

## Canada Day in Canmore

Canada Day is just around the corner, and the town of Canmore is gearing up to celebrate this national holiday in style. As the annual Canada Day festivities return to Canmore, locals and visitors alike can look forward to a day jam-packed with exciting activities and events for the whole family. Although fireworks will not be happening this year, the spirit of community, the parade, and a range of engaging activities will make Canada Day 2023 in Canmore an unforgettable celebration.

### **The Canada Day Parade - A Vibrant Display of Culture and Canadian Pride**

The highlight of the day will undoubtedly be the much-anticipated Canada Day Parade. This lively procession showcases the rich diversity of Indigenous culture and Canadian pride, featuring dazzling floats, spirited marching bands, and festive music that will ignite a sense of patriotism within every spectator. With the theme "Feels Like Summer!" this year, the parade promises to be a colorful spectacle, representing the joy and energy of the season.

**New and Improved Parade Route:** In an exciting change, the parade route has been expanded and enhanced to create a better viewing experience for all attendees. Starting at the corner of Fairholme Dr. and 15 St., the parade will wind its way down Fairholme Dr., turning left onto Main St. and then left again onto Railway Ave. Finally, the parade will turn left onto 10 St. at the Firehall, culminating at 10 St. and 7 Ave. This extended route will allow for more viewing spots, ensuring everyone gets a front-row seat to the festivities.

### **Canada Day Events - Fun for the Whole Family**

Beyond the spectacular parade, a range of events and activities await participants of all ages throughout the day. Here are some highlights you won't want to miss:

- **Picnic Pancake Breakfast – by Donation**  
Kickstart your Canada Day celebration with a scrumptious pancake breakfast that will fuel you for the day's festivities. Enjoy a delicious meal while mingling with friends, family, and fellow community members. Donations received during the breakfast will go toward supporting local initiatives and organizations.
- **Canada Day Fun Run & Walk**  
If you're looking to get active and embrace the vibrant spirit of the day, the Canada Day Fun Run & Walk is the perfect opportunity. Lace up your running shoes and participate in this invigorating event that encourages individuals of all fitness levels to come together and enjoy a leisurely stroll or an energetic run through the scenic routes of Canmore.

### **Traffic Disruptions and Alternate Transportation**

As the Canada Day Parade takes center stage, it's important to plan your travel arrangements accordingly. Downtown Canmore will experience road closures between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on

July 1 to accommodate the parade. Vehicle access will be limited or nonexistent during this time, but you can still access and move around the downtown area by using HWY 1/Three Sisters Parkway. To avoid any inconveniences, consider getting your long-weekend groceries prior to July 1 or after the parade. Embrace alternate transportation options such as the free local transit service, biking, walking, or carpooling to ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience.

Canada Day 2023 in Canmore promises to be a day filled with community spirit, excitement, and family-friendly festivities. While fireworks may be absent this year, the celebrations will still shine bright. From the vibrant Canada Day Parade showcasing Indigenous culture and Canadian pride to the picnic pancake breakfast and the Fun Run & Walk, there are numerous opportunities to come together, celebrate, and create lasting memories. So mark your calendars, gather your loved ones, and join the Canmore community in honoring.