



## Savour the Summer

It is an exciting time as we bid farewell to June and welcome the start of July. With kids being out of school, we can embrace the majestic outdoors with loved ones and spend priceless time together.



It does not matter what activity you do outside but try to tackle at least one new summer pursuit. Spending time in nature will promote positivity, happiness and kindness. It is a reboot of our mental and physical health.

Our Purcell Lodge family greeted opening tour guests on Canada Day and will continue to share our mountain home with friends through to mid September. To all adventure seekers and past guests, there is still time to book and take advantage of last minutes deals. Our dedicated summer team hopes you can make time this summer to join us for an epic journey in the backcountry. Come take a peaceful walk with Mother Nature free from disturbances and nourish your mind, body and soul. Stay, play and explore the Purcells!

The Lodge opened on June 24 with the help and care of our start up crew, Peter, Veronika, Louise and Kelly. Thank you to our impressive foursome for getting the Lodge ready for summer. Our entire Purcell Lodge family were busy in June fine tuning our summer operations. Each season we strive to improve and better serve our guests.

**Proudly leading our stellar guided hiking program are ACMG Hiking Guides  
(left to right) Mark, Alison, Kevin, & Peter**



Our lead guides combined have 28+ years of hiking experience. They have thoughtfully planned our program to accommodate every hiking ability level. We are proud to be a backcountry playground for everyone and look forward to welcoming guests of all ages. Our youngest guest this summer season will be 2 years old!

Introducing our Purcell ACMG Assistant Hiking Guides. We can hardly wait to have them share their knowledge, enthusiasm and smiles with our guests. Our guides come to us with many years of experience in other lodge based operations. We are thrilled to have them round out our superb guiding team.



We are so pleased and proud to welcome  
Veronika, Jo & Jason (left to right) to our Purcell Mountain Lodge guiding team

### Explore the Options to Visit Purcell Lodge

We are flexible with our programming and understand the desire of our guests wanting to fulfil their ideal trip experience. Maximize your stay at Purcell Lodge and know we are always willing to work together to accommodate your requests.

#### Guided Option

June bookings remained steady with many guests filling the last accommodation rooms and helicopter seats for our summer guided hiking program. There are a few guided tours in July and August that still have space. To inquire, please call 1 888 767 8989 or email Jackie at [info@purcellmountainlodge.com](mailto:info@purcellmountainlodge.com). Or feel free to review our website at [www.purcellmountainlodge.com](http://www.purcellmountainlodge.com) and go to **Summer 2019 Special Organized Tours, Events and Monthly Deals** for the best rates. Guests who have last minute cancellations that are looking to sell their tour spots can be found here.

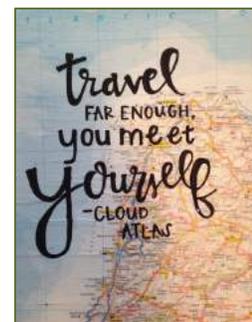


#### Self - Guided Option



Purcell Mountain Lodge friends are welcome to join in on any scheduled tour as long as accommodation space is available in the main lodge or private chalet. Rates will vary from tour to tour depending on the available helicopter space. Past guests of Purcell Lodge enjoy coming back to their favourite BC backcountry playground professionally guided to meet more mountain friends and take in the spirited comradery of a group hike. Other returning guests like to seek the challenge of being self - guided for their second visit. A hike in and out exploration option is a popular choice. The non

mechanized carbon friendly hiking trip into Purcell Lodge is 13 km and will take approximately 5 hours. The distance to travel to reach the start of the trailhead is 90 kilometers. Whatever your pleasure, our Purcell Lodge team is committed to work together to create your vision for your mountain getaway!



## Special Tours & Guests in July



### July 1 - 5

Canada Day & 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Geology Tour will be hosted by Thomas Kubli, Purcell Mountain Lodge's Resident Geologist. Invited Geologist and Journalist Susan R. Eaton will be writing a feature article highlighting Thomas's Geology tour and Geotourism. Thomas will be back at the Lodge from August 23 - 26. There are 6 spots left for Thomas's second Geology tour offering.

### July 5 - 8 & July 12 - 15

Welcome Onsite Canada guests led by private ACMG hiking guide Yuji Akiyama. Go to [www.onsightcanada.com](http://www.onsightcanada.com) to book Yuji for the following summer or next winter. Onsite Canada specializes in expertly guided hiking tours in the summer. In the winter months, Yuji guides in the Canadian Rockies at various backcountry lodge based operations offering ski touring and cat skiing tours to visitors from Japan.



### July 12 - 15

Our popular 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fine Food & Wine Tour is featuring Ex Nihilio Winery. We are thrilled to welcome back representative Issac Schock. Each day, our appetizer service will be paired with a wine tasting. Our summer bar selection will have a variety of wines from our featured vineyard. Ex Nihilio wines will be sold by the glass or by bottle. A souvenir gift pack with two bottles of wines and a keepsake custom BUFF is available for sale as a take home gift. Learn more about Ex Nihilio wines at [www.exnihiliowineyards.com](http://www.exnihiliowineyards.com).

### July 23 - 26

Welcome Calgary based Social Influencer Andrea Ference @vagabondhearts and photographer Ryan Clennett. Andrea & Ryan are opting out for the helicopter ride in and will be reducing their carbon footprint by hiking into the Lodge. Our Purcell family can hardly wait to have Andrea & Ryan wander and explore our mountain paradise. Andrea is well known for her love of mountains and a good cup of coffee. The Lodge is proud to serve Kicking Horse coffee and hopes that she is a fan! Go to [www.andreaference.com](http://www.andreaference.com) to learn more about our amazing guest.

## Help Preserve Our Mountain Home



Please "Go green" during your stay with us this summer. Let's all work together to make our earth a better place. Lend a hand and help preserve our precious "home in the mountains".

### Ways to Help the Environment During your Stay

- Rethink your overall water consumption
- Shorten your shower time
- Use the kitchen compost bin
- Take only what you will consume for lunch
- Turn off lights when you're not in the room
- Use only the room towels you need
- Don't waste napkins and paper towels
- Have a vegetarian meal day!

## Adventure Chef Julie

Purcell Mountain Lodge is making strides to reduce our carbon footprint. Our new process of offering pre packed gourmet lunches aims to waste less food. Food waste is responsible for about eight percent of total human - caused greenhouse gas emissions. We are also reducing the use of single use plastics and have switched to reusable lunch containers.



### New Purcell Mountain Lodge Lunch Sacs

Guests will receive a reusable signature lunch sac to use during their stay. Hope the lunch sac is a wonderful keepsake of your visit to the Purcells!



### Composting

Our kitchen food scrapes are flown to Golden and are used for composting. Composting enriches our soil and saves water by helping soil retain the moisture thereby reducing water use. It benefits the environment by recycling the organic resources while conserving landfill space.

Thank you to Chef Julie and Host/Caretakers Cathy & Doug for leading the process to a brighter & greener future!

## August Special Guests & Tours

### August 16 -19

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends & Family Tour**  
Guides Jo & Veronika welcome families to join in for this memorable weekend.

### August 31 - September 2

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Revelstoke Retreats**

Featuring Hiking & Yoga with  
Beth Purser & Kristen Anthony Malone

**Three spots left!**

[www.bethpursermassage.com](http://www.bethpursermassage.com)

### August 23 -26

**Adventure Mom Claudia Laroye**  
Vancouver based Blogger, Travel Expert & Writer  
visit to Purcell Mountain Lodge

Claudia Laroye @thetravellingmom and her family will visit in August. Claudia like many adventure seeking moms understand the value of family travel. Time in nature is a lifetime education you simply cannot learn in a school setting. Read all about this passionate mom through her blog at [www.thetravellingmom.ca](http://www.thetravellingmom.ca)



**Counting the Days Till Winter 169 Days to Go**

**Winter 2019/2020 Inquiries**

Guests of Purcell Lodge have the yearning desire to pick their powder pleasure for the upcoming winter. The sooner the booking is locked in, the better the chance to reserve their favourite guide. Purcell Lodge is happy to share that Burke, Ken & Aaron are back this season to oversee the ski touring and split boarding program. Snowshoeing is growing in popularity and is a new offering to guests that do not ski. We love to bring many past summer hikers back to discover something new in our winter wonderland. For guided snowshoeing in the Purcell Mountains our guides Marc and Kevin welcome past and new guests to book.



To discover more about our winter operation, check our website for snowshoe only tours or ski touring and snowshoe combined tours. There is something for everyone to enjoy in the winter season. All ages and abilities are welcome!



It is not too early to book ahead for our holidays tours in December, winter 2019/2020 or summer 2020. Booking early provides excitement with something to look forward to all summer long. Pay your deposit early to take advantage of early season savings.



**Backcountry Lodges of British Columbia Association News (BLBCA)**

Congratulations to **Sorcerer Lodge** for being the first backcountry lodge to be recognised as a **Whitebark Pine Friendly Area**. To learn more about whitebark pine, go to [whitebarkfound.org](http://whitebarkfound.org), an organization dedicated to conserving and restoring whitebark pine.



**Talus Lodge Welcomes New Proprietors**

Talus Lodge is under the new ownership of former Olympians Sara Renner & Thomas Grandi. Thomas and Sara were raised in the mountains and have a deep care for the environment, Mother Earth & community.

**Best wishes to the Talus Lodge family for their first summer season!**





**The Recipe for a Successful Summer**

Take one part adventure, add a trip to Purcell's backcountry, mix with our Purcell Mountain Lodge family, a sprinkling of nature and you will have the recipe for an incredible summer vacation!

Summer Guides Staff Training took place on June 28 to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Following guides training, our summer season kicked off and it is... already epic! We are all overjoyed to be apart of this incredible crew. Together we will create mountain dreams that will last a lifetime. We are blessed and fortunate to work as a unified team. Our teamwork makes the dream work!



Thank you to lead guides Mark & Kevin for running the Guide Training. Host/Caretaking training sessions are happening July 5-12. There will be more photos to follow of the rest of our PML summer family. Sincere thanks to Lara, Thomas & Louise for running the Host/Caretaking sessions.