



Description:

Take a step into the past at Fort Calgary to experience Calgary at the beginning of the 20th century. The North West Mounted Police built this fort in 1875. Its original purpose was as a base to quell the illegal whisky trade along the Bow River. The Fort, which has since been rebuilt and is now designated a national and provincial historical site, held barracks for the North West Mounted Police, served as an operations yard for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and now stands as a monument to Calgary's pioneer past.

Worth noting:

An archaeological dig in 1970 turned up hundreds of artifacts. Many are on display at the Fort.



Sign at front entrance on Ninth Avenue S.E.

Directions:

You can reach Fort Calgary from downtown by two routes. Route A is more scenic. Route B is more direct.

Route A

Start at the Eau Claire Trans Canada Trail Pavilion. Travel east along the Bow River pathway (with the river on your left) past the Centre Street Bridge. Continue past a number of bridges including the Fourth Avenue S.W. Flyover and both Langevin bridges. Follow the pathway south as it bends along the Elbow River – you will see Fort Calgary on your right. When you reach the Inglewood Bridge on Ninth Avenue S.E., turn right and travel along the sidewalk towards the entrance of Fort Calgary.

Route B

Start at Centre Street, on the north side of Ninth Avenue S.E., across from the Calgary Tower. Travel east (with the tower on your right). Walk about six and a half blocks until you reach the Sixth Street S.E. entrance of Fort Calgary.



Details:

750 Ninth Avenue S.E. Phone: 1-403-290-1875 www.fortcalgary.ab.ca

Recommended mode: walking.

Distance:

Route A: ~ 2.5 km from downtown – one way.

Route B: ~ 1.3 km from downtown – one way.

Features/amenities:

- The Deane House Restaurant.
- Educational programs and historical activities.
- Cultural events throughout the summer.
- Forty acre riverside park.
- Interpretive staff and historical characters.
- General store.

Alternative access via transit:

If you wish to do part of your trip by transit, you can reach Fort Calgary on Calgary Transit bus routes 1, 24 and 411. (Note: Contact Calgary Transit for availability details.)

Fees:

- -\$6 \$10.
- Children under six are free.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week.

Nearby attractions/facilities:

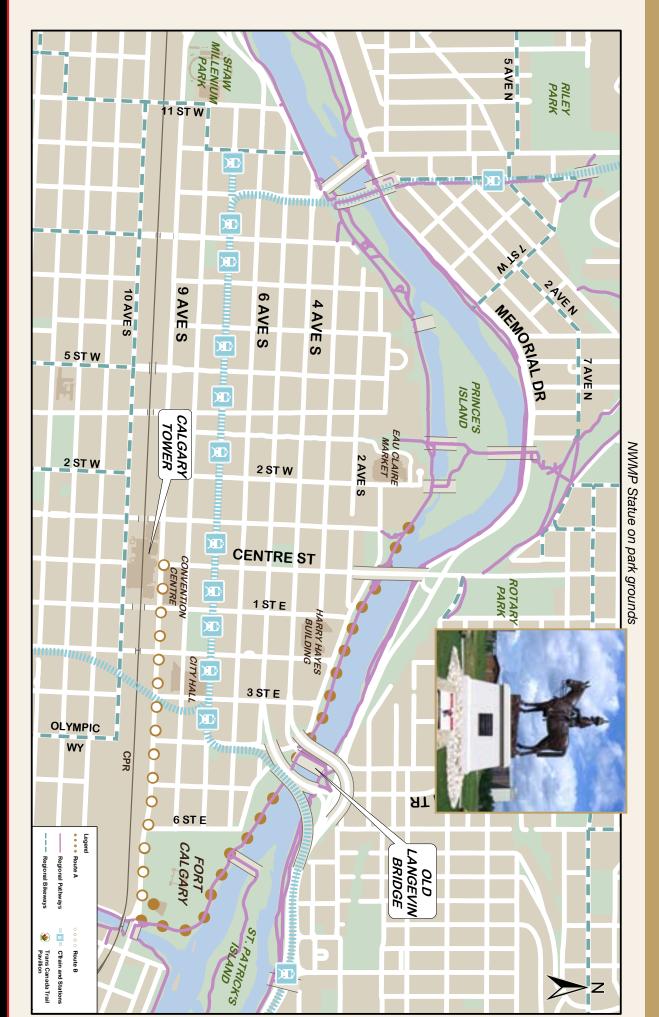
- Calgary Tower.
- Calgary Zoo.
- Calgary Exhibition & Stampede.



Statue near Ninth Avenue Bridge

750 Ninth Avenue S.E. Fort Calgary





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