



## 3 Day/2 Night Guided Hiking Sample Itinerary

### Day 1: Hike up Open Heart Meadows

**Stats:** ~10km, +550m / -550m

Your incredible 3 day wilderness hiking adventure begins with a stunning floatplane flight over multi-colored mountain tops, thunderous creeks to Spruce Lake.

From Spruce Lake your group will hike to the Open Heart lookout. Expect rocky mountainous terrain, sweeping vistas, and ample wildlife viewing opportunities. From atop take the time to let the views really soak in and enjoy the solitude. Retracing your steps, you will return to Spruce Lake. Relax and recap the days adventures by the lakeside at your home for the night, Spruce Camp. Where thoughtful meals and comfort await you.

### Day 2: Hike Spruce Lake Camp to Eldorado Cabin via Windy Pass. Overnight at Eldorado Cabin

**Stats:** ~ 15kms, +804m / -466m

Today you will conquer an alpine pass and hike through a vast and open basin on route to Eldorado Cabin.

Shortly after leaving Spruce Lake you will start hiking approximately 650 m up Windy Pass. A mix of sparsely forested sections and small, open meadows-which allows you glimpses of the pass and the surrounding mountain scenery. From atop Windy Pass you will be treated to breathtaking views of unique geological features such as Cartable Mountain and Castle Peak. Descending off Windy Pass you will hike through an alpine valley to a grassy and forested basin.

Next you will hike through the basin to Eldorado Cabin. Be impressed by the views of majestic peaks in the distance and the beauty of the many meandering creeks and streams. And keep your eyes peeled for wildlife.

Relax and recap the days adventures at your home for the night, Eldorado Cabin. Where thoughtful meals and comfort await you.

### Day 3: Hike Eldorado Cabin back to Tyax Adventures Base via Cabin Pass, Camels Pass, Ridge O Rama, Upper and Lower Cinnabar

**Stats:** Distance ~ 17km. Elevation + 594m / – 1507m

More adventure, solitude and awe inspiring mountain landscapes await you today. Immediately after leaving Eldorado Cabin you will begin the short climb up Cabin Pass. Hiking through sparse trees and rocky terrain you will be rewarded with views of a significant portion of what lays ahead of you today from atop Cabin Pass. Specifically a vast grassy basin, splendid multi coloured rock formations, Camels Pass and the magnificent Ridge O Rama hiking route.

After a short descent into a grassy basin filled with small tarns and vibrant colours, you will begin the hike to Camels Pass. Once atop Camels Pass spectacular 360-degree views await you. The colours in the rocks seem unfathomable, they must be seen to be believed. And can you spot the passes namesake-a camel's head?



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From Camels Pass you will hike along a broad and very sparsely vegetated ridge, from which breathtaking mountain vistas can be seen all around you. Take a moment here to really appreciate the peacefulness and beauty of your surrounds. It truly is very special.

From atop Ridge O Rama you will hike gradually down into a basin filled with stands of trees, marshy sections, multiple small creek crossings, and a number of different micro ecosystems and wildlife habitats. After hiking through relatively flat terrain in the basin you will do one final small creek crossing. Before a short climb to gain and follow a well established trail that descends gradually back towards our base through a densely wooded area. Marvel at how the terrain changes to a mix of sand and volcanic ash.

After crossing the first signs of civilisation in 4 days, a dirt road, you will hike along through a forested area back to our base on the shores of Tyaughton Lake.