



Guide Don Lyon

photo by P.M.

GENERAL INFORMATION and CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS: A \$500US per person deposit and a signed application is required to confirm any reservation. Balance of payment is due 90 days prior to departure. Visa and Mastercard are accepted for deposits.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Minimum cancellation fees, shown below, are in addition to any non-recoverable deposits made to suppliers and are based on the number of days prior to departure that we receive written notice of cancellation. More than 120 days--\$200, 60-120 days--\$500. Less than 60 days--50% of Land Costs or per person fixed operating costs plus non recoverable deposits, whichever is greater. Within 30 days, 100% of Land Costs is forfeited.

CANCELLED EXPEDITIONS: Close-Up Expeditions retains the right to cancel any trip which does not have the stated minimum number of participants. Deposits will be refunded. Deposits collected for Expeditions cancelled due to events beyond our control will be refunded minus unrecoverable expenses.

EXPEDITION COSTS INCLUDE: unless stated otherwise in the brochure, Accommodations based on two people sharing one room. Meals--usually table d'hôte breakfasts and dinners. Lunches as indicated. Land Transportation by vehicles appropriate to group size, expedition goals and local availability. Sightseeing and Admissions--as indicated in the brochure. **Baggage and Personal Equipment:** Handling of one medium size suitcase, not to exceed 27" X 21" x 9" (or combined dimensions of 57") and 45 lbs is included. Guides may refuse to carry luggage exceeding these limits. Hand-baggage and camera equipment should be of a size convenient to carry and be kept with you in the van without inconvenience to others, and is entirely the responsibility of the client.

SMOKING & CELLPHONES are not permitted in Vehicles and at Meals.

GUIDE SERVICES & PHOTOGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION: The services of your CUE leader are included from arrival at the Meeting Point on Day One, terminating on the last day as indicated in the brochure. Photographic advice and instruction is included on a group basis and individually as time permits.

EXPEDITIONS COSTS DO NOT INCLUDE: Air transportation, passport, visa and airport fees, inoculations, medical expenses, lunches unless indicated otherwise, and items of a personal nature such as beverages, laundry, tips for special services, excess baggage charges, gratuities to guides and drivers and expenses due to events beyond the control of Close-Up Expeditions.

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Come Close-Up to the most breathtaking scenery in North America! Alpine peaks, sublime wildflower meadows, waterfalls, bear, moose, elk, Rocky Mountain Sheep—fill your frame with spectacular beauty at the perfect time of year. Photograph the best of the Rockies in Banff, Jasper and Yoho National Parks.

Your guide to great nature photography is Don Lyon, chief guide and outfitter for Close-Up Expeditions with over 30 years experience helping photographers improve their images. Don's promise is to put you in the right place at the right time to do your very best work. Don is also your picnic chef and driver of our big go-anywhere, stop anytime Ford Van.

**9 Day Land Cost \$3221.
Meal Budget \$333.**

Land Cost includes accommodations (twin occupancy), surface transportation and admissions as described. Photo instruction included. Meal budget covers your meals and beverages with excess refunded to you. Single supplement is \$682. Based on a minimum of 5 photographers. Airfares to/from Calgary are not included.

CANADIAN ROCKIES July 26-August 3, 2010

Day 1 (July 26) Arrive Calgary anytime and take courtesy van to nearby airport hotel. Arrive mid day for a photo exploration of glistening high rise Calgary. We'll put our gear through its paces and warm up for the adventure ahead. **Port O Call—Calgary 1 night.**

Day 2-5 Lake Louise Area: At Banff we leave busy Trans-Can Highway and enter the even more scenic Bow Valley Parkway where we can stop for images anytime. Moose, black bear, coyote and beaver have all been captured on past Close-Up Expeditions along this route to Lake Louise. We are following the historic Canadian Pacific Railroad tracks and will look for opportunities to catch the mighty engines as they crest the Rockies. Our accommodations for the next three nights are in Field—west of Lake Louise and at 4,300 feet elevation surrounded by the glacier covered peaks of Yoho and Banff National Parks. Our charming Kicking Horse Lodge is awash with multicolored columbines, larkspurs and other beauties. There is no time to waste—glorious Lake Louise is photogenic from every angle and nearby Moraine Lake in the Valley of Ten Peaks also demands repeat visits early and late in the day. Emerald Lake and Takakkaw Falls are nearby beauty spots—one could spend weeks here. **Kicking Horse Lodge—3 nights.**

Day 5-8 Jasper National Park: Icefields Parkway to Jasper is a sublime experience—the 135 miles from Lake Louise to Jasper will require a full day for us photographers—no need to shout for stops for serrated knife edged peaks and



TakakkawFalls

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S-curve rivers—I'm stopping! I'm stopping! How about a moose in the foreground? Rocky Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goats browse nearby. You'll recognize red-roofed Num-ti-jah Lodge and wolf-head shaped Peyto Lake from numerous calendars. Wild flowers fill the meadows—paintbrush, owl's clover, fireweed, yarrow and many more. The early morning mist on Pyramid and Patricia Lakes part and we are embraced. Rafters careening down the Athabasca and Maligne Rivers are colorful bouncing balls—fun to capture with slow shutter speeds. We'll take the afternoon cruise to Spirit Island on Maligne Lake and pause to take it the beauty there. Gangs of male elk, too young to keep a harem, strut magnificently for our cameras. Wolves, marmots and Columbia ground squirrels all make perfect targets. **Beckers Chalets—3 nights.**