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Trip Report

Plain Of Six Glaciers (hiking) [return to Reports list](#)

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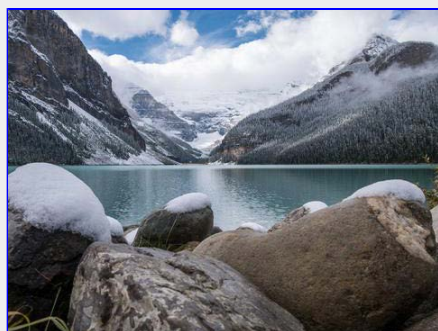
An early snowfall has made the Rockies very picturesque, however this made the choice of hikes more limited. Low clouds hung around most of the peaks, but the forecast was for improvement. We decided the Plain of Six Glaciers at Lake Louise would be a good choice as it was all trail and the surroundings would be spectacular even with the clouds.

We didn't get started on the trail until 11 am, somewhat late, but the trip is not long (about 5 hours). Once one gets past the mayhem of the Chateau Lake Louise, the crowd of tourists thins out dramatically.

The main hazard of this trip became apparent rather quickly as the melting snow in the trees above the trail snow-bombed us poor travellers below. I won't describe the trip as Carol's photos do that rather well. I will note we spied a mountain goat with a very white coat feeding on the slopes above us.

We celebrated Jim's 65th by going out to dinner at the Magpie and Stump Mexican restaurant in Banff... very recommended!

For those not in the know, this 2 week trip was posted on the website for a few weeks prior to leaving. We will post individual trips as they happen if they get the 3 minimum for a club trip. Jim Wright came down from his farm in Alberta to join us while waiting for his crops to mature.



*Looking down Lake Louise
towards our destination*
[Carol Hunter photo]



*There were several canoes on
the lake despite the snow
including this big one*
[Carol Hunter photo]



Interesting view looking up the cliffs to the peak semi-shrouded in cloud of its own making
[Carol Hunter photo]



Looking over at Mount Aberdeen from the trail to the teahouse
[Carol Hunter photo]



Bob and Jim with Mount Lefroy in the distance
[Carol Hunter photo]



Almost to the final lookout, Mount Victoria with her hanging glaciers barely discernible from the sky
[Carol Hunter photo]



Looking at Lake Louise at the start of our return
[Carol Hunter photo]



Mountain goat in a stunning winter coat.
[Carol Hunter photo]

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