



Recommended Loops


Difficulty levels

- Generally smooth trails; non-technical singletrack trails - may include obstacles and steep sections
- ◆ Technical singletrack trails that may include roots, rocks and steep sections




Distances to most trailheads are measured from traffic light; Highway 95A/Wallinger Ave/Ross St.

Swan Avenue - Ridges - Kettles Loop #1
5.6 km, 125 m elevation gain.  

Features ridges and kettles known as glaciofluvial terrain.
Drive Wallinger Ave, turn right on Burdett St - 0.7 km. Uphill 0.2 km to Swan Ave. Park off the road.

Higgins Street - Eimer's Lake Loop #2
1.8 km, 35 m elevation gain. 

Eimer's Lake is for hikers of all ages. Visit the small, spring-fed pond nestled in a glacial kettle a half hour walk from the parking area.
Drive south from the traffic light on Wallinger/95A for 1.7km. Turn right on Higgins St and drive 1 block to a stop sign. No parking between stop sign and park entrance. (Residents-only parking last block.)

Nordic Centre - Musser's Plateau Loop #3
9.5 km, 475 m elevation gain.   



Climb the Kimberley Alpine Resort's ski hill to the top of the old T-Bar (#18 wooden tower). This diverse and scenic loop features views of the Rocky Mountain Trench and Canadian Rockies. From T-Bar turn south and walk uphill past Kootenay Haus. In 100 m descend on Musser's Plateau trail. To complete the loop, travel Moe's Canyon through mature fir and larch forest. Winter access prohibited.

Drive From Wallinger Ave/95A turn west on Ross St. and left onto Gerry Sorensen Way. Pass the Kimberley Alpine Resort (3.4 km). Continue uphill another 1.4 km and turn left on North Star Dr. In 700 metres reach the Nordic Centre parking.


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Hiking  **Cycling** 

The other access into the Nature Park is via St Mary Lake Road.
From traffic light highway 95A/Wallinger Ave, drive south 5.6 km and turn right onto the paved St Mary Lake Road. In 2.7 km reach Kimberley Riverside Campground and turn right into the Campground Trail parking area.

Campground access - Jimmy Russell Rd & Sunflower Hill Loop #4
3.5 km, 115 m elevation gain.  

South-facing Sunflower Hill is snow-free early in spring, with scenic views of the Rockies and St Mary Valley. In May yellow balsamroot flowers (sunflower family) cover the hillsides.
Drive St Mary Lake Road to the Campground Trail parking area. Hike or bike north on the Campground Trail to Jimmy Russell Rd, and turn right for Sunflower Hill.

Matthew Creek FS Rd - Horse Barn Valley Loop #5
3.3 km, 70 m elevation gain. 

Travel diverse terrain from an old-growth cedar forest to great views of the St Mary River Valley. Most of the loop is forested. Access to Dipper Lake.

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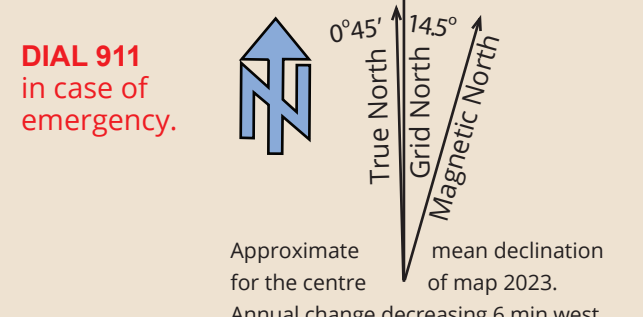
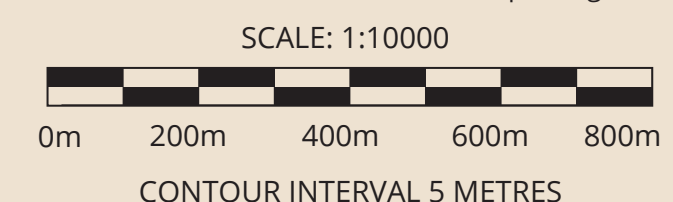
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LEGEND

- PAVED TRAILS
- HIKE-BIKE GREEN EASY (single-track)
- HIKE-BIKE GREEN EASY (double-track)
- HIKE-BIKE BLUE INTERMEDIATE
- HIKE-BIKE BLACK DIFFICULT
- NORDIC TRAILS WINTER (see reverse)
- STEEP SECTIONS
- TRANS CANADA TRAIL
- LOOPS #1 - #5 (various colours)
- TRAIL DISTANCE (Distances <0.2km not included)
- HIGHWAY OR MAIN STREET
- SECONDARY STREET
- LOGGING ROAD OR GRAVEL
- INFORMATION KIOSK
- SPECIAL PLACES (see reverse)
- VIEWPOINT
- PARK ENTRANCE
- TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE
- CAMPGROUND
- PARKING
- WASHROOM
- KIMBERLEY HEALTH CENTRE
- TRAFFIC LIGHT WALLINGER/HWY95A
- KIMBERLEY NATURE PARK
- HORSE BARN VALLEY
- KIMBERLEY NORDIC CENTRE
- (Tourist attraction)
 - BAVARIAN MINING RAILWAY
 - WILLIAMSON'S SAPSUCKER HABITAT
 - UTM GRID (1 km intervals NAD 83 Projection)
 - CREEKS OR SURFACE WATER

