



JASPER DARK SKY FESTIVAL

Oct 13-22, 2023

As the world's second largest dark sky preserve, Jasper National Park is the perfect place to be wowed by a night full of stars, distant galaxies and even sometimes the aurora borealis.

DAY 1

Morning

Go treasure-hunting on the Jasper Hikes and Tours geocaching adventure. If you're not already a fan of this fun and unique activity, you're about to join millions of geocaching enthusiasts from around the world and become one.

Afternoon

[Jasper Food Tours](#) will be your friendly host on a gentle 1.5 km Downtown Foodie Tour where you will visit four local restaurants and taste four carefully handpicked dishes with boozy pairings.

Evening

Tour the stars in [Jasper Planetarium's](#) 50-seated dome theatre and peer through the largest telescope in the Rocky Mountains. Then, gather at the After Dark Trivia Night and test your knowledge of space and science in this fun team challenge.

DAY 2

Morning

Start the day with a delicious meal and a side of fascinating science at Science for Breakfast.

Afternoon

Discover Jasper National Park's hidden gems on a guided hike with [Jasper Sights Guiding](#), [Canadian Skyline Adventures](#), [Jasper Hikes & Tours](#) or [Sundog Tours](#).

Evening

Get closer to the stars with "Under the Alpine Night Sky," a package experience, which runs every Saturday in September and October at the [Jasper SkyTram](#). This experience includes three-course dinner. Afterwards, get snapping with local photography guide, [Jasper Photo Tours](#) or [Wildland Photo Tours](#).

DAY 3

Morning

Spot local wildlife, from the majestic elk to the elusive lynx, in their natural habitats with [Maligne Adventures](#), [Sundog Tours](#) or [Jasper Hikes & Tours](#).

Afternoon

Get ahead of holiday shopping or snag a good deal at the Moonlight Market during the [Jasper Dark Sky Festival](#). Visit Jasper's great local [shops and stores](#) for rugged mountain gear, adventure-ready attire, perfect souvenirs and more!

Evening

Cook and dine al fresco at the "Peak-Nic Under the Stars" with [Jasper Food Tours](#). The tour includes a short but steep hike, a backcountry cooking demo, and a hot meal under the stars with a presentation by The [Jasper Planetarium](#).



Adventure Add-Ons

Keynote presentations by celebrated speakers (past talks have featured Colonel Chris Hadfield, Bill Nye, multiple astronauts and more!)

Celebrate the Jasper Dark Sky Festival by indulging in the dark and savoring the magic of the northern lights with [Jasper Event Management](#). Dining with Aurora is modified dinner in the dark. With the removal of sight, guests will control how dark they wish to make their experience and that with the removal of sight they increase the sense of smell, taste and touch of exquisite food, paired with Canadian VQA wines.



Meet Joy and Sean from [Jasper Hikes & Tours](#) on this family-friendly, 4-kilometre long Animals of Night Hike up on Pyramid Bench. Learn about Jasper's nocturnal wildlife on a trail to a great lookout of the town lit up at night.

Explore local history at the [Jasper Yellowhead Museum & Archives](#). You can also wander through town to see historical landmarks such as the Mystery Rock, the Two Brothers Totem Pole and Locomotive 6015.

Breeze into the past on a 1939 Jammer Tour, An open-air, historical tour of Jasper and some of its most spectacular locales with [Sundog Tours](#).



Fireside Chat with a Native Canadian Indigenous Knowledge Keeper; learn stories of the land and feel the heartbeat of traditional drumming and singing with [Warrior Women](#).

Join Yoga under the Stars with local yoga instructor Jenna McGrath from [Jasper Wellness](#). Great for all levels and abilities, this experience will guide you through pranayama and a series of postures with a full starry night savasana.

To see the full schedule of events available during the Jasper Dark Sky Festival, please [Click here](#).