

Seven Days in the Canadian Wilderness

Complete Itinerary & Activity Plan

(This is a sample itinerary and subject to change.)

DAY ONE:

Today our adventure begins! On arriving at Winnipeg, you will meet the group at our hotel. Our first night is in a hotel close to the airport to give us plenty of time to rest after a long flight. The group will come together for a lecture in which Kristi & Jen will give you photography tools that you can use on the adventure ahead! After the lecture we will get to know the group better at our first group dinner.

DAY TWO:

Fly to Churchill. Churchill is known as the "Polar Bear Capital of the World." From July to November approximately 800 Polar Bears migrate through this area. After arriving we will explore town and the area while looking for wildlife.

Each night in Churchill we will be on aurora watch and if the aurora makes an appearance before midnight, we will go out to photograph the sky. With around 300 nights a year with the Aurora Borealis visible, Churchill is one of the best destinations on earth to see the Northern Lights.

DAY THREE & FOUR:

On these two days we will embark on an adventure of a lifetime! Starting with a three-hour zodiac tour looking for the beluga whales. The shallow waters attract over 3500-4000 Beluga Whales to mate and birth their young making it one of the most accessible places in the world to see them. Their curiosity gives them the tendency to follow boats and sometimes you can hear them singing underwater.

In the afternoon and early evening, we will spend the rest of the day on the tundra looking for polar bears and other wildlife. With the flowers in bloom, if we

get lucky, we may be able to photograph the polar bears amongst the fireweeds. This time of the year still has the polar bears but much less tourism. We believe strongly in not disturbing wildlife on our tours and high season puts a ton of stress on animals. These times with less traffic are much more environmentally friendly and our interactions will be more private, giving us more opportunity to spent time watching behavior and being less obtrusive. Our tour operator told me about how it isn't uncommon to be the only vehicle out there watching a mom with her cub during this time of year.

Our vehicles are small 4x4 vehicles. Which helps us not be so obtrusive. Our vehicles fit 4 students, one photo instructor and our guide. You will have lots of opportunity to ask questions and get the perfect photograph.

In the evenings you will have a chance to have a one on one with Kristi and/or Jen getting valuable feedback on your photos.

DAY FIVE:

Today is an action-packed day with a half day wildlife tundra tour and dogsledding. We will end the day with a wine and cheese night at "Nights Under Lights" aurora viewing yurt photographing landscapes and hoping for a beautiful showing of the Aurora Borealis.

DAY SIX:

Our last morning will be spent on the tundra looking for polar bears. We then fly to Winnipeg and have an evening image share and a group dinner to share all our favorite memories.

DAY SEVEN:

Today we will wake up for a group breakfast and spend some time to say goodbye to our new friend and the amazing staff that helped us explore the polar bear capital of the world!