

in the Smithers Area to Recreation & Trails

A WINTER Guide



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Easy to Difficult

Drive up Hudson Bay Mountain Rd for 22km to the upper parking lot for Hudson Bay Mountain Resort. When climbing from the parking lot to the ski area boundary keep to the edge of the cat track through the cabin area and away from the downhill runs.

Description This area offers quick access to alpine as well as to a wide variety of terrain. You can enjoy a gentle tour across the prairie or, for the more adventurous, a trip to the peak!

Hudson Bay Mountain Resort



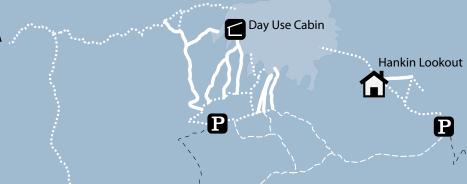
Easy to Difficult

Access

Drive up Hudson Bay Mountain Rd for 22km to the parking lot and lodge.

Description Hudson Bay Mountain Resort is a lift serviced alpine ski and snowboard area. For detailed information and current conditions contact the resort at: www.hudsonbaymountain.com or 250-847-2058

Hankin Evelyn Backcountry



Gravel Road - - - -

BV Nordic Centre (Smithers

Community Forest Recreation Trails)

At 9km on Hudson Bay Mountain Road turn right into the

Description Over 50km of machine groomed classic and skate ski trails.

BV Nordic Centre and continue to either the lower or upper

Situated within the Smithers Community Forest Recreation

Trails and managed and maintained by the Bulkley Valley

purchased at McBike Ski and Sport, Winterland Ski, or self-

served ticketing at the centre. For more information contact:

Cross-Country Ski Club. Maps are posted throughout

the trail system and in the day lodge. Day passes can be

Cross Country/Snowshoe Trail

parking lot.

www.bvnordic.ca

6 Rotary Community Trail to Town



Take Railway Avenue west to Zobnick Rd, cross the CN Rail line and follow the road to the end. Parking is provided. [Simpsons Gulch/Bluff Trailhead]

Easy to Difficult

Description As the name suggests this trail links Hudson Bay Mountain with Smithers. From the bottom of the chair lift you can ski to Smithers or from town climb as far up the mountain as you wish. Distance from town to the base of the chairlift is 4.2km and just over 600 meters in elevation.

Perimeter Trail



Easy

The Perimeter Trail has several access points, including from near Canadian Tire on Hwy 16 East; from Riverside Park at the east end of Main St; or at the statues on Hwy 16 West, as you leave Smithers.

Description This is a 13km loop around Smithers, suitable for walking or jogging.

• When traveling in avalanche country check the

avalanche bulletin (www.avalanche.ca) before leaving, and choose terrain that is suitable for the level of hazard. Make sure everyone in the group has a transceiver, probe, and shovel, and knows how to use them.

• In case of an emergency contact the R.C.M.P. Smithers detachment: 250-847-3233.

For more information

Genera

companions.

Backcountry Reality Check

Never travel alone.

returning.

use them.

information

The following Recreation Sites, Recreation

Smithers. All distances noted are one way.

The winter environment can be severe in the mountains and help is not always easily accessible. Therefore you need to have the knowledge, skills, and equipment to care for yourself and traveling

• Before leaving, let a responsible person know where you're going and when you will be

• Take a map, compass, and GPS and know how to

• Recognize the possibility that you may be forced

to spend the night out and bring extra clothes,

• Bring a first aid kit and stay current with first aid

food and shelter making equipment.

Trails and Parks are within easy driving distance of

regarding winter recreational opportunities in the Smithers area contact:

Tourism Smithers Smithers / Smithers Visitor Centre 1411 Court Street Smithers, BC V0J 2N0 1-800-542-6673 www.TourismSmithers.com

Recreation Sites & Trails BC Ministry of Natural Resource Operations Nadina/Skeena Recreation District 250-847-6337 (Smithers) www.sitesandtrailsbc.ca

BC Parks 3726 Alfred Ave., Smithers, BC V0J 2N0 250-847-7320 www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/

info@tourismsmithers.com



Other resources:

- Smithers Snowmobile Association www.smitherssnowmobileassn.webs.com
- Trails North Smithers 250-847-2287 www.trailsnorth.ca • info@trailsnorth.ca
- BV Nordic Centre www.bvnordic.ca
- Hudson Bay Mountain Resort
- www.hudsonbaymountain.com 250-847-2058
- Bulkley Backcountry Ski Society
 www.bbss.ca





Rotary Community Trail to Town

Harold Price Snowmobile Recreation Trail &

Perimeter Trail

BV Nordic Centre

9a Harold Price Snowmobile Recreation Trail

Easy to Moderate

9b Harold Price Ski Trail

The trail can be accessed from

the Telkwa High Rd at either 10.5km on the Meed Creek FSR

FSR. Expect a 2-3 hour hike

or ski in from either of these

locations. See www.bvnordic.

ca/backcountry/harold-price

ski touring and the nearby

ridges to the east provide

great panoramic mountain

views. The overnight cabin

can accommodate 6 people

access information.

Description The meadows are great for

comfortably.

for cabin booking and detailed

or 14km on the Meadow Creek

Easy to Moderate

From the Telkwa High Rd near Moricetown drive up the Blunt FSR (2000 Rd) until the road is not plowed. There is no designated parking lot. At 22km on the Blunt FSR turn south (right) and follow the trail for

Description Suitable for beginner to intermediate riders and is family oriented. There is a fully equipped cabin with a loft for overnight users. Please pay your trail and cabin fees at Trails North in Smithers.

**An area south of the cabin is designated as non-motorized for backcountry skiing. Please respect these boundaries as indicated on the map and by the posted signs & markings. **

10 Babine Mountains Provincial Park

Easy to Difficult

See Babine Mountains Provincial Park inset map for access points and the motorized/non-motorized areas.

Description Babine Mountains Provincial Park, at 31,476 hectares, offers some of the finest skiing, snowmobiling, and snowshoeing opportunities in west central British Columbia. The Joe L'Orsa cabin in Silverking Basin can accommodate 15 – 20 people. (Fee \$5 per person) For more information on the multitude of trails and uses see the map inset or contact BC Parks at: www.elp. gov.bc.ca/bcparks or 250-847-7659

Babine Mountains Provincial Park - Cronin Special Permit Area

Easy to Moderate

Access The parking lot is at 32.5km on Babine Lake Rd. From there follow

Harold Price Meadows

Description This is a special permit use area within Babine Mountains Provincial Park. For more information and to acquire permits contact Smithers Snowmobile Association at: www.smitherssnowmobileassn.webs.com

> **Babine Mountain Provincial Park**

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12 Babine Mountains Park Trail to Onion Mountain and Snowmobile Cabin

Easy to Difficult

Follow Highway 16 east of Smithers for about 6km and turn left onto Babine Lake Rd. Drive about 20km to the intersection with Old Babine Lake Rd on the left. Follow Old Babine Lake Rd about 3km to the parking lot on the right.

Description This area is ideal for family snowmobiling. From the parking lot there is approximately 6km of groomed trail to the Smithers Snowmobile Association (SSA) day use cabin. From the cabin there is access to open alpine sledding within the designated snowmobile boundary. Reminder: Please pay your trail fees at Trails North in Smithers.

14 Tyee Mountain Recreation Trails

Easy to Difficult

From Tyee Lake Rd turn onto Hislop Rd and drive to the end. The parking lot is at the top of the hill.

Alternate

11km from Hwy 16 on Babine Lake Rd turn right and look for the trailhead before Banner Mountainlodge.

Description 30km of groomed cross country ski trails. Lots of beginner and intermediate trails with options for advanced skiers too. Dogs are welcome for a small fee. Trail fees can be paid at the trailhead. For more information: www.tyeemountaintrails.com

about 6km and turn left onto Babine Lake Rd. Go to 21.7km and look for the sign and parking lot on the right side of the

Description A 20km plus network of non-motorized trails: 12km groomed for cross-country skiing (classic and skate) and 4km of ungroomed backcountry ski trails. This is an excellent area for snowshoeing as well. For additional information: www.bcnorth. ca/canyoncreek/

13 Canyon Creek **Recreational Trails**



Easy to Moderate

Follow Highway 16 east of Smithers for

15 Dome Mountain Snowmobile Recreation Trails



14. Tyee Mountain Recreation Trails

16. Bulkley River Recreation Site and

15. Dome Mountain Snowmobile

Recreation Trails

Trails

Easy to Difficult

16 Bulkley River Recreation Site and Trails

Access

Between Smithers and Houston on Highway 16, 18km south of Telkwa, in the community of Ouick. Turn onto West End Rd.

Description This 100 hectare Recreation Site welcomes users to a habitat that is unique, with its low elevation spruce and cottonwood forests. A small chalet, with a wood stove and 10km of cross-country trails are enjoyed by skiers and snowshoers. For more information: www.roundlakebc.com/BRRS.htm

Access

The parking lot is located at approximately 20km on Babine Lake Rd, 1km past the junction of Babine Lake Rd and Old Babine Lake Rd when traveling from Smithers. Note: There is a snowmobile connector trail from the Dome parking lot to the Onion parking lot.

Description These snowmobiling trails are groomed regularly and have a fully equipped day use cabin, fantastic views of surrounding area and are family oriented with easy access. Fees can be paid at the cabin or at Trails North in Smithers.

Day Use Cabin