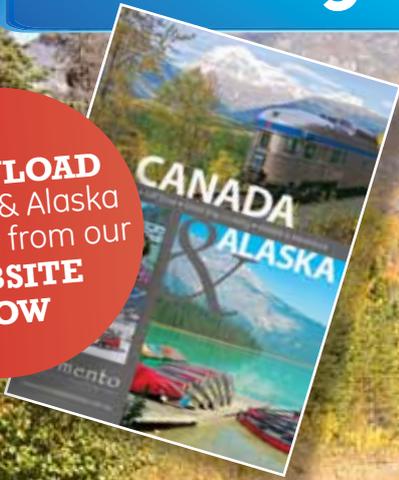


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22 Day GOLD RUSH – CAMPING AND CANOE EXPEDITION

Are you ready for an adventure that leads you into one of the world most remarkable wilderness regions? If yes, come and explore with us Canada's Yukon and Alaska and relive the Gold Rush of 1898!

This canoe-van combination tour begins with a nine day canoe expedition down the famous Teslin- and Yukon Rivers. Far away from any civilization we paddle our canoes down the mighty streams deep into the wilderness. We follow the trail of the gold rush history, explore several abandoned settlements and constantly find relics from the historic gold rush trail. We set up our camps on the gravel & sand banks of the river. Wildlife is quite common in this area, and one can expect to see black bear, moose and bald eagles. All meals are prepared on open camp fires, and fresh trout, pike or grayling may round up the menu of the day.

Trip difficulty

A background in camping and paddling is an asset but not necessary. These programs are open to expert and novice paddlers alike.

Moderate hikes with light day pack, courses and activities are suitable for beginners and include necessary equipment and safety gear.

Package includes:

- Qualified guide throughout the trip
- Canoes and camping equipment
- Overland transportation
- 2 person tents (20 nights)
- Rafting day trip (Tatshenshini River)
- Ferry Haines-Skagway
- Entrance fees for national parks
- Guided hiking trip into Kluane National Park
- Guided hiking trip Tombstone Mountains
- 2 nights hotel accommodation in Whitehorse
- Historic tour in Dawson City
- Entrance fee Diamond Tooth Gerties
- Entrance fee museum in Dawson City
- Airport Shuttle in Whitehorse

Not included: Meals in hotels, Personal extras, Camp food (appr. Can-\$ 75.00-/person per week), Gratuity.

Tour cost & departures:

Small group departure: Minimum 3/ Maximum 12 passengers per trip

Cost per person twin share from \$3,620

Single supplement \$450

Departs: 2015, 31 May, 21 June, 12 July, 2 August, 23 August.
2016 dates and rates on request

Day 1: Arrival Whitehorse

Arrival in Whitehorse and meeting of group members. Opportunity to discover the famous capital of the Yukon, and your stops should include the MS Klondike, one of the last Yukon sternwheelers still around and a visit to the McBride Museum. Overnight in a hotel.

Day 2 - 10: Teslin / Yukon River Commence 9 day River Rafting Expedition.

Van-transfer to Johnsons Crossing, start of canoe tour down the Teslin, later the famous Yukon River. We are spending nine days on these magnificent rivers, travelling downstream appr. 360 km. Downtown Hotel in Dawson City

Day 10: Carmacks – Dempster Highway

Arrival in Carmacks on the Yukon River. We part from our canoes and travel with our van via the Klondike Highway and will set up camp near the world famous Dempster Highway. 730 KM of gravel road linking the interior of the Yukon Territory with Inuvik located at the delta of the huge Mackenzie River in the Northwest Territories. We camp at a delightful campground at the base of Tombstone Mountain.

Day 11: Tombstone Mountains

We do some spectacular hiking in this remarkable landscape of tundra and mountains. The Tombstone Mountains' unique moon landscape has proved early travellers in this region with an unmistakable landmark. We spend the evening around the campfire.

Day 12: Dempster Highway – Dawson City

We leave this remarkable area and travel towards famous Dawson City, the historic gold rush town and home of many legends. After a shower we visit Diamond Tooth Gerties Gambling Hall with poker game and Cancan-Dance-Girls.

Day 13: Dawson City

We discover Dawson City. A visit to the Jack London and Robert Service cabins and the museum are on the program. A highlight is the drive into the Bonanza and Eldorado Creeks where we visit an active gold mine.

Day 14: Dempster – Top of the World Highway

We are leaving the fields of the Klondike today by crossing the Yukon River by ferry. We travel via the Top of the World Highway towards Alaska, right through Sub-arctic Mountain tundra, above timberline. Today we pass the most northern US-boarder at Little Gold Creek and small historic towns like Chicken, Action Jackson or Jack Wade.

Day 15: Kluane, Sheep Mountain

Via Alaska Highway we cross the Alaska Border in Beaver Creek. We drive besides the shores of scenic Kluane Lake. Mount Wallace, better known as Sheep Mountain is one of our stops. Here, you

will be able to spot the rare white dall sheep, and you have the possibility of joining a helicopter glacier flight.

Day 16 / 17: Haines Junction (Kluane NP)

Haines Junction, the gateway to Kluane National Park. We are setting up our base camp and explore the immense scenery of the Park during the next days. A hiking trip into one of the park's high alpine valleys may give us the chance to spot wildlife such as dall sheep, moose, caribou and grizzly bear. Depending on the level of interest among the passengers we can also organise a spectacular flight by bush plane over the immense glaciers of the park (optional). This adventure, over a virtually pristine wilderness, is especially spectacular during a clear day. With Haines Junction as a base one has a variety of options. This area is simply an adventure wonderland.

Day 18: Kluane NP – Tatshenshini River

White water rafting on the Tatshenshini River, a tumultuous rafting tour down this world famous river. Another highlight of the tour! Overnight at Million Dollar Falls Campground.

Day 19: Million Dollar Falls – Haines, Alaska

Drive south via Haines Road to Haines, Alaska. We are crossing Chilkat Pass in a pristine landscape and are following the Chilkat River where during fall salmon migration thousands of majestic bald eagles concentrate. We spend the rest of the day in front of the snow-covered Chilkat Mountain Range. Haines is known as an important centre of the native Tlingit culture and one can watch Totem pole carvers at work as well as visit the local theatre where ceremonial Indian dances are shown.

Day 20: Haines - Skagway

Via ferry we travel through the Lynn Fjord and with some luck we can see seals, whales, bald eagles and the giant Alaska brown bears, making this area their home. Skagway, a hundred years ago the base camp for all Chilkoot Pass travellers is still a historic gold rush town. Many well preserved relics bear witness to its colourful past, including the head of the notorious Chilkoot Trail. In the evening one can relax and get a taste of the gold rush atmosphere in one of the historic bars, for example the „Red Onion Saloon“ once a brothel.

Day 21: Skagway - Whitehorse

Sightseeing of Skagway in the morning. Optional ride with the famous Whitepass-Railroad. On our way back to Whitehorse we will stop at the smallest desert in the world - the Carcross desert - and we will of course also admire Emerald Lake, called „Rainbow Lake“ from the locals due to its sensational coloration. Overnight in a hotel.

Day 22: Departure Whitehorse

Transfer to airport or connecting program.

(As the trip is done in expedition fashion changes in travel itinerary are a possibility and are left up to the discretion of the guide.)

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