



Waddington Enterprises Ltd.

Hiking & Backpacking: Pantheon Range, Coast Mountains BC

Cost: \$965 + tax

Duration: 6 days/ 5 nights

Dates: July 26-31 & Aug 6-11

Difficulty: Moderate (hiking on and off trails)

Itinerary (may be subject to change)

Personal Gear (not provided): Boots, Sleeping Bag, Sleeping Pad, Backpack,

Group Gear provided: Tents, all cook wear, safety equipment, guides, day packs

Day 1: Meeting, Orientation, and Day activities

The group will meet at 1 pm at Waddington Enterprises Bluff Lake camp. After time to meet and mingle the group will receive a 2 hour orientation. During this period the trip plan and trip safety will be discussed in detail. Tents and group gear will be allocated at this time. Upon completion of the orientation the group will set out on a 1 hour hike on a lake view pioneer trail and will have option take out a canoe for a light paddle on Bluff Lake. A great meal and camp fire will mark the end of the first day

Day 2: Ascent to the Pantheon Alpine

After an early rise and breakfast the group will load their packs and set off. The day will take a slow yet steady approach to gaining the alpine. The route used is a well established trail with many refreshing vantage points. Over the course of the day the group will cover aprox 9 km and will gain 3500 ft of elevation to a camp in the alpine skirts of the Sapeye creek basin.

Day 3: Day hike and Descent to the Range Camp

A leisure start to the day will ensure the group is in top form for the glorious alpine experiences that mark the remainder of the trip. To start the day the group will pack some snacks in day bags and head for a ridge hike that produces phenomenal views of the surrounding glacier encrusted peaks of the Central Coast Mountains (3-4 km / 600 ft +/-). Upon return we will break from camp 1 and hike down the lush Sapeye Creek destine for a character rich range camp (4 km / -400 ft).

Day 4: Range Camp to Flyshacker Lake.

From camp 2 we will hike about 9 km +/- 500 ft through serene sub alpine creek draws and basins. Alpine flowers and wildlife viewing opportunities are fantastic on this segment of the trip. An extended break in Whistlers Basin allows the group a chance to lay back in the wild grass and watch the clouds pass as ever present marmot send out it's shrill call. Yet another all-star camp will be set at Flyshacker Lake. After a nice rest the group will have the option to partake in a late afternoon hike with light day packs to enjoy a stupendous ridge top view over Glacier Valley.

Day 5: Flyshacker Lake to Clay Creek Lake

From camp 4 the group will enjoy an alpine traverse to our much revered final camp (aprox 9 km +2000 ft/-500 ft). The last camp is perched on a high shoulder beside Clay Creek Lake. This camp overlooks the West Homathco Watershed and a fantastic expanse of the Central Coast Mountains. On clear days Mt Waddington (BC's highest mountain) can be seen enshrouded in some the Canada's greatest glaciers.

Day 6: Descent from the Alpine

An early rise and a calm 13-14 km descent (3500 ft) will bring the group back to the Valley bottom. The remainder of the afternoon will be utilized for trip closure. Showers and a wonderful closing meal will be provided at a near by Country Inn.