

Erie Ski Club presents an ESCape to:

# Jasper/Marmot Basin, Alberta Canada

March 2-9, 2024



**\$1225 land only**

**\*\*\$100 discount if you sign up and deposit before July 15\*\***

See details below or email [jasper2024esc@gmail.com](mailto:jasper2024esc@gmail.com)

**Note that this trip can easily be combined with the WPSC Banff trip which happens the week preceding this trip.**

**Yes we planned it that way!**

**Jasper!** We first went there in 2017 and found it to be a charming place with a very nice ski hill. Their primary season is Summer so winter is their quiet season. Jasper is a small town in the middle of Jasper National Park, In that respect it's similar to Banff. Other activities? There is a curling club, perhaps we can try that again? Dog sledding? A wildlife center? In 2017 a lot of us did the Malign Ice Canyon walk, that was awesome! Lots of possibilities.

**Marmot Basin** is the local ski area, a 40 minute shuttle away from town, much like Lake Louise is to Banff. They have 3000 vertical feet, starting at 5570' above sea level, which is the highest base elevation in Canada. They have 1720 acres which isn't huge, but have a look at that trail map! There's more than enough skiing there to keep us happy for a week. The knob chair, the highest chair on the mountain, is being extended upwards this summer, this will lift serve what was moderate hike-to terrain and allow easier hiking to the crazy stuff. The mix of terrain is friendly to all levels of skiers. We have 6 day lift tickets included, for the cost of a 5 day pass. Check it out:

<https://www.skimarmot.com/>

**Lodging** We will be staying 6 nights at the Crimson Hotel which is in the town. This was recommended by our tour operator as a less expensive alternative to the Jasper park Lodge, which came in crazy expensive. Here's the web site: <https://www.banffjaspercollection.com/hotels/the-crimson/> A hot buffet breakfast is included.

The last night will be at the Wyndham Garden Edmonton Airport Hotel. Breakfast and airport shuttles are included.

**How do we get there?** So this is interesting! We will fly to Calgary on March 2, catch the bus there and drive to Banff to pick up people who will also be on the WPSC trip the week preceding this trip. Then we will drive up the Icefields Parkway to Jasper. This is a gorgeous drive and a huge summer attraction so it should be very nice. In the event that the road is closed, rare but possible, the Banff folks will take that trip's bus to Calgary, meet the Jasper bus, and we will take the boring roads to Jasper. This is a much longer drive, the upside being that if the road is closed the snow should be great!

There are more air options into Calgary so it should be easier to book early flights. DO NOT book your air yet as we have not yet set a bus departure time and once we see how many people are interested we will try to get a block of group air seats.

On the return, we will bus to Edmonton on Friday night after a day of skiing so that we can get early flights back home on Saturday.

Yes these are long bus rides to get to Jasper, that is the price to pay for a first class ski experience with uncrowded slopes.

**AIR** We do not have flights yet! The airlines have changed some policies so we need to be careful about this. The plan is to see how many people need flights from where and for one or both trips then see if we can get blocks of air to make it all work. It is usually much less expensive to drive to Toronto and fly direct from there so we will look at that as well as Pittsburgh and Cleveland. But until we know how many, there is not much point in asking for a block.

## **What is included**

Lodging, 6 nights at the Crimson Inn in Jasper.

1 night at the Edmonton airport motel, probably the Wyndham.

These are motel rooms, double occupancy.

Buffet breakfasts at both motels.

6 day lift ticket at Marmot Basin

Ground transfers to/from the airports. Shuttles to the ski resort from the lodge.

All taxes and gratuities at the Crimson including breakfast, tips for the bus drivers on the airport runs.

## **Options:**

Senior Discount, for 65+ Deduct \$40

Non-skier, Deduct \$150

Single supplement add \$465

Payment schedule: \$500 deposit at signup, Balance December 4, 2023 (Our December membership meeting.)

Prices are per person, double occupancy. Roommates must agree to share a room. If you cannot find a roommate, you will be charged the single supplement. (Yes, we'll do our best to help!)

Deduct \$100 for signing up and depositing before July 15!

## **Travel insurance:**

We will arrange a group policy with Travel Protectors or through Merit Travel, our tour operator for this trip, as in the past.

## **Documentation:**

A passport valid for 6 months after the date of entry is required to travel to Canada. A photo copy of your passport must be submitted at signup. If you have legal issues that may prevent entry to Canada, it is your responsibility to verify your ability to cross the border.

## **To Sign up**

Contact me via email, I will “pencil you in” pending receipt of your documents. This will hold your spot while the snail mail does it’s thing.

To make it official:

Complete the signup form.

Provide a copy of your passport.

Write a check for \$500 to the Erie Ski Club.

Send it all to my address below.

### **Contact:**

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### **Cancellation policy:**

Upon written notice, you will receive a refund of recoverable expenses non-recoverable expenses as incurred by the club due to your cancellation will not be refunded. This will vary depending on when you cancel. You may be charged for your roommate’s single supplement if your cancellation results in an unused bed. There may be re-ticketing charges. If you need to cancel, please contact the trip leader ASAP to determine what the penalties will be.

# ERIE SKI CLUB TRIP AND TOUR AGREEMENT

**A. DEPOSIT:** The initial deposit for **Jasper/Marmot Basin: \$500.**

**B. IDENTIFICATION:** Each person MUST HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE PASSPORT for presentation at the airport for check-in and passage to Canada. No Refunds will be made to any passengers whose participation is affected due to failure to possess proper identification. **A passport valid for 6 months after the date of entry is needed for entry in to Canada. If you have legal issues including DUIs, you may be denied admission to Canada. It is your responsibility to determine if you may have issues before traveling.**

**C. CANCELLATION AND/OR CHARGES:** Erie Ski Club (ESC) reserves the right to withdraw the tour, to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour at any time, or make changes in the published itinerary whenever in their sole judgment conditions warrant prior to departure time. ESC may add supplemental cost such as but not limited to fuel surcharges, taxes, and currency exchange rate and airport departure charges to the price of this trip.

**D. RESPONSIBILITY:** ESC is acting as agent for the applicant and shall not be liable for any loss of or damage to baggage or property, for any loss, injury, personal injury, death, accident, delay, inconvenience, or any other loss during, or occasioned by applicant's participation or lack of participation, in any trip or tour. Trip participants will ski or snowboard at their own risk.

**E. REFUNDS:** A full refund will be made to applicant if the trip is canceled by ESC except and unless where such cancellation is necessitated or caused, either wholly or in part, by applicant's cancellation or failure to make timely payments. Failure to make timely payments, at trip chairperson's discretion, may be deemed cancellation.

1) When someone cancels, ESC will refund the amount paid minus any and all amounts of cost caused by the cancellation. This may include ticket change fees, service fees imposed by travel agents, single supplements caused by a cancellation or other charges not listed here.

2) Regardless of when reservations are made, a passenger may cancel only by mail, sent to the trip chairperson's address listed on trip. Applicant shall be liable to ESC for any monies expended or paid by ESC over and above payments made by applicant to ESC.

3) ESC will not profit from a cancellation, but cannot afford to lose money either.

**F. OTHER:** Participant shall be a ESC member or a CMSC or WPSC club member with reciprocal trip privileges. Any trip or tour and this Agreement are subject to CAB rules and regulations.

**G. TSA RULE:** As of May 2009, it is mandated from TSA that we know your **COMPLETE LEGAL FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME AND LAST NAME ALSO BIRTH DATE AND GENDER FOR TICKETING.** Not supplying the information can cause no airline ticketing or cancellation from trip. To facilitate obtaining and verifying this data a copy of your passport is needed with your application.

CHECK the options desired:

Marmot Basin Ski Pass: 6 day pass  (senior discount calculated form your date of birth)

Non-Skier ( Deduct \$150)

Lodging: Single Supplement (Add \$465)

Are you also signing up for Banff the preceding week?

Air: Will check on availability when we see how much interest there is.

We highly recommend that you purchase Travel Insurance to cover your investment. Information will be sent upon signup.

PRINT YOUR COMPLETE LEGAL NAME according to TSA RULE – (ATTACH A COPY YOUR PASSPORT)

## TRAVELER 1

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ • Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ • Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_

## TRAVELER 2

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ • Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ • Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ • Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Ski Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rooming Preference (w/whom) \_\_\_\_\_ If no suitable roommate is found, you may be required to pay a single supplement (\$425) for a private room. All roommates must agree to the pairing.

In Case of Emergency, contact (please fill out):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Deposits will be accepted until trip is full.** When trip is full, your name and deposit will be held on a waiting list until there is an opening.

**Final payment is due as stated on the trip flyer.** If balance is not received by this date, the people on the waiting list will be given priority. The trip chairperson will not call to remind you that your balance is due. It is your responsibility! Your deposit will be automatically forfeited!

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Make checks payable to Erie Ski Club, Inc.)

I do hereby accept the foregoing terms of this agreement.

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Signature (TRAVELER 1) of Applicant (If Applicant is under 21, have parent or guardian sign) SIGN PLEASE, THANK YOU

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Signature (TRAVELER 2) of Applicant