

Explore

There are many reasons Lethbridge is a bright choice for your next meeting or event and, while we believe you need to visit our city to fully embrace the experience, we'd like to highlight a few of the attributes and opportunities that you can explore.

Lethbridge is bisected by the Oldman River, creating valley parkland and scenic coulees which are home to walking trails, a nature reserve and the historic Fort Whoop-Up – a famous frontier trading post. Since Lethbridge is situated on traditional Blackfoot Territory, First Nations culture is part of our heritage and continues to add to the cultural diversity within and surrounding the city. We often embrace this cultural component by adding traditional First Nations drumming or dancing to our welcoming ceremonies.

With two modern post-secondary institutions (the University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge College) located here, there is a vibrant campus culture woven into the community.

In our walkable [downtown](#) you will discover more than 60 unique retail shops and 50 restaurants and pubs providing a distinctly local shopping and dining experience. From ladies wear and home décor to comic books and virtual reality adventures, you will find that Downtown Lethbridge is “The Place to Be”.

Our many festivals, museums and galleries offer a vibrant [arts and culture](#) experience in Lethbridge. The Southern Alberta Art Gallery is a dynamic place featuring contemporary art by renowned local, national and international artists and a shop stocked with merchandise by local artisans. At the Galt Museum & Archives you can explore the latest exhibits about Lethbridge's history, browse the museum store or simply enjoy the breathtaking coulee view from the viewing gallery.

If you are looking to get outdoors, you will find more than 200 kilometres of walking trails creating a beautiful way to explore the river valley parks. One of our most iconic pieces of architecture is the CP Rail Lethbridge Viaduct (also known as the High Level Bridge), the longest and highest trestle bridge in the world (featured on the front cover). An engineering marvel in its own right, the more than 100 year-old bridge spans the coulee creating breathtaking views that mix industrial with the natural environment. If you are feeling more adventurous, tubing and raft tours down the Oldman River may be a terrific way to enjoy the scenery and the sunny summer weather. From the coulee, you can catch a glimpse of Paradise Canyon Golf Resort, the number one course in Southern Alberta and one of Golf Digest Magazine's top 60 courses in Canada.

The choice is yours – take time to explore.



2-3 hour Downton Experience

- SAAG
- Galt Museum and Archives
- Shop, dine and relax at the spa

Half-Day Local Attraction Experience

- Nikka Yuko Japanese Gardens
- Fort Whoop Up Interpretive Centre
- Helen Schuler Nature Centre
- Golf, hike or explore the outdoors

Full-Day Regional Experience

- Waterton Lakes National Park
- Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Canadian Badlands: Start your day at Writing on Stone Provincial Park and wrap it up at Dinosaur Provincial Park

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