Kananaskis Country offers many wonderful opportunities for snowshoeing and this brochure provides details on the 16 designated snowshoe trails in Peter Lougheed Provincial Park and the Kananaskis Valley. These trails are designated for beginner, intermediate and advanced snowshoers and are located in Simple Class 1 Terrain as defined by the Avalanche Terrain Exposure Scale. For more information visit www.avalanche.ca.

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Watch for snowshoe trail markers to help you stay on the trails.

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- Yield to skiers coming downhill. It’s easier for an uphill skier to step off the faster skier coming down.
- Don’t walk or snowshoe on ski tracks. It ruins them for skiers. Instead, use the edges of ski trails.
- Don’t park on the trails. If you stop to eat, change clothing, or take a photo—step off the trail, so others won’t have to.
- Keep the trails clean. Watch out for accidental litter at lunch or snack breaks. Don’t let the trails go to the dogs.
- Remember—Fido isn’t permitted on groomed trails. He’s allowed only on non-groomed trails, provided he’s on a leash and you remove his waste from the area.

Watch your poles when passing. It’s sure nice when a skier steps off the track to let you by.
- Tuck your poles in when you pass.

When nature calls... and there’s no outhouse? Carry a plastic bag to pack out your used paper and sanitary supplies.
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- Please practice proper water etiquette. Snowshoeing and hiking on designated trails is dangerous for all users and ruins the groomed trails. Please limit snowshoeing and winter hiking to dedicated snowshoe trails. On ungroomed trails shared with skiers, snowshoers should stay to the edge of the trail and never walk on ski tracks.

If you require Fire, Ambulance, Police or Mountain Rescue assistance, immediately call 9-1-1. Tell the operator you have an emergency in Kananaskis Country.

Wildlife Sightings
To report a sighting of a bear or cougar, please call Kananaskis Dispatch at 403-591-7755 for more information. Visit www.kpsa.com/safety-update for KPSA’s latest information. 403-678-4784. Travel beyond designated areas is not recommended because of avalanche danger and the possibility of getting lost.

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Legend
- Snowshoe Trail
- Cross-country Ski Trail
- Viewpoint
- Bridge

Chester Sawmill Snowshoe Trails

To Calgary (60 km)
Smith-Dorrien/Spray Trail (road)
Kananaskis Village
Peter Lougheed Provincial Park
Canmore

Peter Lougheed Provincial Park
Trailhead
Chester Lake
Mount Murray Viewpoint
Snowdrift Trail
Frost Heave Trail
Chester Lake Trail
Sawmill Loop Trail
Hogarth Lakes Loop Trail
Chester Sawmill Trailhead

Canmore 40 km

Snowshoe Trails Locator

Chester Sawmill Snowshoe Trails

Chester Lake Trail
3.4 km snowshoe from Chester Lake Trailhead Area. 287 m of elevation gain. Snowed with Show for 0.2 km, then follow the trail signs.

Sawmill Loop Trail
5.6 km with 167m elevation gain.

Graupel Trail
2.4 km with 68 m elevation gain in the final one km.

Frost Heave Trail
8.3 km with 215m elevation gain.

Snowdrift Trail
7.9 km with 167m elevation gain.

Hogarth Lakes Loop Trail
A 3.9 km loop of flat terrain from Burstall Pass Day Use Area; 30 m of elevation gain.

Hogarth Lakes
Burstall Pass
Canmore

Chester Sawmill Loop Trail
6.2 Kilometres
Chester Lake Trail
Hogarth Lakes Loop Trail

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