

4 Day/3 Night Guided Hiking Sample Intermediate Itinerary

Day 1: Flight start into Lorna Lake. Hike Lorna Lake to Bear Paw Camp via Lorna Pass. Option to add on at Bear Paw Camp. Overnight at Bear Paw Camp.

Stats: Distance ~ 8kms (Lorna Lake to Bear Paw Camp). Elevation +331m / -521m

Your 3-day guided wilderness hiking experience will begin with a stunning flight over multi coloured mountain tops and passes, thunderous creeks, and sub alpine meadows to Lorna Lake. Lorna Lake is nestled peacefully in between majestic mountains and is a brilliant turquoise in colour.

Shortly after leaving Lorna Lake you will cross Big Creek and begin hiking up 250 m to the top of rocky Lorna pass. From atop Lorna Pass you are afforded views of a vast open alpine valley, and mountains a brilliant red and orange in colour. After soaking it all in you will hike gradually down the valley, through sparse meadows and across small creeks, before arriving at Bear Paw Camp. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife.

Once you have arrived at Bear Paw Camp you have the option of relaxing and enjoying some activities located close by, such as fossil hunting at the base of a dramatic scree slope. Or you could refuel and go for a short out and back hike to, the options really are endless.

At days end relax and recap the adventures at your home for the night, Bear Paw Camp. Where thoughtful meals and comfort await you.

Day 2: Tyaughton Creek Trail, WD Trail, Spruce Creek Trail to Spruce Camp

Stats: ~ 18kms, + 340 m / - 504 m

Today you will hike through alternating forest and meadows on route to Spruce Camp. Be prepared for four major creek crossings, a few short steep climbs, and some slightly exposed sections of trail that side hill above the creek.

For most of the day you will be hiking parallel to Tyaughton Creek, and you will be offered awe inspiring views of the surrounding peaks and ridge lines.

Once at Spruce Camp you can walk a short distance to the shores of Spruce Lake, where row boats and fishing rods await (fishing licence mandatory). Or you could take the time to explore the surrounding slopes for fossils and viewpoints.



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Day 3: Hike Spruce Lake Camp to Eldorado Cabin via Windy Pass. Overnight at Eldorado Cabin

Stats: Distance ~ 15km. Elevation +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 4: Hike Eldorado Cabin back to Tyax Adventures Base via Cabin Pass, Camels Pass, Ridge O Rama, Upper and Lower Cinnibar

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? 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.