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# BRITISH COLUMBIA ADVENTURE

SUMMER 2021



Surround yourself with the splendor of Super, Natural British Columbia. Backpack (and have a snowball fight!) in E.C. Manning Provincial Park among lush rolling hills and alpine meadows. Head to the dry, warm Okanagan Valley to rock climb at Skaha Bluffs, one of Canada's best climbing destinations. Learn the meaning of teamwork as you navigate class III and IV rapids on Clearwater River, and then spend some bonding time canoeing on the most pristine lake you've ever seen: Clearwater Lake. Take your backpacks out again for hiking in Wells Gray Provincial Park, and then hone your paddling skills on the Nahatlatch River!



**CURRENT GRADES**  
**8<sup>TH</sup> - 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENGTH**  
**21 DAYS**

“Archie returned feeling calm, confident, capable, and centered. He can't wait to go back! Adventure Treks was empowering yet supportive, a break from family, and a push out of his comfort zone. We are thrilled that this was a life-changing experience for Archie.” *Jane Ellison, parent from Wilmington, NC*

**ACTIVITIES**



**Backpacking**



**Canoeing**

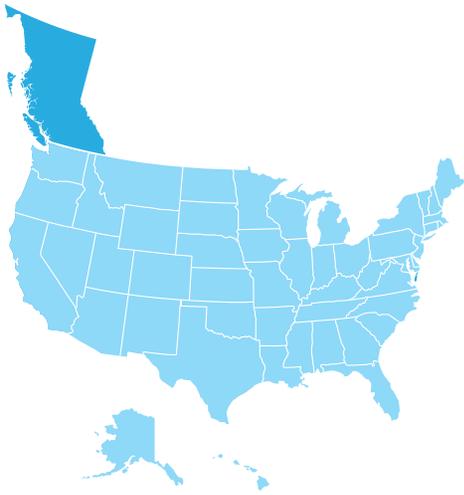


**Rock climbing**



**Whitewater rafting**

# ITINERARY



## DAYS 1–2

### ARRIVAL AND DRIVE TO CANADA

Fly or drive into Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) and meet your group and instructors! Once all students and their luggage have arrived, we'll drive north to Birch Bay State Park, where we'll have our delicious "Yahoo!" dinner (chicken, steak, veggie burgers, cheesy mashed potatoes, and fruit salad) and spend our first night playing games and getting to know each other. The next morning, we'll head across the border to E.C. Manning Provincial Park and prepare for our first backpack.

## DAYS 3–5

### DRIVE TO CANADA

Spend three days exploring the diverse landscape of Manning Provincial Park in the heart of the Canadian Cascades. Rocky peaks, high-mountain meadows, and wildflowers dominate this beautiful landscape. Atop Mt. Frosty, the highest mountain in the park at 7,950 feet, marvel at a 360-degree view; you can even see the United States!

## DAYS 6–7

### ROCK CLIMB AT SKAHA BLUFFS

In British Columbia's Okanagan Valley sits the soaring Skaha Bluffs, whose gneiss cliffs can reach 250 feet! For two days, learn the basics of tying knots, belaying, and climbing, and progress to more difficult routes as you feel ready. As you reach the top of each climb, take in the views of beautiful Skaha Lake, ponderosa pine, and perhaps a bighorn sheep. Climbers come from all over North America to ascend these beautiful walls, and there are an abundance of routes for every level. You may even get to rappel into a cave or try a Tyrolean traverse!





**DAY 8**

**LOGISTICS AND TRAVEL**

Laundry day! Students and instructors will work together to get laundry done, refresh our food supply, and do a thorough van clean-up. Then we'll head north to get ready for a day of whitewater rafting.

**DAY 9**

**WHITewater RAFT THE CLEARWATER RIVER**

Get your feet wet on the big and wild Clearwater River. Fed by glaciers and shaped by lava flows, the Clearwater's class III and IV rapids make for thrilling descents and lots of laughter. Determine the king or queen of your raft with fun splash wars. A side hike to the 115-foot-tall Moul Falls makes for a great photo op!

**DAYS 10-13**

**BACKPACK IN WELLS GRAY PROVINCIAL PARK**

For four days, surround yourself with some of the most beautiful and untouched terrain in North America. Sharpen your backpacking skills and take turns being "leader of the day" as you meander through lush wildflower fields and old-growth forests, past some of the park's dozens of waterfalls, and beneath the jagged, snowy peaks of the Cariboo Mountains. Wells Gray is known for its wildlife population, including beaver, wolverine, black bear, bobcats, moose, caribou, and even mountain goats!





**DAY 14**  
**LOGISTICS DAY**

Our second day to refresh our food, do loads of laundry, and clean out the vans.

**DAYS 15–18**  
**CANOE CLEARWATER LAKE**

Spend four days exploring the unspoiled waters of Clearwater Lake, surrounded by the Cariboo Mountains. Try to spot the osprey and eagles as you practice your paddling strokes—you may even see a caribou swimming! After relaxing next to an evening fire with your crew, gaze at the brightest stars you've ever seen.

**DAY 19**  
**WHITewater RAFT THE NAHATLATCH RIVER**

What better way to end your trip than heading down some of British Columbia's most continuous class III and IV rapids? The Nahatlatch is so fast, so fun, and so non-stop that we actually do it twice! Bomb down emerald-green waters surrounded by steep sandstone cliffs, and don't forget to look toward the sky for a glimpse of a bald eagle.

**DAYS 20–21**  
**RETURN TO THE STATES AND DEPARTURE**

We promise you this: You won't want to leave! But it'll be time for our adventure to come to an end. Relive every memory the night before with a celebratory dinner, and exchange contact info with all of your new best friends so you can stay in touch.

## TRAVEL INFO

### Arrive and depart from Seattle, WA



SEA

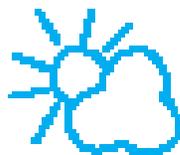
\*Please do not book flights until your child has been officially accepted and enrolled on the British Columbia Adventure trip. However, if you'd like to look up flight options, all students need to arrive to SEA between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. the first day of the trip, and depart SEA between 6 a.m. and 1 p.m. the last day of the trip.

**A VALID PASSPORT  
IS REQUIRED FOR  
BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

“Summer 2020 was a groundbreaking year for Asher. He made great friends, bonded with the entire group, and came back taller (figuratively and literally). He gained confidence in himself and his abilities. On top of all of that, AT kept him safe from the coronavirus. What’s been most valuable is being disconnected from technology and out in nature with a really nice group of kids and instructors. He loved it and can’t wait to go back!”  
*Heather Benn, parent from Greenwich, CT*



**TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE ADVENTURE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FAMILY.** Our instructors will be eagerly awaiting each of our students’ arrivals at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. We try our best to meet every student as they walk off the plane, but in the rare event we are unable to, we will call and text your child to guide them to a meeting place. Students call home as soon as they meet with our instructors and gather their baggage.



## WEATHER INFO

We may see a few days of rain in June, but British Columbia typically enjoys sunny skies and warm temperatures in the summer. While hiking at higher altitudes, it may be chilly and breezy on some days. One ill-prepared person can negatively affect the safety and fun of the whole group, so please come prepared.

# LOGISTICS



## DATES

6/23/21 – 7/13/21

7/19/21 – 8/8/21

## PRICE

**\$4,995**

## INCLUDED IN TUITION:

- » All food and lodging
- » All group and technical equipment (tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, backpacking pack, mess kit, etc.)
- » Guided activities

## NOT INCLUDED IN TUITION:

- » Trip insurance
- » Airfare to and from
- » Personal clothing and items

“Adventure Treks was an experience for our son beyond our wildest expectations. We sent a shy, introverted teenager, and he returned as an excited, almost giddy boy. He had so much to share about where he went, what he did and learned, and who he shared different experiences with. His favorite part of the trip was the community; he has never really felt “a part” of a group and returned in a much different head space, talking all the time about who did this and who did that and was so excited to share everything with us. We are very impressed and can’t wait for him to return next year.” *Page Johnson, parent from Louisville, KY*



## READY TO SIGN UP? THERE ARE THREE WAYS:

- » **APPLY ONLINE** AT [ADVENTURETREKS.COM/ENROLL](https://adventuretreks.com/enroll)
- » **CALL US** AT 888-954-5555
- » **OR EMAIL** AMANDA FOX-MCGLASHAN, OUR MARKETING DIRECTOR,  
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