



10 THINGS TO DO IN CALGARY

Here is a curated list of 10 exciting things to do in Calgary, tailored for a Nigerian tourist seeking a blend of culture, history, and fun. These highlight the city's western heritage, diverse influences, natural beauty, and vibrant energy; perfect for someone appreciating community, storytelling, and lively experiences.

1. **Explore Heritage Park Historical Village**

Step back into Canada's pioneer era at this living history museum with over 200 exhibits, costumed interpreters, steam trains, and horse-drawn wagons. It is a fun, immersive way to learn about Western Canadian history and Indigenous contributions.



Heritage Park Historical Village | Canada's Alberta

2. Visit the Wilder Institute/Calgary Zoo

See animals from around the world, including the Destination Africa exhibit with lions, giraffes, hippos, and gorillas, evoking familiar savanna wildlife. The zoo blends education, conservation, and family-friendly fun with penguins and Canadian species too.



3. Ascend the Calgary Tower for Panoramic Views

Ride to the observation deck of this iconic landmark for 360-degree views of the city skyline, Bow River, and distant Rocky Mountains. The glass floor adds a thrilling adrenaline rush; great for photos and appreciating Calgary's dramatic setting.



Calgary Tower | Canada's Alberta

4. **Stroll Prince's Island Park and the Peace Bridge**

Relax in this urban oasis on the Bow River with walking paths, lagoons, and festivals. Cross the striking red Peace Bridge for scenic views: a peaceful yet vibrant spot for picnics, people-watching, or summer events.



5. **Experience Studio Bell: Home of the National Music Centre**

Dive into Canadian music history in a stunning architectural building with interactive exhibits, instruments to play, and halls of fame. It celebrates diverse sounds, from Indigenous drums to modern beats: perfect for cultural immersion and hands-on fun.



Home of the National Music Centre | Studio Bell

6. Take a Day Trip to Banff National Park

Just 90 minutes away, marvel at turquoise lakes like Lake Louise and Moraine Lake, surrounded by majestic mountains. It is an unforgettable natural adventure with hiking, wildlife spotting, and breathtaking scenery.



7. Savour Authentic Nigerian or African Cuisine

Connect with home flavours at spots like Ahinke's Restaurant, 360 Grill and Bar or Flavours Restaurant, offering jollof rice, egusi soup, pounded yam, suya, and pepper soup. Calgary's growing Nigerian community makes these warm, communal dining experiences a highlight.



Flavours Restaurant

8. Discover Art and History at the Glenbow Museum

Explore exhibits on Western Canadian culture, Indigenous artifacts, and international collections (check for temporary locations during renovations). It is a thoughtful spot for understanding Canada's diverse stories, including multicultural influences.



Mavericks | Glenbow

9. Wander Stephen Avenue and Downtown Public Art

Explore this pedestrian-friendly historic street lined with shops, street performers, and restaurants. Calgary's public art scene, including murals and sculptures, adds a creative, multicultural flair to the urban vibe.



Stephens Avenue

10. **Telus Spark Science Centre**

A fun, interactive science centre with exhibits and activities for kids and adults – perfect indoor activities if the weather outside is not bearable for you.



These activities mix relaxation, adventure, and cultural connections. They are mostly accessible by public transit or walking. Additional entry fees may apply.

Enjoy your time in Calgary!