



**Waterton Lakes**  
**National Park of Canada**  
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## Cultural Explorer

*You seek constant opportunities to embrace, discover, and immerse yourself in the entire experience of the culture, people and settings of the places you visit. Not content to just visit historic sites and watch from the sidelines, you want to participate in the modern-day culture as well. You often attempt to converse with locals, attend local cultural festivals, or go off the beaten track to discover how people truly live.*

As you approach the historic Prince of Wales Hotel, built in 1927, you're struck by how its peaked roof and eaves simultaneously echo the mountainous landscape and stand out against the wide blue sky. Once inside, the warm smell of Earl Grey entices you to partake in the beloved British tradition of afternoon tea.

Long before Europeans arrived here, First Nations people used and honoured the land as their home, hunting ground, and source of spiritual strength. Talk to an interpreter about the many areas in the park where aboriginal peoples hunted, fished and camped.

He also suggests a trip to the Maskinonge Overlook, where you learn the fascinating story of the sacred Beaver Bundle, an important spiritual element for the aboriginal people here. Afterwards, you take a drive along the Red Rock Parkway to follow a path used by K'tjunaxa hunters as well as European pioneers. The Rocky Mountain Development Company even used the route during their short-lived oil drilling operation in the park at the turn of the 20th century!

**Speak to our Parks Canada staff to make the most of your visit!**  
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## For the **Cultural Explorer** we suggest...

**Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park** - In 1932 Waterton Lakes National Park was combined with Montana's Glacier National Park to form the world's first International Peace Park. It's a symbol of friendship between Canadians and Americans.

Participate in a fascinating guided hike with a US Ranger and Canadian interpreter during the 13 kilometer Lakeshore trail to Goat Haunt (in the US). On the way back, enjoy the lakefront and mountain vistas from the comfort of the MV International, or soak up the scenery while you relax on an evening boat cruise.

**The Spiritual Park** - Explore the Aboriginal cultural ties to the park's prairies and mountains at the Crandell Mountain Interpretive Theatre's Native Storyteller program. Then, visit the Maskinonge Overlook Exhibit and discover for yourself the origins of the sacred Beaver Bundle.

**A Taste of Alberta** - The Saskatoon berry was one of the most important plant foods for the Blackfoot people who used them in various dishes as well as for dyes and medicinal purposes. You can taste Saskatoon berry jam made here from fruit picked in other parts of Alberta; the berries in the park are reserved for the wildlife.

