



The Yukon: A Northern Escapade Canada

SAVE THE DATE!

August 9 – 20, 2020

Please note: These dates are subject to change.

WHO CAN GO?

14 girls, 16-18 years old on the first day of the trip + 2 Guiders

You must meet the Eligibility Requirements, as listed on the [Eligibility tab of the NST webpage](#).

WHAT YOU'LL EXPERIENCE

DAY 1: Sunday, August 9, 2020

Vancouver, Canada

Au revoir to your hometown! Catch a ride to your local airport and fly to Vancouver where you'll meet up with the group, get acquainted and get excited for the incredible adventure you're about to embark on!

Meals included: dinner

DAY 2: Monday, August 10, 2020

Whitehorse, Yukon

Head to the Vancouver airport and fly to Whitehorse. You will get started right away with your amazing activities, as you visit Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre, and then check into the hotel for a trip orientation. You'll even have some opportunity to explore Whitehorse by strolling the streets. Today, you will bond with your fellow trip participants over what an amazing experience you will have, and then head to bed after a busy day of travel and sightseeing.

Meals included: dinner

DAY 3: Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Lake Laberge Camp, Yukon

After a tour of Whitehorse in the morning, you will embark on a full-day paddle down the legendary Yukon River. In the late afternoon, you will arrive at Lake Laberge, where the Yukon River widens dramatically to form a beautiful lake pressed between two mountains. You will set up your camp for the

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night and participate in a cultural immersion activity by learning to make moosehide moccasins in the tradition of the Northern Tutchone, who have inhabited this Earth for millennia.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 4: Wednesday, August 12, 2020

Fort Selkirk National Historic Site, Yukon

You will depart Lake Laberge and drive north to Minto, where you will board motorized launches for a short trip down the Yukon River. You will arrive at Fort Selkirk, a place only accessible by water that was established by the Hudson's Bay Company in 1848, though it was long since a gathering place for the Tutchone. You will have the rest of the evening to explore the settlement.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 5: Thursday, August 13, 2020

Dawson City, Yukon

Today, you depart Fort Selkirk and travel up the Pelly River by motor launch, taking you back to the Klondike Highway and the bus. You will take a drive to the historic Dawson City, where you will enjoy the luxury of a hotel after two nights of camping. There is so much to do in Dawson, and the group will have free time to pick the things that are most interesting to them to visit.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 6: Friday, August 14, 2020

Tombstone Territorial Park, Yukon

Departing Dawson City in the morning, you will drive through historic gold fields where the first claims were made with the discovery of gold nuggets. You will take a beautiful drive on Dempster Highway, the only road to the Arctic Ocean in Canada. Once you arrive at Tombstone Territorial Park, you will set up camp for the night and take a hike to see the breathtaking views of the park.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 7: Saturday, August 15, 2020

Engineer Creek, Yukon

As you leave the campground in the morning, the dirt road climbs to a viewpoint of the Tombstone Range, then crosses to its high point at North Fork Pass and levels out into subarctic tundra. In August, the tundra should be starting to show its autumn colours. The short drive will bring you to your campsite at Engineer Creek. In the afternoon, you will take a hike up Sapper Hill, and with a little luck, you will catch a glimpse of the Northern Lights come nightfall.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 8: Sunday, August 16, 2020

Rock River Campground, Yukon

Today, your journey will take you along more spectacular drives as you cross the Continental Divide again through the Ogilvie Mountains and into a region untouched by glaciation. You will have a pit stop at the Eagle Plains Hotel for a hot drink, and then head back on the highway for more spectacular

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views. You will reach the Arctic Circle, likely the furthest north you have ever been! After a great photo op, you will set up camp at Rock River Campground.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 9: Monday, August 17, 2020

Tombstone Territorial Park, Yukon

Today, you will begin heading south again on your return journey, as you take the time to explore the landscape for wildlife, and camp yet again at Tombstone Territorial Park.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 10: Tuesday, August 18, 2020

Whitehorse, Yukon

Leaving the Tombstone, you will drive south to Whitehorse, stopping along the way. After four days of camping and roughing it, you can be pampered by the comforts of a good hotel. You will have a farewell dinner and gather for a closing candle circle.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

DAY 11: Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Vancouver, Canada

After breakfast in Whitehorse, you'll hop on a flight back to Vancouver to spend one last night with the group reminiscing and debriefing about the incredible experience you all shared.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch, dinner

DAY 12: Thursday, August 20, 2020

Home

After a good breakfast, you will head to the airport to catch your return flight home. Your family and fellow Girl Guides will be so excited to hear about your adventure.

Meals included: breakfast

ACTIVITY LEVEL: Active

On your trip, there will be some vigorous physical activity, such as challenging hiking, rafting, canoeing or kayaking, in addition to walking. You may encounter some high-altitude hikes or more strenuous activities.

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PARTNERS: NATURE ED

COSTS:

Total trip cost: \$5,289

Girls owe: \$2645

Guiders owe: \$0

Girls: Great news – GGC National Office covers 50% of the total cost of the trip, meaning you are only required to pay half the total cost of the trip!

Guiders: Great news – Your trip is fully funded through the Jean Youngson Memorial Bequest to the Canadian World Friendship Fund.

Visit the Costs & Fundraising tab on the NST webpage for more information about what's included, fundraising and other potential funding.

READY, SET, APPLY!

Before beginning your application, please review the **Application Instructions** and check out the [Top Tips](#) for support. Once you're ready, visit the Nationally-Sponsored Trips webpage to apply!

[Find the Girl application instructions here.](#)

[Find the Guider application instructions here.](#)

Applications (including your letter of recommendation) must be completed and submitted online by:

Guiders: 5:00 p.m. ET on Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Girls: 5:00 p.m. ET on Wednesday, October 9, 2019

QUESTIONS?

Check out the FAQ tab on the [Nationally-Sponsored Trips webpage](#)

Email us: nationaltravel@girlguides.ca

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