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**SO LONG, CHARLIE**

The most controversial  
man in the Rockies leaves  
his mountain kingdom



## » RIDE THE LOST TRAIL

ALBERTA

There is no shortage of ways to experience the grandeur of the Rockies: hiking, biking, skiing, even helicopter tours. One of the best, however, remains the way the West was won: on horseback. On the Lost Trail tour, the guides from Anchor D will lead experienced riders through the wildest trails in Alberta's Rockies. A team and wagon will transport your gear, leaving you the maximum time to giddyup over terrain you never thought was rideable.

**TAKE THIS TRIP IF...** *you're a wannabe cowpoke who still has a hankering for the wild frontier.*

**DEPARTS:** Black Diamond

**INFO:** 6 days, \$1,550, (403) 933-2867, [www.anchor.com](http://www.anchor.com)



## ACADIA BY BIKE

NEW BRUNSWICK

This road-bike tour starts out slowly in Miramichi, with plenty of off-the-saddle time on the second day to explore Shippagan, the heart of New Brunswick's fishing industry. But then come the longer and steeper days, as you cycle around the Acadian Peninsula and over the northern reaches of the Appalachian Mountains. Other highlights will include visits to Miscou Island, Acadian historical sites, Mt. Carleton (the highest point in the Maritimes) and the world's biggest peat bog.

**TAKE THIS TRIP IF...** *you want to pedal the Canadian Appalachians.*

**DEPARTS:** Miramichi

**INFO:** 10 days, \$740, (902) 423-2453, [www.atlanticcanadacycling.com](http://www.atlanticcanadacycling.com)



## CLIMBERS' PARADISE

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND ALBERTA

The Mt. Freshfield and Barnard-Dent group sits on the continental divide between B.C. and Alberta and hosts a collection of classic Rocky Mountain routes for climbers with intermediate ability but soaring ambitions. Several summits are within reach of your base camp on the Freshfield Icefield, and

you'll get an aerial view of them all on the chopper ride in. Halfway through the week, you'll shift camp closer to 10,945-foot Mt. Freshfield for a shot at its summit. All the "Freshies" look impressive from below, but even better from the top.

**TAKE THIS TRIP IF...** *you want to pack plenty of climbing into a single trip.*

**DEPARTS:** Golden

**INFO:** 8 days, \$1,795, (403) 678-3200, [www.alpineclubofcanada.ca](http://www.alpineclubofcanada.ca) e



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