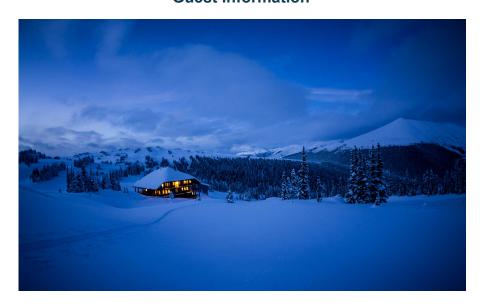


# **Guest Information**



**Trip logistics getting to Purcell Mountain Lodge** 

We fly with Alpine Helicopters in Golden B.C. Guests are asked to arrive at the hangar at 8:15 a.m.. We are on Mountain Standard Time, the same time zone as Calgary.

#### Alpine Helicopters hangar 204 Fisher Road Golden, B.C. V0A 1H0

Phone: 250 344 7444 (Alpine Helicopters office)

Our Stager & Expediter will greet you at the hangar on departure day. Arriving on time allows for time to weigh baggage, be ready to read and fill out and sign the release of liability waiver and receive a helicopter safety talk.

Read all the fine print in the Release of Liability waiver on the last page. Review the information carefully. A paper copy of the waiver is required to be signed and witnessed at the hangar.

You must wear your helmet, goggles, ski jacket, ski boots and ski pants etc. for flying in and out of the lodge. \*\*We need splitboards to be separated and large bindings removed for transport up to the lodge\*

Your getaway begins with a spectacular helicopter ten minute flight over stunning mountain ranges, tumbling glaciers and breathtaking views.

#### **Directions**

When you arrive in Golden from the Trans Canada Highway, take the overpass into town. Follow 9th Street South to 5th Ave. South. Turn right on 5th Ave. South. Stay left which is Fisher Road. Follow Fisher Road over the railway tracks and around the bend;

Alpine Helicopters is the last hangar on the left; Drive along the road and bear left as the road becomes Fisher Road. You will drive over the train tracks and continue down the road till you see Alpine Helicopters office.

# **Outdoor Clothing**

We recommend that you dress in layers for skiing and riding. Layering provides better protection against the cold than wearing one larger heavier layer. Lightweight thin wool and synthetic layers (polyester, polypropylene & fleece) will wick moisture.

Recommend outerwear should be water resistant, windproof & with venting options. Gortex or similar shell garments with venting zippers are ideal outerwear. Insulated outer jacket is recommended for lunch breaks. It is best not to use an insulated outer garment while you are active

# Daypack

The easiest way to pack for a helicopter, and stay within your weight allowance is to:



# \*\*30-35 Litre Day Backpack Recommended\*\* Organize your daypack prior to flying in so it is ready to take into the outdoors. Make sure there is room for a packed lunch and Avalanche Safety Gear



\*\*No weight restriction on your day pack & pack only the essentials\*\*

Spare clothing, warm hat (toque) & extra pairs of warm mitts or gloves

Water bottle (holds 1-2 litres) & hot water thermos (optional but recommended)

Sunglasses, goggles, sunscreen, & lip balm

Head light with extra batteries



# Personal first aid supplies

Medical tape, band-aids, moleskin, blister kit, personal medications, anti-inflammatory and antihistamines etc.)

# Personal gear repair kit (optional)

Extra binding screws, spare binding parts, spare baskets, nylon & duct tape, pocket knife, ski wax, skin glue, screwdriver and boot repair kit.

# Packing list guest room & lodge stay:

Helicopters have a very limited capacity. For your safety, we must limit your personal **soft shell luggage to a maximum of 35 lbs** (13.5 kg). Additional cargo space is for gear, transportation of food and lodge supplies. Absolutely no hard shell and no wheel baggage permitted.

The dress code is informal, and there is no need to pack an extensive wardrobe.

Canadian made Unscented Soap Company biodegradable hand and body wash shampoo and conditioner are provided. We have a hair dryer for your use if you need one.

# Bring a lightweight sleeping bag or blanket to use for a body covering. Pillows, pillowcases and fitted sheets are provided

Bath, sauna, face and hand towel for personal use

One or two changes of casual clothing

Non scuff house shoes or slippers

Warm pyjamas, toothbrush, toothpaste and dental floss

Personal grooming and sanitary supplies

Personal medications

Eyeglasses, contact lenses with spares

Camera and spare batteries

Book to read

Charge card or cash is the accepted payment for purchases for our full service bar, gift shop ad for gratuities).

Effective November 1, 2022 when paying by Visa or Mastercard a merchant fee of 2.5% will be charged.





# **Equipment list**

Skis or Splitboards or Snowshoes

Ski poles for all outdoor activities

**Boots** 

Climbing skins



Safety gear is mandatory. Guests must participate in an avalanche safety orientation before heading out on the first tour. Guests must wear and know how to use an avalanche transceiver and training and instruction will be provided for all guided trips.

Avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe is required at all times.

# Avalanche gear rental

\$30 per day. Rental includes beacon, shovel and probe. Book in advance to make sure we have a set reserved.

# Allergy alert - Nut free lodge

We aim to provide a "nut free lodge environment" and do not serve any nuts in our meal service. Please do not bring in your own trail mix or nut based snacks.

If you would like nuts/ nut products for your adventure trip please contact management prior to discuss.

# **Smoking policy**

The lodge facilities and guest rooms are non-smoking

# Alcohol policy

There is no outside alcohol permitted. A cash bar is available with a selection of specially selected wines, craft beers, ciders and spirits.

# Suggested equipment rental in British Columbia and Alberta

Check your gear in advance that boots fit the binding, skins fit the skis etc. Be sure to double check everything is working properly prior to leaving the rental location.

**Higher Ground Mountain Sport - Golden, British Columbia** 

420B 9th Avenue North Golden, BC Phone: 1 800 587 7980

www.highergroundsports.cahttp://www.highergroundsports.ca

# **University of Calgary Outdoor Center - Calgary, Alberta**

2500 University Drive North West, Calgary, AB T2N 1N4

Phone: 1 403 220 5038

http://www.ucalgary.ca/outdoorcentre/

# **Gear-Up Mountain Sport & Rentals - Canmore, Alberta**

#6 1302 Bow Valley Trail Canmore AB

Phone: 1 403 678 1636

http://www.gearupsport.com/http://www.gearupsport.com/

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#### Accommodations

Helicopter transfer flight times are early on Friday and Monday mornings into the Lodge. Please plan It is recommended that you stay in Golden the evening prior to departure. The meeting time is at 8:15 a.m. on departure day

#### Prestige Inn, Golden B.C.

Special rate for a standard room for Purcell Mountain Lodge guests at Prestige Inn and Best Western Mountainview Inn. Quote your Purcell trip date to guarantee the rate. Features on-site dining, indoor pool & hot tub.

#### www.prestigehotelandresorts.com

Local: 250 344 7990

#### Best Western Mountainview Inn, Golden B.C.

Complimentary hot breakfast, pool, large hot tub, fitness room, business center, Wi-Fi

http://www.bestwestern.com

Local: 250 344 2333

#### What to expect upon arrival

Lodge Hosts/ & Caretakers will welcome you outside the lodge. Coffee, tea and continental breakfast will be ready for you to enjoy. The staff will be managing the helicopter transfers while you will be getting settled in. After all the flights arrive, the guides will have a brief meeting to discuss the plans for the day, then everyone will then come together for a warm welcome & introduction. Very shortly after you will be off on your first day's ski adventure.

The first day's lunch will be pre-packaged before you arrive. The lunch will be gourmet sandwiches, soups and stews. Take your pick from a selection of in house baked goods, vegetables, fruits and lots of pocket snacks.

Food sensitivities and allergies on your completed guest profile form will determine what the chef prepares for all your meal services. Email <a href="mailto:jackie@purcellmountianlodge.com">jackie@purcellmountianlodge.com</a> or call 1 888 767 8989 if you have questions about your in house meal services.

# **Daily Schedule**

**Coffee is ready by 7:00 a.m.** Help yourself to exercise mats found upstairs in the Library and do some stretching or yoga. Cozy up in the living room with your novel and finish that chapter you fell asleep in the middle of last night;

Hot breakfast is served at 8:00 a.m. for you to get a good healthy start to the day;

Our Purcell Lodge family will ring the bell when meals are ready to be served;

At breakfast time Guides will talk about a few guided options for the day. Choices range from gentle to more challenging runs. Your day can be as leisurely or challenging as you wish. Guided guests wanting to explore the terrain on their own must discuss with the lead guide. The release of the liability waiver you have signed is both a guided and self-guided waiver.

#### Head out on the trail around 10:00 a.m.;

**Happy hour** begins at 5:00 p.m. when you get back to the lodge. There are a variety of craft beers, wines and liquors available from our self-serve cash bar. Appetizers are served shortly upon arrival. Before dinner guests will have a chance to shower, take a sauna, nap, read, play games or relax;

**Three course dinner** is served at 6:30 p.m.. We love food as much as we love skiing. Our amazing chefs' have the freedom to create mountain inspired cuisine. The meals are all freshly made and will help refuel guests for their next day's adventure. Dinners are paired with B.C. speciality wines

#### Communication

If you require Wi Fi access, advise in advance by emailing jackie@purcellmountainlodge.com. A charge of \$15.00/ for no more than 30 minutes can be provided to check emails. The charge will be applied in advance of your stay.

The toll free number 1 888 767 8989 can be left as a 24 hour emergency contact number for your loved ones. If you have any further concerns about outside communication please email jackie@purcellmountainlodge.com for further assistance in advance of your visit.

# Farewell dinner logistics day before departure

Final bar tabs will be tallied after the farewell dinner on the evening prior to departure day; Purcell Mountain Lodge gift shop and souvenirs purchases will be added to the bar tabs. Gratuities, bar tab and gift shop items are subject to a merchant charge of 2.5%.

#### **Gratuities**

Gratuities are entirely at the guest's discretion and very much appreciated by our hardworking Purcell Lodge family. A suggested gratuity amount is 15-20% of your trip cost and will be shared equally among the Purcell staff that hosted your stay. Cash gratuities offered will be gratefully accepted by our lead ski guides when processing your bar tab. You may choose to offer more gratuities to a particular staff and in these incidences, a separate marked envelope with the staff member's name is the best manner to distribute. A merchant charge of 2.5% will be added for gratuities paid by credit card.

#### **Transfer/ Departure Day from Purcell Mountain Lodge**

\*\*Tie with orange flagging tape all your personal baggage, gear and poles to transport back to Golden\*\*

#### Guests are requested to depart their rooms no later than 6:45 a.m. on departure day.

This allows hosts/caretakers time needed to clean and prepare rooms for the next tour. Guests are required to help remove the pillow cases, flat and fitted sheet. The bedding will need to be neatly folded into one pillowcase. A more compact package helps us to be able to efficiently

transport the laundry back down to Golden for washing.

# Departure Flight Time 9:30 a.m.

The first flight to depart Purcell Lodge will be at approximately 9:30 a.m.. Guests will be transported 6 or 12 at a time. Incoming staff and guests will be flying into the Lodge as your group flys out.. If you have an airplane flight to meet please advise in advance and we will do our best to ensure you are leaving the lodge on an early flight.

All departure flights are completed no later than 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. weather depending.

For booking return flights home it is highly recommended to book return air flights later in the afternoon to evening incase of poor flying weather. Please drive safely and best not to rush the drive to the airport.

#### Our approach to COVID-19

As of October 1, 2022, the Canadian Government is no longer requiring visitors to Canada to be vaccinated to enter the country. Purcell Mountain Lodge is no longer requiring guests to be vaccinated to attend our trips and participate in our programs. As the season starts and the policies and initiatives listed may change.

Staff and guests are not required to wear a face mask. Those who choose to do so on their own accord are welcome to.

The health and wellness of our guests remains a top priority. Prior to and during your stay please remain dedicated to washing your hands often with soap and water to stay healthy. When soap is not available use an alcohol based hand sanitizer to reduce the spread of germs.

Guests are responsible for daily self-health checks and to notify staff if feeling unwell. Guests may be asked to isolate themselves, not return to the program or if the illness is severe to potentially leave the lodge.

#### Winter Booking Terms & Conditions

There are no refunds or credit notes issued for your trip if the helicopter cannot reach fly into Purcell Mountain Lodge due to poor weather. Please make sure to purchase your own insurance to cover this.

All trip payments are non-refundable and no credit will be issued. This includes, but is not limited to, inability to enter the country, travel complications, sickness, injury, family illness and poor weather or flying conditions.

#### **Insurance and Cancellation**

#### Cancellations must be notified in writing to jackie@purcellmountainlodge.com.

Life happens. Be prepared. We understand that occasionally events occur that prevent you from joining us for your vacation. Life is full of surprises and so is travel! You can't predict a missed flight connection, job loss or the death of a family member or your own illness or injury. When an unexpected event prevents you from travelling, Trip Cancellation/Trip Interruption reimburses travel costs if your trip is cancelled before you leave or disrupted after it has begun.

To avoid any financial hardship that an unexpected cancellation or interruption could cause, we strongly recommend purchasing Trip Cancellation/Interruption to protect your trip investment. Trip Cancellation/Interruption costs about 5% of your trip cost and it's worth the peace of mind.

Contact our preferred insurance provider for a quote for your visit. https://capricmw.ca/personal/lifestyle-financial

# **Emergency Evacuation**

In cases of emergency evacuation due to health issues or concerns the guide on tour will contact Alpine Helicopters, our helicopter provider, and the proper authorities. The at risk guest will be evacuated in a safe and timely manner back to Golden for medical attention at the expense of the at risk guest.

#### **CapriCMW Lifestyle Financial Options:**

#### **Emergency Medical Insurance for Visitors to Canada Emergency Medical Insurance**

- Available to any international visitor.
- Will treat COVID-19 as any other illness provided there is no Level 4 advisory for travel into Canada

#### **Canadians Travelling Within Canada Emergency Medical Insurance**

- Available to Canadians travelling outside of their province of residence.
- Will treat COVID-19 as any other illness

Please remember that the intent of Emergency Medical Insurance is to provide coverage for medical expenses incurred as a result of emergent medical events that require medical treatment to alleviate risk to health and life. The removal of a symptomatic guest for the safety of remaining guests & staff without medical treatment will not be covered.

#### **Guest Group Emergency Medical Insurance**

We continue to offer a group option to insure *all guests* through the season at a standard daily rate. An excellent option to ensure you and your guests are not responsible for helicopter transfer to hospital. Contact us for further information.

# **Trip Cancellation/Interruption for all Travelers**

- Intent is to protect travelers from sudden and unforeseeable circumstances & loss
- Protects nonrefundable travel costs
- Purchase anytime and cancel anytime
- COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2 or mutation or variation of SARS-CoV-2 is not covered

#### **Cancel For Any Reason Trip Cancellation for Canadians**

 This is a premium product with extra coverage available if purchased shortly after booking a trip.

#### Policy on Damage to the Premises or Loss of Equipment

Guests are responsible for any damages or losses to the lodge premises caused by the guests and will be charged to the guests upon completion of the tour.

#### **Release of Liability Requirement**

Every Purcell Mountain Lodge guest is required to sign a Release of Liability waiver. The waiver cannot be altered, changed or modified. In advance of your trip please review the waiver carefully at home. Be sure you have a clear understanding of the waiver before you sign; If you are not willing to sign the waiver in its present form, you will not be permitted to board the helicopter; Your trip will be cancelled without refund;

The paper waiver must be signed at the hangar/staging area prior to boarding; Your signature must be witnessed by a Purcell Lodge Stager/Expediter or Purcell Lodge staff member.

\*\*\*Release of Liability waiver on this page is for your viewing only. The paper copy will be provided to you at the hangar to sign\*\*\*

#### WINTER PLACES LESS TRAVELLED LTD O/A PURCELL MOUNTAIN LODGE

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (hereinafter the "Release Agreement")

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE OR GIVE UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE FOR NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR BREACH OF THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT OR CLAIM COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT

# PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Initial

THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT SHALL APPLY TO ALL FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES

Name	Last	First			Middle Initial
Address	Street		City		
	Prov/State	Country	ountry		Postal/Zip Code
Telephone	Home	Work		Mobile	
Date of Birth	Year Month Day	Age			
Email Address		Trip Start Date	Year/Month/Day		

TO: PLACES LESS TRAVELLED LTD., carrying on business as Purcell Mountain Lodge, His Majesty the king in the Right of the Province of British Columbia, Purcell Mountain Lodge, Backcountry Lodges of BC Association, Alpine Helicopters Inc, and their directors, officers, employees, guides, agents, independent contractors, subcontractors, representatives, successors, assigns and guests (all of whom are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Releasees")

#### **DEFINITION**

In this Release Agreement, the term "wilderness activities" shall include but is not limited to: alpine skiing, nordic skiing, telemark skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, hiking, touring, ski and

snowboard touring, mountaineering, ski and snowboard mountaineering, rock climbing, ice climbing, expeditions, trekking, glacier travel, and all activities, services and use of facilities (including the lodge and all other buildings), either provided by or arranged by the Releasees including orientation and instructional sessions or classes, transportation, accommodation, food and beverage, water supply, and all travel by or movement around helicopters, other aircraft, snowcats, snowmobiles or other vehicles, and all other activities and services in any way connected with or related to wilderness activities.

#### ASSUMPTION OF RISKS – AVALANCHES, ALPINE TERRAIN, WILDERNESS TRAVEL, WEATHER

I am aware that participation in wilderness activities, involves many risks, dangers and hazards. Avalanches occur frequently in the terrain used for wilderness activities and may be caused by natural forces or by persons travelling through the terrain. I am aware that the Releasees may fail to predict whether the terrain is safe or whether an avalanche may occur. The terrain used for wilderness activities is uncontrolled, unmarked, not inspected, and involves many risks, dangers and hazards in addition to that of avalanche. These may include, but are not limited to: cornices; crevasses; cliffs; trees, tree wells; tree stumps; forest dead fall; creeks; rocks; rockfall; boulders; holes and depressions on or below the snow surface; variable and difficult snow conditions; hypothermia, snow immersion; slips trips and falls; effects of high altitude including pulmonary edema and cerebral edema; infectious disease contracted through viruses, bacteria, parasites, and fungi which may be transmitted through direct or indirect contact; equipment failure; encounters with domestic and wild animals; impact or collision with other persons including other quests; becoming lost or separated from one's party or guide; negligence of other persons; and NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASES. I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM OR WARN ME OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS **OF PARTICIPATING IN WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.** Communication in wilderness areas may be difficult, and in the event of an accident or illness, rescue, medical treatment and evacuation may not be available or may be delayed. Mountain weather conditions may be extreme and can change rapidly and without warning.

I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

#### NOTICE TO SNOWBOARDERS, SNOWSHOERS AND TELEMARK SKIERS - INCREASED RISK

Unlike alpine ski boot/binding systems, snowboard, snowshoe and some telemark boot/binding systems are not designed or intended to release and will not release under normal circumstances, thus increasing the risk of not surviving an avalanche.

#### NON-SCHEDULED OR EMERGENCY EVACUATION, RESCUE OR FIRST AID

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I acknowledge and agree that all expenses associated with non-scheduled or emergency evacuation, rescue or first aid will be my responsibility and will not be covered by the Releasees.

# RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS,

#### ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

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Initial

THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT SHALL APPLY TO ALL FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES

#### RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the Releasees allowing me to participate in wilderness activities as defined in this Release Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, I hereby agree as follows:

- 1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may in the future have against the Releasees and TO RELEASE THE RELEASES from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my participation in wilderness activities, DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE OWED UNDER THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 337, ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES. I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM OR WARN ME OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS OF PARTICIPATING IN WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES;
- 2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any property damage or personal injury to any third party resulting from my participation in wilderness activities;
- 3. This Release Agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors,

administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of my death or incapacity;

- 4. This Release Agreement and any rights, duties and obligations as between the parties to this Release Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted solely in accordance with the laws of British Columbia and no other jurisdiction; and
- 5. Any litigation involving the parties to this Release Agreement shall be brought solely within British Columbia and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of British Columbia.

In entering into this Release Agreement I am not relying on any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees with respect to the safety of participating in wilderness activities, other than what is set forth in this Release Agreement.

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT SHALL APPLY TO ALL FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.

Witness Signature
Witness Printed Name

Guest Signature

Guest Printed Name

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian if guest is under age 19

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