

Snowshoeing in Fernie

Fernie's extensive trail system spans the valley in every direction and offers a wide variety of experiences. Enjoy both groomed and ungroomed trails, ranging from beginner, family friendly options to steep cardio climbs.

Snowshoe rental equipment can be arranged in town at **Gearhub Adventure Rentals** on HWY #3 or on-mountain at **Fernie Alpine Resort**.

Guided snowshoe tours (including equipment) are available at Fernie Alpine Resort. Experience an evening snowshoe tour or a family friendly daytime tour. Tailored guided snowshoe tours around Fernie are also available with Hike Fernie (hikeinfernies.com).

Fernie Winter Trail Map

Pick up a free Fernie Winter Trail map around town, or online at FernieTrailMap.com or scan the QR code below.



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Trails and Guided Tours

Trail Etiquette & Safety:

- Tell someone where you are going and when you expect to be back
- Be respectful of other trail users and their enjoyment of the trail
- Be aware of wildlife, make noise, keep dogs on leash where required
- Respect the environment and leave no trace. All garbage must be packed out and deposited in proper receptacles
- Check the weather forecast before you go, plan and dress accordingly. Bring water and pack snacks for energy
- Support the local trails with a donation or membership
- Stay on designated trails and adhere to signage
- Motorized vehicles are prohibited
- Check out AdventureSmart.ca and Avalanche.ca for information on how to stay safe outdoors in the winter months



Download **TrailForks App** to explore Fernie area. Trailforks uses your smart phone's GPS to show you where you are on the trails.

Report Wildlife sightings to WildSafeBC ph: 877-952-7277

Private landowners permit access to certain trail areas, please respect all noted signage while enjoying these trails.

For further information:

Visit TourismFernie.com

Fernie Visitor Centre
102 Commerce Road / HWY 3 | 778-519-0748



Guided Snowshoe Tours



Fernie Alpine Resort

Choose from the Evening Snowshoe Experience on Tuesday or Guided Group Snowshoe Tour on Wednesday afternoon. Both 1.5-hour adventures start at the resort and follow scenic trails through tranquil evergreen forests. Guide and snowshoe rental included. Additional/private tours may be available on request.

Pre-book at (250) 423-2406 or snowschooll@skifernie.com

Snowshoe Rentals



Gearhub Adventure Rentals

Conveniently located on Hwy 3 and offering an extensive selection of gear rental for your winter adventures – from snowshoes and fat bikes, to skis, snowboards, touring gear, and cross-country skis.

Call (250) 423-5555, ext. 3. 1441 7th Avenue, Fernie



1 Mount Fernie Provincial Park

Stove Trail / Dem Bones Loop

Distance: 4.5km Avg. Time: 2hrs
Elevation Gain: 194m Difficulty: Moderate

The combination of these two popular trails forms a single-track loop within the mature forest of Mt. Fernie Provincial Park. While these trails can be enjoyed in either direction, most people start uphill with Stove Trail and return downhill on Dem Bones. This multi-use loop is also popular with fat bikers, so be aware of other users on the trail.

Hedonism & Brokeback Loop

Distance: 5.5km Avg. Time: 2.5hrs
Elevation Gain: 207m Difficulty: Advanced

Head out on the connector trail and within 100m the junction for Hedonism will be on the left. The trail offers a steady, uphill climb through the forest until reaching Powerline Road. Turn left and remain on this road for approx. 1km until it meets Brokeback for the descent. Turn left onto the Lazy Lizard Connector for another 1.5km and return to the parking lot.

Location & Details

Proceed to Mt. Fernie Provincial Park, located 3km west of Fernie off Hwy 3. After turning onto Mt. Fernie Park Road, continue a short way along until reaching a designated parking lot on the right-hand side.

Did you know....there are a variety of short family friendly trails within the campground to explore. Lizard Creek flows through the park before forming a beautiful waterfall, accessible just off the main day-use parking lot.

2 Mount Proctor

Mt. Proctor Trail to Fairy Creek Falls

Distance: 5km (return) Avg. Time: 1.5hrs
Elevation Gain: 120m Difficulty: Easy

Fairy Creek Falls is a picturesque waterfall laced with intricate icicle formations. The gently rolling trail has a few short steep sections and explores the lower slope of Mt. Proctor through forest and meadows. Follow signed trail markers to reach the falls and a viewing bench. Use caution and check trail conditions in advance.

Mt. Proctor Trail to Swine Flu Bench

Distance: 7.5km (return) Avg. Time: 3hrs
Elevation Gain: 337m Difficulty: Moderate

A bikers' summer favourite, this trail rewards snowshoers with elevated, wide-open views of the Fernie townsite, the valley, and surrounding mountains. As this trail is located within a livestock tenure, dogs are not permitted. Upon reaching the viewpoint bench, return the way you came. Past that point the avalanche risk increases.

Location & Details

Park at the Visitor Information Centre located at 102 Commerce Rd on Hwy #3, east of town. The trailhead is marked with a large sign in the parking lot and is the starting point for both trails from behind the Centre.

Did you know....The Fernie Visitor Centre is located at the base of this trailhead and offers comprehensive information about Fernie, free Wifi, indoor washrooms, gifts, artwork and maps. Check website for hours of operation.

3 Fernie Alpine Resort

Double Creek Loop

Distance: 3km (return) Avg. Time: 1hrs
Elevation Gain: 123m Difficulty: Moderate

The trail begins with a consistent uphill stretch on groomed terrain, then transitioning into a lovely singletrack loop through a mature forest of Larch and Cedar trees. This multi-use trail also includes several bridged creek crossings. The trail starts from the south corner of Parking Lot #4 at Fernie Alpine Resort.

Hobbit's Trail / FAR Out / Honeybee

Distance: approx 4km (return) Avg. Time: 2hrs
Elevation Gain: 82m Difficulty: Moderate

From the resort, this wide groomed trail begins just past the Elk Chair and crosses over Highline Drive before continuing into the forest. Hobbit's Trail winds gently uphill to the Boomerang Chair, then changes to single-track on FAR Out. Return downhill on Honeybee and Hobbit's trail back to the base.

Location & Details

Fernie Alpine Resort is easily accessible from town with the #FernieStoke Ski Shuttle operating daily in the main ski season. If arriving by vehicle, free parking is available at the resort.

Did you know....Fernie Alpine Resort is a world-renowned downhill ski resort, complete with on-mountain dining and accommodation options. Additional trails for cross-country skiing and fat biking are also accessible from the base area.

4 Montane & Castle Mountain

Easy Beaver to Montane Hut

Distance: 7km (return) Avg. Time: 2hrs
Elevation Gain: 82m Difficulty: Easy

This multi-use groomed trail includes forested sections that open up to wide valley views of the spectacular Lizard Range. At the Montane Hut you can relax and savour the surrounding landscape from the viewpoint bench, or warm up inside the hut. Pick up the Fernie Winter Trail Map to make sure you stay on trails designated for snowshoers.

To extend your adventure, there are two add-on options from the Montane Hut:

Montane Hut to Hyperventilation Bench

Distance: 4km (return) Avg. Time: 1.5hrs
Elevation Gain: 250m Difficulty: Advanced

Continue from the Montane Hut to Roots and Hyperventilation, for added cardio and even more stunning views of the Lizard Range from the viewpoint bench. Return the same way to the hut.

Montane Hut to Marlu Trail

Distance: 4km (one-way) Avg. Time: 1.5hrs
Elevation Gain: 93m Difficulty: Easy

An alternate route to get back to the parking lot from the Montane Hut. Marlu trail connects back onto the Easy Beaver.

Location & Details

Drive past the Fernie Aquatic Centre and turn left onto Montane Parkway. The Montane trailhead will be on your left with ample parking, trail information and portable toilet. Follow the multi-use trail markers for Montane Blue.