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Departure Day

You'll head out to either return home or continue exploring after breakfast and settling the trip bills. We send you on your way with fantastic memories, a packed lunch, and plenty of suggestions for fun things to do and see, whichever direction you're taking.

Like the sound of it? We hope you do! For more information about any of our heli hiking or heli mountaineering adventures, visit helicanada.com or call 1-888-837-5417.

Featured Adventure Heli Picnic

You can come out heli hiking or heli mountaineering with us any time, but don't forget that we do quick peeks at the backcountry, too, courtesy of our heli picnics. These are a great alternative for folks who don't have unlimited time or mobility, but would still love the experience of sitting in a gorgeous, secluded mountain setting while they enjoy super food and the attention of professional, experienced mountain guides.

It's a great family adventure, too, and we'll drop just a hint that it can be very romantic: You wouldn't be the first to drop to one knee and offer your loved one a little something from a velvet-covered box.

To book, just drop us a line at info@heli-canada.com or 1-888-837-5417.



Days in the Life



Have you ever wondered what it's like to experience the thrills and beauty of one of our three-day/four-night heli hiking or heli mountaineering adventures? One of our guests (thank you!) suggested that we share a typical itinerary, which we thought was a great idea. So . . . here goes!

Arrival Day

Most of our guests arrive at an airport such as Vancouver or Kelowna in British Columbia or Calgary, Alberta — that's where they pick up a pre-booked rental car and head to the historic town of Revelstoke, British Columbia. Armed with the rental car, they can then enjoy the freedom to explore the Revelstoke area when they're not hiking or mountaineering. (Of course, we can also arrange pick-up at the airports by either land or air, if you'd prefer not to drive yourself.)

Once you reach Revelstoke, you'll check in at your accommodation, and join us for heli safety briefings (everything you ever wanted to know about heli-

copters — just ask!), waiver signings and gear checks (that's when we make sure that you have everything you need to enjoy the alpine backcountry). Then it's off to a fun meet-and-greet to get to know your fellow travelers (if you don't know them already, of course!) before dinner.

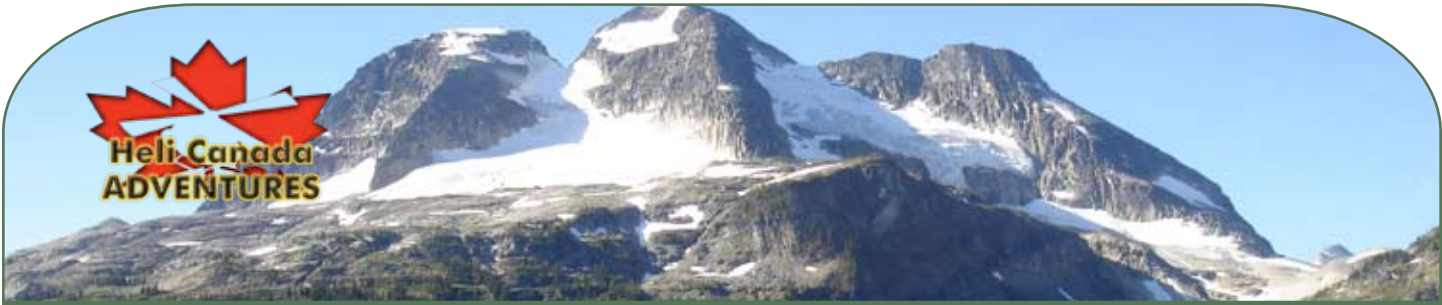
Adventure Days!

Here's where the fun really starts!! You can start the day with a stretching class, a gentle way to get all of your muscles warmed up and ready for the day's activities. Then it's off to a hearty breakfast, complete with everything you could ask for, from fruit and yoghurt to eggs and bacon. You'll be able to build your lunch, too, with plenty of healthy options for sandwiches, fruit and veggies, and easily transportable desserts (can you say "cookies"?).

We know that many people are concerned about healthy, low-fat, high-nutrition diets, so we make sure that you always have delicious options. And if you do indulge in that bacon — well, we'll do our best to have you work off the calories later!

It's a short stroll through awesome views to the heli pad, where your pilot is waiting. Climb in, snap on the seat belts, and prepare yourself for the ride through views of a lifetime: mountain peaks around you and forests stretching out below. You might spy some wildlife from the windows, but rest assured that we fly using techniques that

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About Heli Canada Adventures

HCA specializes in exclusive, small group heli adventures. Our summer adventures range from heli picnics to heli backpacking, with heli hiking and heli mountaineering as our signature offerings.

Our winter adventures feature powder ski and snowboard touring, and heli snowshoeing — and we also team up with two high-quality partner companies to offer heli skiing and heli snowboarding.

We match each trip and group to your pace and expertise, making our adventures ideal for families, couples and single travelers. We also specialize in designing corporate, private and incentive heli adventures to fit your goals. From our base in Revelstoke, British Columbia, we provide unparalleled access to some of North America's most pristine mountain wilderness.

disturb them as little as possible — and we never “follow” wildlife using the helicopter. Whether it's deer or smaller critters, we feel very deeply that this is their home, and we're just visiting.

But oh, what a visit! The helicopter will take us to the day's heli hiking or heli mountaineering start point, where we'll step into backcountry so pristine that it rarely sees human footprints. Your guide selects these routes based on how far and fast you'd like to go — and all speeds are welcomed, from strolling to striding.

Along the way, you'll be amazed at how much these knowledgeable folks can share about the landscape. From the alpine flowers at your feet to the glaciers gleaming above you, they know the land intimately. They also know the wildlife, and can show you signs that indicate where a deer and her fawn slept the night before, or where an eagle has its young concealed (hint: look waaaaay up!).

So what are you doing while all of this learning is happening? Hikers will be walking through terrain as varied as forest, meadows, lakeshores, talus (boulder) fields and even glaciers. Mountaineers will be heading up, but there's little technical expertise needed — this is just about stepping up and up... it's more strenuous than hiking and more focused on getting to the peaks, but it's still tailored to your comfort level and ability.

Whew! What a view, what a day, what an adventure. You'll board the helicopter for the trip back to the hotel by 4:30 p.m., being whisked off to appetizers, drinks and stories of the day's adventures. If you need to work out a few of the day's muscle kinks, massage is available, then it's dinner at 7 p.m. and off to bed — our guests tell us that they always sleep well!

The next morning — you get to explore the backcountry all over again!

News Round-Up

Just a few tips and newsy reminders.

The GST Dance

The Canadian Goods & Services Tax is our federal tax on — you guessed it — most goods and services across the country. We're no exception, so we've taken the guesswork out of the equation, and calculated it into our pricing. You'll notice that trip costs look slightly different for international (including US) and Canadian guests: International guest prices include the federal government's visitor GST rebate of 3% (meaning that international guests only pay 2%); Canadian prices include the full 5% GST.

Family pricing

Families of four in any combination of family members — such as grandparents, parents and children — can take advantage of family pricing for our Gold Star (great pre-arranged adventures that you'll find on our website at helicanada.com) and Diamond Cut (privately guided adventures customized just for you) packages. For more details on our new family pricing packages, just check out helicanada.com or call 1-888-837-5417.

Referral discounts

For those very kind folks who refer us to other people who subsequently book with us, we're offering a 10-percent discount on your next Heli Canada Adventure — just our way of saying a warm “thank you!”

Post your pictures!

Have you enjoyed one of our adventures? Don't forget that we're looking for your photos for our new photo gallery. Just e-mail them in jpg format to info@helicanada.com and we'll put them up on the website for everyone to enjoy.

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We would love to hear from you!