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JASPER NATIONAL PARK **Winter** Guide



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 Marmot Meadows



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WELCOME



Columbia Icefields

The winter season in Jasper National Park is such a beautiful time to visit. From our snow covered mountain peaks to our lightly dusted forests, the landscape is a winter wonderland awaiting adventure.

Whether you enjoy snowshoeing, skiing, skating, biking or winter walking, the options for winter activities are endless. Take your winter activity experience to the next level, and get out at night to enjoy the second largest dark sky preserve on the planet. Most nights you can look up and see billions of stars dancing overhead (and if you are lucky, the northern lights)!

The year 2017 marks Canada's 150th birthday which means we will be celebrating all year long! With free park entry for the entire year, we welcome you and your family to visit us as often as you can.

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PARKS CANADA
JASPER INFORMATION CENTRE
 500 Connaught Drive
 780-852-6176 • pc.gc.ca/jasper
pc.gc.ca/jasperwinter

WINTER HOURS: NOV. 1 - MAY 18
 Daily 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
CLOSED Christmas Day, Boxing Day
 and New Year's Day

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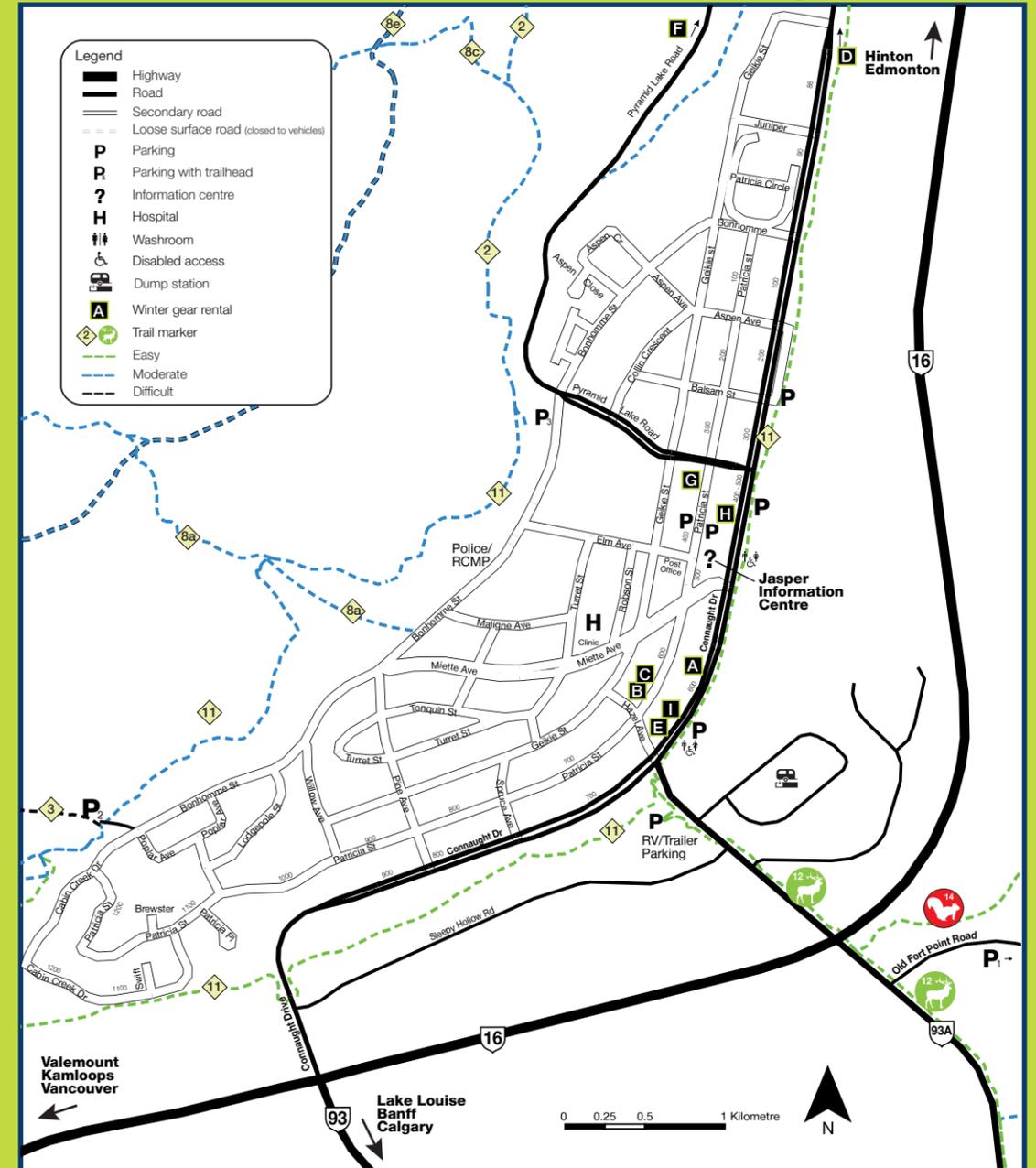
FRIENDS OF JASPER NATIONAL PARK
 Maps and guide books:
 780-852-4341 • friendsofjasper.com

RESERVATIONS
 1-877-737-3783
 Online booking: reservation.pc.gc.ca

GENERAL
 Jasper weather: 780-852-3185
weather.gc.ca
 Road conditions: 511
alberta511.ca

EMERGENCY
Dial 911
Cell phones are not always reliable.
 780-852-3100 (satellite)

Jasper Townsite



Winter Gear Rentals

	Downhill skis	Snowboards	Ice cleats	Snowshoes	X-country skis	Fat bikes	Skates	Alpine touring	Splitboards
A EDGE CONTROL 626 Connaught Dr. 780-852-4945	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
B FREEWHEEL CYCLE 618 Patricia St. 780-852-3898	✓	✓				✓			✓
C GRAVITY GEAR 618 Patricia St. 780-852-3155				✓				✓	
D JASPER PARK LODGE 1 Old Lodge Rd. 780-852-3301			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
E PURE OUTDOOR 632 Connaught Dr. 780-852-4717	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
F PYRAMID LAKE RESORT Pyramid Lake Rd. 1-888-852-7737				✓		✓	✓		
G SOURCE FOR SPORTS 406 Patricia St. 780-852-3654	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
H TOTEM SKI SHOP 408 Connaught Dr. 780-852-3078	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
I VICIOUS CYCLE 630 Connaught Dr. 780-852-1111			✓			✓			✓

Winter Adventures at your fingertips!



Head down the Icefields Parkway

Ski to Leach Lake

Take your cross-country skis up to the Leach Lake Trail (S), page 12). Enjoy the stunning views of Mount Kerkeslin as you ski along gentle rolling terrain.

Walk to Lower Sunwapta Falls

Enjoy a nice quiet walk or snowshoe to lower Sunwapta Falls (K), page 10). Observe the spectacular ice formations as you walk downstream, a short 2.6-km return trip.

Snowshoe by a Glacier

Strap on the snowshoes, layer up and get up close and personal with the magnificent Athabasca Glacier on the Toe of the Glacier Route (L), page 10). Be sure to check road conditions prior to heading out (see page 23). **Caution:** This route is not marked.

Explore the Pyramid Bench area

Begin your journey by venturing up the Pyramid Lake Road which is accessible from the townsite. There are several trailheads along the way to Pyramid Lake that offer access to an extensive trail system perfect for snowshoeing, winter walking and fat biking. Follow the snowshoe trail markers and take off from Pyramid Lake to try the Pyramid Overlook Trail (B), page 10) or check out the Edge of the Bench Trail (A), page 10) and take in the stunning views.

Hike along a River

Head out on the Red Squirrel Trail to Big Horn Alley (AD), page 11) by foot, and use the Easy Trail System to get across the river at Old Fort Point. Enjoy views of the Athabasca River, don't forget the camera!

Go for a Skate!

Pick up the skates and head to one of our picturesque frozen lakes. There are two great skating rinks that are cleared for you to enjoy. Experience iconic Pyramid Lake (AQ), page 11) or head out to Jasper Park Lodge for a skate and hot chocolate on Mildred Lake (AP), page 11).

Discover Marmot Meadows Winter Hub

A great place to spend the entire day, Marmot Meadows features a challenging 4-km groomed cross-country ski trail through the forest (P,Q), page 12), an easy loop through the meadows, and a winter shelter. On weekends, park interpreters offer programs and activities around the campfire, at the traditional tipi and on snowshoes.

Park Guidelines

- Please respect dog restrictions and closures.
- Do not walk or snowshoe on groomed ski tracks.
- **Leave no trace:** pack out all of your garbage.

Sightseeing Opportunities

Pyramid Lake - 7 km

A short drive leaving from the back of town. Stop at Patricia Lake to take in some interpretation and stellar views. Continue a little further up Pyramid Road, and enjoy a stroll to Pyramid Island where you can get up close and personal with the exquisite Pyramid Mountain. Keep your eyes open for wildlife along the way!



Maligne Lake - 48 km

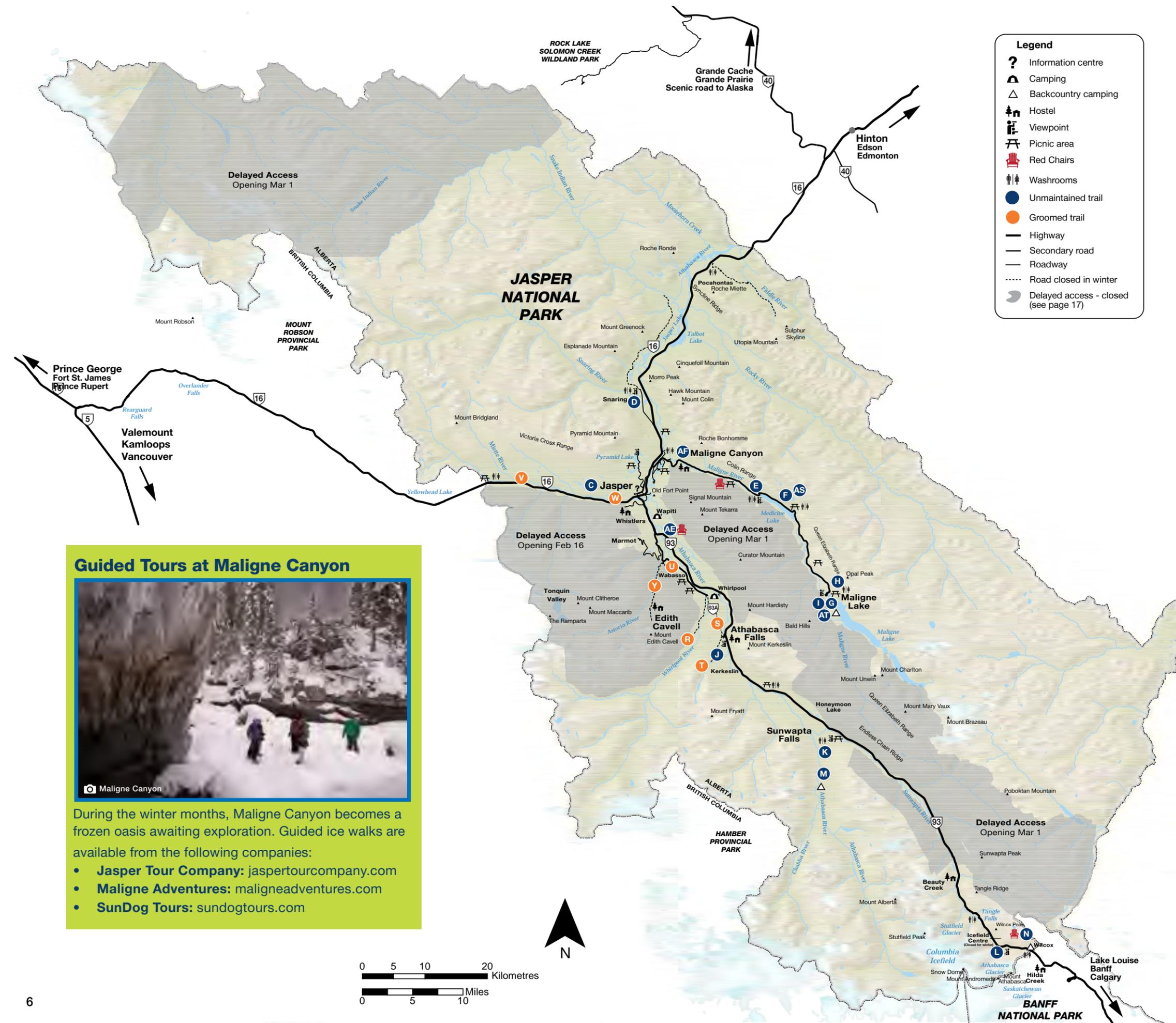
Around every corner of this 48-km road you'll find picturesque scenery. Stop at Medicine Lake (30 km) to take in the stunning mountain vistas. Then continue to the end of the road to discover the breathtaking Maligne Lake. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife!

Icefields Parkway Highlights - 30 km, 54 km and 103 km

Travel down the Icefields Parkway (Highway 93), one of the most scenic drives on the planet! Take in the surreal ice formations at Athabasca Falls (30 km) and Sunwapta Falls (54 km), transformed by winter into frozen ice sculptures. Continue on to Athabasca Glacier area (103 km), where you can strap on your snowshoes and break trail below some of the highest peaks in the Canadian Rockies. Please watch for wildlife and respect the reduced speed zones along the way.



Warning! Roads can be very slippery or closed during bad weather. Check the road report at alberta511.ca or drivebc.ca before heading out. Please note there is no cell phone reception along the Maligne and Snaring roads or the Icefields Parkway.



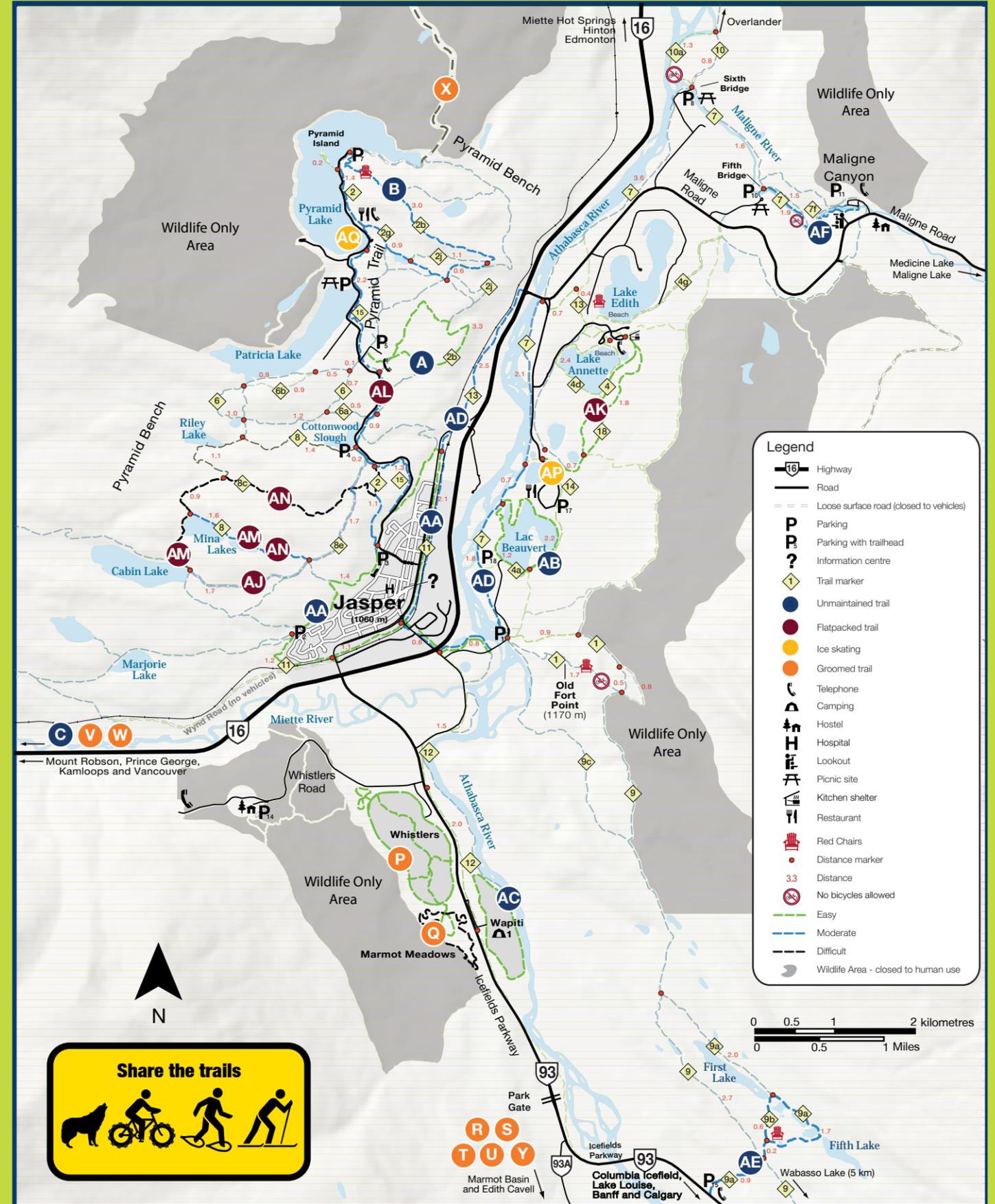
Guided Tours at Maligne Canyon



During the winter months, Maligne Canyon becomes a frozen oasis awaiting exploration. Guided ice walks are available from the following companies:

- **Jasper Tour Company:** jaspertourcompany.com
- **Maligne Adventures:** maligneadventures.com
- **SunDog Tours:** sundogtours.com

Winter Activities



Snowshoeing

A great way to get the whole family out! Inspiring the exploration of untracked territory, snowshoeing is one of winter's most accessible activities. With such a variety of winter areas, Jasper is the perfect place to explore and create your own personal adventures.



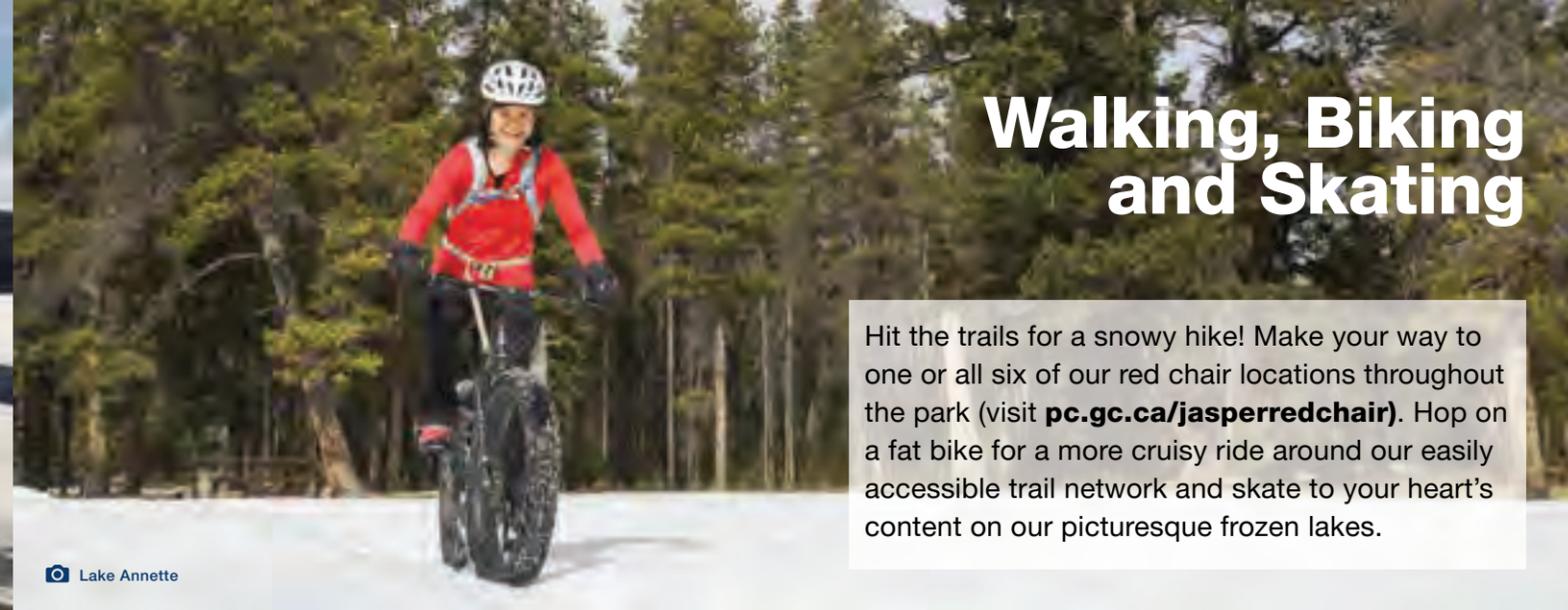
Maligne Lake

Easy Moderate Difficult

Trail and Activities   	Distance	Description	Maps
PYRAMID BENCH			
A Edge of the Bench	4.2 km return	Enjoy spectacular townsite views.	P. 9
B Pyramid Overlook	5.5 km return	A loop trail with tremendous views.	P. 9
C Viri, Dorothy, Christine Lakes	8.6 km return	A beautiful forested trail with great lake views.	P. 6, 9
MOBERLY HOMESTEAD			
D Moberly Meadows	Variable	Blaze your own trail in a wide open meadow and explore historic buildings.	P. 6
MALIGNE VALLEY			
E Medicine Lake	3 km return	Follow the lakeshore for beautiful open views.	P. 6
F Beaver Lake	4 km return	A charming forested trail with lake views.	P. 6
G Moose Lake Loop	2.6 km loop	This trail will take you through scenic forest, over an old landslide and to Moose Lake.	P. 6, 16
H Mary Schäffer Loop	3.2 km loop	A beautiful loop to a scenic viewpoint looking down Maligne Lake.	P. 6, 16
I Upper Moose Loop	6 km loop	Travel through forest then down to the lake.	P. 6, 16
ICEFIELDS PARKWAY			
J Athabasca Falls River Trail	5 km return	Travel along the upper section of the Athabasca River offering great views of Mount Kerkeslin.	P. 6, 13
K Lower Sunwapta Falls	2.6 km return	Walk along the river to a set of stunning falls.	P. 6-7
L Toe of the Glacier Route	5.4 km return	Magnificent views of the massive Athabasca Glacier.	P. 6-7
M Big Bend	12.6 km return	A forested trail with phenomenal views of Dragon Peak and surrounding mountains.	P. 6-7
N Wilcox Viewpoint	4 km return	A short climb to an incredible view of the Athabasca and Dome glaciers.	P. 6-7

Walking, Biking and Skating

Hit the trails for a snowy hike! Make your way to one or all six of our red chair locations throughout the park (visit pc.gc.ca/jasperredchair). Hop on a fat bike for a more cruisy ride around our easily accessible trail network and skate to your heart's content on our picturesque frozen lakes.



Lake Annette

Easy Moderate Difficult

Trail and Activities	Distance	Description	Maps
WINTER WALKING  			
AA Jasper Discovery Trail	8.3 km loop	An interpretive loop trail with beautiful town views.	P. 9
AB Lac Beauvert Loop	3.4 km loop	A loop trail around a lake with spectacular views.	P. 9
AC Wapiti Campground	Variable options	A forested trail with views of the Athabasca River.	P. 9
AD Red Squirrel to Big Horn Alley	10.6 km loop	A loop with varied terrain along the Athabasca River.	P. 9
AE Valley of the Five Lakes	4.1 km loop	A loop trail with a series of beautiful frozen lakes.	P. 9
AF Maligne Canyon	Varied route options	Walk along the top of the canyon.	P. 6, 9
FAT BIKING  			
AJ Cabin Lake Fire Road	6.8 km return	A fairly moderate ride out to Cabin Lake and back with panoramic views.	P. 9
AK Woodpecker / Trail 4	3.6 km loop	Flat-packed by Fairmont, this loop travels through gently rolling terrain from Jasper Park Lodge to Lake Annette and back.	P. 9
AL Pyramid Trail-Cottonwood Slough (P ₁) to Pyramid Lake Resort (P ₂)	8 km return	This cruisy trail climbs steadily to beautiful Pyramid Lake.	P. 9
AM Mina-Cabin Loop	9.3 km return	Sections of demanding terrain and scenic views on the west end of Pyramid Bench.	P. 9
AN Trail 8 to 8c	8.2 km loop	Great terrain for experienced riders.	P. 9
ICE SKATING  			
AP Mildred Lake	Approx. 1 km loop	Head out to Jasper Park Lodge and skate on stunning Mildred Lake.	P. 9
AQ Pyramid Lake	Approx. 0.7 km loop	Skate on iconic Pyramid Lake.	P. 9

Cross-Country Skiing



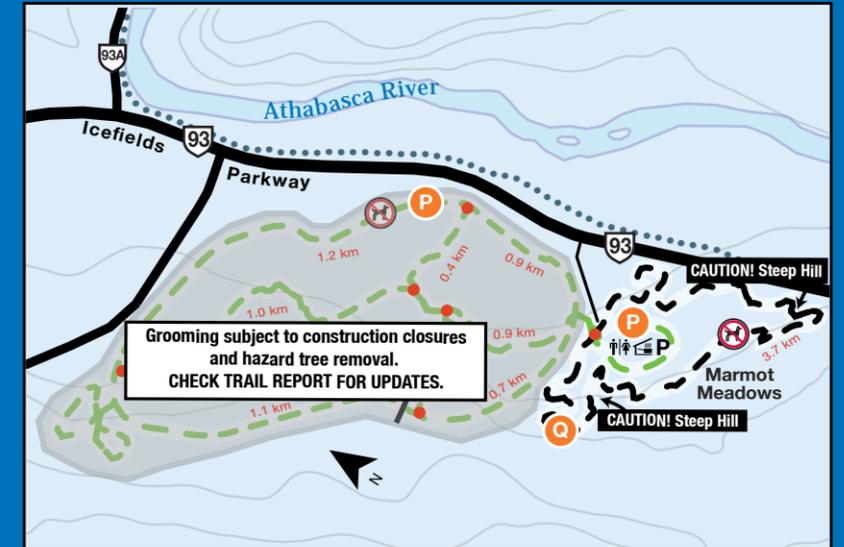
Jasper offers up a great mix of cross-country ski trails with something for everyone. Relax with the whole family and take in the vistas on a casual ski around one of our easy campground trails or get your heart pumping up one of our steeply-ascending fire roads.

Wabasso Campground

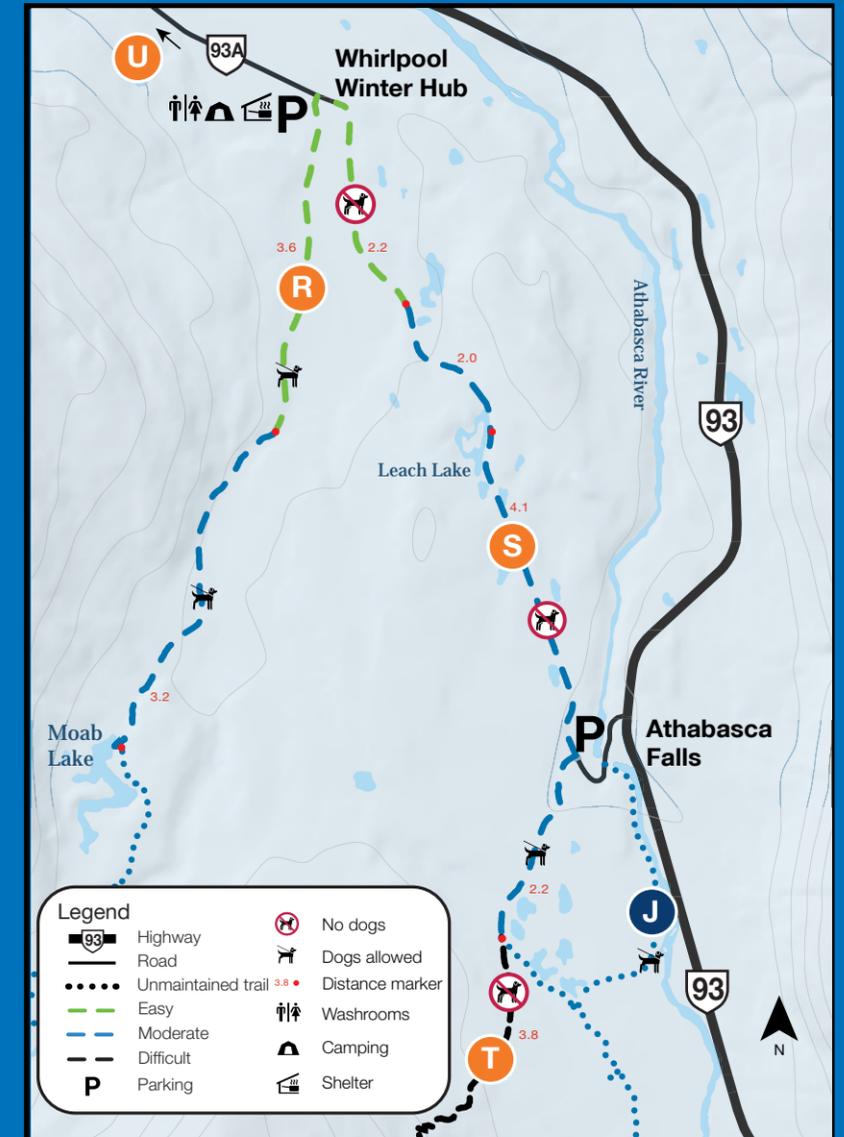
Easy Moderate Difficult

Trail and Activities	Distance	Description	Maps
MARMOT MEADOWS WINTER HUB			
Whistlers Loop	Variable options	Forested loop through the campground. Tracksetting varies due to construction.	P. 6, 9, 13
Re Run	4 km loop	Forested loop with challenging hills.	P. 6, 13
WHIRLPOOL WINTER HUB			
Whirlpool Trail	14 km return	Gentle terrain with river views.	P. 6, 13
Leach Lake Trail	8.4 km return	Beautiful mountain and lake views.	P. 6, 13
ATHABASCA FALLS AREA			
Geraldine Road	11.8 km return	Winding, challenging road with some views. Elevation gain: 532 m. Dogs allowed on Fryatt access	P. 6, 13
OTHER AREAS			
Wabasso Campground	3.6 km loop	Gentle terrain along the river. Variable loops.	P. 6
Decoigne	Variable options	Open meadows with rolling terrain.	P. 6
Pipeline	11 km return	Gentle terrain with subtle ups and downs.	P. 6
Pyramid Fire Road	15 km return	A steep climb with nice views. Elevation gain: 770 m	P. 9
Cavell Road	23.2 km return	A steep climb with stunning views. Opens Feb. 16	P. 6

Marmot Meadows Winter Hub



Whirlpool and Athabasca Falls Winter Hub



Pyramid Lake

Trail Etiquette

- 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.

Downhill and Light Touring Skiing

Jasper offers up spectacular opportunities for all ski enthusiasts. Whether you're into carving up smooth corduroy runs at the ski hill or enjoying the quiet solitude of light backcountry touring, the park is your oyster for exploration!

© Six Pass

Downhill

MARMOT BASIN

With short line-ups, wide open groomed runs, high alpine bowls and dry powdery snow, Marmot Basin offers world class skiing and snowboarding in the heart of the park. Sitting at an elevation of 1,698 m with a vertical drop of 914 m, Marmot has a varied range of terrain for all abilities. Ski lessons offered. Visit: skimarmot.com

Light Touring

Get off the beaten path and go ski touring in the park. Gliding across the snow on skis is one of the best ways to explore Jasper's untracked trails. From short to full day trips, take in breathtaking views as you wind your way along valley bottoms and over gentle rolling terrain. For the keen adventurer, try spending a wintery night at one of our unique winter camping destinations.

■ Easy ■ Moderate ■ Difficult

Trail and Activities	Distance	Description	Maps
LIGHT TOURING			
AS Summit Lakes	9.6 km return	Old road with gentle rolling terrain. Enjoy breathtaking lake views.	P. 6-7
M Big Bend	14 km return	Forested trail that leads to stunning views. Option to winter camp.	P. 6-7
AT Trapper Creek Route	13.4 km return	Ski to Hidden Cove Campground (5.9 km one way) or head south and return along the lake.	P. 6,16

Tips for planning a light backcountry trip

- Visit the Jasper Information Centre.
- Familiarize yourself with trail information before starting.
- Choose a trail suitable for your group.
- Check weather forecast and trail conditions.
- Do not travel alone.
- 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.

Information

For alpine touring and mountain safety visit: parksmountainsafety.ca
Daily avalanche bulletin: pc.gc.ca/avalanche
Parks Canada Visitor Safety: 780-852-6155

EMERGENCY: **Call 911**

Interpretation and Events

Dark Sky Preserve

On March 26, 2011 the *Royal Astronomical Society of Canada* (RASC) officially designated Jasper National Park as a Dark Sky Preserve. That means the park makes a special commitment to protect and preserve the night sky and reduce light pollution.

© Lake Annette

Marmot Meadows Winter Hub

Join us at Marmot Meadows Winter Hub just south of Whistlers Campground on Highway 93 for activities, adventure and interactive learning. You can ski on your own then join an interpreter around the fire for stories. Also, try your hand at new skills—like making a fire with flint and steel or cooking bannock on a stick.

A traditional tipi welcomes you to the meadows and provides the setting for Indigenous programs and cultural teachings. Enjoy a variety of programs, including wildlife tracking where you will do a bit of hiking or snowshoeing while trying out some of the park's telemetry equipment. In the evening, try a guided dark sky snowshoe hike.

Programs and activities will be offered every weekend between January 2 – March 26, 2017, generally from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and in the evening at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Holidays

Dec. 27, 2016 - Jan. 2, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.: we will be on site every day with fireside stories and activities.

7:00 p.m.: join us nightly for a Dark Sky Program and warm drinks around a crackling campfire.

Visit us at Marmot Meadows for a New Year's Eve Dark Sky Event on December 31.

Jasper Dark Skies

In fall and winter park interpreters offer dark sky programs that highlight the importance of maintaining our dark sky status from both light reduction perspective and for the benefit of Jasper's nocturnal critters.

Did you know?
Encompassing over 11,000 km², Jasper National Park is the second largest dark sky preserve in the world!

Events

Jasper in January

Adventure Week (Jan. 12 – 15): Featuring cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, fat biking and adventure inspired activities and programs at Marmot Meadows.

Appetites Week (Jan. 19 – 22): Try your hand at cooking over the campfire at Marmot Meadows. Bannock, s'mores and lots more—yum!

Arts Week (Jan. 27 – 29): Join us for a series of arts and crafts workshops at Marmot Meadows in the tipi and winter shelter.

February and March

Check out the programs offered every weekend that help you learn to love winter, and our extended programming for Family Day weekend.

NOTE: Check online at pc.gc.ca/jasper-interpretation for a detailed program schedule.

Explore Maligne Valley



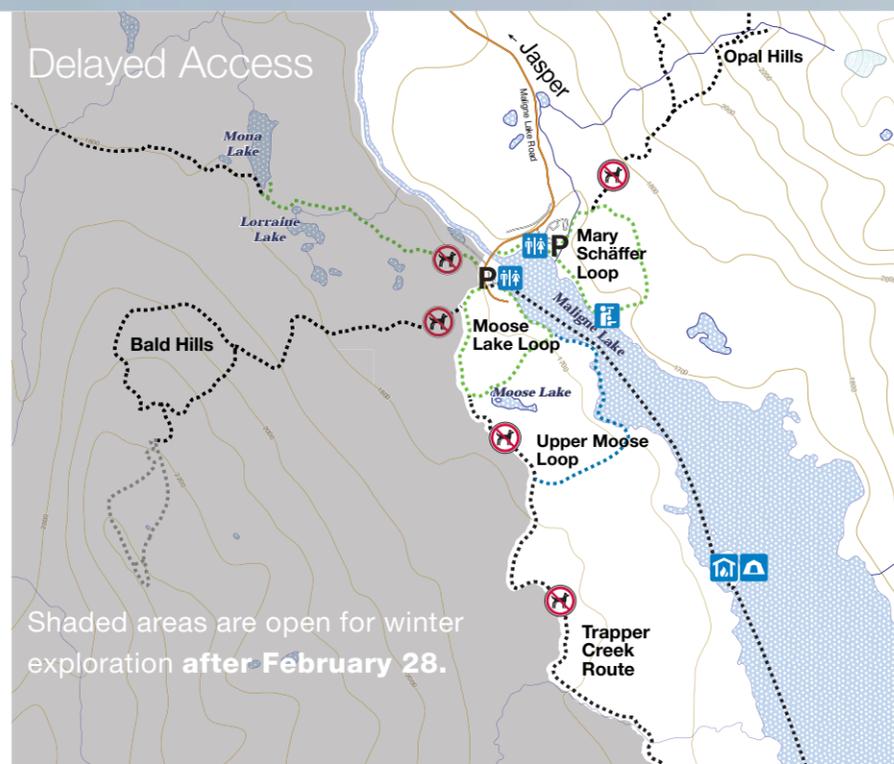
Maligne Lake

Maligne Canyon

Visit frozen waterfalls and surreal ice formations at Maligne Canyon (AF, page 11), just a short ten-minute drive from town. Guided ice walks are available from local tour companies (see page 6) or, if you feel like taking it up a notch, try ice climbing with a certified mountain guide.

Medicine Lake and Maligne Lake

Grab your snowshoes and head up to either Medicine Lake (E, page 10) or Maligne Lake (G, H and I, page 10) to explore the peaceful wintery landscape. Enjoy some great beginner snowshoe trails or, if the lake is safely frozen, explore the shoreline and take in the surrounding wide open views.



Shaded areas are open for winter exploration after February 28.

Woodland Caribou and Maligne Lake

Woodland caribou inhabit some of the most scenic alpine landscapes of the mountains in Western Canada, including Jasper's Maligne Lake region.

The caribou that call Jasper National Park home migrate between the alpine (above treeline) and subalpine (just below treeline) forests in response to seasonal changes. This is because they like it cold and snowy. A true winter specialist, woodland caribou's large "snowshoe" hooves, warm fur and ability to survive on a diet of lichen help them avoid predators by staying high in the mountains through winter. However, one of the threats to caribou are packed trails that lead into their habitat, as they allow predators to access areas they would not have travelled to otherwise.



Photo: M. Bradley

Jasper National Park is home to four distinct herds of woodland caribou whose habitats are found in the northern ranges of the park, in the Tonquin Range, and in the Maligne-Brzeau ranges. This last herd uses the high elevation areas near Maligne Lake as part of their habitat.

Woodland caribou populations have been steadily declining and they are considered a *Species at Risk*. As a leader in conservation, Parks Canada is taking action to protect them, at Maligne Lake and elsewhere in the park. You can help too!

At Maligne Lake:

1. From November 1 to February 28, enjoy the open, lower elevation trails open year-round, such as the Mary Schäffer Loop, Moose Lake loops and Trapper Creek Route.
2. After February 28, when the snowpack hardens naturally and trails packed by humans become less of an advantage to predators such as wolves, you are welcome to head up to Bald Hills (this is avalanche terrain—be prepared).

Tonquin Valley, Brazeau and North Jasper:

1. Access is delayed from November 1 until February 16 for the Tonquin Valley, and until February 28 for the Brazeau and North Jasper.

Icefields Parkway:

1. From south of Sunwapta Falls through to Beauty Creek Hostel, a reduced speed zone is in effect from February 1 – May 1. Caribou are seen here every year. Drive with care.

To learn more visit: pc.gc.ca/caribou

Winter Camping



Campgrounds opening early for Spring 2017!

Come back this spring to beat the summer rush.

Campground	Opening	Fees	# of sites
Whistlers	May 3	\$27.40-\$38.20	781
Wapiti Summer	May 3	\$27.40-\$32.30	364
Wabasso	May 17	\$21.50-\$27.40	231

Visit reservation.pc.gc.ca anytime on or after **January 10, 2017** to book your campsite.

CAMPGROUNDS AND SERVICES	Electrical	Sani Dump	Flush Toilets	Pit Toilets	Showers	Firepit	Cooking Shelter	Drinking Water	Disabled Access	OPEN DATES	FEES	NUMBER OF SITES
JASPER												
1 Wapiti Winter	⚡		🚽		🚿	🔥	🏠	🚰	♿	Oct. 10 - May 24	\$32.30* \$27.40	40 with elec.* 40 tent
2 Whirlpool			🚽		🚿	🔥	🏠			Dec. 15 - April 1	\$15.70	10 tent-6 RV
BANFF												
Tunnel Mt. Village II	⚡	🚰	🚽		🚿		🏠	🚰	♿	Open year round	\$32.30	188
Lake Louise Trailer	⚡	🚰	🚽		🚿	🔥		🚰	♿	Open year round	\$32.30	189

Camping season dates are approximate; please confirm at information centres prior to heading out. Sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so arrive early. All winter campgrounds are self-registration. Daily fire permits cost \$8.80 extra. **Camping permitted in designated campgrounds only.**

Frontcountry Camping with a Backcountry Vibe Whirlpool Winter Hub and Camping

In addition to over 25 km of groomed cross-country ski trails that begin from here, this hub (page 13) offers a winter shelter and winter camping. Camping is available on a first come, first serve self-registration basis. There are sites for tents as well as RVs. **Note: there is no power or water on site.**

Backcountry Camping Hidden Cove

8 km return • Trailhead: End of Maligne Lake Road, 48 km from Jasper Townsite

Located 4 km down Maligne Lake, Hidden Cove can be reached by fat bike, snowshoes and skis. A great family campground with four tent pads, a fire pit, picnic tables, a grey water pit, a cook shelter and food storage lockers. *Safe ice travel between mid-January and early April.*

Big Bend

14 km return • Trailhead: Sunwapta Falls, 54.4 km south of Jasper on Highway 93

Rolling along the upper Athabasca Valley, this trail follows a wide fire road. The campground is accessible by skis, snowshoes or fat bike. This trail takes you to a campsite with incredible views of Dragon Peak and the Athabasca River. There are four tent pads, picnic tables, a fire pit and food storage cables.

Wilcox Winter

Wilcox Parking Lot, 106 km south on Highway 93

Located on the Icefields parkway, Wilcox is a simple bivouac campsite for mountaineers next to the highway.

How to book your backcountry experience

A backcountry permit is required to camp in Jasper's backcountry. For more information or to obtain a permit, call **1-877-737-3783** or visit reservation.pc.gc.ca

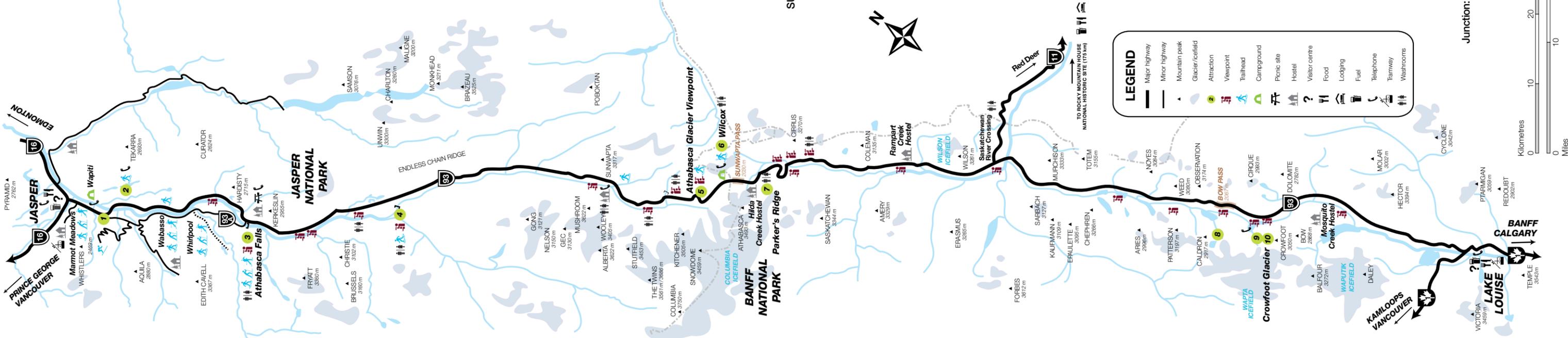
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KM FROM LAKE LOUISE

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KM FROM JASPER

- JASPER TOWNSITE**
 - Marmot Meadows
 - Jasper International Hostel
 - Jasper Sky Tram (April to Oct)
- Junction with Highway 93A**
 - Access to: Marmot Basin, Cavell Road (Open Feb. 16), Wabasso, Whirlpool
- Valley of the Five Lakes**
 - Wabasso Lake
 - Athabasca Pass
 - Athabasca Falls
 - Athabasca Falls Hostel
 - Goats and Glaciers
 - Sunwapta Falls
 - Mushroom and Diadem Peaks
 - Beauty Creek Hostel
 - Beauty Creek
 - Stutfield Glacier
 - Tangle Falls. Watch for sheep!
 - Athabasca Glacier Viewpoint
 - Wilcox Pass
 - Wilcox
 - SUNWAPTA PASS (Banff and Jasper boundary)
 - Hilda Creek Hostel
 - Parker Ridge
 - Nigel Pass
 - Bridal Veil Falls
 - Weeping Wall
 - Sunset Pass and Sunset Lookout
 - Rampart Creek Hostel (year round)
 - Glacier Lake
 - Junction: David Thompson Highway (#11)
 - Saskatchewan Crossing Viewpoint
 - Mistaya Canyon
 - Chephren Lake
 - Bow Summit / Peyto Lake
 - Bow Lake
 - Crowfoot Glacier
 - Helen Lake, Dolomite Pass
 - Mosquito Creek Hostel (year round)
 - Hector Lake



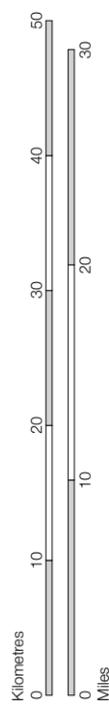
KM FROM LAKE LOUISE



KM FROM JASPER

Junction: Trans-Canada Highway and Icefields Parkway

BANFF 56 km
LAKE LOUISE



Winter Wildlife

Winter is the perfect time of year to look for wildlife tracks. 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.

Characteristics

Built like a large German Shepherd, with longer legs. Colour can vary from white to black.

Where to find

Throughout the park but particularly in valley bottoms.



Wolf 12 cm

Characteristics

White rump, males: thick curved horns, females: narrow horns, short light brown fur.

Where to find

Near steep rocky terrain.



Bighorn Sheep 9 cm



Elk 11.5 cm

Characteristics

Brown body, darker neck and large tan rump patch. Backwards slanting antlers.

Where to find

Valley bottoms and open areas. Commonly found in and around town.



Coyote 7 cm

Characteristics

Medium-sized dog. Thick, bushy tail. Greyish-brown in colour.

Where to find

Valley bottoms.



Mountain Goat 8 cm

Characteristics

Narrow black horns, beard, long white hair.

Where to find

Near steep rocky terrain.

Safe Viewing Tips

Winter wildlife viewing provides exciting and educational opportunities for the whole family. Here are a few tips to make sure your viewing experience is safe for your family and the wildlife.

If you stop while driving...

- Pull over where it is safe to do so.
- Use your hazard lights to alert other drivers.
- Observe and photograph wildlife from the safety of your car.
- Remain a respectful distance from wildlife.

NEVER feed wildlife.

If you encounter a cougar, a coyote or a wolf...

- Immediately pick up small children and pets.
- Do not turn your back. Back away slowly while maintaining eye contact.
- Do not run; it may trigger an attack.
- Do not play dead.
- Make yourself appear as large as possible; wave an object above your head.

Winter Driving Safety

To experience the beauty of winter in Jasper, winter-worthy vehicles, warm clothing, patience and a little preparation will help ensure a safe and exhilarating journey.

Drive safely along the Icefields Parkway

- Plan to start early and complete your drive (with time for exploration and stops along the way) during daylight hours. Snow clearing and maintenance begins at 7 am and ends at 3:30 pm. Plus, you'll want lots of daylight to take in all the epic views!
- Ensure your car has snow tires—look for the snowflake symbol. **Snow tires are mandatory from November 1 to April 1 on the Parkway.**
- Fill your gas tank and bring extra windshield washer fluid. There are no services along the Icefields Parkway in winter.
- Have a safety kit in your vehicle that includes: a cell phone (service available on each end of the Parkway but not en route), water, energy bars, candles, extra clothing and blankets.
- Tell someone your route, when you are leaving and when you plan on arriving.
- There is no cell phone reception from Athabasca Falls to Lake Louise. For emergencies there are pay phones along the Parkway.
- Ensure you are comfortable with winter driving conditions. Drivers should travel based on comfort level and experience.



- The Parkway is not salted so it can often be covered in compact snow. During long periods of stable weather, even sanded compact snow can result in challenging driving conditions.
- Road reports are based on the worst condition that a driver may encounter over the road's entire 230-kilometre length. As in any mountain environment, weather can change very quickly, often changing the road conditions.
- Don't forget your winter-worthy play gear (warm waterproof clothing, boots, snowshoes, skis, etc.). You will want to stop and explore the magic of winter along the way!



More Information

JASPER INFORMATION CENTRE: 780-852-6176
 LAKE LOUISE VISITOR CENTRE: 403-522-3833
 BANFF VISITOR CENTRE: 403-762-1550
pc.gc.ca/jasper • pc.gc.ca/banff

Trail Reports

pc.gc.ca/jaspertrails
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Check the road conditions and the weather forecast before you leave town:

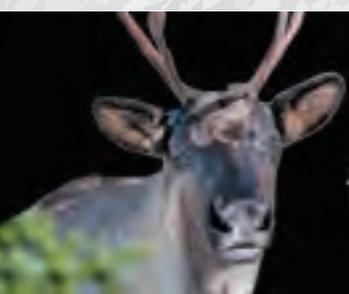
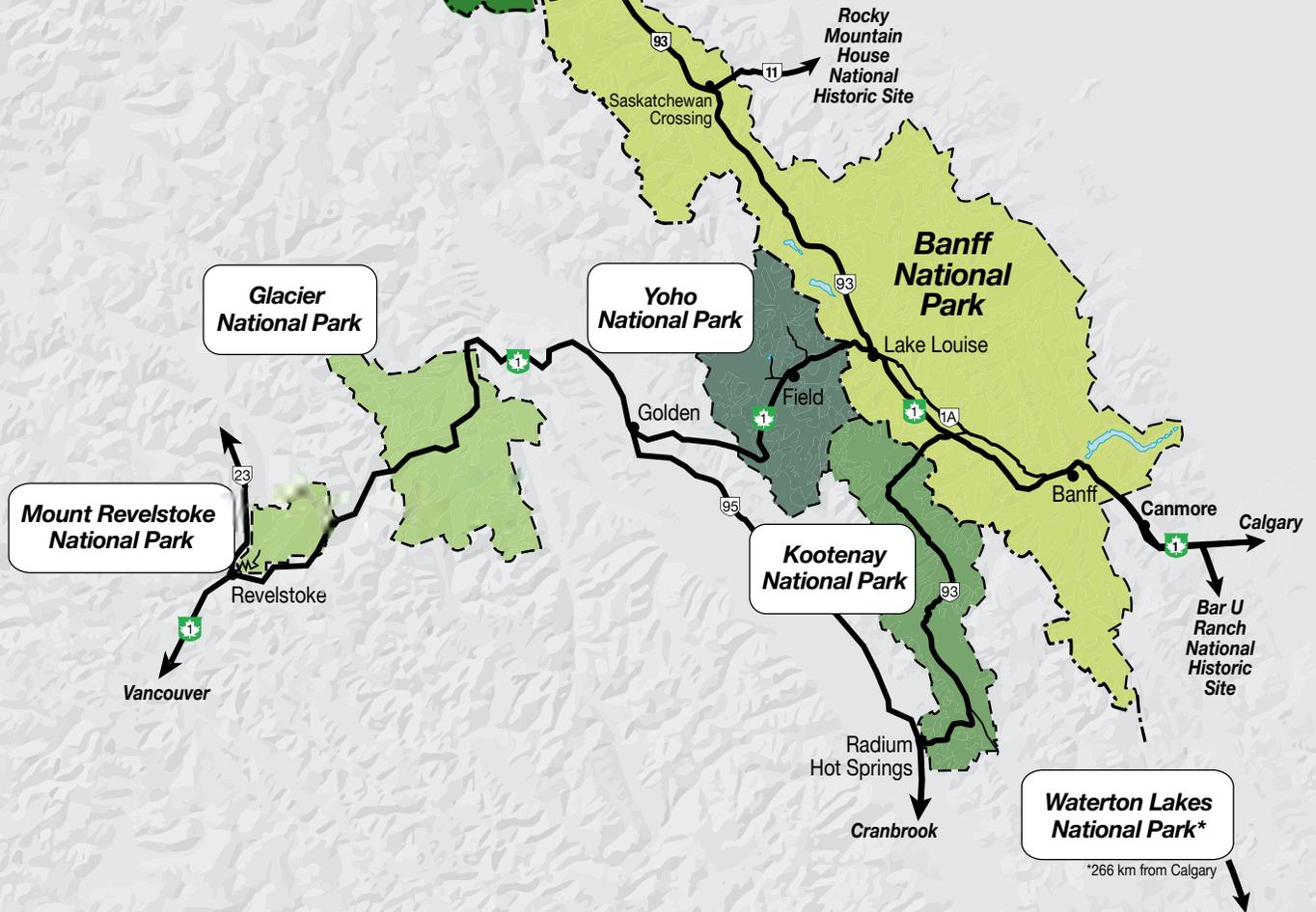
Road Conditions : 511 • alberta511.ca • drivebc.ca
 Weather Forecast :
 Jasper 780-852-3185 • Banff 403-762-2088
weather.gc.ca • Visit an information centre



DISTANCE CHART
(km)

	Banff	Calgary	Columbia Icefield	Edmonton	Field (Yoho NP)	Jasper	Lake Louise	Radium Hot Springs	Golden	Revelstoke	Vancouver
Calgary	128										
Columbia Icefield	188	316									
Edmonton	423	295	461								
Field (Yoho NP)	85	213	157	508							
Jasper	291	419	103	361	260						
Lake Louise	58	186	130	481	27	233					
Radium Hot Springs	132	260	261	555	157	361	130				
Golden	134	262	207	557	57	307	85	105			
Revelstoke	282	410	355	705	197	455	224	253	148		
Vancouver	856	984	928	1279	771	798	794	818	713	565	
Waterton	395	266	582	568	476	687	453	395	532	681	1140

Distances are shown in kilometres. To convert distances to miles, multiply by 0.62.



Please slow down, for your safety and ours.



FOR EMERGENCIES DIAL 911
(Police, fire and ambulance)

Cell phone coverage is not reliable in all areas of the mountain parks.