

Glacier NP Itinerary

Starting by flying into Missoula (MSO) or Kalispell (FCA), grab your rental car and head to West Glacier. If you need to start or end with a few days relaxing at a Montana lodge, do it! From Seely Lake to vintage Livingston, there are fun, beautiful places to add to your trip.

The joy of using an itinerary is the ease it brings to travel. DO NOT wing it and hope to find a hotel each night without booking in advance. Be prepared and enjoy less stress!

You're in Montana, right? Visiting Glacier National Park is going to include some hiking and wildlife watching so you know you'll need good shoes, binoculars and a few other key things...

- bug spray (unfortunately)
- refillable water bottles
- warm coats (mountain weather can change)
- sunblock and hats
- good camera w/ telephoto lens

There are convenience stores and gift shops in the park for snacks and simple needs, but it's best to be prepared from the start. Have a great time exploring!

Glacier Daily Plan

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Many Glacier entry reservation is required July - Aug.

Day 1: Western Glacier NP

- Avalanche Lake Hike, Trail of the Cedars
- Lunch at Lake McDonald Lodge
- Upper McDonald Creek Trail
- Boat tour or kayaking on Lake McDonald

SLEEP: West Glacier or in the park

Day 2: Logan Pass Hiking

- Get up early to drive to Logan Pass for sunrise
- Hike to Hidden Lake Overlook or down to the lake
- Picnic lunch at Logan Pass Visitor Center
- Hike start of Highline Trail or head down to St Mary Falls

SLEEP: same as prior night or relocate to East Glacier area

Day 3: Many Glacier

- if visiting in peak season, be sure you have an entry rez
- All day - hike to Iceberg Lake or Grinnell Glacier w/ picnic

Easier option:

- Hike to Bullhead Lake
- Lunch at Many Glacier Hotel
- Swiftcurrent Lake Trail or double boat tour

SLEEP: St Mary or East Glacier

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Day 4: Two Medicine

- Running Eagle Falls Nature Trail
- Aster Falls Trail for Moose OR Upper Two Medicine Lake
- Bring lunch or grab food at Two Medicine General Store
- Afternoon kayaking or boat tour

SLEEP: same as prior night

Day 5: Glacier NP Sightseeing

- drive Going to the Sun Road westbound, make stops
- nature walk at St Mary Lake
- short hike for St Mary Falls or Virginia Falls
- visit Polebridge and Bowman Lake in North Fork area
- watch sunset on Lake McDonald

SLEEP: West Glacier or in the Park OR drive to departure city

Add-on: Waterton Lakes National Park (CAN)

- add 2 days *after day 4* to visit Waterton Lakes NP in Canada
- bring passports for border crossing / customs
- overnight in Waterton Lakes NP (many options)
- hiking to Lower Bertha Falls, Blaskiston Falls and lakeside trails

SLEEP: Waterton Lakes National Park - Alberta, Canada