



CANADA

BACKCOUNTRY SUNDANCE LODGE EXPLORER (TOUR CODE: 12024)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Banff

TRAVEL PERIODS

20 May 24 - 14 Oct 24

EXPERIENCE

Wildlife

TRAVEL STYLE

Active Holiday Packages

Embark on a thrilling horseback adventure through rugged wilderness and breathtaking landscapes, offering horse riding enthusiasts an unforgettable journey!

Highlights

- The horseback riding enthusiast will experience an unforgettable excursion through timbered ridges and mountain meadows
- The lodge provides comfortable accommodations in a rustic and cosy setting
- Your guides will acquaint you with horses carefully selected to suit your needs
- Experience rugged mountain scenery and an abundance of wildlife

On this adventure you'll spend two nights at Sundance Lodge – a wonderful and unique backcountry haven. Your days will be spent exploring on horseback and your evenings relaxing in the cozy lodge, sharing delicious hearty meals, delectable desserts and great conversation with your fellow riders.

Completed in 1991, Sundance Lodge now sits on the original site of the horse corral for Ten-Mile cabin, built by Canadian Pacific Railway back in the 1920's. The original cabin itself remains standing and was declared a historical site in 1990. It was used as a refuge for mountain guides and packers traveling to Mount Assiniboine, whose names you can still see carved into the logs. Sundance Lodge sits alongside a gentle curve on Brewster Creek, with the Sundance Mountain range as a backdrop. Built entirely with pine logs, the lodge has 10 sleeping rooms, with 3 beds in each room and shared facilities. The lodge also has a large country kitchen, and a cozy living room area where you can curl up by the woodstove and lose yourself in a good book.

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights accommodation at Sundance Lodge
- Meals as per itinerary
- Daily riding excursions of approximately 5.5 hours split between morning and afternoon
- Backcountry Park Fees

ITINERARY

Day 1 Banff Sundance Lodge

Meet the other members of your group at the Warner Stables at 100 Sundance Road in Banff at 09:30. Check in at Boons Barn (the largest barn farthest left) and meet your guides. For those guests with a vehicle, free parking is available at Warner stables for the duration of the trip – the office will provide directions to the stables. At the stables you are met by your guides and mount up on your horses for the 16 km ride to Banff Sundance Lodge via the glacier-fed waters of the Bow River, Healy and Brewster Creeks. Lunch and dinner included.

Overnight in the Sundance Mountain range at **Sundance Lodge**.

Lunch, Dinner



Day 2 Backcountry Trail Riding

After a relaxing evening at Sundance Lodge, you mount back up for a second full day in the saddle with a day ride up the Brewster Creek Trail. The group spends lunch on the banks of the Brewster Creek; the ride home may take guests through the weaving river trail or the historic Storm pack trail with the rugged Sundance Range dominating the eastern horizon. Returning to Sundance Lodge for the evening, relax or spend some time with your newfound friends. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.

Overnight in the Sundance Mountain range at **Sundance Lodge**.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day **3**

Sundance Lodge Banff

Bid good-bye to your hosts at Sundance Lodge and mount up for a leisurely ride back to Warner Stables with a lunch stop on the banks of Healy Creek. Arrive at the stables at approximately 16:30. Breakfast and lunch included.

Breakfast, Lunch

ACCOMMODATION

Sundance Lodge

Banff

Sundance Lodge, and being only 16 kilometers (10 miles) from Banff, feels lonely and solitary, set against the imposing Sundance Mountain Range and surrounded by dense woodlands. The log cottage, which has ten rooms, was constructed in 1991 using locally obtained wood. It's close to the old Ten-Mile Cabin, which served as a rest stop for trail riders on their way to Mount Assiniboine back in 1923.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

French & English

LOCAL CURRENCY

Canadian Dollars

- Departs Mondays between 20 May 24 - 14 Oct 24.
- The trip includes approx. 5 - 6 hours of riding each day. Ride for approx. 2 ½ to 3 hours in the morning, stop for lunch on the trail and ride another 2 ½ to 3 hours in the afternoon. The rides are all done at a walk in order to take full advantage of the scenery and wildlife viewing.
- Meals are always an event and the cooks ensure you are well fuelled for the day's adventures.
- Maximum horse riders weight restriction applies.
- Sundance Lodge is based on share facilities.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals 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