

HEAVEN ON EARTH THE CANADIAN ROCKIES

WHO Broadcaster Gloria Hunniford **WHY** 'The mountains, wildlife and fresh, clean air'

My enthusiasm for Canada was fired at an early age by an uncle who made a fortune there, and a friend who went off to be a Mountie, which seemed impossibly glamorous when I was a girl. So I grew up thinking I was a land of milk and honey and spent a year there when I was 16. It's a big country,

though, and I never quite made it out to the Rockies. It was always my ambition to go back and I eventually got there about 10 years ago. I went in October when the trees were turning and the colours were just amazing. There was quite a bit of snow by then on the peaks. It was just the most wonderful holiday.

Rejuvenating and relaxing at the same time. I got to see Lake Louise and Banff, though the things I'll never forget are the awe-inspiring mountains, the wildlife and breathing in the fresh, clean air. It's one of those places that not only lived up to my expectations but surpassed them.

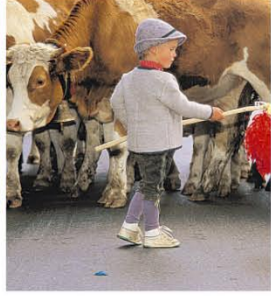


HOT STUFF



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September is party month in the Austrian Tirol as villages across the region mark the return of their livestock from the high Alpine pastures. The celebrations – called the Almabtrieb – are kicked off by the sight of the first cow heading home. It's as good a reason as any to have a knees-up and visitors are encouraged to join in the fun – music, dancing, farmers' markets, local arts, crafts and a fair amount of schnapps are all promised. For details of what's on and where, visit the Tiroler website at www.tirol.at.



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| 6122 Hollywood Mirage | Tenerife | 6 | 6220 Heritage Marbella C C | Mid | 2 |
| 6118 Island Village | - | 7 | 6124 Lalla Pavia Club | - | 4 |
| 5744 Royal Tenerife Country Club | - | 6 | 7438 Las Amigas Beach Club | - | 4 |
| 7424 Santa Barbara Golf & C C | - | 6 | 7001 Oliva Beach Club | - | 6 |
| 7637 Sunset Bay Club | - | 6 | 7438 Sunset Beach Club | - | 4 |
| | | | 5485 Avandoria Club | Malorca | 8 |
| | | | 2435 Meritall's Club Son Antem | - | 6 |
| | | | 3451 Residential Cala Pi Nou | - | 4 |

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|---------------------------------|---------|---|--------|
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| 3000 Le Ginevre - Cugnana Verde | - | 4 | 35 |
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|----------------------------|----------|---|--------|
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|---------------------------|---------------|--------|-----|-------|---------|
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