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Canada Canada

(MAP F) HIGH GROOMING PRIORITY

out. Welcome to Decoigne.

construction in area

WHISTLERS CAMPGROUND

Various loop options classic or skate

a wiener roast or a campfire sing-along!

Athabasca

2 PIPELINE TRAIL (MAP D ) LOW GROOMING PRIORITY

Gentle terrain, with subtle ups and downs.

(MAP D ) LOW GROOMING PRIORITY

A: 0.7 km, B: 0.6 km, C: 0.7 km, D: 0.8 km

Popular with families and dogs, this area provides

a medley of options for all ski enthusiasts. Gentle

terrain, with a beautiful section of classic trail

It is often a few degrees colder here.

Internal loops (from west to east)

alongside the Athabasca River.

5.5 km one way

Outer loop: 3.6 km

classic or skate

classic

Various loop options classic or skate

Meander through open meadows, along historic

railway beds and highways past. These easy ski

trails are suited for all ages and abilities. Enjoy the

warming hut or the group fire pit after a fine day

This trail is ideal for beginners and families, or for

those looking for a conditioning track. Take a break

at one of the ski-in fire sites in Marmot Meadows for

Contact the JNP Information Centre for potential

MAP A

Whistlers

Campground

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# Winter, the season to play in... Welcome to winter in Jasper National Park.

Whether you're here for a family adventure, or a relaxing getaway, there's no better way to experience this pristine mountain landscape than on foot. Lace up your boots, wax up your skis, strap on a pair of snowshoes and enjoy one of our many winter trails.



9.0 km one way classic or skate (EASY-MODERATE)

Gentle terrain brings you from the parking lot to a

junction at km 2.0-stay right and continue along

this easy section until km 5.8, where the terrain

begins to roll. Beyond this point the snow tends to

Also known as the *sunny side*, this trail brings

you to sparkling Leach Lake. Near Athabasca

Falls, you'll be rewarded with dramatic views

improve as you climb towards Moab Lake.

4 WHIRLPOOL TRAIL (MAP B) HIGH GROOMING PRIORITY

5 LEACH LAKE TRAIL (MAP B ) HIGH GROOMING PRIORITY

10.5 km one way classic or skate

of Mount Hardisty and Kerkeslin.

**MODERATE**TRAILS

# Trail Grooming Info

Trail Information

Cross-country ski trails are groomed regularly and on a priority basis.

# **HIGH GROOMING PRIORITY:**

Decoigne, Whistlers, Whirlpool and Leach Lake, Pyramid Fire Road

# **LOWER GROOMING PRIORITY:**

Pipeline, Geraldine Road, Wabasso Campground and Cavell Road

# Concerning dogs...

6 GERALDINE ROAD
(MAP B ) LOW GROOMING PRIORITY

**5.9 km one way** classic or skate

have you "yipping" all the way.

8 PYRAMID FIRE ROAD (MAP C ) HIGH GROOMING PRIORITY

15 km return classic or skate

Dogs are welcome on a number of groomed ski trails in the park. However, to allow the track to set, please keep dogs off trails that are freshly groomed. And remember, be considerate and pick up after your pet.

This winding road definitely has its ups and

downs. You'll build up a sweat as you climb,

but don't forget to bring an extra layer for the

ski down towards Mt. Kerkeslin, which will

As you travel along the shoulder of Pyramid

Mountain, you may want to catch your breath

at one of the recommended rest stops, only to

MAP C

**Pyramid** ire Road

have it taken away by the stunning views.

### Trail Etiquette

Although snow can fall any time of year, optimal skiing and snowshoeing runs from Mid-December

to early April. Lower elevations in the park may be available for hiking year round.

- Please respect dog restrictions and closures
- Do not walk or snowshoe on groomed ski tracks
- Skiers going downhill have the right-of-way
- Keep to the right when meeting oncoming skiers
- When resting or visiting, move off the trail When passing say "track please" and pass
- on left side
- Pack out all your garbage

# Trail Report

Get the latest information on trail conditions by checking online and at the Information Centre. The report is updated as conditions change and includes a rating and a grooming report.

Check and report on trail conditions at the Information Centre:

780-852-6176 • www.pc.gc.ca/jaspertrails

# **DIFFICULT**TRAILS

# Snowshoe, Hikes and other Winter Delights

Most of the hiking and snowshoeing

trails outlined in the guide follow the

summer hiking trails. As a general rule, if there is fresh snow, conditions may be better suited for snowshoeing; if the snow is old and well-travelled, it may be better for hiking. Remember, please do not hike or snowshoe on groomed ski trails.

# 10 SIGNAL FIRE ROAD

# 9 km one way snowshoeing

Higher elevation usually means better snow. This gradual climb, along the shoulder of Signal Mountain, meanders through pine forest under open canopy. If you're really keen, you can reach the alpine!

### 11 PYRAMID BENCH (MAP D)

# Variable distance and terrain snowshoeing

Starting from the Pyramid Riding Stables, work your way towards the edge of the bench on the Trail 2 system. The views of the valley and the townsite are stunning. Take advantage of the multiple trails and mix it up a bit.

# WAPITI CAMPGROUND

# Variable distance and terrain hiking

Bring the family and the dog! Nestled along the Athabasca River, this area is packed for winter hiking with a chance for Fido to hone his winter skills.

# 🔞 DOROTHY/CHRISTINE LAKES 🛚

# Dorothy/Christine Lakes- 4 km one way

Head into the backcountry! Dorothy and Christine Lakes (11.5 km west on Hwy 16), and Sunwapta Falls (54 km south on Hwy

# Winter Wildlife

Cougar

Learn how to identify a few tracks and find out whose habitat you're sharing. It is a challenge for wildlife to survive in the winter, but you can help make it easier by giving them lots of space.



Squirrel

# **GENERAL**

**WINTER HOURS:** 

**Directory** 

**Dial 911** 

**EMERGENCY** 

780-852-3100 (satellite)

Nov. 1 to Dec. 5: CLOSED

**Jasper weather:** 780-852-3185

Cell phones are not always reliable

Dec. 6 to Dec. 18: Friday - Sunday

Dec. 19 to Mar. 21: Wednesday - Sunday

780-852-6176 • **Location:** 500 Connaught Drive

JASPER INFORMATION CENTRE

**Road conditions:** 780-852-3311

pc.gc.ca/jasperroads

Parks Canada website: www.pc.gc.ca/jasper

Jasper trail conditions report: www.pc.gc.ca/jaspertrails

#### **TOURISM JASPER**

Hours of operation: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 780-852-3858 • www.jasper.travel

**MAPS AND GUIDE BOOKS** 

Friends of Jasper National Park:

# 780-852-4767 • www.friendsofjasper.com

# MAP B (1480 m) Meeting of the Waters and Athabasca Falls (1230 m) **Geraldine Road** Moab Lake **€** ‡n Athabasca Falls Leach Lake Trail

Leach Lake

Whirlpool Trail

Meeting of

the Waters

# Legend



••••• Trail

Parking Telephone

Groomed track: Moderate Groomed track: Difficult

Distance marker

Highway

**♣** Hostel Dogs allowed

Shelter

S Lake

No dogs Recommended rest stop Stream, river All trail distances in kilometres.

# SUNWAPTA TO BIG BEND

Are you ready for a workout? This winding road brings you up along the Astoria River Valley. The viewpoints make you feel like you're on top of the world! Contact the Information Centre for opening dates.





Sunwapta Falls to Big Bend - 7.5 km one way

93) are two out and back adventures offering snowshoers a great winter experience!

# 11.6 km (to the Edith Cavell Hostel)

#### Safety Considerations MAP E MAP D Wabasso Campground **Planning** Jasper Town & Area • Visit the Jasper Information Centre • Study trail information before starting • Choose a trail suitable for your group • Check weather forecast and trail conditions • Tell somebody where you are going, when you'll be back and who to call if you don't return • Be prepared for sudden weather changes • Trails are not patrolled – use them at your own risk What to Bring \* Trail guide and map \* Water bottle, thermos and high energy food or skate skis. \* Sunscreen and sunglasses \* First aid kit Headlamp or flashlight \* Extra clothes \* Waterproof matches or lighter \* Ski wax, cork and scraper Camera and binoculars Woodland Caribou are a threatened species in Canada. If you want to support caribou conservation efforts, the best choice is to avoid caribou habitat in winter as your ski or snowshoe tracks could inadvertently lead wolves into these relatively inaccessible areas. For information about a trail you are considering, contact the Jasper Information Centre: 780-852-6176 or www.pc.gc.ca/caribou Jasper 2 Legend **─**4 Easy Ski Trail **Avalanches** Difficult Ski Trail 93 Highway If you are planning to travel in areas beyond these trails, you may be in avalanche terrain. Jasper Town Detail For information about a trail you are considering, ----- Railway / Chemin de fer contact the Jasper Information Centre, consult Parking with trailhead the Avalanche Terrain Exposure Scale at: www.avalanche.ca, and read the Jasper daily Mount Robson, Prince George avalanche bulletin at: www. pc.gc.ca/avalanche Legend Information Cross-Country Ski Rentals 2) Pipeline Jasper Source For Sports Washroom 2 Totem Ski Shop Hospital 408 Connaught Drive 780-852-3078 1 Whistlers Distance marker Recycling 3 Skis Please Campgroun 618 Connaught Drive <u>I</u> Swimming 780-931-7238 Wildlife only - area closed (MAP A) Tobogganing 4 Edge Control 626 Connaught Drive 780-852-4945 Highway Local street Wapiti Campground \*\*\*\*\*\* Railway Snowshoe Rentals Pyramid Lake Resort 5 km up Pyramid Lake Rd. Kilometres 1-888-852-7737 MAP F Decoigne Cavell Road (OPEN FEB.15) Trail continues another 1.2 km Wabasso La piste se PARK GATE Campground poursuit sur 1,2 km (MAP E) Fifth Lake Meeting of the Waters and Athabasca Falls (MAP B)

# **Our Suggested Itineraries**

Want to squeeze in an hour of snowshoeing after lunch? Kids starting to get a little squirrelly indoors? Here's a menu of fun winter activities, sorted by time required:

# 1 hour adventure

Grab the kids and pop out to Pyramid Lake for some ice skating fun, a skiing adventure or maybe even a sleigh ride.

Close to town, Whistlers Campground offers some great beginner tracks to tackle with classic

The gentle slopes of Centennial Park are a great toboggan run for tots and teens alike.

#### 3 hours of fun

Head up to the Pyramid bench for some fresh air – rent snowshoes in town or just explore on foot – or skate on Pyramid Lake.

Have a furry friend along with you? Check out dog-friendly Wabasso Campground, which is a great spot for classic skiing.

Hoping to get your heart rate up? Head over to the Pyramid Fire Road for a ski adventure where you'll gain some serious vertical feet.



