



2023 MOUNTAIN ESCAPES



SUMMER AND WINTER AT BC'S BACKCOUNTRY LODGES



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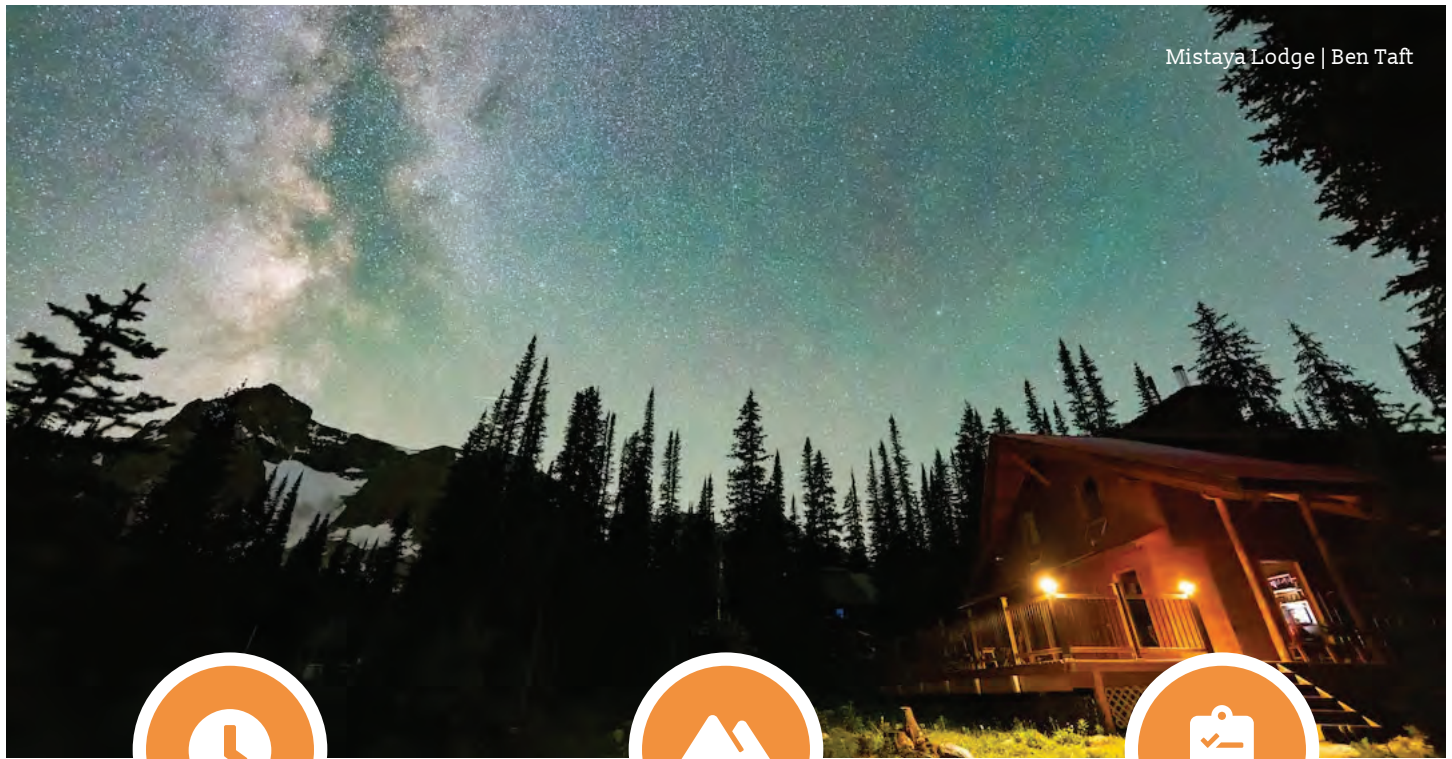
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

BACKCOUNTRY 101



WHAT IS A BACKCOUNTRY LODGE?

A backcountry lodge is accommodation located in a remote wilderness area that is not typically accessible by vehicle. Lodges are used as a homebase for outdoor recreation—ski touring, snowshoeing, hiking, biking, and more—in the natural areas that surround them. A backcountry lodge experience can range from rustic to luxurious, but are all located in mountainous areas surrounded by wildlife and stunning scenery.



BOOK EARLY

Lodges book up quick in winter and summer—especially on long weekends and holidays.

Book your trip early and secure pre- and post-trip accommodation as soon as possible.



CHOOSE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Lodges offer the option of fully-guided, self-guided, fully-catered or self-catered backcountry experiences.

Fully-guided trips are led by highly-trained, professionally-certified ACMG backcountry guides.



BE PREPARED

Plan and prepare for changing and variable weather, pack appropriately, and read all pre-trip guides.

Be prepared to travel and recreate safely and responsibly in the backcountry.

DISCOVER BC'S BACKCOUNTRY LODGES

Over 30 backcountry lodges are hidden amongst the rugged, wilderness landscape in British Columbia. Nestled in the mountains—from the Coast to the Cariboo, the Kootenays to the Purcells, the Rockies to the Valhallas—sit quiet mountain refuges waiting for adventure seekers.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BLBCA MEMBER LODGES IN BC

Amiskwi Lodge	amiskwi.com
Assiniboine Lodge	assiniboinelodge.com
Battle Abbey	battleabbey.ca
Blanket Glacier Chalet	blanketglacierchalet.com
Boulder Hut Adventures	boulderhutadventures.com
Burnie Glacier Chalet	bearmountaineering.ca
Callaghan Country	callaghancountry.com
Campbell Icefield Chalet	skigolden.com
Dave Henry Lodge	davehenrylodge.com
Dezaiko Lodge	dezaiko.com
Diana Lake Lodge	dianalake.ca
Durrand Glacier Chalet	selkirkexperience.com
Golden Alpine Holidays	gah.ca
Ice Creek Lodge	icecreeklodge.com
Icefall Lodge	icefall.ca
Mallard Mountain Lodge	canadianadventurecompany.com
Mistaya Lodge	mistayalodge.com
Monashee Chalet	monasheechalet@gmail.com
Mount Carlyle Backcountry Lodge	skihikebc.com
Nuk Tessli	nuktessli.com
Purcell Mountain Lodge	purcellmountainlodge.com
Powder Creek Lodge	powdercreeklodge.com
Selkirk Lodge	selkirkllodge.ca
Sol Mountain	solmountain.com
Sorcerer Lodge	sorcererlodge.com
Talus Lodge	taluslodge.com
Tyax Adventures	tyaxadventures.com
Valhalla Mountain Lodge	valhallamountainlodge.com
Valhalla Mountain Touring	vmt.ca
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TOP 10 REASONS TO BOOK A BACKCOUNTRY LODGE EXPERIENCE



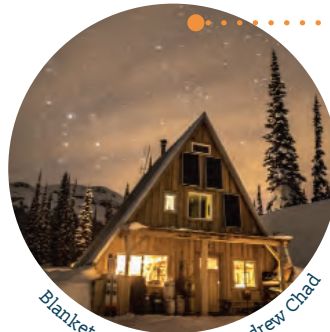
Boulder Hut



Ice Creek Lodge



Battle Abbey Lodge | Roger W. Laurilla



Blanket Glacier Chalet | Andrew Chad



Purcell Lodge



Callaghan Country | Abby Cooper

- 1 Explore BC's remote mountain ranges—without the crowds.
- 2 Ski, snowboard, or snowshoe through untracked powder surrounded by incredible scenery in winter.
- 3 Hike, climb, mountain bike, stand-up paddleboard, or trail run on diverse and remote backcountry trails in summer.
- 4 Practice yoga, view wildlife, capture photos, or paint incredible landscapes.
- 5 Enjoy the comforts of home while reveling in a peaceful, pristine wilderness.
- 6 Create your own dream backcountry trip—from rustic to luxurious, catered or self-catered, guided or self-guided—for a customized adventure.
- 7 Dine on mouth-watering cuisine crafted by legendary backcountry chefs.
- 8 Relax in a cedar sauna or beside a roaring fireplace after a long day of exploring.
- 9 Bond with a community of like-minded people and create new friendships.
- 10 Travel safely through the backcountry with an expert guide and improve your backcountry awareness and abilities.



The BLBCA and its members are committed to leaving as small a footprint as possible while allowing guests to immerse themselves in the wonders of BC's backcountry wilderness.

TRAVEL AND RECREATE SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY

All BLBCA member lodges take precautions to ensure the safety of staff and guests at all times. Before you book a backcountry lodge experience, familiarize yourself with information on responsible travel, backcountry safety, health orders, and pre-trip information and resources.



BE SAFE IN THE BACKCOUNTRY

For tips of how to travel safely in avalanche terrain visit [BLBCA's Self-Guided Recommendations](#). Find links to Association of Canadian Mountain Guides Backcountry Planning Brochure and Avalanche Canada's Pre-Trip Planning Course on BLBCA's [Know Before You Go](#) resource page.



TRAVEL RESPONSIBLY

Visit Destination BC's [How to Travel Safely and Responsibly in BC](#). Support #RecreatingResponsibly in BC's backcountry and alpine environments. #Regenerate and #Reconnect in the backcountry to support your physical and mental well-being.



STAY UP TO DATE

Visit our bi-monthly [What's News](#) blog and sign-up for our bi-monthly [Newsletter](#). You will find updates on current events, contests and other backcountry-related items.



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REVIVE IN BC'S BACKCOUNTRY

Just being in nature—the wind in your hair, the smell of cedar, the sound of a trickling glacial stream—is rejuvenating. BC's backcountry lodges offer a chance to slow down and reconnect, to roam and to wander. It's a place to be revived by the wilderness.

SLOW DOWN

Relax mind and body to the rhythm of nature.

Rise with the sun, sit with the stars, and let the days' adventures unfold however they may.



Valkyr Lodge | Steve Ogle



Tyax Adventures | Brian Goldstone



Assiniboine Lodge

RECONNECT

Make memories in the mountains.

Take time to reconnect to yourself and to nature—and bring the ones you love along, too.



Callaghan Country | @mountaindarlin



Whitecap Alpine | @emmett_sparling



Sol Mountain | Steve Shannon

BE WILD

Let nature rejuvenate and revive.

Jump in a glacial lake, run through an alpine meadow, sit on a mountain peak—be wild and free.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT VISITING A BLBCA LODGE

WHAT SEASONS DO THE LODGES OPERATE IN?

Summer operations are from June-September, while winter operations are from December-April.

IS VISITING A BACKCOUNTRY LODGE A GREEN TRAVEL OPTION?

After you arrive it's hard to imagine a more carbon neutral holiday — where else would you not drive while on vacation? Because of their location, those who run backcountry lodges are experts in treating water and using alternative energy systems such as harnessing wind, water and sun for power. Treading lightly on the fragile alpine environment is just the way things are done up here.

WHAT TYPE OF LODGES ARE AVAILABLE?

You name it. The BLBCA has lodges from rustic to luxurious and everything in between.

ARE BACKCOUNTRY LODGES FOR HARD-CORE MOUNTAIN ENTHUSIASTS ONLY?

Not at all! A BLBCA lodge is an excellent vacation option no matter your interests or age, so long as you enjoy the outdoors and 'getting away from it all'. You'll be surprised at the many comforts you can find at a backcountry lodge. Many people even hold special events at the lodges with many attending never having been before.

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ESCAPES PODCAST**
TUNE IN TO OUR PODCAST
HIGHLIGHTING A UNIQUE
LODGE



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ABOUT THE BACKCOUNTRY LODGES OF BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION (BLBCA)

The BLBCA is the most extensive backcountry accommodation network in Canada. Working with member lodges, the BLBCA aims to touch the lives of guests with awe-inspiring adventures throughout British Columbia’s inimitable backcountry. The BLBCA also facilitates information sharing between member lodges and acts as an advocate for sustainable and responsible adventure tourism and backcountry recreation in BC.

WANT TO SUPPORT THE BLBCA? BECOME A MEMBER

Sign up to become a member and join a community of lodge owners, staff, backcountry users, and recreation advocates.

FULL MEMBERSHIP	ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP	AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP
<p>If you are backcountry lodge operator or owner in British Columbia.</p>	<p>If you are an organization or business engaged in backcountry recreation, the outdoor industry, or a related industry.</p>	<p>If you are an individual backcountry user or have general interest in supporting the goals and objectives of the BLBCA.</p>



BECOME AN AFFILIATE MEMBER

For you, and generations of adventurers to follow, we need your help. Becoming an Affiliate Member is the perfect way for individuals to help support the goals and objectives of the BLBCA. The more voices we have, the more likely it is that we will succeed in preserving those special places that we love to spend time in.



- ✓ Support protection of wildlife, particularly the BC Gov't's [*Species and Ecosystems at Risk*](#).
- ✓ Support [*#RecreatingResponsibly*](#) in BC's backcountry and alpine environments. [*#Regenerate*](#) and [*#Reconnect*](#) in the backcountry to support your physical and mental well-being.
- ✓ Support BC's Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport's Strategic Framework – [*People, Prosperity, Planet*](#).
- ✓ Get exclusive access to special deals at [*BLBCA Member Lodges*](#).
- ✓ \$25 discount coupon from [*True Outdoors*](#).
- ✓ 15-20% off purchases from [*ROI*](#).



GET YOUR LIMITED EDITION BLBCA STICKER.

It's finally here, our brand new limited edition sticker. Sign up below to get yours and take it with you on your next backcountry adventure.

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