

2025 BRAND LAUNCH TOOLKIT



# The Great Wilderness

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We respectfully recognize that we carry out our work on the territories of Indigenous Peoples throughout BC. We honour our ongoing and developing relationships with First Nations (status and non-status), Inuit, and Métis Peoples. We are on a path of learning and are committed to working together.







# TL;DR: Why you should read this toolkit

This is your shortcut to joining one of the biggest tourism brand launches in British Columbia.

*The Great Wilderness* is part of a bold new family of iconic destination brands designed to elevate BC's global presence and drive tourism across the province.

## WHY IT MATTERS?

- **Tap into global marketing** – Participate in the consumer brand launch for your chance to access 2.4M+ social followers.
- **Reach responsible travellers** – See who we're targeting. Connect with travellers who spend more, stay longer, and seek authentic experiences.
- **Use ready-made tools** – Save time with plug-and-play assets. Find messaging, images, and templates you can drop straight into your marketing.
- **Boost your visibility** – Connect your business or community to a bigger provincial story.



## YOUR NEXT STEP

**Participate in the brand launch on social, kicking off from September 22-28!** Now is the time to review the tools, prepare your content, and be ready to ride the wave of attention as *The Great Wilderness* goes live.





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# Welcome

Dear Tourism Partners,

The tourism industry in BC is entering an exciting new chapter with the launch of the full family of *Super, Natural British Columbia*® brands. Six bold new destination brands—*The Great Wilderness, Rainforest to Rockies, Birthplace of Adventure, The Infinite Coast, Nature's Heartland, and Valleys & Vineyards*—will reshape how the world sees and experiences *Super, Natural British Columbia* for many years to come.

Each brand was developed in collaboration with Indigenous Tourism BC, regional and community partners. Together with *Vancouver and Area* and *Destination Ski*, we now have a full complement of brands that will drive geographic and seasonal growth for tourism in British Columbia.

This toolkit shows you how to integrate *The Great Wilderness* brand across your materials, messaging, and offerings. Each brand has its own toolkit, designed with flexibility in mind to allow you to express the brand in ways that feel authentic to your organization.

Whether you run a small cafe, lead a community DMO, or market to international travellers, let this toolkit be your source of inspiration.

When we come together as Team BC, we create something far greater than any of us could achieve alone—a unified destination that competes and wins on the global stage, delivering a stronger market presence that benefits everyone.

Dive into the toolkit, use the tools, and help us strengthen British Columbia as a unified, competitive global destination.

**Maya Lange**  
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Destination BC







# Introducing the SNBC Brand Family

SNBC - THE PARENT BRAND

*Super, Natural British Columbia*® (SNBC) is the provincial brand that represents BC to the world. It sets the purpose, values and tone for how BC shows up in marketing.

THE ICONIC DESTINATION BRANDS

BC’s new destination brands, including *The Great Wilderness*, are part of the SNBC brand family. Think of SNBC as the parent, and the iconic destination brands as the children, each with their distinct look and personality.

Aligning with the destination brands helps you reach more travellers by connecting your business to a powerful story that’s already gaining attention internationally.

Each iconic destination brand highlights a different part of BC and helps tell a bigger story about what makes our province special



PURPOSE

We Bring People and Nature Closer Together

ESSENCE

The Wonder of Nature

VALUES

Sustainability

Adventure

Community

Respect

VOICE

Evocative

Open

Uplifting

Unpretentious





# Target Traveller

Through Destination Canada’s new Traveller Segmentation program, we have identified two high-potential audiences for BC. They offer a mix of strong responsible travel values and high economic impact:

- **Outdoor Explorers** - adventurous spirits who crave the thrill of unknown places, physical challenge, and connection with locals.
- **Refined Globetrotters** - passionate travellers seeking immersive, exclusive experiences, and cultural connection.

**Outdoor Explorers have been identified as the primary audience for *The Great Wilderness* brand.**

For more details on the Destination Canada traveller segmentation program, visit [www.tourismdatacollective.ca/segmentation](http://www.tourismdatacollective.ca/segmentation).



## WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

- The new segments help us focus on the travellers who bring the highest positive impact to BC, through strong responsible travel values and high economic impact.
- These segments show up strongly both internationally and domestically, which means aligning to them helps us reach the right people, wherever they’re coming from.
- By applying the segments to your communications, creative and/or media targeting, it ensures that we're focusing our collective efforts towards the highest-potential audiences (whether domestic or international), as backed by Destination Canada's extensive research.

## HOW TO USE THIS

To align your experience or destination with the Outdoor Explorer segment consider:

- Highlighting physical challenges and off-the-beaten-path adventures.
- Showcasing eco-friendly practices and authentic local connections, and ways for travellers to give back to communities
- Promoting rustic or remote stays as part of the experience.
- Keeping it flexible: provide options for spontaneous and customizable itineraries and a range of levels for accessibility.





# Overview

*The Great Wilderness* covers the expansive northern half of British Columbia, stretching from the Coast Mountain Range east to Alberta and from Highway 16 north to the Yukon border. This remote area, characterized by ancient landscapes, towering mountains, and abundant wildlife, invites travellers seeking solitude, adventure, and authentic connections with nature and Indigenous cultures.







# Brand Strategy

## POSITIONING

A great wilderness that surrounds adventurers in vast scale and the transformative power of nature.

*The Great Wilderness brand is built on a clear positioning and a set of pillars that guide how we tell our story.*

Download the brand one pager at [DestinationBC.ca/TGW](https://DestinationBC.ca/TGW)

## PILLARS

### NATURE

#### Epic Scale

**Towering lands:** This land of giants features endless skies, open roads, soaring volcanoes, deep valleys, and ancient glaciers. Though you might feel solitude here, you are not alone—you are connected to nature and those who came before you.

**Animal kingdom:** A place where wildlife outnumbers people, and colossal creatures like elk, moose and bison roam free.

### CULTURE

#### Strength & Wisdom

**Stewarded wilderness:** Though these lands are vast, they are anything but untouched; the First Nations of the North have lived in harmony with these lands since time immemorial.

**Links many cultures:** Strong, quirky characters with generous hearts and unapologetic charm. A journey here is shaped by legends which connects us to the heart of the North.

### ADVENTURE

#### Beyond Limits

**Separated from ordinary:** Amidst the vastness of nature and under a sky filled with endless stars, we distance ourselves from everyday concerns, inspiring a shift in perspective and transformation.

**Beyond the bounds:** The North is for trail blazers, boundary pushers, and opportunity seekers. For all who come, the reward is a sense of freedom, expansion, and the kinds of stories others can only imagine.

### WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

- The brand strategy provides a shared, insights-backed framework to tell consistent, compelling stories that resonate with responsible travellers.
- By aligning your communications and creative with the brand positioning, you help create a cohesive, impactful experience—from first introduction to planning and booking.

### HOW TO USE THIS

- The pillars serve as storytelling themes you can use to link your experiences to the broader narrative of The Great Wilderness.
- Show what you're best at by connecting your message and offering to the most relevant pillar(s).





# Brand Elements

*The Great Wilderness* brand identity features a colour palette, pattern, badge and wordmark-inspired by unique characteristics found in area.

Watch the brand elements come to life in video format: [DestinationBC.ca/TGW](https://DestinationBC.ca/TGW)

We will be developing guidelines for tourism industry usage of the brand identity elements soon.

In the meantime, please leverage the social media templates shared in this document, or connect with us to discuss any other ideas or opportunities to collaborate at [Brand@DestinationBC.ca](mailto:Brand@DestinationBC.ca)

ENDORSED LOGO



COLOUR



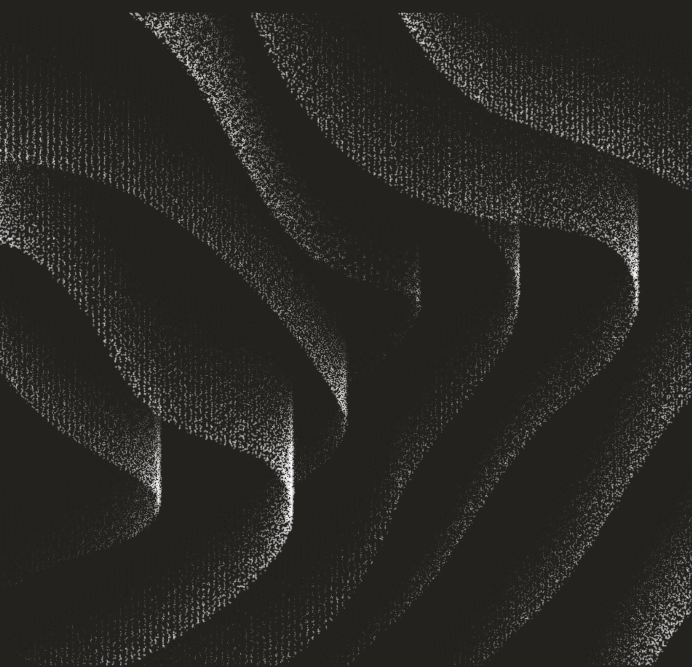
TYPOGRAPHY

GREAT FOREST  
Montserrat

BADGE



PATTERN







# How to Get Involved

The launch of the SNBC brand family this Fall is the first step towards building global awareness of *The Great Wilderness*, and you can be a part of the story.

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## **Participate in the Consumer Launch on social**

Are you interested in the opportunity to access 2.4 million followers? This September marks the official launch of the iconic destination brands—an integrated initiative spanning paid, earned, and owned media, as well as travel media and trade. See [page 12](#) for how to join the launch on social and for the opportunity to be featured on @SuperNaturalBC

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## **Continue the momentum beyond launch**

Miss out on launch week? No stress—this is a long term play and there will be lots of opportunities to join the momentum. See [page 13](#).

03

## **Fuel Your Marketing with Brand Tools**

Use tools such as consumer messaging & Canva templates to enhance your marketing and visitor experience. Find these on [page 15](#).

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## **Sign up for Decals & Other Future Merch**

Starting this Fall, get a free decal to put up in your business. Sign up on [DestinationBC.ca](https://DestinationBC.ca) to get yours.

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## **List Your Business on SuperNaturalBC.com**

Want a free listing to start to connect with global travellers this Fall? Visit the [Tourism Business Portal](#) to learn more and check your eligibility.

Already listed on our previous website, HelloBC.com? Your listing has been carried over to the new website. Make sure your info is current and, where relevant, highlight how your business connects to *The Great Wilderness* brand and target traveller.

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## **Connect with your RDMO**

Regional DMOs are key partners in this project, helping to shape the brands and bring them to life on the ground. Reach out to explore local opportunities and share your questions, updates, or ideas. *The Great Wilderness* is a part of one tourism region:

**[Northern BC Tourism Association](#)**












# Join the Social Media Brand Launch

The global brand launch kicks off in early September with media and trade events, the new website, and trade co-op programs. Mid-September brings the start of paid media, alongside additional tactics to sustain momentum through the fall.

Don't miss the chance to tap into 2.4M followers by joining the global rollout, one week at a time, across our social platforms.

This timeline outlines when each brand will go live, so you can plan to amplify content from our **@SuperNaturalBC** accounts, engage in the conversation, and share stories by using #exploreBC and #TheGreatWilderness and tagging **@SuperNaturalBC**.

- Social media opportunities for industry during launch week:**
- **Share content:** Amplify SNBC launch posts by resharing to your Stories.
  - **Post your own content:** Send a collaborator request to *Super, Natural BC* on Facebook (one per day, space limited) for a chance to be featured.
  - **Tag us:** Use @supernaturalbc, #exploreBC, and #TheGreatWilderness on Instagram and TikTok for future feature opportunities.
  - **Use templates:** Bring the *The Great Wilderness* brand to life by using our **pre-made social templates** and tag us for an opportunity to be featured soon.
  - **Get engaged:** Jump in on posted social comments—help hype our audience and answer trip planning questions where relevant.
  - **'Add Yours' Fridays:** Each Friday, we'll invite you to share images/videos in our Instagram and Facebook Stories "Add Yours" chain to showcase *The Great Wilderness* alongside our content.

Social Media Launch	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
	→ SEPT 16-NOV 11 Global Paid Media Launch			
	SEPT 15-21			
	SEPT 22-28			
	SEPT 29-OCT 5			
		OCT 6-12		
		OCT 13-19		
		OCT 20-26		





# Beyond Launch Plans

Miss out on launch week? No stress—this is a long term play and there will be lots of opportunities to join the momentum.

Here we've identified some ongoing social media opportunities for tourism businesses and communities. Stay tuned for other opportunities over the coming months.

## **Amplify @SuperNaturalBC Content:**

- Reshare our posts to your Stories to extend reach.
- As content moves from inspirational to informative, CDMOs and partners may receive collaborator requests on IG/FB when space allows.
- TIP: We'll occasionally add @explorecanada as a collaborator for added visibility.

## **Share Your Content:**

- Tag us in your posts and Stories on IG/FB/TT using @supernaturalbc, #exploreBC, and #TheGreatWilderness for a chance to be featured.
- Use the premade template to showcase the brand and tag us for potential Story features.

## **Engage with the Community**

- Join the conversation on posted social comments and help answer trip planning questions.





# Assets for Industry: Consumer Messaging

These consumer-facing messages tell the story of *The Great Wilderness* experience in clear, compelling language.

122 WORDS

Journey into *The Great Wilderness*, the northernmost area of British Columbia, Canada, where adventures wait around every corner. Here, travellers will discover the extraordinary in glaciated valleys and lava beds, magnificent mountains and thundering waterways. It's a place where history is sacred and legends linger, passed down through generations of Indigenous Peoples who have stewarded the land for millennia. This is a place for slow travel, where ribbons of open road offer a visual meditation. It's also a place for wilderness adventurers seeking the rush of adrenaline in epic river rafting or a hike to the top of a mist-shrouded waterfall. Wherever you find yourself in *The Great Wilderness*, you'll become immersed in a land of fascinating characters, natural wonders, ancient geology, and enriching experiences. Those lucky enough to come leave with a newfound wisdom gained from the stories and experiences collected along the way.

80 WORDS

Journey into *The Great Wilderness*, the northernmost area of British Columbia, Canada, where adventures await curious wanderers. Here, travellers will discover the extraordinary in glaciated valleys and lava beds, magnificent mountains and thundering waterways. It's a place where history is sacred and legends linger, passed down through generations of Indigenous Peoples who have stewarded the land for millennia.

28 WORDS

Journey into *The Great Wilderness*, the northernmost area of British Columbia, Canada, where adventures await curious wanderers. Explore an extraordinary landscape of jagged mountains, glittering glaciers, booming waterways, and diverse wildlife – all sharing space with Indigenous Peoples, its original and ongoing stewards.

## WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

- Rooted in the brand strategy, this messaging helps unify how the iconic brand presented across channels, making it easier for travellers to understand and connect with the journey.

## HOW TO USE THIS

- Feature on your website to introduce the brand and show how your business or organization fits into the story.
- Adapt the messaging to your business—whether in day-to-day operations, shaping a product or experience, or inspiring your marketing content like social posts and captions.
- Turn key phrases into speaking points for frontline staff, interviews, or presentations to help tell the broader story and highlight your organization's connection to it.



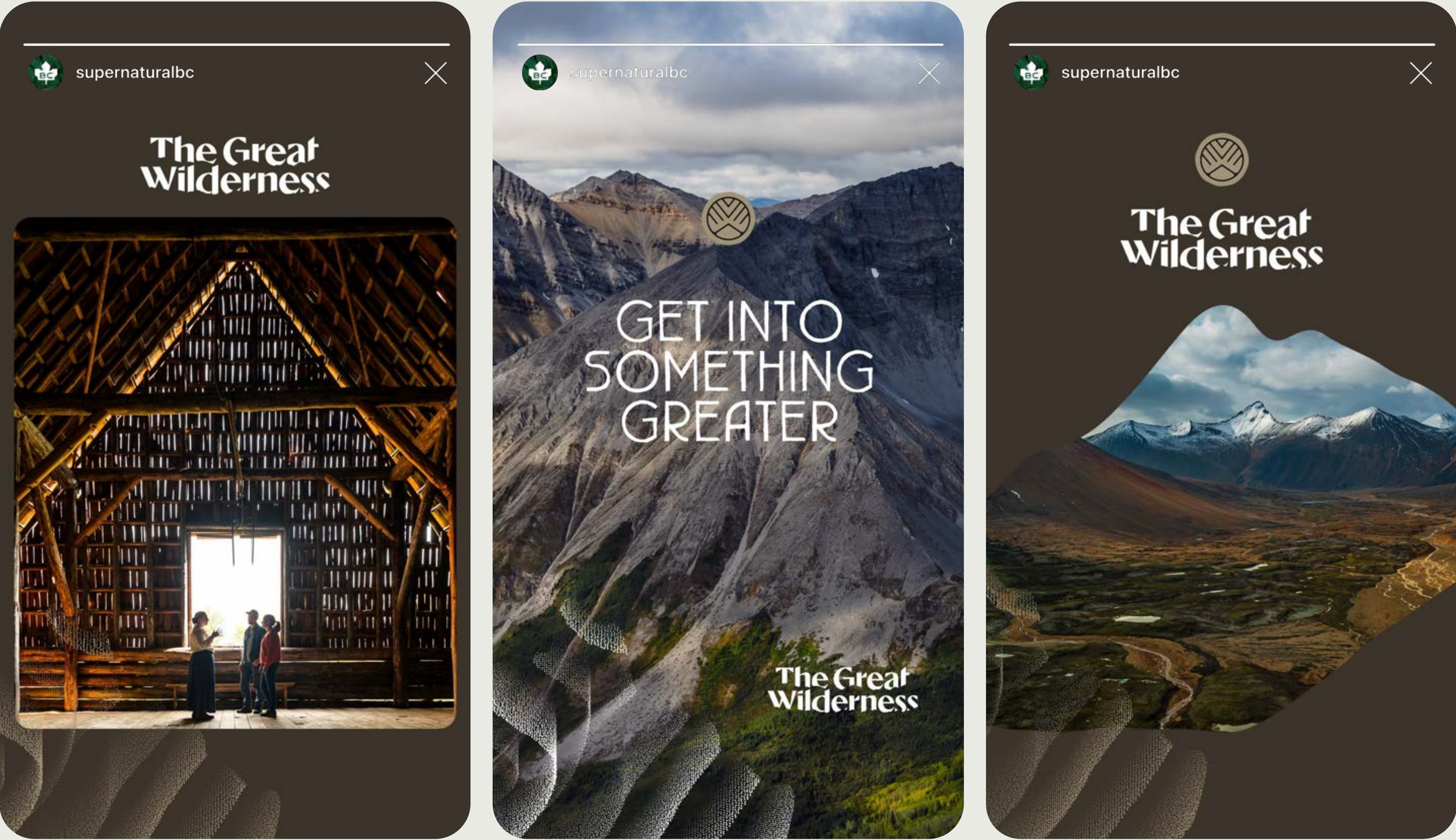


# Brand Tools for Industry: Social Media Stories

Share *The Great Wilderness* on your social channels with our ready-to-use stories, and help spark excitement for the brand launch.

*NOTE: Please do not share until September, 22 2025, 10am PT*

INSTAGRAM STORIES TEMPLATES



WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

By sharing brand-aligned content, you can increase visibility for your business or community, tap into a larger audience, and show travellers how your experience fits into the journey.

HOW TO USE THIS

- Simply **download** and share these Stories on your social channels
- Tag @SuperNaturalBC to increase your chances of being re-shared and featured.



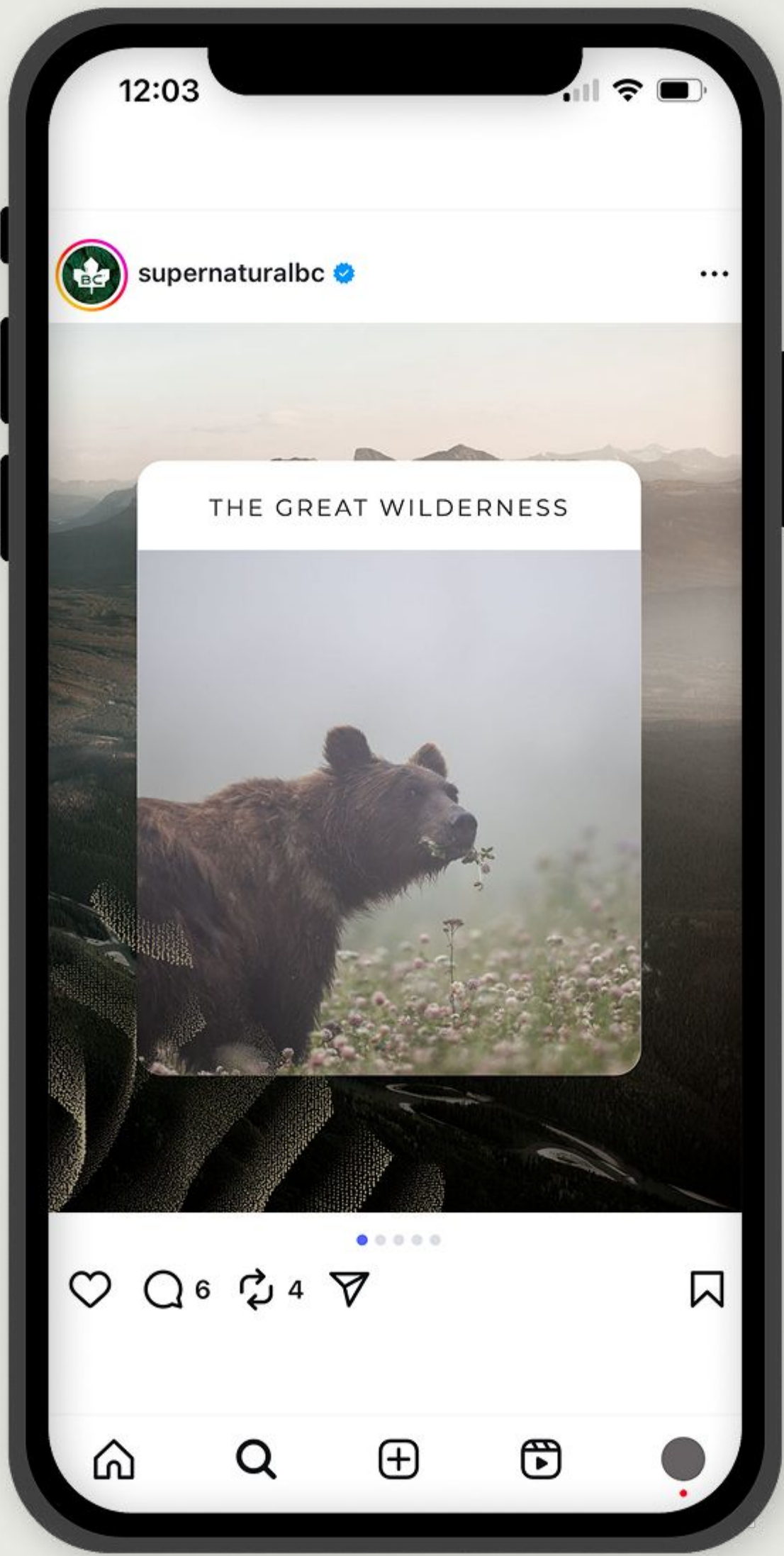


# Brand Tools for Industry: Canva Social Templates

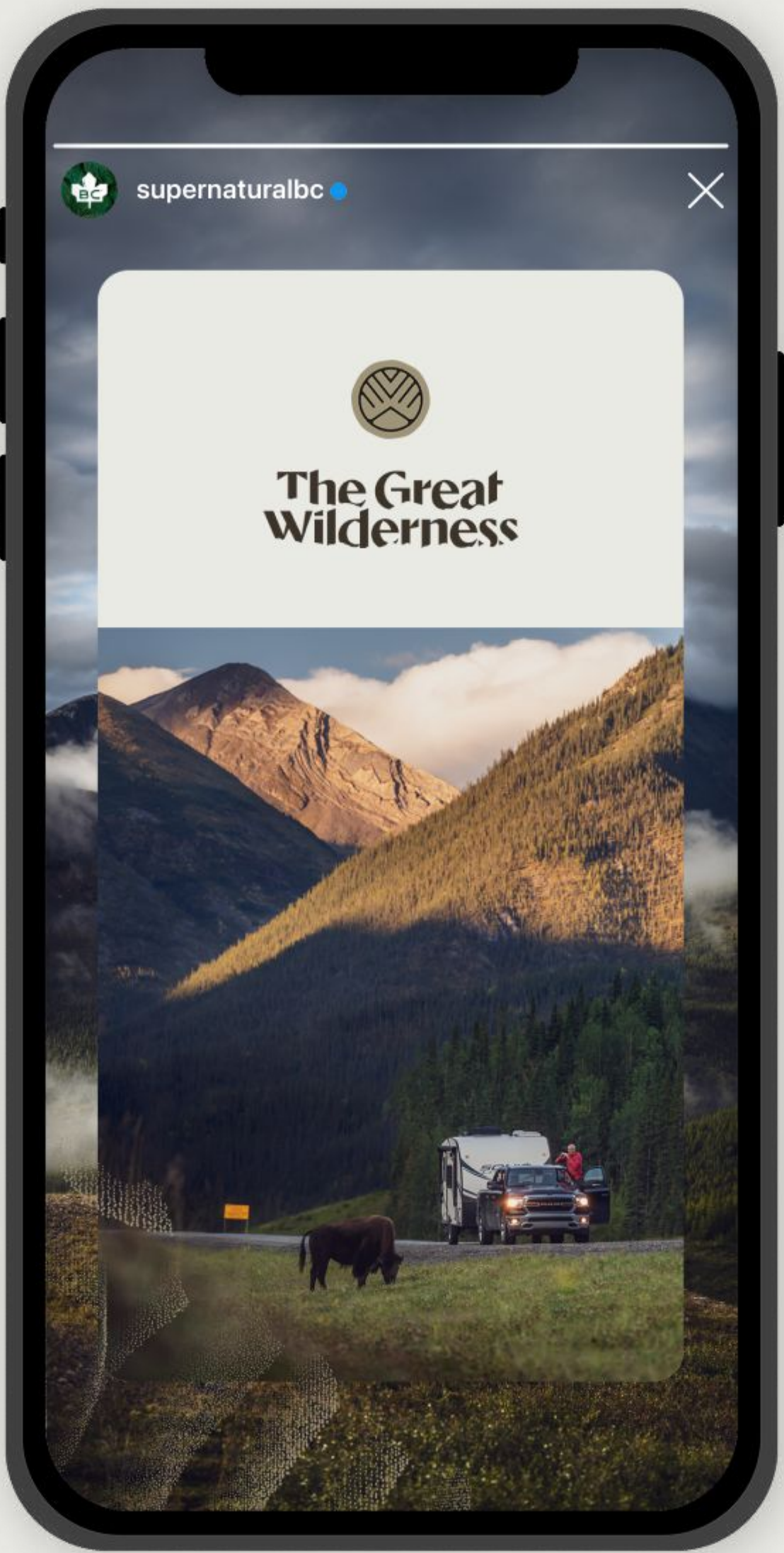
These easy-to-use Canva templates will help you create posts that align with the brand launch campaign from September onwards.

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CANVA TEMPLATES



**Download 4:5 Template**  
Best for in-feed facebook  
& instagram posts



**Download 9:16 Template**  
Best for story templates on  
various social platforms

WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

Simple templates to help you connect to the brand and launch sequence.

HOW TO USE THIS

- **Open the template link**  
Click the Canva link provided in this toolkit. This will open the template in your browser.
- **Make a copy**  
Select Use template to create your own editable version in your Canva account.
- **Add your images**  
Drag and drop your own photos or ones from our image library into the image frames. Adjust cropping to make sure the focus is clear.
- **Customize the text**  
Replace the placeholder text with your own messaging. Keep it short and engaging to suit social channels.
- **Check the design**  
Ensure any logos & branding are visible. Preview the post to confirm everything looks balanced.
- **Download and post**  
Download in the recommended file type (PNG or JPG). Upload directly to your social media platform.





# Brand Tools for Industry: Image and Video Library

Access a collection of curated images representing *The Great Wilderness* brand through the links below.



LINKS

Key Selects: [The Great Wilderness Imagery](#)

Additional photo and video assets can be found on the [BC Content Hub](#).

Note: Where the creative tactic allows, please include a credit and location with the image.

WHY IT MATTERS FOR YOU

High-quality visuals are essential for capturing attention and inspiring travel.

• HOW TO USE THIS

- Incorporate relevant visuals into your website, social media, and marketing materials to elevate your storytelling and connect with the brand.
- Feature visuals in visitor centres, presentations, or digital ads to immerse audiences in the brand.





# Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Is the *Super, Natural British Columbia* brand being retired? How do the new destination brands fit with the provincial brand?**

**A:** *Super, Natural British Columbia* will continue to play a critical role in building awareness and demand for tourism in BC. The new destination brands join *Super, Natural BC* as our globally compelling, competitively positioned reasons to visit BC. Please see [page 06](#) for more on this.

**Q: How do I know which destination brand my business/community should align with?**

**A:** Please refer to the [Community Look Up Tool](#) on the Destination BC website to find the destination brand(s) your community is part of. We're still developing this tool, and it will soon include the ability to search by regional district and First Nation.

**Q: If my community is in multiple destination brands, which one do I use?**

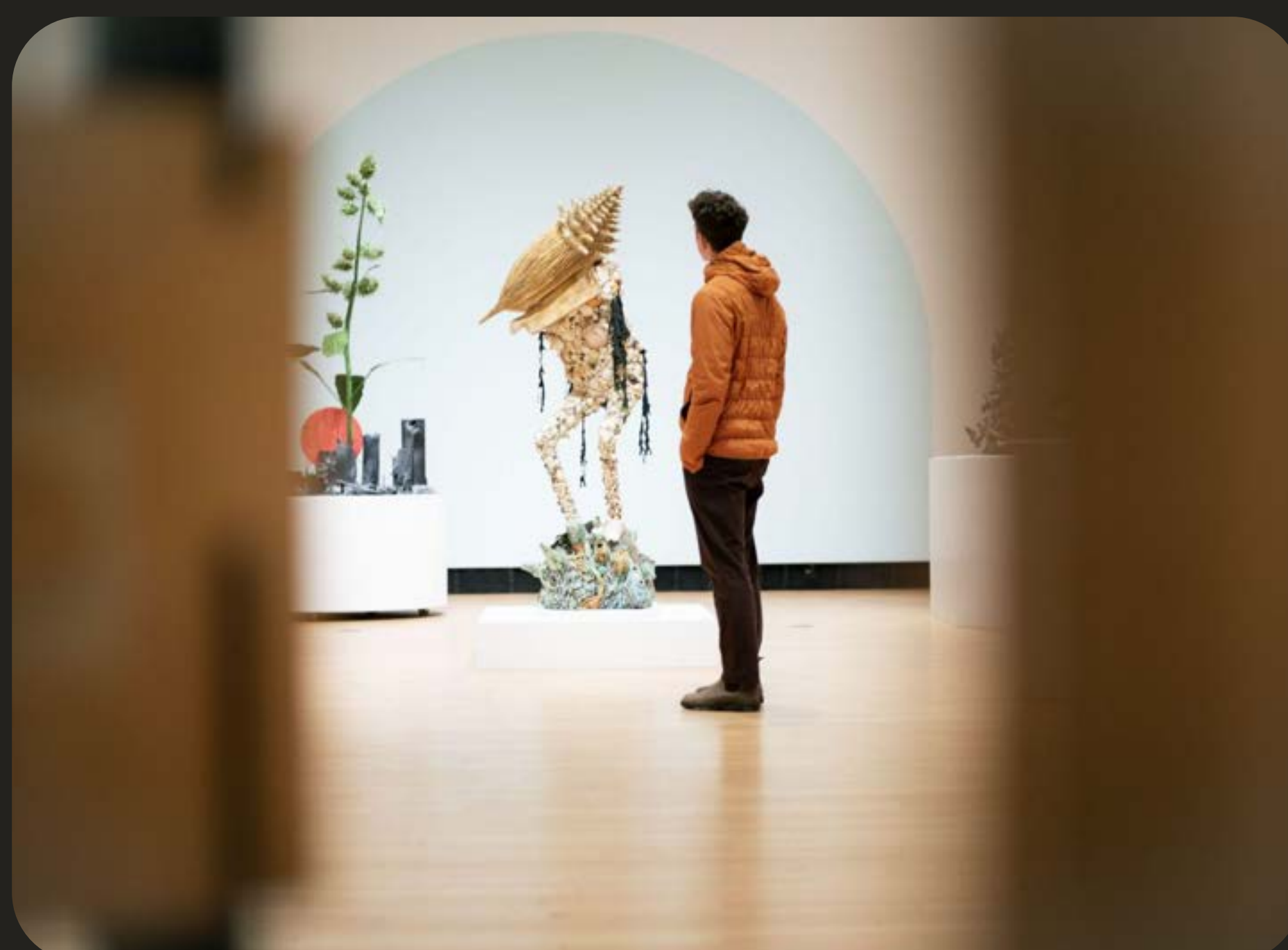
**A:** We encourage you to leverage the brand that you feel presents the biggest opportunity for or best alignment with your business or community.

**Q: Do the iconic destination brands replace the tourism regions?**

**A:** No, the new iconic destination brands are consumer-facing brands, designed to help international travellers easily and quickly understand the offering for British Columbia. They do not reflect a change in current administrative boundaries for the BC tourism industry. The regional DMOs are key partners in this project; they have helped to create the brands and play a critical role in implementing the brands moving forward. Some RDMOs support several of the new destination brands.

**Q: Can I use the brand identity (logo, typeface, colour, badge) for my business or community?**

**A:** We will be developing guidelines for tourism industry usage of the brand identity elements soon. In the meantime, please leverage the social media templates shared in this document, or connect with us to discuss any other ideas or opportunities to collaborate at [Brand@DestinationBC.ca](mailto:Brand@DestinationBC.ca).







# Frequently Asked Questions



**Q: Are there training resources or webinars for tourism partners to understand and leverage?**

**A:** Yes, please visit the website to find a variety of tools and assets including brand videos, brand strategy one-pagers and information on ordering merchandise. Stay tuned for more resources to be added.

**Q: My business was already listed on the HelloBC website. Will this be transferred across to the new consumer website?**

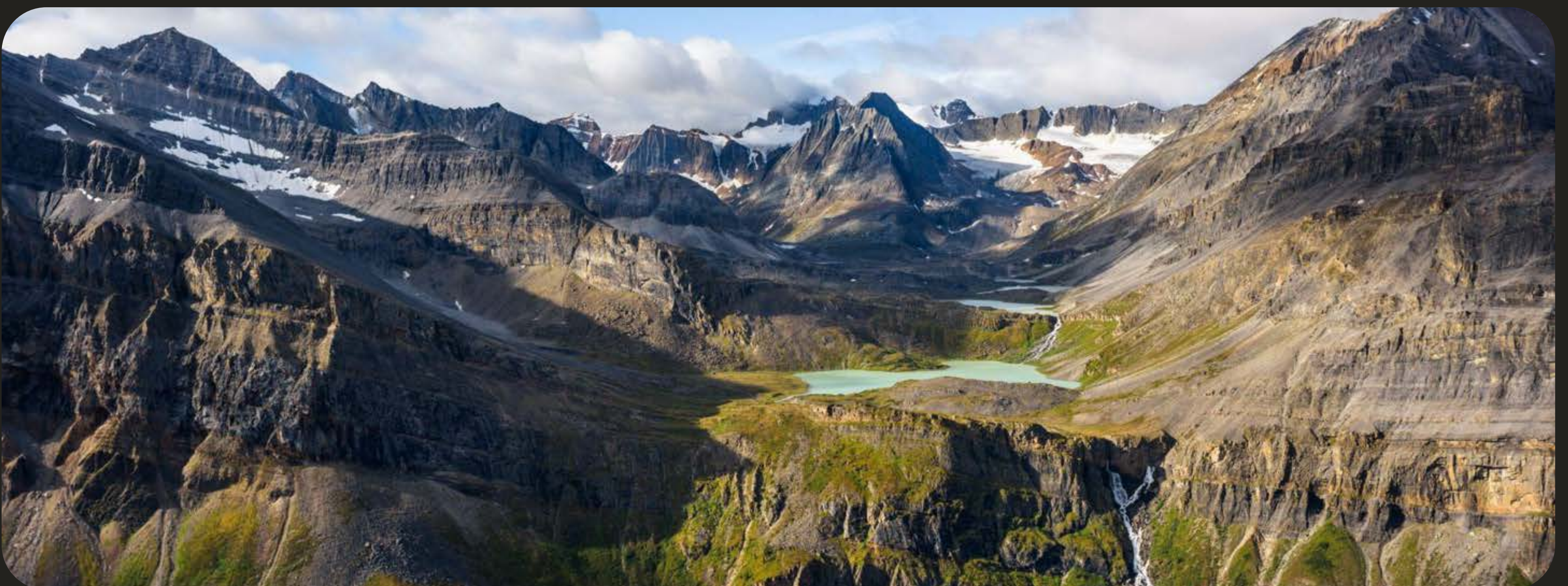
**A:** Yes! All existing business listings will be migrated over to the new [SuperNaturalBC.com](https://SuperNaturalBC.com).

**Q: I'd like to learn more about experience and destination development for this area. How do I find out more?**

**A:** Take a look at the [destination development strategy](#) for this brand. You can also contact [DestinationIndustryDevelopment@DestinationBC.ca](mailto:DestinationIndustryDevelopment@DestinationBC.ca) to find out more.

**Q: I am interested in learning more about the Invest in Iconics strategy, where can I find more information?**

**A:** Please visit [DestinationBC.ca/Iconics](https://DestinationBC.ca/Iconics) to find videos, tools, FAQs, contact information, and more.







## THANK YOU

We're just getting started on this journey but we can't wait to share more with you in the coming months. Stay tuned for upcoming workshops, training, and engagements with Destination BC and your Regional DMO.

Check out the [Destination BC Learning Centre](#) for existing tools and resources.

For any inquiries about *The Great Wilderness* brand or suggestions for information or engagement, please contact:

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