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WINTER TRAIL REPORT
Cypress Park

SAFETY ADVISORY

- **Plan ahead – ensure you have enough time to return before dark. Visit adventuresmart.ca.**
- **Carry your 10 essentials and know how to use them. Make a trip plan and let someone know where you're going and when you're expected to return.**
- **Unpredictable weather may occur at any time of year. Be self-sufficient and prepared for storms, poor visibility, cold temperatures and an unexpected overnight stay.**
- **Natural hazards such as exposed rocks, windfall, and dead standing trees may be encountered on all trails at any time - use at your own risk.**
- **Information regarding current avalanche hazard ratings is available through Avalanche Canada: www.avalanche.ca.**
- **BC Parks does not monitor lake ice thickness – stay on marked trails.**
- **Select traction devices based on current conditions.**

TRAIL	BAC* yellow tag required	CONDITIONS	REGULATIONS* Click here for all regulations	DESCRIPTION
BLACK MOUNTAIN PLATEAU	✓ FREE AT THE BLACK MOUNTAIN LODGE	SNOW & ICE PRESENT THROUGHOUT PARK **Follow the summer trail markers around the Black Mountain Plateau. The Backcountry Access Corridor may not yet be in place given the ski resort is not yet open (see map below). Proceed through Cypress ski resort base areas as normal.** **Expect variable snow conditions.**	 NO CAMPING within 1km of the road Only winter camping is permitted in the southern section of Cypress Park.	*4km return to Cabin Lake + 3 km loop (optional). Access by following the Backcountry Access Corridor (BAC) to the bottom of Eagle Express Chairlift in the Alpine Ski Area.* Trail to Cabin Lake is a series of steep switchbacks. Most elevation is gained on this section. The loop meanders through subalpine lakes and over to Black Mountain South Summit (1218m). **Winter travel to Eagle Bluffs is not recommended.**
BOWEN LOOKOUT	✓ FREE AT THE BLACK MOUNTAIN LODGE	SNOW & ICE PRESENT THROUGHOUT PARK **Follow the summer trail markers to Bowen Lookout from the Yew Lake Junction.** ***Winter travel past Bowen Lookout is not recommended.*** **Expect variable snow conditions.**		*3.5km return* *Access by following the Backcountry Access Corridor (BAC) to the bottom of Eagle Express Chairlift in the Alpine Ski Area.* The trail is mostly flat through Yew Lake with 150m elevation gained over the last section.
YEW LAKE	✓ FREE AT THE BLACK MOUNTAIN LODGE	SNOW & ICE PRESENT THROUGHOUT PARK **Follow the summer trail markers around Yew Lake. The Backcountry Access Corridor may not yet be in place given the ski resort is not yet open (see map below). Proceed through Cypress ski resort base areas as normal.** **Expect variable snow conditions.**		*2km return* *Access by following the Backcountry Access Corridor (BAC) to the bottom of Eagle Express Chairlift in the Alpine Ski Area.* This trail is very short and does NOT loop in the winter season. It travels through open meadows except for the very end of the trail which takes you in the Old Growth Forest and ends at the access road.
HOLLYBURN HIKER'S ACCESS TRAIL	N/A PROCEED WITHOUT	SNOW & ICE PRESENT THROUGHOUT PARK **Follow the summer trail markers to the summit of Mt. Hollyburn.** **Expect variable snow conditions.**	 NO CAMPING within 1km of the road Only winter camping is permitted in the southern section of Cypress Park.	*6km return / 430m gain* *Trailhead located 25 m North from the BC Parks information kiosk in the Nordic Ski Area.* The trail travels through second-growth forest and starts and ends with steep elevation gain. The upper section offers views of the North Shore mountains as you approach the summit of Hollyburn Peak.

HOWE SOUND CREST TRAIL (HSCT) **ST. MARK'S SUMMIT**	 FREE AT THE BLACK MOUNTAIN LODGE	**Winter Travel Beyond Bowen Lookout Not Recommended** Many hazards exist: • Steep terrain and severe mountain weather conditions • Trails not marked or visible in winter • Dangerous Avalanche Terrain Rescue services are not readily available and put those involved at extreme risk.	 NO CAMPING within 1km of the road	**Winter Travel Beyond Bowen Lookout Not Recommended** Many hazards exist: • Steep terrain and severe mountain weather conditions • Trails not marked or visible in winter • Dangerous Avalanche Terrain Rescue services are not readily available and put those involved at extreme risk.

BAC* (BACKCOUNTRY ACCESS CORRIDOR)

OPEN FROM 7AM -10PM

To ensure Cypress Resort's safe operation of maintenance activities on ski runs and in base areas, and for the safety of other resort users, people accessing Yew Lake, Bowen Lookout, or the Black Mountain Plateau are asked to follow the 'Backcountry Access Corridor' through Cypress Resort's Alpine Ski Area. It is marked by green circular markers from the Black Mountain Lodge to the trailhead beyond the Eagle Express Chairlift. Backcountry users are required to carry a free yellow BAC tag when traveling along the Backcountry Access Corridor.

1. **Get your free yellow BAC tag in the Brown Bag Room at the Black Mountain Lodge.**
2. **Go towards Cypress Creek Lodge and follow the green BAC markers to the trailhead beyond the Eagle Express Chairlift (see the map below).**



Useful Info:



Bathrooms are located inside the Black Mountain Lodge or Cypress Creek Lodge. Please remove traction devices and leave your poles outside.



Cypress Park is a smoke-free environment.



For your safety, DO NOT TRAVEL ON SKI RUNS. Skiers on Black Mountain Plateau who are in possession of a yellow BAC tag should descend on the Forks ski run accessed at the top of the Eagle Express Chairlift.



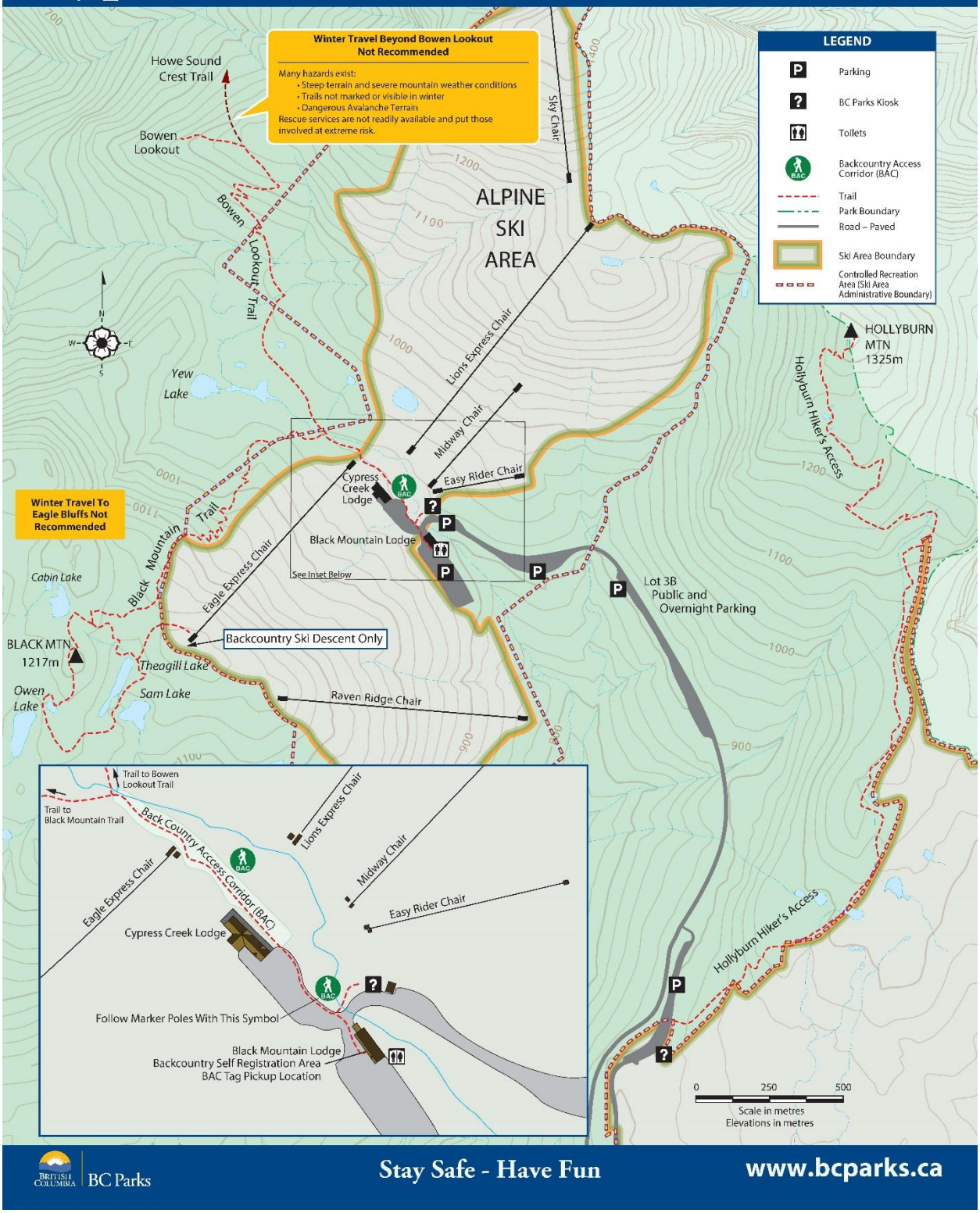
Dogs must be leashed everywhere in Cypress Park. Dogs are only permitted on the Yew Lake trail with adequate snow coverage. Respect posted signage.

PARKING INFO

Cypress Resort may implement paid parking for the winter season. Free parking is available in parking lot 3B and on the Nordic road shoulder between Cypress Bowl Road and the BC Parks information kiosk. When in operation, Cypress Resort offers a free shuttle service for resort and backcountry users between parking lot 3B and the Alpine and Nordic Ski Areas.

- **Overnight parking is located in parking lot 3B (see map).**
- **During weekends and holidays, the parking lots in Cypress Park can become very congested. Consider carpooling or using Cypress Coach Lines.**

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