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SnowTrails

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Fine alpine, nordic ski facilities close to Ottawa

The backyard of Canada's capital boasts an abundance of alpine slopes and nordic trails.

The following guide to cross-country and alpine ski areas in the Ottawa area is based on listings compiled by Ontario and Quebec tourism officials.

For more detailed information, consult Ontario's *Winter Book* which covers alpine and cross country skiing, ice fishing and snowmobiling, and Quebec's *Ski Quebec Directory of Alpine Ski Centers 1985, Crosscountry Skiing and Snowshoeing in Quebec 1985, and Quebec ski guide 1985/86*.

The *Winter Book* can be ordered free by calling Ontario Travel toll-free at 1-800-268-3735.

The Quebec publications can be obtained by calling the provincial tourism ministry toll-free at 1-800-361-5405 or 1-800-361-6490.

When planning a ski outing, it is advisable to call ahead to confirm operating hours, directions and fees. All alpine ski hills charge tow fees but many cross-country operations do not impose trail fees.

Alpine

- (1) **Barry's Bay** — Mount Madawaska, 5 kilometres south on Highway 62. Vertical drop 120 metres, maximum length 1,500 metres. One T-bar, one rope tow. Open Wednesday through Sunday. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, snack bar, licensed dining room, lunch room, ski school, repairs, package plans. 1-756-2931.
- (2) **Deep River** — Mount Martin Ski Club, two kilometres west on Highway 17. Vertical drop 45 metres, maximum length, 210 metres. One T-bar lift, one rope tow. Open during the day weekends, and in the evening Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Snack bar, ski school.
- (3) **Batawa** — Batawa Ski Club, in town on Highway 33. Vertical drop 50 metres, maximum length 540 metres, two T-bars, one poma lift, open during the day on weekends, and evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Snow-making, pro shop, repairs, coffee shop, snack bar, lessons, rentals, lunch room. 1-398-6568.
- (4) **Petawawa** — Petawawa Ski Club, 232 Laurentian Dr. off Highway 17. Vertical drop 36 metres, maximum length 150 metres. One rope tow. Open during the day on Saturday, the afternoon on Sunday and evenings on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Coffee shop, ski school. 1-687-2516.
- (5) **Pembroke** — Alice Hill Park, 22 kilometres southwest on Highway 62. Vertical drop of 63 metres, maximum length 900 metres. One T-bar and one chair lift. Open days on weekends, and nights on Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch room, pro shop, ski school, snack bar, repairs, rentals. 1-732-2776.
- (6) **Dacre** — Candiac Skiways, five kilometres south on Mount St. Patrick Road, off Highway 132. Vertical drop 183 metres, maximum

- length 2,850 metres. Two T-bars and one poma lift. Open Wednesdays and weekends. Pro shop, rentals, repairs, dining room, snack bar, coffee shop, lunch room, ski school, package plan for groups. 1-432-5305.
- (7) **Calabogie** — Calabogie Peaks, five kilometres west on Highway 508. Vertical drop 225 metres, maximum length 2,640 metres. One rope tow, one double-chair lift and four T-bar lifts. Open daily. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, repairs, snack bar, lunch room, licensed dining room, accommodation, ski school, Saturday tea dances, package plans, rentals, weekend child care. 1-752-2720.
- (8) **Kingston** — Kingston Ski Hills, Highway 38 to Harrowsmith, East to Sydenham, follow signs. Vertical drop 40 metres, maximum length 300 metres. Four rope tows, one T-bar. Open weekends during the day and evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Ski school, lunch room, snack bar, rentals, repairs. 1-389-3998.
- (9) **Pakenham** — Mount Pakenham, three kilometres southwest on Highway 29. Vertical drop 90 metres, maximum length 750 metres. One rope tow, one double-chair lift and one T-bar lift. Open Wednesday to Friday afternoons, Monday to Saturday evenings and weekends during the day. Snow-making, accommodation, licensed, coffee shop, ski school, rentals, buses. 1-624-5290.
- (10) **Wakefield** — Vorlage, 32 kilometres northwest of Hull off Highway 105. Vertical drop 142 metres, maximum length 1,300 metres. One double-chair lift and six T-bar lifts. Open daily with evening operation Wednesday to Saturday. Snow-making, pro shop, child care, rentals, dining room, lounge, ski school, first aid, chalet. 1-459-2301.
- (11) **Athens** — Arda Ski Centre, eight kilometres west on Highway 42. Vertical drop 38 metres, maximum length 180 metres. One rope tow. Open for night skiing Tuesdays and Thursdays. Ski school, lunch room. 1-342-7961.
- (12) **Old Chelsea** — Camp Fortune-Ottawa Ski Club, 18 kilometres north of Ottawa on Highway 5. Vertical drop 195 metres, maximum length 1,300 metres. One triple chair lift, one double chair lift, four T-bar lifts, one poma lift. Open daily and nightly, except Sunday evening. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, cross-country trails, snack bar, dining room, child care, first aid, ski school, chalet. 1-819-827-1717.
- (13) **Lac Ste. Marie** — Monte Ste. Marie, 88 kilometres north of Hull on Highway 105. Vertical drop 380 metres, maximum length 1,405 metres. Three double-chair lifts and one poma lift. Open daily. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, cross-country trails, accommodations, snack bar, lounge, dining room, ski school, first aid, child care, chalet. 1-819-467-5200.
- (14) **La Pêche** — Edelweiss, 29 kilometres north of Hull off Highway 307. Vertical drop 200 metres, maximum length 1,594 metres. Two double-chair, two T-bar

- and two poma lifts. Open daily and nightly. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, cross-country trails, ski school, first aid, accommodations, restaurant, chalet. 1-819-459-2859.
- (15) **Gatineau** — Mont Cascades, 17 kilometres northwest of Hull off Highway 105. Vertical drop 160 metres, maximum length 892 metres. One triple-chair, one double-chair, two T-bar and one poma lift. Open daily and nightly. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, cross-country trails, ski school, restaurant, chalet, first aid. 1-819-827-0301.
- (16) **Ottawa** — Ann Heggveit Ski Hill, Carlington ski park on Woodward and Clyde Avenues off Carlington. Vertical drop 30 metres, maximum length 195 metres. One T-bar lift. Open weekends and Wednesday afternoons with night skiing Tuesday to Thursday. Snow-making, pro shop, rentals, repairs, ski school, coffee shop, lunch room, snack bar. 729-8202.
- (17) **Notre-Dame-de-la-Salette** — Centre Touristique du Lac de l'Argile, 72 kilometres from Ottawa on Highway 309. Vertical drop 128 metres, maximum length 775 metres. One T-bar lift. Open Fridays, weekends and holidays. Snow-making, cross-country trails, chalet, ski school, first aid, ski shop, cafeteria, lounge. 1-819-766-2341.
- (18) **Cornwall** — Big Ben Ski Centre, Brookdale and 7th St. W., access from Highway 2. Vertical drop 50 metres, maximum length 270 metres. One chair lift. Open weekends with night skiing Wednesday to Friday. Coffee shop, snack bar, lunch room, ski school. 1-932-4422.
- (19) **Fort Coulonge** — Mont Chilly, 5 kilometres north off Highway 148. Vertical drop 150 metres, maximum length 1,500 metres. One double chairlift. Open weekends and holidays. Cross country, snack bar, rentals, chalet. 1-732-2996.
- (20) **Hull** — Centre de ski Lac des Fees, City of Hull, 25 Laurier St. One slope, vertical drop 20 metres. One T-bar lift, nights and weekend afternoons. Cross country trails, first aid, ski school chalet. 770-3952.
- (21) **Lac-Des-Iles** — Saint-Aime-du-Mont Daniel, Vertical drop 114 metres, six slopes, 1 T-bar lift. Open weekends and holidays. Cross country trails, chalet, restaurant, rentals, ski school, rentals. 1-819-597-2388.
- (22) **L'Annunciation** — Mont Gervais, Route 117, two slopes, 1 T-bar lift. Open daily and nightly Wednesday to Friday, daily weekends. Cross country trails, chalet, rentals, ski school, first aid. 1-819-275-2118 ext. 438.

Cross-country

- (1) **Deep River** — Deep River Cross-Country Ski Club, in town off Highway 17. Marked trails, 160 kilometres; 15 kilometres track set, one lighted trail 0.7 km. Open daily. Warming huts, trail maps. 1-584-2565.
- (2) **Barry's Bay** — Mount Madawaska, 5 kilometres south on Highway 62. Thirty kilometres of marked trails, 15 kilometres

- groomed and track set, 15 km. not marked. Open daily except Mondays and Tuesdays. Pro shop, rentals, cookout shelter, snack bar, lunch room, licensed dining room, coffee shop, warming huts, first aid, maps, ski school. 1-756-2931.
- (3) **Bancroft** — Silent Lake Provincial Park, 22 kilometres north on Highway 28. Marked, groomed and track set trails, 44 kilometres. Open daily. First aid, huts, maps. 1-332-3940.
- (4) **3a. Schutt** — Madawaska House, north of Schutt, turn east off Highway 514, for five kilometres. Fourteen kilometres of marked and groomed trails. Accommodation, dining room, warming huts, trail maps. 1-758-2396.
- (5) **Westmeath** — Nangor Lodge, 6 kilometres northeast on Highway 17. Marked and groomed and track set trails, 36 kilometres. Open daily. Accommodation, licensed dining room, coffee shop, snack bar, package plans, trail maps, child care, first aid, waxing area, credit cards, trail fees. 1-587-4455.
- (6) **Pembroke** — Forest Lea Cross Country Ski Trail, 13 kilometres west of Highway 17 on Forest Lea (Alice Township Road 14). Marked, groomed and track set trails, 14 kilometres. Open daily. 1-732-3661.
- (7) **Arden** — Baker's Valley, off Highway 7. Thirty-two kilometres of marked trails, 24 km. groomed and track set. Open daily. Snack bar, rentals, ski school, accommodation, coffee shop, lunch room, pro shop, trail maps, cookout shelter, first aid, waxing area. 1-478-2632.
- (8) **Cloyne** — Bon Echo Provincial Park, 10 kilometres north on Highway 41. Ten kilometres of trails, groomed, marked and track set. Trail maps. Open daily. 1-336-2228.
- (9) **Ompah** — Palmerson Lake Sports Centre, 3 kilometres west on Highway 506. Marked, groomed and track set trails, 20 kilometres. Accommodation, licensed dining room, coffee shop, snack bar, lunch room, rentals, package plans, trail maps, live band Friday and Saturday nights. Open daily 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. 1-479-2288.
- (10) **Perth** — Murphys Point Provincial Park, 14 km. southwest on Elm Grove Road off Highway 7. Nineteen kilometres marked trails, 12 km. groomed and track set. Warming huts, trail maps. Open daily. 1-267-5060.
- (11) **Fort Coulonge** — Mont Chilly, 5 kilometres north off Highway 148. Forty-eight kilometres of marked trails. Open weekends. Chalet, snack bar. 1-732-2996.
- (12) **Calabogie** — Calabogie Peaks, 5 kilometres west on Highway 508. Marked, groomed and track set trails, 16 kilometres. Open daily. Accommodation, licensed dining room, rentals, snack bar, lunch room, weekend child care, first-aid, pro shop, trail maps, Saturday tea dances. 1-752-2720.
- (13) **Renfrew** — Timbertown Trails, 26 kilometres from Renfrew on Storyland Road, off Highway 17. Open daily. Eight kilometres of

- groomed, marked trails. Snack bar, warming huts, sleigh rides, toboggan trail for children. 1-432-6895.
- (14) **Petawawa** — Petawawa Crown Game Preserve, Laurentian Drive off Highway 17. Two trails, 7 kilometres, marked, groomed and track set. Trail maps. 1-732-3661.
- (15) **Gatineau** — Parc du Lac Beau-champ, Highway 148. Groomed and marked trails, 10 kilometres. Chalet, snack bar, rentals. Open daily. 1-819-663-8553.
- (16) **Maniwaki** — Centre Touristique de la Haute-Gatineau, Highway 105. Two kilometres of marked and groomed trails. Chalet, snack bar, rentals. Open daily. 1-819-449-4588.
- (17) **Lombardy** — Bass Lake Lodge, 5 kilometres north on Highway 15. Fifteen kilometres of groomed, marked and track set trails. Open daily. Accommodation, dining room, coffee shop, snack bar, trail maps, package plans. 1-283-0136.
- (18) **Kingston** — Lemoine Point Conservation Area, west on Highway 33. 2 kilometres south on Township Road. Five kilometres of marked, groomed and track set trails. Open daily. Trail maps, first aid. 1-546-4228.
- (19) **Kingston** — Little Catarqui Creek Conservation Area, 3 kilometres north of Highway 401 on Perth Road. Marked, groomed and track set trails, 15 kilometres. First aid, warming huts, trail maps, skating rink, snack bar, ski school, rentals, trail fees. 1-546-4228.
- (20) **Sydenham** — Gould Lake Conservation Area, 10 kilometres northeast on County Road 5A off Highway 38. Ten kilometres of marked trails. Open daily. 1-546-4228.
- (21) **Sydenham** — Frontenac Provincial Park, 10 kilometres northeast of Sydenham on County Rd. 5A, off Highway 38. Ten kilometres of marked, groomed and track set trails. Open daily. 1-354-2173.
- (22) **17a Tamworth** — Balahack Mountain Park, seven kilometres east on Bridge Street off Highway 41. Fifty kilometres of marked, groomed and track set trails. Coffee shop, snack bar, lunch room, ski school, rentals, child care daily, cookout shelter, warming huts, first aid, pro shop, waxing area, trail maps, trail fees. Open daily. 1-379-2313.
- (23) **17b. Thomasburg** — Vanderwater Conservation Area, three kilometres east of Highway 37 and follow signs. Marked and groomed trails, 23 kilometres. Cookout shelter, trail maps. Open daily. 1-968-3434.
- (24) **17c. Verona** — Craig trails, two kilometres north on Craig Road off Highway 38. Fifteen kilometres of marked, groomed and track set trails. Accommodation, snack bar, lunch room, ski school, ski rental, warming huts, first aid, waxing area, trail maps. Open daily Monday and Thursday to Sunday. Night skiing by appointment only. 1-374-2248.
- (25) **18. Picton** — Macaulay Mountain Conservation Area, off Highway 33, 2 kilometres east of Picton on Waupoos Road. Eleven-kilometre marked trail. Open Monday to Friday. Cookout shelter, trail maps.