

# Fort Macleod: One Day Itinerary

Welcome to Fort Macleod! This guide is for anyone desiring some local input on things to see and do in this historic southern Alberta town.

#### **On This Spot App**

To learn more about Fort Macleod history, download the **On This Spot** app on your mobile phone.

The architectural, historic, and cultural history is unmatched by any other location in southern Alberta. We pride ourselves on continuing to spread awareness of our history while still evolving into a bustling modern town.

## **EAT**

### **Dining**

Fort Macleod has an eclectic dining scene that will satisfy even the pickiest of eaters. From tasty comfort food, traditional Canadian fare, ethnic options, and coffeeshops with homemade treats, the possibilities are truly endless.



Photo by Fort Museum of the NWMP



#### **Picnic**

The views provided at the Oldman River Valley Wilderness Park makes an amazing spot to set up a picnic lunch! Only a short distance from the many Fort Macleod restaurants, try taking some food to go and setting up a picnic to enjoy the day!

#### **Brews**

Named after an homage to the North-West Mounted Police fort that Fort Macleod got it's name from, Stronghold Brewing Co. is a family owned and operated craft brewery and taproom. Located right on the Historic Main Street, it allows convenient access to step in for a tasting flight and rest your legs from exploring the town.

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### Fort Museum of the NWMP

Commemorating the establishment of the North-West Mounted Police in western Canada, a visit to the Fort Museum of the NWMP while in town is a must. Make sure to also take in the extensive Blackfoot gallery of artifacts, feed the goats, and experience a Musical Ride reenactment.

### **Empress Theatre**

Set on the Historic Main Street, the Empress Theatre has provided a spectrum of high quality arts and cultural events to the people of rural Southern Alberta since 1912.

### **Shopping**

Fort Macleod's Historic Main Street is full of quaint shops and boutiques to explore! Plus with such a colourful past, there is history to uncover at every turn. Down load the *On This Spot* app to learn more about Fort Macleod on an exciting walking tour!

## **PLAY**

#### Golf

Enjoy a round of golf with a side of history! Golf was first played in Fort Macleod in 1890, and the Fort Macleod Golf Club course is the oldest golf course in western Canada. In fact, approximately half of the course is a historic designated area.

This historic yet challenging 9-hole course is a great way to get some exercise and fresh air in while exploring the area.

#### **Fishing**

The meandering Oldman River is full of a plethora of fish species including rainbow trout, bull trout, pike, walleye, and lake sturgeon. Thankfully Fort Macleod offers amazing river access and convenient shoreline spots to send a cast out.

If you would prefer to be guided by a local and get insight on the best spots, Oldman River Outfitters is a local guiding company that can help.

# Fort Macleod hosts some exciting annual events!

- Market on Main: Thursday evenings throughout the Summer on Main Street
- Antique Show: Annual art walk and antique show happening in June
- Musical Ride: Occurs daily during the summer season at the Fort Museum of the NWMP
- STARS Volleyball Tournament:
  Tournament in March that donates all proceeds to STARS Air Ambulance
- Rodeo: Multiple rodeos occur at Midnight Stadium throughout the year