



Blachford Lake Lodge | Credit: Martina Gebarovska

**CANADA****BLACHFORD LAKE LODGE** (TOUR CODE: 11883)**STARTS AND ENDS**

in Yellowknife

TRAVEL PERIODS21 Dec 24 - 09 Apr 25 & 15 Aug
25 - 12 Oct 25**EXPERIENCE**Winter
Cultural**TRAVEL STYLE**

Independent Holiday Packages

Far from the city's light pollution, the dark skies above this lodge serve as a therapeutic canvas for nature's greatest light show!

Highlights

- Stay in a lodge room featuring large view windows for Aurora Viewing!
- All meals and snacks included during your stay
- Enjoy a guided interpretive experience
- Use of hot tub, sauna and open decks
- Use of seasonal equipment during the winter and fall seasons

The most spectacular phenomenon on Earth, the aurora borealis, will embrace you in all its majesty during this aurora borealis package on Blachford Lake. With included flights from Yellowknife and all meals provided, along with robust facilities ranging from hot tubs to large viewing decks, every need is catered to. Daily activities and unique interpretive crafts and experiences are a perfect match with nightly aurora viewing.

Accommodations include five lodge guest rooms, each boasting views of Blachford Lake. The lodge provides various guest facilities, including free wireless internet, a hot tub, a sauna, and an Aurora-watch wake-up service. Notably, the main building has running hot water, showers, and comfortable hotel-style toilets, uncommon for a remote lodge. Guests can relax in the outdoor hot tub, cedar wood sauna, or visit the tipi for a unique outdoor experience with bonfires and aurora sightings. The dining experience features Northern favourites with fresh seasonal ingredients, including vegetables grown in the lodge's organic greenhouse.

Plenty of activities are available at the lodge, providing the opportunity to use seasonal equipment such as snowshoes, cross-country skis, skates, or ice-fishing equipment (winter season), as well as canoes, SUPs, fat tyre bikes, kayaks, hiking trails, fishing excursions, and motorised boats (fall season). Daily interpretive experiences are also included.

Each night after dinner, find your spot for aurora viewing. The choice is yours: view from the special decks around the lodge, the frozen lake for

a spectacular 360-degree panorama, from a traditional tipi, gather around a campfire, or even enjoy the view from your bed or the outdoor hot tub.

INCLUSIONS

- Return scenic flights between Yellowknife and Blachford Lodge
- 3 nights at Blachford Lake Lodge
- Welcome orientation on arrival
- Three full meals and snacks throughout the day
- Introduction and hints about aurora photography
- 2-hour daily interpretive experience
- Aurora Watch wake up service
- Handicraft workshop in the lodge
- Igloo/Quinzhee building (seasonal)
- Use of lodge facilities
- Use of seasonal equipment
- Winter clothing rental

ITINERARY

Day

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Yellowknife Blachford Lake

This morning, you depart on an unforgettable scenic journey northward to the lodge over the Canadian taiga shield. Hundreds of lakes dot the landscape, all slowly draining to the adjacent Great Slave Lake. Arriving at the lodge, check in and get settled before lunch. Afterwards, take some time to talk to your hosts to discuss what activities you will be doing and the facilities of the lodge available to guests. After dinner, relax until your hosts collect you for your first incredible night of Aurora viewing. Reds, blues, greens and violet streaks dance across the sky in a kaleidoscope of colour and motion.

Overnight stay at **Blachford Lake Lodge** in a Lodge room.

** When booking your flights in/out of Yellowknife please ensure that you arrive into Yellowknife prior to 9:00am on your day of departure to the lodge. Flights from Yellowknife to the lodge depart at 10:45am.*

Lunch, Dinner



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Day **2-3** Blachford Lake

Every day of your stay, the wonders of northern Canada are yours to discover. With landscapes and an ecology unlike any other, the forests and lakes surrounding the lodge offer ample opportunities for exploration and adventure. In the late fall, hiking the local area is both invigorating and educational. Local artisans conduct handicraft seminars, while the history of the land and its settlements are revealed. After the lakes freeze and the snow arrives, the lodge becomes a hub of winter sports. Iceskating, cross-country skiing, snow shoeing, fat tire biking and kicksleds are all available for guests to use, as well as tasting newly distilled maple sugar frozen on the snow (early spring only). And of course, nights of both seasons showcase the fantastic displays of light of the Aurora Borealis.

Overnight stay at **Blachford Lake Lodge** in a Lodge Room.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



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Day **4** Blachford Lake Yellowknife

After breakfast, check out of the lodge and proceed to the dock for your flight departing at approximately 11:50 and arriving in Yellowknife at 12:30.

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Blachford Lake Lodge

Yellowknife

Blachford Lake Lodge is the only fly-in wilderness resort situated on Blachford Lake, which is a remote 17 kilometre (12 mile) lake. The lodge is a 25-minute bush plane flight from Yellowknife, the capital of the Northwest Territories. The guest facilities include free wireless internet, hot tub, sauna, and Aurora-watch wake-up service. Accommodations include five lodge guest rooms, each with views of Blachford Lake. The lodge offers shared bathroom and showers. All lodge rooms feature pillow top mattresses & down duvets, large windows for aurora viewing, electrical outlets, in room thermostat and Wifi access.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

- Operating season is between 02 March 2024 - 16 April 2024 (Winter Season), 13 August 2024 - 12 October 2024 (Fall Season) & 21 Dec 2024 - 09 Apr 2025 (Winter Season), 15 Aug 2025 - 12 Oct 2025 (Fall Season).
- Please note that the tour schedule is subject to change based on weather or other circumstances beyond the supplier's control.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals and beverages other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package