



Snowshoe Trail Map

 Snowshoe Trails

Trail Distances (from Longhouse)

Homestead Loop (Easy)	0.8 km
Kaeden Loop (Moderate)	3.2 km
Owen/Parker Loop (Most Difficult)	3.2 km

Trail Descriptions

Homestead Loop - Located just below the Longhouse this short loop is great for beginners. There are a few small hills along the route but it is short and a sweet little trail. It passes through an old homestead of the Dixon family who lived up at China Ridge many years ago.

Kaeden Loop - Leaves on the right hand side of the yellow gate at the Longhouse. Moderate terrain with rolling hills winding through beautiful mixed old and new growth forests. Follow the Kaeden Owen signs leaving the yellow gate at the Longhouse and travel up about 300 metres to the Kaeden/Owen a junction, take the left fork marked Kaeden. Cross the ski tracks and head over to the other side where the trail continues to climb and then levels off when it crosses the main ski trail. Here you have the choice of going right or left on the Kaeden, this is a loop trail so either trail brings you back to this point. If you tire out early you can take the "Short Cut" trail to shorten the loop. The Kaeden Trail is great for families or those who wish to stop at the China Ridge shelter which located half way along the trails for a fire and a snack. There is lots of wood split and stacked but it is recommended that you take paper and matches along in your pack. There is an outhouse and picnic table at the site as well.

Owen/Parker Loop - Leaves on the right hand side of the yellow gate at the Longhouse. Follow the Kaeden Owen signs leaving the yellow gate at the Longhouse and travel up about 300 metres to the Kaeden/Owen a junction, take the right fork marked Owen and cross the top of the sledding hill and into then you will enter the forest. This route has some great views which fully compensate for the steeper terrain. Wonderful views of the surrounding mountains can be seen to the North and south and you will pass under an old T-bar lift that was once part of the Snowpatch Ski Hill. When you reach the high point and cross the ski trails up by the fence you follow blue bike tags along the Parker Trail which is a summer single track bike trail which doubles for a snowshoe trail in the winter. When you complete the loop and get back onto the Kaeden Trail go left and this will return you to the Longhouse and parking area. This trail is for anyone wanting a good quick workout or take it slow and steady and enjoy all the views, either way it is the most scenic of our snowshoe trails.

