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Find your aurora in the Canadian Yukon



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There are those of us who have made it a mission to chase auroras all over the world to see the phenomenon with our naked eye. Sometimes auroras are as hard to see as the aura of a human. Those who are skilled photographers know the settings to capture terrific photos unseen even by the eye of the photographer. But it's seeing with our own eyes we seek.

I have chased auroras first in Iceland and then outside of Fairbanks, Alaska. Some of our travelers have even stayed in igloos in Finland to witness the event. Some of us were not so lucky due to weather issues that can't be controlled. Now, we are planning another foray into the aurora oval region – this time in the Yukon, considered to be a premier viewing destination located right under the aurora oval.

While staying in an igloo might sound adventuresome, sometimes staying in five-star plus hotels just might be better, and our trip to the Canadian Rockies and the Yukon includes two of the most famous luxurious Fairmont hotels in Canada. After all, when you are chasing auroras, you must be well rested and well fed.

Collette Vacations has come up with a great itinerary for a 10-day holiday tour between December 6-15 that includes just about every bell and whistle a discerning traveler would enjoy. You can bet the



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Seeing the fabulous auroras in the skies over Whitehorse, Yukon is a great holiday trip that will make this holiday season a memorable occasion.

holiday décor will be centerstage.

Your first night is spent in Calgary with the next night in Lake Louise staying and dining at the famous Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise. On the way to this legendary hotel, you will enjoy a visit to Yamnuska Wolf-dog Sanctuary.

The next two nights find you enjoying the comforts and dining experience at the Fairmont Banff Springs nicknamed "Canada's Castle in the Rockies," known for elaborate holiday décor. On this Day 4, those who are adventuresome can hike through Johnson Canyon along steel catwalks to view the frozen waterfalls and capture stunning views.

Or, if this is too adventuresome, you can enjoy the stories of the indigen-ous Metis as they teach you the art of hand-beading. Later, there's a planned gondola ride up scenic Sulphur Mountain culminating with a dinner at the summit.

Then it's back to Calgary to enjoy a food tasting tour of the indoor Farmer's Market and time on your own. Day 6 finds you on a plane landing in the Yukon capital of Whitehorse, located right under the aurora oval. Weather permitting, the auroras should be stunning in the magical Yukon sky. You'll get to know Whitehorse well during your three-night stay giving you three

chances to view the auroras. During the day, there's plenty to do such as soaking in hot springs. One of the adventures will be a dogsledding guided tour of the Yukon wilderness led by a team of huskies.

Your last day starts with a flight to Vancouver, BC where you will share your experiences at the farewell dinner. Want to stay on your own in Vancouver for a few more days? That can be arranged.

There's so much more to this first-class tour, so you need to read the brochure to absorb all you are getting for a grand holiday tour priced at an affordable \$6,999 per person that includes round-trip air from

Reno and all internal air, nine nights at luxurious hotels, 14 meals, tour guide, all entrance fees, and more. Add an additional \$900 for a single.

This is a small group tour of no more than 24 travelers where you will all share memorable experiences. Be sure to book soon, space is limited.

Join us at the Chamber on March 31 to learn more about this trip and other Collette Vacation experiences. Call 775-882-1565 to reserve a seat at the 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. seating. To view the tour online, go to carsoncitychamber.com/images/uploads/2026_Aurora_Adventure_Brochure.pdf.

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1532 North Court, Unit D, Gardnerville, NV 89410

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