Mountain Biking Loop Ratings

- Generally smooth wide trails that are non-technical.
- Single-track trails that may include some obstacles and steeper sections.
- Technical single-track trails that may include many roots, rocks and steeper sections.

LEGEND

- TRAILS
- UNMAINTAINED TRAILS/ROADS
- CREEKS
- OLD ROADS
- STEEP SECTIONS
- TRANS CANADA TRAIL
- SEASONAL USE TRAILS/ROADS
- KIMBERLEY NATURE PARK BOUNDARY
- HORSE BARN VALLEY INTERPRETIVE FOREST
- WISA HABITAT AREA (Williamson's sapsucker)
- NORDIC SKI AREA BOUNDARY
- CITY LIMITS
- ROADS
- PAVED TRAILS
- 2.7 TRAIL DISTANCE (Distances <0.2km not included)
- UTM GRID (1 km intervals NAD 83 Projection)
- INFORMATION KIOSK
- SPECIAL PLACES (Described on reverse)
- VIEWPOINT

DISCLAIMER:
Trails subject to change.
Users of these trails do so at their own risk.

DIAL 911 in case of emergency.

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0°57' True North
16°64' Grid North
Magnetic North
Approximate for the centre Annual change
mean declination of map 2008. decreasing 6.4 min.

SCALE: 1:10000

0m 200m 400m 600m 800m

CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 METRES

Suggested Loops

E1: Loops from Kimberley Nordic Area

West Side Highline
Strenuous ◆ ~ 13 km + 475 m elevation gain
This 'figure-8' loop will take you through Horse Barn Valley and down Creek Trail.

Musser's Plateau Loop
Strenuous ◆ ~ 9.5 km + 475 m elevation gain
This loop is for those that like climbing. It offers spectacular views of the Rockies. The end of this loop travels through an larch forest in the narrow Moe's Canyon.

Magic Line Loop
Strenuous ◆ ~ ??? km + ??? m elevation gain
A popular clockwise burmed biking route with jumps.

E2: Loops from Swan Avenue

North End Circuit
Moderate ■ ~ 5.6 km + 125 m elevation gain
This loop winds around and through glacial ridges and basins, mostly on single track.

Myrtle Mountain Traverse
Strenuous ◆ ~ 10 km + 155 m elevation gain
This route takes you to the top of a scenic hill and then drops back down on pleasant trails past Duck Pond.

E3: Loops from Higgins Street

Eimer's Lake Loop
Easy ● ~ 1.8 km + 35 m elevation gain
Eimer's Lake is one of the most accessible Special Places and is an excellent short loop for people of all abilities.

Romantic Ridge Loop
Moderate ■ ~ 3.5 km + 125 m elevation gain
This loop follows wonderful single track trails along two prominent ridges in the north end of the Park.

E4 and E5: Loops from Jimmy Russell Road or Campground

Sunflower Hill Loop
Easy ● ~ 3.5 km + 115 m elevation gain
This shorter outing is snow-free much of the year and offers scenic views of the Rockies and St. Mary Valley.

Southwest Viewpoint Loop
Moderate ■ ~ 5.5 km + 280 m elevation gain
This moderate loop includes a steady climb, scenic viewpoint and is a favourite with local nature buffs.

E6: Loops from Matthew Creek

Horse Barn Valley Loop
Easy ● ~ 3.3 km + 70 m elevation gain
This shorter loop is a subset of the West Side Highline. It is varied and scenic with shaded forests and rocky ridges.

Park Entrances

There are many ways to access the Park. Major entry points accessible to the public are described. Please respect private driveways and lawns, especially at entrances with limited parking.

E1 Kimberley Nordic Ski Area. There is ample parking available and free access to the trails in summer. In winter, there is a nominal charge, and no dogs or walkers are allowed. From the Platzl, follow Gerry Sorensen Way, turn left at the top of the hill and continue to the end of the road.

E2 Swan Avenue. There is limited parking near the gate, but more parking exists across Burdett Street on Swan Avenue. From the Platzl area, head south on Wallinger Ave. and turn right up Burdett St. Go up a steep one-way hill and park at the first right.

E3 Higgins Street. There is very limited parking near the gate. It is recommended that users park one block east where there is more parking. From the Platzl, head south on Wallinger Ave., past the Overwaitea grocery store. Turn right at Higgins Street.

E4 Jimmy Russell Road. There is limited parking in the pullout on the south side of St. Mary Lake Road or in the cleared area 50 metres up Jimmy Russell Road before the gate. From the Platzl, take Highway 95A south and turn right at the St. Mary Lake Road. The trailhead is 2 km down the road.

E5 Campground. There is some parking at the entrance and more across the St. Mary Lake Road at the Kimberley Riverside R.V. Resort.

E6 Matthew Creek. The total distance from Kimberley Riverside R.V. Resort is 8.9 km. From E5 drive west on the St. Mary Lake Road for 4.1 km. Turn right onto the Matthew Creek Forest Service Road (active logging). Turn right at 6.1 km (near 2 km marker) onto a narrow and rough road. Veer left at 7.7 km

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