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## Winter Wildlife Family CombinationSafari with Snowshoeing

Wolves howling, Diamond dust, Pure blue skies, Eagles' cries Yellowstone in winter is a wonderful once-in-a- lifetime experience!

The northern part of Yellowstone is home to the largest herds of Big Game in all of North America—elk, bison, wolves, bears, and more! October through June is prime time for watching gray wolves together with all of the other species that have lived in northern Yellowstone for the past 8,000 years.

At the same time, it is sometimes difficult for children to focus on wildlife viewing. Therefore our combination safari offers a shorter amount of time focused on wildlife from the car. We will also spend time off-road encouraging the children to explore, learn, and discover!

Our Winter Wildlife Family Safaris start around daybreak to take advantage of the most active time for wildlife. Using mini-vans or similar vehicles, the North Entrance to Yellowstone National Park is open all-year for road based touring. As we search for wildlife your National Park Service licensed guide will help you learn about the wonders of Yellowstone. Time off-road will be included. Your tour will finish in mid-afternoon.

A hearty field breakfast, photography stops, and breaks for restrooms, sorry not heated, provide you with the chance to get out of the vehicle. Snowshoeing is included- maybe there will be a chance to track a wolf pack?! Examine the snowpack and search for other wildlife sign? Learn about life and death in Yellowstone?

A lunch stop in the cute town of Cooke City, population 50, will allow you to view the high mountain scenery of Northern Yellowstone as well as enjoy the luxury of a warm! restroom. Your guide will suggest several locations for you to purchase your meal.

We provide spotting scopes and binoculars so you can search for those elusive wolves or bighorns. We also supply interpretation materials, first aid gear, and all of the other group items you will need. Snowshoe use is complimentary. Field drinks and snacks are provided. You are responsible for your own personal clothing and gear. We recommend that you dress in layers. Park entrance fees, guide gratuity, and lunch are not included. Please advise if you have any food allergies and health conditions. Some meals may be served inside and itineraries may need to be adjusted if conditions require. Reservations are required.

## **To Make a Reservation**

The base rate for a safari is \$475 per day for your family with 1-4 adults. This includes the services of a private National Park Service Licensed guide, transportation from your hotel in the northern Yellowstone area or Gardiner, Montana, field snacks and drinks, use of high quality spotting scopes and binoculars, and much more. An additional adult is \$70 per person. For more than 6 people two vehicles might need to be used for winter driving safety. Group and educational rates also available. Please contact us with your details so we can respond with a quotation. When snow conditions permit complimentary snowshoe use is also included. If snowshoeing is not possible then we will hike off-road. Pickups are available throughout Yellowstone country including the Jackson, Wyoming, Idaho Falls, Idaho and Cody, Wyoming areas with an additional gasoline surcharge.

## To confirm your safari guide reservation

Please remit a check for the first day's safari fee to YGA, PO Box 746, Bozeman, MT 59771 USA. We also accept wires and international bank drafts. For your protection and to keep safari fees as reasonable as possible we do not accept credit cards. The final remaining balance will be due three weeks before your arrival. Since all of our trips are tailored to meet your individual needs detailed price quotations will be provided once we have all of the details of your trip. After receiving your payment we will contact you to confirm arrangements for the day of your trip. Please send us your hotel itinerary and cell phone contact number so we can contact you if necessary after you depart on your trip. Also, please be sure to check with us for any last minute news from the field.

<u>Our cancellation policies</u> are flexible up to three weeks before arrival. We understand that family emergencies can happen. If the weather should be very bad on the day of your trip we will also reschedule or refund your payment- we prefer to treat you with respect and the reality is that we do not want you out in a major snowstorm without being able to see anything. However, sudden cancellations "just because" are not acceptable and no refunds will be made.

We can assist you with wheelchair and other special needs arrangements as well. Please be sure to call us in advance to be sure all the arrangements for your family are just as you would like them to be.

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