

SNOWSHOE TRAILS

Please note:

Weather and trail conditions can change very quickly. Trails may be impassable due to snow or other conditions. Please use your own best judgement when deciding if a trail is for you. Be aware of natural hazards such as open water, weak snow bridges, open creek crossings, sinkholes, tree wells, tree branches, wet or frozen snow falling from tree branches overhead, and icy conditions. For longer adventures we recommend taking a proper topographic map of the park.

Steamboat Trail I, II, & III

Distance: I - 1.5km (one way), II - 1km (one way)
III - 400m (return)

Difficulty: I - Intermediate, II - Advanced, III - Easy

Access: Trail starts by the entrance to the Rein Orchid summer hiking trail. Follow the flagging and the snowshoe trail signs as the trail switchbacks uphill, then through a pine forest. This section may have trees down across the trail to climb over or skirt around. A double flagged tree marks the junction with Section II. From here you can go left to pop out on the Gibson Pass Road by the Lightning Lake sign or continue on Section II. Section II climbs uphill then along a forested ridge and comes out to the Gibson Pass Road across from Lone Duck Bay. Section III is a small loop starting and finishing at the end of Section II.

Shadow Lake Trail

Distance: 4km return

Difficulty: Easy

Access: Trail begins and ends at Strawberry Flats parking lot. Park at the upper end of the lot, closer to the yellow gate. Look down the cross country ski trail access to spot the large yellow snowshoe trail sign marking the start of the trail. From there follow the orange flagging and the snowshoe trail signs through trees and across open meadows. Continue following the flags around the edge of Shadow Lake and through the forest to the bottom of the T-Bar. From here you can snowshoe up the left side of the beginner ski area to the daylodge or retrace your steps to Strawberry Flats. Please respect the needs of our cross country skiers and do not snowshoe on the groomed cross country ski trails at any time.

Lodge Area Trails

Distance: Varied

Difficulty: Easy/Intermediate/Advanced

Snowshoe Adventure Park: Take a walk on the wild side in our snowshoe adventure park. This is an **unmarked area** near the main lodge of the resort just waiting to be explored. It contains a variety of terrain, from easy to intermediate to advanced. The exterior of the adventure park is marked so you can find your way back to the main lodge. Bring a compass and a map to practice your navigation skills.

Lighting Lake Loop

Distance: 4.5km (return) or 9km (return)

Difficulty: Easy

Access: Park at the Lightning Lake Day Use Area and follow the summer hiking trail around the lake. For the shorter distance, cut across at Rainbow Bridge. The longer distance is the whole way around the lake. Right at the beginning of the trail at the Day Use Area, and again as you go around Lone Duck Bay, please avoid walking on the groomed cross country ski trails. Do not walk on the tracks or the central lane for skate skiers. Instead, stay to the edge or create your own trail off to the side of the grooming. Coming around Lone Duck Bay the trail is quite narrow, so please walk on the lake side of the groomed trail. Lightning Lake is man made and the ice does not freeze reliably so travel on the lake itself is not recommended. This is a BC Parks trail so there will not be flagging or snowshoe trail signs.

West Similkameen Trail

Distance: 4.2km return

Difficulty: Easy

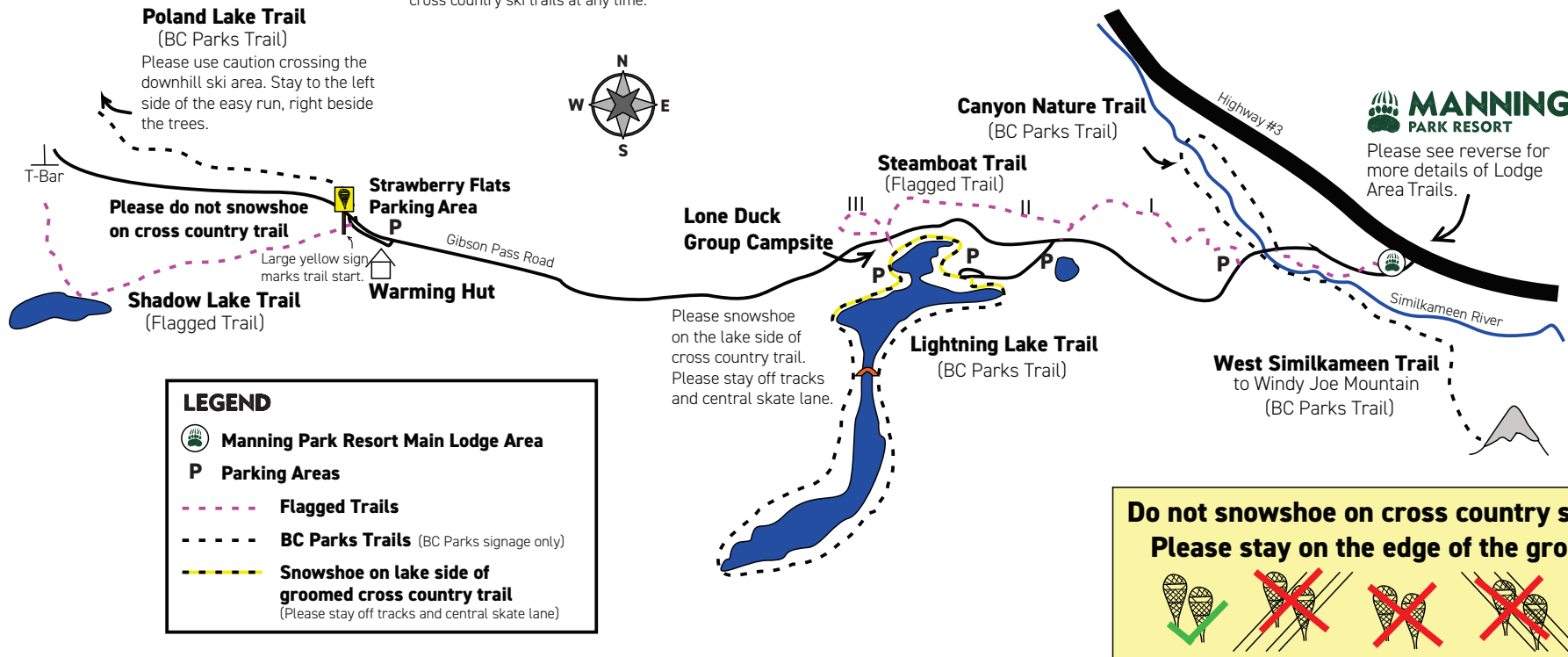
Access: Trail begins and ends at the Nordic Centre. From the Nordic Centre, head west toward the cabins. The trail starts behind the first cabin (by the large yellow sign). At the first junction go left down the hill and cross the Gibson Pass Road. Continue on, carefully crossing the cross country ski trail. Keep following the orange flags up to the bridge across the Similkameen River. Cross to the south side of the river and follow the trail east for 2km until you reach the Windy Joe Trail Junction. From here you can proceed up to Windy Joe (a further 6km, not flagged) or turn around and retrace your steps to the Nordic Centre.

Other Trails

Distance: Varied

Difficulty: Varied

Other than the downhill ski area and the groomed cross country ski trails, with snowshoes on your feet, the park is yours to explore. Before heading into the backcountry, make sure you are prepared and have left a safety plan with a friend. Carry a topographic map and a compass and don't forget spare clothes, extra food and water. Be aware of conditions, including avalanche risk and carry safety gear with you. Once you are prepared you can choose your own adventure or follow a trail such as Poland Lake, Cambie Creek, Fat Dog, Monument 78 or Monument 83.





**DO NOT SNOWSHOE ON
CROSS COUNTRY SKI TRAILS**
 Please stay on the edge of the grooming.



LODGE AREA
SNOWSHOE TRAILS

See reverse for trail descriptions

Please Note:
 Snowshoeing and walking
are not allowed on groomed
cross country ski trails.

