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Yukon Hiking

Yukon lives up to its motto: Larger than Life.



Miles Canyon

2027 DATES	Double	Single
June 18	$9,995	$11,695

*Within 60 days of departure, pricing and availability are subject to change. Per-person CAD pricing **includes flights and HST.** Land-only pricing is NOT available. (See Terms & Conditions - Prices)*

TOUR DETAILS	
Duration	12 Days
Fitness Scale	Level A3
Group Size	Max 11
Flights	Included

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With breathtaking vistas, majestic mountain ranges, sparkling lakes, and rugged valleys, the hiking trails in the Yukon never fail to impress. Begin your journey in Whitehorse, the capital of Canada's smallest and westernmost territory. Nestled alongside the mighty Yukon River, the fifth longest river in North America, it's easy to see why this powerful

land has drawn settlers since the mid-1800s.

The Yukon is also home to vibrant Indigenous cultures with deep, ancestral ties to the land. A visit to an authentic Indigenous camp offers a truly special experience: enjoy an interpretive tour led by a local Elder, followed by a delicious, traditional meal.

After exploring hiking trails around Whitehorse, Haines Junction and Kluane National Park, head further north to Dawson City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and immerse yourself in the fascinating history of the Klondike Gold Rush.

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What's Included

- Round-trip air from Toronto, ON to Whitehorse, YT
- One-way flight from Whitehorse to Dawson City
- Connections Program
- Airport transfers
- Private local transportation
- 11 nights of accommodation
- 11 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 2 dinners
- Local professional guides & all other entry fees and passes
- Services of an active DeNure Tours Tour Director

Prices are in Canadian dollars, are per person, and include HST.

INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS

- 10 hikes/walks
- Whitehorse City Day Tour
- MacBride Museum
- Visit and viewing of Five Fingers Rapids
- Guided Walking Tour of Dawson City
- Dawson City & Goldfield Tour
- Midnight Dome
- Da Ku Cultural Centre & Parks Canada Kluane Centre Guided Visit
- Yukon Wildlife Preserve Guided Visit and Walk
- Long Ago Peoples Places Indigenous Camp with a traditional lunch

Why This Tour is Great

Effortless Yukon Hiking
Hiking in the Yukon can be challenging due to its remote and rugged terrain. That's why we've partnered with a local company deeply familiar with the trails and landscapes. From flights and transportation to accommodations and expert guiding, we take care of every detail, ensuring your Yukon hiking adventure is smooth and unforgettable. Let us handle the logistics, so you can focus on the experience.

Unspoiled Wilderness & Breathtaking Views
The Yukon boasts some of the most pristine and untouched landscapes in North America. With vast forests, towering mountains, and wildflower meadows, it offers hikers a chance to explore awe-inspiring vistas, including the stunning peaks of Kluane National Park and the dramatic beauty of the Ogilvie Mountains.

Indigenous Lands & Cultural Connections
Hiking in the Yukon connects you to both the land and its Indigenous communities, like the Gwich'in and Kwanlin Dün. Trails pass through sacred sites and ancient hunting grounds, offering insight into the deep cultural and spiritual bond Indigenous peoples have with the land. Learning from Indigenous guides enriches your understanding of the land's history and fosters respect for their ongoing stewardship.

Wear your Sunglasses at Night...
...And Experience Land of the Midnight Sun! With the arrival of summer around June 21st, the Yukon experiences 18-22 hours of sunlight a day!



Tombstone Territorial Park



Long Ago Peoples Place



Kluane National Park

Day-to-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Travel to Whitehorse, Yukon
Enjoy your flight from Toronto to Whitehorse, the vibrant capital of the Yukon and a gateway to the North. Upon arrival, meet your local guide and transfer to your centrally located hotel. Take some time to freshen up before regrouping for a welcome meeting and dinner. For those interested, an optional group walk will be offered after dinner, a great opportunity to stretch your legs and get a first glimpse of Whitehorse.
Meals: D
Stay: Steelwheeler Hotel, Whitehorse, YK (5 nights)

Day 2: Whitehorse City Tour, Miles Canyon Hike
Begin your Yukon adventure with a guided city tour, visiting iconic landmarks such as the S.S. Klondike, the fish ladder, and notable highlights like the White Pass Building, Kwanlin Dun, and the Log Skyscraper. After lunch (on your own), embark on a scenic hike through Miles Canyon (A2/Moderate – 8km/334m). Walk along the well-maintained trails and take in the stunning views of dramatic rock formations and vibrant wildflowers. The evening is yours to explore at your own pace and enjoy dinner independently.
Meals: B

Day 3: Yukon Wildlife Preserve, Macbride Museum
In the morning, visit the Yukon Wildlife Preserve, a 700-acre wildlife sanctuary dedicated to showcasing the region's native wildlife in a natural and expansive setting. The preserve is home to a variety of animals, including moose, bison, elk,

caribou, muskoxen, lynx, and Dall sheep. Enjoy a guided walk (A1/Easy – 5+km) through the grounds while learning about their conservation efforts. In the afternoon, visit the MacBride Museum, named Canada's #1 most underrated attraction by MSN Travel Canada. Tour a half-city block of indoor and outdoor exhibitions illustrating the Yukon's heritage, with topics stemming from First Nations' history to the Klondike Gold Rush. The rest of the afternoon is free time to visit other museums and shops. Your local guide can help with kayak and bicycle rentals. In the evening, there may be an option for a self-guided, group hike on one of the local trails.
Meals: B

Day 4: Fish Lake/Bonneville Full-Day Hike
After breakfast, embark on a breathtaking journey along the Fish Lake and Bonneville Lake Trails (A2/Moderate – 7+km/323m). Traverse lands significant to the Kwanlin Dün and Ta'an Kwäch'än First Nations, learning about the cultural and historical ties to the land. Hike through lush forests, alpine meadows, and past crystal-clear lakes, stopping to enjoy a picnic lunch amidst stunning mountain views. After the hike, return to the hotel for a relaxing night.
Meals: B, L

Day 5: Discover Carcross, Full-Day Hike on the Sam McGee Trail
Travel south today to Carcross, Yukon, a picturesque town brimming with natural beauty and rich Indigenous heritage. Enjoy a hike along the Sam McGee Trail (A2/moderate – 9km/618m), a historic route that once served as a tramway for silver miners in the early 1900s. As you trek through alpine meadows, dense forests, and past rocky outcrops, you'll be treated to sweeping views of Bennett Lake, the majestic surrounding mountains, and the unique Carcross Desert, recognized as the world's smallest desert. Explore this unique landscape up close, with its vast sand dunes, formed thousands of years ago when glacial lakes dried up, leaving behind sand and silt. Next, visit Carcross Commons, a vibrant cultural hub of 16 artisans' stores, a restaurant, and gourmet coffee. After a rewarding day of exploration, return to Whitehorse for a relaxing evening to unwind and reflect on your adventure.
Meals: B, L

Day 6: Da Kų Culture Centre, Kluane National Park & Reserve - Day 1: Auriol Trail
After breakfast, check out of the hotel and head towards Haines Junction. Along the way, stop for a guided visit at the Da Kų Culture Centre, where you'll gain insights into the rich culture and traditions of the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) Dän people. After lunch (on your own), discover Kluane National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its stunning glaciers, rugged mountain landscapes, and expansive wilderness. Visit the visitor center to learn more about

the park's natural wonders, then embark on a guided hike along the Auriol Trail (A2/Moderate – 10km/467 m). This trail takes you through tranquil boreal forests, vibrant sub-alpine meadows and features breathtaking alpine vistas. Following the hike, check in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.
Stay: TBA, Haines Junction, YT (2 nights)
Meals: B

Day 7: Kluane National Park & Reserve - Day 2: Thunder Egg Creek or Sheep Creek Hikes
Return to Kluane National Park for a full day of exploration in this breathtaking region. Today's hike will depend on local trail conditions, wildlife sightings, and the group's preferences. The Thunder Egg Creek Trail is a moderate 8-10 km trek, offering dramatic views of the Kluane mountains, glaciers, and vibrant wildflower-filled meadows. Keep an eye out for "thunder eggs" (geodes) scattered along the creek, adding a unique touch to your adventure. Alternatively, the Sheep Creek Hike is a shorter, 6-7 km route that provides a more relaxed and accessible experience, with sweeping panoramic views of the Kluane Range. The trail meanders through forests and meadows and is renowned for its wildlife sightings, particularly Dall sheep. Following the hike, return to your hotel for a relaxing evening.
Meals: B, L

Day 8: Kluane National Park & Reserve - Day 3: Dezadeash River Trail Hike, Long Ago Peoples Place
After breakfast, embark on a leisurely hike through Kluane National Park along the Dezadeash River.
The trail features boardwalks and interpretive signage, with breathtaking views of the river, lush forests, and distant mountain peaks. After the hike, arrive at Long Ago Peoples Place, a recreated First Nations village, where you'll meet your expert guide for an immersive tour. A short walk into the woods will transport you back to a time when only wood, stone, and animal materials were used to create everything vital to the Southern Tutchone culture. From animal and fish traps to traditional housing and storage structures, be amazed by the ingenuity and resourcefulness of their ancestors, who built a vibrant and sustainable way of life in the remote north. While here, enjoy a traditional First Nations lunch. Overnight back in Whitehorse.
Stay: Steelwheeler Hotel or Carmacks Hotel, Whitehorse, YK (1 night)
Meals: B, L

Day 9: Five Finger Rapids Hike, Dawson City & Goldfield Tour, Midnight Dome
In the morning, enjoy a scenic drive to Dawson City, passing through remote wilderness with beautiful stops along the way. Pause for a hike to the Five Finger Rapids (A2-Moderate – 1.5 km), where towering rock formations once posed a challenge to gold rush steamboats. Along the trail, learn about the rapids' pivotal role during the Gold Rush through informative signage. Upon arriving in Dawson

City, take a guided tour that immerses you in the history of the Klondike Gold Rush, with visits to iconic sites and fascinating stories from locals. Continue to the nearby Goldfields to explore historic mining sites and delve deeper into the region's rugged past. In the evening, travel to the Midnight Dome to experience a unique feature, perpetual twilight.
Stay: El Dorado, Dawson City, YK (2 nights)
Meals: B

Day 10: Tombstone Territorial Park – Full-day Hike
Travel the Dempster Highway today through rugged tundra, majestic mountain ranges, and expansive valleys. Arrive at Tombstone Territorial Park for a visit to the Interpretive Centre and a full-day hike (A2/Moderate – 8+km/423m). Journey through awe-inspiring landscapes, with towering, jagged peaks, rolling hills, and vast tundra. The terrain varies from lush alpine meadows dotted with wildflowers to rocky ridgelines offering expansive views. After your hike, return to Dawson City for a leisurely evening. For those interested, continue the fun with an optional visit to Diamond Tooth Gerties, Canada's oldest casino.
Meals: B

Day 11: Dawson City Walking Tour, Farewell Dinner
After breakfast, embark on a guided walking tour through Dawson City. Stroll along the charming, wooden boardwalks and go behind-the-scenes with access to private Goldrush-era buildings. In the afternoon, fly back to Whitehorse for your farewell dinner.
Stay: Steelwheeler Hotel, Whitehorse, YK (1 night)
Meals: B, D

Day 12: Fly Home
After breakfast, begin your journey home with a flight from Whitehorse to Toronto, returning with lasting memories and unforgettable experiences.
Meals: B

Hiking Details

Hiking in Yukon can be more challenging than in Ontario, with shorter distances often accompanied by steeper elevation gains. Yukonhiking.ca offers reliable assessments of local trails. Only "easy" or "moderate" rated hikes are included in the itinerary, though substitutions may occur due to weather or other conditions.

DAY 2

1. Miles Canyon along the Yukon River
(A2/Moderate – 8+km/334m)
The Miles Canyon trail follows a well-worn dirt path with hills and offers stunning views of the Yukon River. The canyon was formed when the river cut through basaltic lava flows from a vent about 8 km (5 mi) south, around 8.5 million years ago. The constricted river created pools for fish, particularly salmon, which Indigenous peoples have been fishing for thousands of years. Tools found nearby date back 2,500 years, though people likely used the area for fishing and hunting 8,000 to 9,000 years ago, after the glaciers retreated.

DAY 3

2. Yukon Wildlife Preserve
(A1/Easy – 5km)
In the 1970s, Danny Nowlan began rescuing injured and orphaned wildlife at the Yukon Game Farm. Today, the Yukon Wildlife Preserve continues this legacy, caring for the region's most vulnerable animals. Since opening in 2012, the Wildlife Research and Rehabilitation Centre has helped hundreds of animals. A guided walk through the expansive grounds offers views of Arctic foxes, elk, bison, mountain goats, and eagles.

DAY 4

3. Fish Lake/Bonneville Lakes
(A2/Moderate – 7+km/323m)
Fish Lake area falls within the settlement lands of the Kwanlin Dun First Nation peoples. It begins on a well-worn trail through trees and then gradually ascends to the tree line, with a view of Fish Lake, Bonneville Lakes and Boundary Mountains.

DAY 5

4. Sam McGee Trail
(A2/Moderate – 9km/618m)
This historic trail, leading into the alpine below Montana Mountain, was originally built in 1905 to support a tramway for a silver mine. Along the trail, you'll find remnants of the tramway and mining artifacts. The summit offers stunning panoramic views of the surrounding mountains.

DAY 6

5. Kluane National Park – Auriol Trail
(A2/Moderate – 15km/367m (+430m)
The trail begins in quiet boreal forest, with spruce and aspen lining a gentle path. As you climb, the trees open into alpine meadows, which in early June are starting to bloom with wildflowers. Higher up, you'll enjoy sweeping views of the Auriol Range, with snow-dusted peaks and wide, open valleys. It's a peaceful, scenic walk through some of Yukon's most beautiful landscapes.

DAY 7

6. Option 1: Kluane National Park – Thunder Egg Creek/Lower Alsek
(A2/Moderate – 14km/215km)

Option 2: Kluane National Park – Sheep Creek
(A2/Moderate – 14km/215km)
Both these hikes provide breathtaking views of valleys and mountains. The decision on which hike to take will be made based on local trail conditions, wildlife sightings and group preference.

DAY 8

7. Kluane National Park - Dezadeash River Trail
(A1/Easy – 6km/39m)
This easy, scenic trail along the Dezadeash River Valley offers stunning views of the Auriol Range, with well-maintained boardwalks and informative interpretive signage.

DAY 9

8. Five Finger Rapids
(A2/Moderate – 1.5km)
Four islands of composite rock divide the Yukon River into five narrow channels, of which only the eastern is passable. This out-and-back trail, considered moderately challenging, provides vista views of the river.

DAY 10

9. Tombstone Territorial Park
(A2/Moderate – 8km/423m)
Tombstone Territorial Park, accessed via the Dempster Highway, is a beloved destination for Yukoners and a must-visit for many hikers. Its breathtaking subarctic tundra, dotted with resilient flora and scattered trees, offers spectacular views of valleys and towering mountains. The park's remote setting means there is no cell service. Our experienced hike leaders will guide you along this out-and-back trail, ensuring a safe and unforgettable adventure.

DAY 11

10. Dawson City Walking Tour
(A1/Easy – 10km)
The Historic Downtown Walking Tour takes you through streets once bustling with theatres, saloons, dancehalls, and fortune-seeking miners, alongside those eager to part them from their gold. Guests are invited into beautifully preserved Goldrush era buildings, including a grand bank, a charming saloon, and a post office once regarded as one of the country's most elegant structures, all rarely open to the public.

Important Info for this Tour

While this tour flies from Toronto, ON to Whitehorse, YT, guests can join this tour from anywhere in the world! Please contact us to discuss your airfare and pre-and post-tour accommodation options.

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The weather in late June can be unpredictable with temperatures ranging from 10°C–30°C. It can often be 10°C colder at higher elevations.

There will be no cell service on some of the hikes

Proper shoes/boots and poles are recommended.

Hikes are subject to trail conditions.

Hiking Difficulty & Alternatives *- Hikes may involve uneven terrain, inclines, and extended walking. While we walk at a leisurely pace (3 to 3.5 km an hour based on terrain), the group must stay together. Participation is at your discretion, and travellers are encouraged to assess their own abilities. Guests may choose not to join a hike or amend a hike, in consultation with the Tour Director. In some cases, alternative self-guided options may be taken, though this option is not always available.*

Guest Feedback

"Yukon was amazing - wild, beautiful, and peaceful"
- P. Callan

"The beautiful vistas and just overall experiences were wonderful."
- T. Garrett

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