

Linked by the Trans-Canada Highway, these two parks protect landscapes characteristic of the steep terrain, moist climate and lush vegetation of the Columbia Mountains. **MOUNT REVELSTOKE NATIONAL PARK** features road access to the very top of a gentle mountain crowned by the flowery meadows so typical of this mountain range. The park was established in 1914, in recognition of local citizens' efforts to preserve the alpine splendor of the area. **Size:** 260 km² (100 sq. mi.) **GLACIER NATIONAL PARK**, with over 400 glaciers covering one tenth of its area, is a stunning setting for some fascinating transportation and mountaineering history. Like Yoho, Glacier National Park was created in 1886, to add important new park reserves along the Canadian Pacific Railway line. **Size:** 1350 km² (521 sq. mi.)



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Meadows In the Sky Parkway

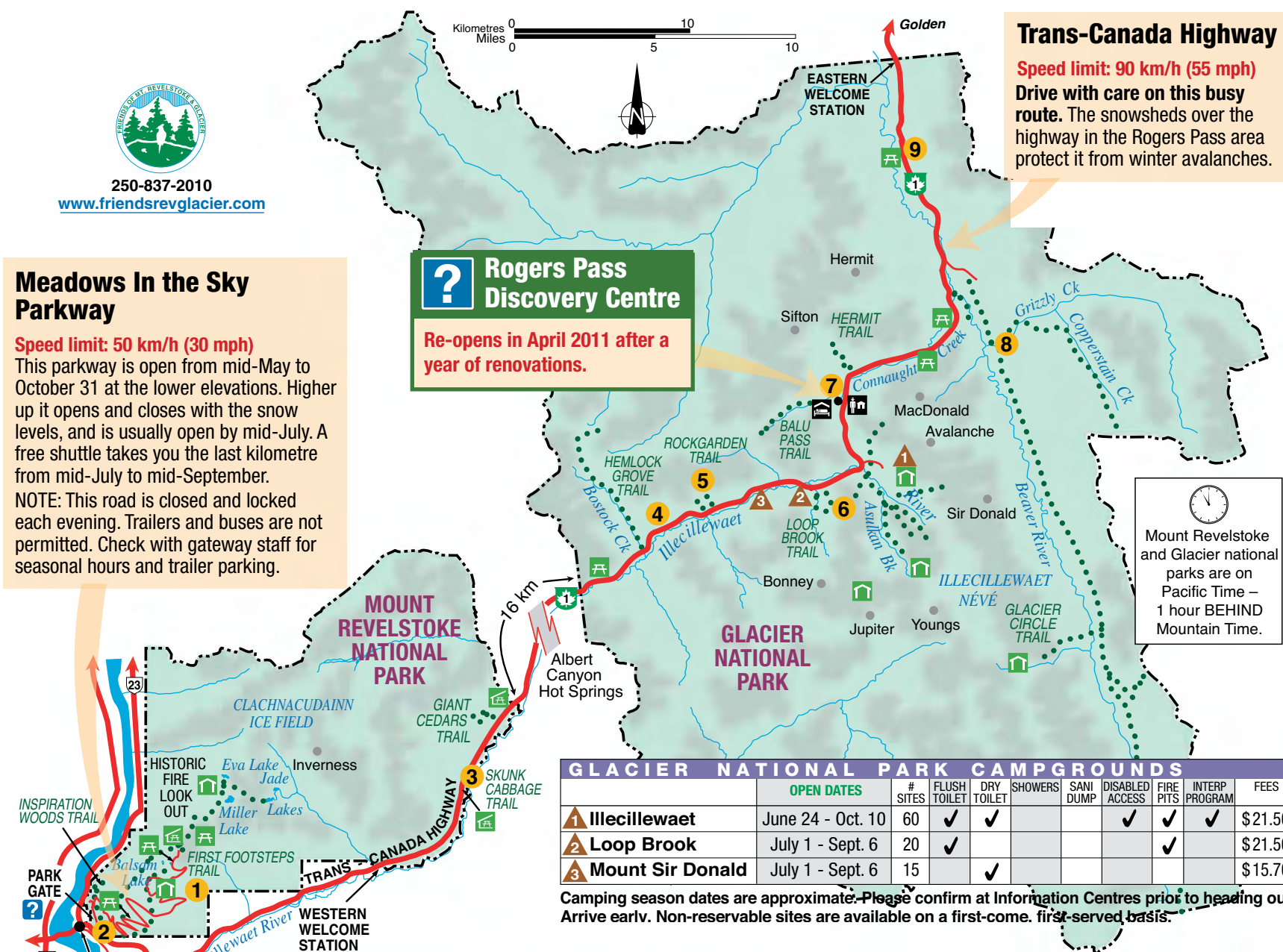
Speed limit: 50 km/h (30 mph)
This parkway is open from mid-May to October 31 at the lower elevations. Higher up it opens and closes with the snow levels, and is usually open by mid-July. A free shuttle takes you the last kilometre from mid-July to mid-September.
NOTE: This road is closed and locked each evening. Trailers and buses are not permitted. Check with gateway staff for seasonal hours and trailer parking.

Rogers Pass Discovery Centre

Re-opens in April 2011 after a year of renovations.

Trans-Canada Highway

Speed limit: 90 km/h (55 mph)
Drive with care on this busy route. The snowsheds over the highway in the Rogers Pass area protect it from winter avalanches.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR BACKCOUNTRY SKIERS

- All winter backcountry destinations in Glacier National Park require travel in avalanche terrain.
- All avalanche paths facing the Trans-Canada Highway and railway line have **prohibitions or restrictions** because the park stabilizes these areas using explosives. Some **restricted** areas can be entered by special permit on days when the park's avalanche forecaster has determined that the area will not be subject to avalanche control. Daily winter permits are available at Rogers Pass, and annual winter permits are also available. Go to www.pc.gc.ca/glacier for more information and click on **Winter Permit Information** on the right hand tool bar. Avalanche bulletins are available at park headquarters in Revelstoke, on our website, or at 1-800-667-1105 or 250-837-MTNS.
- Explosive artillery projectiles may be fired at the slopes near the Trans-Canada Highway at any time. Unexploded projectiles might exist. If you happen to see one, DO NOT TOUCH OR MOVE IT! Note its location and call the park emergency number: 1-877-852-3100 or 911.



Attractions

1 Meadows In The Sky Parkway

On the Trans-Canada Highway, 2 minutes east of the main Revelstoke exit.

This Parkway climbs 26 km from the valley bottom to the flower-filled meadows at the summit of Mount Revelstoke. Nine hiking and strolling trails begin here. Koo Koo Sint Trail commemorates explorer David Thompson's journeys in this area 200 years ago. First Footsteps Trail tells the stories of First Nations people.

2 Nels Nelsen Historic Ski Jump

Near the start of the Meadows in the Sky Parkway
We celebrate our tradition of ski-jumping here; it's the only place in Canada where world-record jumps were ever recorded.

3 Skunk Cabbage Trail

28 km (25 min) east of Revelstoke
This 1.2 km interpretive boardwalk trail loops through a classic Columbia Mountains wetland. Great bird-watching!

4 Hemlock Grove Trail

54 km (40 min) east of Revelstoke
Explore the rain forest. This 0.4 km interpretive boardwalk winds through an ancient stand of western hemlock trees. It's completely accessible to persons with mobility and visual impairments.

5 Rockgarden Trail

56 km (42 min) east of Revelstoke
Look down, instead of up! Every one of the rocks on this 0.5 km trail contains a miniature landscape of its own.

6 Loop Brook Trail

63 km (45 min) east of Revelstoke
A century of railway history comes alive on this 1.6-km walking trail.

7 Rogers Pass National Historic Site

Rogers Pass NHS is a 20 km long corridor that follows the route of the original trans-continental railway line across the Selkirk Mountains.

Rogers Pass Summit is 69 km (52 min) east of Revelstoke
Rogers Pass commemorates a turning point in Canadian history: the completion of the railway, which brought British Columbia into the Canadian confederation in 1871. Here you can walk among historic engineering marvels, within view of the modern Trans-Canada Highway.

8 Beaver/Copperstain Valleys

79 km (1 hr) east of Revelstoke
These backpacking trails lead deep into the wilderness heart of Glacier National Park, and the vast alpine meadows of Bald Mountain.

9 Beaver Valley Day-Use Area

85 km (65 min) east of Revelstoke
The Beaver Valley is a place of fragile beauty and dynamic mountainsides, shaped by mudflows and landslides. It's home to carnivores and carnivorous plants, damselflies and dragonflies. In the warmest and driest part of Glacier, this day-use area is one of the park's first and last snow-free facilities every season.

Top Ways to Celebrate

125 years of Glacier National Park

Special anniversary events include **Canada's Parks Day** in July, **Music in the Meadows** in August, **Art in the Park** in November and the **Dog Sled Mail Run** in December.



Celebrate the Summit on Mount Revelstoke

Paint the wildflowers or get your face painted at this mountain-top festival in August. Listen to mountain music during the day or stay up until midnight to watch the Perseids meteor shower.

100 Years of 4 Wheels!

Fill your car with friends, and drive up to the new **Panorama Point** near the top of Mount Revelstoke. 2011 marks a century since cars first climbed the Meadows in the Sky Parkway, when Model T's ruled the road. Watch for a mountain-top **Show and Shine** in August.

Camping in Glacier National Park

Camp at one of the three campgrounds in **Rogers Pass National Historic Site**. Listen to tales of the early Swiss guides around the campfire. Explore the ruins of **Glacier House**, one of the original great mountain hotels.

Pound your stakes into the ground and put your steaks on the grill at the **Great Glacier Camp-out**, an opportunity to get together with campers who have been in love with **Illecillewaet** campground for half a century. (September).

Cycling in Mount Revelstoke National Park

Battle the elements and gravity on the 27 km long **Meadows in the Sky Parkway**. If you enjoy cycling on pavement and want to propel yourself up 1600 m into the alpine, this ride is for you! Later, reward yourself with magnificent views while coasting down the parkway road.

Discover the interior rainforest by cycling the **Soren Sorenson 2 and 5 km loop trails** at the foot of Mount Revelstoke. Two connector paths link these trails with Revelstoke and **Highway 23 North**.

For more information visit the **Parks Canada Information Centre**.



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