Springs, Snowdays Festival and Ice Magic event, Sightseeing Tours.

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