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CHRISTMAS IN THE CASTLE (TOUR CODE: 12650)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
in Calgary	December	Luxury Winter	Independent Holiday Packages

Spend Christmas in the Castle, for a unique and enchanting experience, combining the natural beauty of Banff National Park with the elegance and charm of the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel.

Highlights

- Stay in an historic castle that truly comes alive with the spirit of Christmas
- Enjoy a memorable and festive dining experience at the Fairmont Banff Springs
- Venture into the evergreen forests on a traditional horse-drawn sleigh ride
- Explore the vibrant streets of downtown Banff, lined with top-class restaurants, boutiques and galleries
- Find yourself on the summit of Sulphur Mountain high above the town of Banff
- Explore the ice beauty of Grotto Canyon on a guided ice walk
- Ice skate on the world's most beautiful outdoor rink at Lake Louise

Entire Bonus

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Christmas in the Castle Banff is a wonderful and magical experience. Nestled in the heart of the Canadian Rockies, Banff National Park is known for its stunning natural beauty, and during the holiday season, the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, often referred to as the "Castle of the Rockies," becomes a festive wonderland.

The Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel is an iconic landmark that resembles a grand castle. It's a luxurious hotel that offers a range of amenities and activities for guests to enjoy during the Christmas season. The hotel is beautifully decorated with Christmas lights, garlands, and ornaments, creating a warm and festive ambiance.

During Christmas in the Castle Banff, you can expect a variety of holiday-themed activities and events. These may include:

Festive Dining: The hotel's restaurants and dining venues offer special holiday menus and lavish Christmas buffets. You can indulge in delicious holiday meals and treats while enjoying the elegant surroundings.
Christmas Decorations: The Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel features stunning Christmas decorations throughout its public spaces. You'll find beautifully adorned Christmas trees, wreaths, and other festive displays, creating a magical atmosphere.
Santa's Workshop: Children can visit Santa's Workshop, where they can meet Santa Claus, share their Christmas wishes, and take memorable photos.
Ice Skating: The hotel may offer an outdoor ice skating rink during the winter season. It's a delightful activity for guests of all ages, allowing you to glide across the ice while enjoying the breathtaking mountain views.
Carol Singing: The hotel may organize carol singing events where you can join in singing classic Christmas carols accompanied by live musicians.
Festive Entertainment: The Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel often hosts live entertainment during the holiday season. This may include live music performances, festive concerts, or even a Nutcracker ballet performance.
Spa and Wellness: The hotel's spa and wellness facilities may offer special holiday-themed treatments and packages, allowing you to relax and rejuvenate during your stay.



INCLUSIONS

- 5 nights in Banff at the Fairmont Banff Springs
- Banff Winter Sightseeing Tour with Banff Gondola
- Christmas Buffet Dinner at the Fairmont Banff Springs
- Return coach transfers from Calgary Airport
- Grotto Canyon Ice Walk
- Lake Louise Winter Sightseeing Tour
- Sleigh Ride in Banff

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Day 1 Calgary Banff

Transfer from the Calgary Airport to the village of Banff. You will get to see the mountain ranges upon landing and then when driving through the national park entrance, keep an eye out for wildlife.

Overnight in Banff at **Fairmont Banff Springs**.



BANFF NATIONAL PARK | CREDIT TRAVEL ALBERTA

Day 2 Banff

This small group tour is the perfect introduction and includes some of Banff's most scenic and historically significant highlights such as the Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Bow Falls, Surprise Corner Lookout, and Banff's largest lake, Lake Minnewanka. Plus, enjoy hot chocolate or fresh water (depending on the time of year) and maple cookies at one of the scenic stops.

You'll then be transported to the base of Sulphur Mountain and ride the Banff Gondola to the top at 7,486 feet. At the summit, marvel at the unsurpassed view of Banff, the Bow Valley and a 360-degree view of six scenic mountain ranges. You'll feel like you're on top of the world when you are standing on the spacious main level observation deck. After your download on the Banff Gondola, the guide will transport you back to your Banff hotel. It's a great tour for seeing wildlife!

Overnight in Banff at **Fairmont Banff Springs**.



FROZEN TWO JACK LAKE | CREDIT: TRAVEL ALBERTA

Day 3 Banff

In the morning, explore the icy beauty of Grotto Canyon, see ancient native pictographs using special hiking crampons to grip the smooth frozen creek bed. The Grotto Canyon Icewalk is a hike through a narrow canyon, past unusual rock formations and spectacular icefalls. This is a unique experience to walk directly on the ice, and walking on the creek bed floor gives you a unique view of the canyon. In the afternoon, enjoy a tranquil sleigh ride amongst the Canadian Rockies and add a perfect “western touch” to a winter holiday.

Overnight in Banff at **Fairmont Banff Springs**.



GROTTO CANYON ICE WALK | CREDIT: TRAVEL ALBERTA

Day 4 Banff

Today enjoy Christmas in the alpine town of Banff. Within the halls of Fairmont Banff Springs, the festive season is celebrated with international flavour, bleeding the traditional sights and sounds of Christmas into a magical festival.

Overnight in Banff at **Fairmont Banff Springs**.



CREDIT: FAIRMONT BANFF SPRINGS

Day 5 Banff

Explore Banff National Park's winter landscapes on this guided Winter Wonderland tour. Travel through snow-covered valleys and forests, witnessing frozen waterfalls, icy rivers, and majestic peaks dusted with snow. Your guide shares knowledge about the area's winter ecology, wildlife, and geology, providing context to the stunning scenery. Walk along scenic trails, pause for photographs, and soak in the peaceful beauty of the Rockies in winter. With a small-group setting, this immersive tour allows you to experience the pristine winter environment up close and enjoy the magical atmosphere of Banff's alpine landscapes.

Overnight in Banff at **Fairmont Banff Springs**.



LAKE LOUISE | CREDIT: BANFF & LAKE LOUISE TOURISM / NOEL HENDRICKSON

Day 6 Banff Calgary

Today your winter wonderland escape will end with a transfer from Banff back to Calgary Airport. You will still be able to see the mountains leaving the park to remember all the fond memories of your holiday.

ACCOMMODATION

Fairmont Banff Springs

Banff

Set in a castle-like building in the heart of Banff National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the world-famous Fairmont Banff Springs hotel stands as a landmark in the picturesque alpine town of Banff. Amenities include 7 restaurants and 2 bars. There's also a spa, indoor and outdoor pools, and a golf course, plus a fitness centre.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
French & English	Canadian Dollars

FROM price reflects the lowest available price within the advertised travel period (e.g. April to October). Pricing varies depending on travel dates, availability and demand, and may not be available on all departures. Higher pricing applies during peak and shoulder periods. Final pricing is confirmed at the time of enquiry or booking. Please refer to **Pricing & Price Conditions** for full details, including inclusions, exclusions and other conditions.

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