

Akamina-Kishinena Provincial Park

Trail Conditions Report

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Akamina-Kishinena Provincial Park is nestled into the southeast corner of British Columbia. This park shares a boundary with Waterton Park along the Great Divide and Montana's Glacier National Park to the south along the international boundary. Access to this area is by hiking into the park on the old roadbed over Akamina Pass from the Akamina Parkway in Waterton Lakes Park. Access from the west is also available through a network of forest service roads through the Flathead valley; however, this access is not developed or maintained often. The trails described below are via the main access from Waterton Lakes Park.

Weather fromts from the Pacific meet arctic and prairie influences that meet at this location creating sudden weather changes. Very extreme and unexpected winds can occur within this area due to the geography being located in the narrowest part of the Rocky Mountains. Be prepared for all types of weather and have proper backcountry supplies.

Akamina-Kishinena Core Area Trails				
Trail Section	Approx. Distance (one way)	Elevation Gain	Trail Information	Trail Condition
Parking Lot to Campground	2.5 km	125 m	Steady up hill on old roadbed, grades level off when approaching the pass.	Winter conditions. Wind-felled trees may be encountered. Expect snow.
Parking Lot to Forum Lake	4.5 km	350 m	Steady climb through forest, short steep section after falls. Passes through small meadows before arriving at the lake.	Winter conditions. Wind-felled trees may be encountered. Expect snow.
Parking Lot to Wall Lake	5.2 km	125 m	After passing the campground this trail follows around the end of a heavily forested ridge. The trail stays close to the same elevation, as it contours to Wall Lake.	Winter conditions. Wind-felled trees may be encountered. Expect snow.
Parking Lot to Wall Lake via Wall Lake Loop Trail (Horse Trail)	7km	125 m	Gradually descends on the old roadbed until reaching the west park boundary. The trail then meanders up Wall creek slowly gaining elevation to the lake.	Winter conditions. Wind-felled trees may be encountered. Expect snow. Some sections of the trail are obscured by fireweed growth. *Look for orange trail markers.*
Akamina Ridge Route	18 km (Full Loop)	870 m	Recommended for experienced hikers only. Route finding skills required. Be prepared for sudden weather changes. Please use extreme caution around ridge areas where steep/dangerous areas exist.	Winter conditions. Wind-felled trees may be encountered. Expect snow.