

Specialty Programs

Guided Excavation

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to participate in an authentic dinosaur dig. With an experienced technician as your guide, you will learn the techniques of excavating dinosaurs and work in a team to uncover never-before-seen fossils. The program includes an orientation to the park and the research project, working in a real quarry, and hiking and prospecting for fossils. Your work will contribute to ongoing research at the Royal Tyrrell Museum. The Guided Excavation is offered in 1, 2, and 3 day programs.

Sunset Tour

This unique evening tour is designed especially for photographers and people looking for a quieter nature experience. Taking advantage of the cooler temperatures and wonderful evening light, you will be guided into some of the secret areas of the Natural Preserve and be given ample time to get the perfect shot, or to simply soak up the natural beauty of the badlands.

Cast from the Past

Join us in the Palaeo Lab and create an authentic fossil cast that will be yours to keep! Surrounded by the real tools of the trade, you will learn about the scientific work that takes a fossil from a simple curiosity to a piece of scientific evidence. You will discover how the very fossil you have replicated may have helped change our view of dinosaurs, brought new understanding about ancient environments, or even told the story of its own death.

Fun For All Ages

Explorer's Bus Tour

Like the explorers who have travelled here before you, get ready to leave your day-to-day life behind and venture into the rugged badlands. Experience the stunning views of the Natural Preserve and discover all that Dinosaur Provincial Park has to offer from the comfort of the tour bus as well as engage in off-bus activities and sights.

Fossil Safari

A short walk will take you to a site where you will learn the secrets of fossil-finding and the techniques for identifying the remains of turtles, fish, mammals, and dinosaurs. While this tour doesn't offer a digging experience, it still allows for hands-on discovery of Dinosaur Provincial Park's rich fossil heritage.

Interpretive Theatre Programs

Join us for lively family-oriented shows presented in either the Visitor Centre's Sternberg-Anderson Theatre or the outdoor Deadlodge Canyon Amphitheatre. These events feature audience participation, music and interesting characters as we tell a variety of stories about the park's amazing natural and cultural history.



Guided Hikes

Great Badlands Hike

Designed for the adventurous, the Great Badlands Hike is a half-day trek into some of the most beautiful and rugged parts of the park. As you are guided over steep slopes and through coulees, you will learn how fossil hunters once endured "les mauvaises terres à traverser" in their search for dinosaur bones.

Centrosaurus Quarry Hike

This hike is your best opportunity to see the unequalled concentration of dinosaur fossils that makes Dinosaur Provincial Park world-famous. You will journey to a former dig site that contains the remains of hundreds of horned dinosaurs and investigate the clues and theories behind their mass death.

Fossil Prospecting

Experience the excitement of fossil prospecting as you hike through the spectacular terrain of the badlands. Each excursion will be led by an experienced guide and will be unique in its locations and findings. Don't miss your chance to make the next big fossil discovery!

Note: This program will not involve digging or removal of any fossil material.

Dig & Discover Program

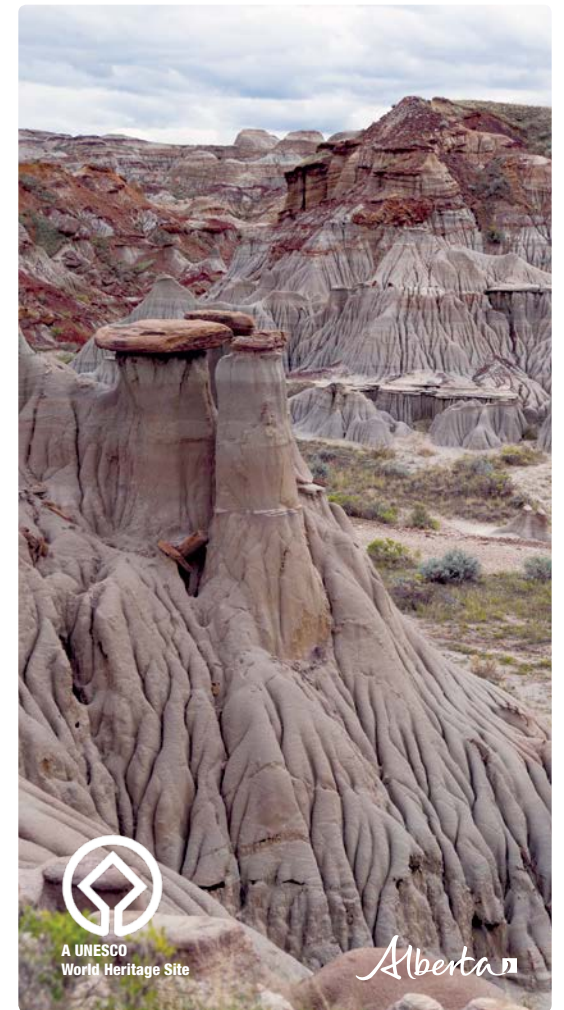
Participate in an authentic dinosaur excavation for one day and then spend the next day prospecting for new fossil finds in the badlands of this World Heritage Site. Be prepared for rough backcountry terrain and sometimes extreme heat.

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Dinosaur Provincial Park Program Information



Event	Duration	Difficulty	Wheelchair Accessible?	Capacity	Age	Pricing				
						Adult 18+	Youth 7-17	Child 4-6	Baby 0-3	Family*
Evening Amphitheatre Show	1 Hour	Easy	Yes	200	All Ages	Free				
Fossil Safari	1.75 Hours	Easy	No	24	All Ages	\$17	\$10	\$5	\$2	\$45
Explorer's Bus Tour	1.75 Hours	Easy	No	24	All Ages	\$17	\$10	\$5	\$2	\$45
Cast from the Past	1.5 Hours	Easy	Yes	14	7+	\$15	\$15	-	-	-
Centrosaurus Quarry Hike	2.5 Hours	Moderate	No	24	7+	\$22	\$12	-	-	\$60
Great Badlands Hike	4 Hours	Difficult	No	19	10+	\$35	\$20	-	-	-
Sunset Tour	2 Hours	Easy	No	14	14+	\$24	\$16	-	-	-
Exhibits	30-120 Mins.	Easy	Yes	N/A	All Ages	\$6	\$3	Free	Free	\$15
Fossil Prospecting	6.5 Hours	Difficult	No	8	14+	\$80	\$80	-	-	-
1 Day Guided Excavation	7 Hours	Difficult	No	6	14+	\$180	\$180	-	-	-
2 Day Guided Excavation	2 Days	Difficult	No	6	14+	\$500	\$500	-	-	-
3 Day Guided Excavation	3 Days	Difficult	No	6	14+	\$700	\$700	-	-	-
Dig & Discover Program	2 Days	Difficult	No	6	14+	\$450	\$450	-	-	-

* A "Family" may consist of up to two adults and up to three children or youth.

Reminders and Important Information

- We strongly recommend that you reserve all programs well in advance.
- Program reservations can be made online at <https://atms.alberta.ca/dpp/default.aspx> or by phone at (403) 378-4344.
- A "Family" may consist of up to two adults and up to three children or youth.
- Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your program in order to pick up your tickets at the Park Visitor Centre front desk.
- Parking is located at the concession lot.
- Due to the nature of the Guided Excavation and the Fossil Prospecting Programs, which include a provided lunch, there are deadlines for booking.
- Age limits are applied to programs for reasons of safety and quality. Exceptions will not be made.
- Closed-heel and closed-toe shoes are required for all outdoor programs. No sandals, flip-flops, crocs, etc. will be permitted.
- We strongly recommend that you come prepared with a hat, sunscreen, bug repellent, and 1-2 litres of water to ensure your comfort and safety during your visit.
- All infants and toddlers require a seat reserved for them on the tour due to insurance regulations for our bus fleet.
- For more information, visit our website at dinosaurpark.ca or contact the Park Visitor Centre.
- Prices subject to change.
- The badlands are extremely slippery when wet! Outdoor programs are dependent on fair weather; alternate indoor programming may be available or refunds are provided.

