

Feature Article

150 miles of Spectacular Scenes

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If you've never been there you must go! It's closer than you might think. Sequim to San Francisco is 850 mi., but Lake Louise, Alberta is only 580 mi. Add 150 mi. for the Icefields Parkway to Jasper and it's 730 mi., but those 150 mi. of the Canadian Rockies will be unforgettable. These photos (from July '09) hint at some sights available without hiking:



Lake Louise from the front of the Fairmount Hotel



Bow Lake from the road



Mount Andromeda by the Athabasca Glacier



Moraine Lake, a few yards from the parking lot



Tangle Falls is also right by the road



Take a walk on Athabasca Glacier, with 300 ft. of ice beneath you.

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If you go, make reservations. The Banff and Jasper National Parks are popular. You'll need to buy a pass. In addition to the scenery, you may see wildlife such as moose, elk, grizzlies, caribou, black bear, mountain goats, mink, etc. so be prepared with wide to telephoto lenses.

One site to get more info is:
<http://www.canadianrockies.net>