

GARIBALDI PROVINCIAL PARK

TRAIL CONDITIONS as of

June 8th, 2015

Garibaldi Park is located in the Coast Mountain wilderness and the weather can be severe and unforgiving. Be well prepared, properly equipped and informed before entering the backcountry. Day visitors should be capable of camping overnight in case of injury, accident or extreme weather. Avalanche and glacier hazards exist in Garibaldi Park.

For warnings and information please see the “[Attention Visitors](#)” section on the main park page.

For current **Avalanche Bulletins** check out <http://www.avalanche.ca/forecasts/sea-to-sky>

Trail Difficulty Definitions

The ratings are determined based on the length of the trail section, change in elevation and trail type for the average park visitor.

Trail Difficulty Rating:

E - Easy; **M** - Moderate; **S** - Strenuous; **D** - Difficult

Trail Type Rating

Type I: 1.5 to 2.5 m wide, paved, crushed gravel or board walk, less than 10% grade.

Type II: 1.5 m wide, gravel surfacing in wet areas, up to 15% grade.

Type III: 0.5 m wide, grade greater than 15%

Type IV: up to 0.3 m wide, lightly used wilderness trail, tread as worn not grubbed out, infrequent maintenance.

Elevations shown are estimated for the trail section and reflect the maximum gain or loss.

Traveling beyond the maintained trail is referred to as route finding which requires special equipment, skills, ability and knowledge.

DIAMOND HEAD AREA

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Trail	Estimated Distance one-way(KM)	Estimated time one-way (hours)	Estimated Elevation gained (meters)	Trail Difficulty	Trail safety Information	Trail Condition
Mamquam Road to Garibaldi Park Road	5 km		450 m	Gravel road with potholes	Camping fees must be paid before entering the park. Cash only at parking lot Or pre pay via https://secure.camis.com/DiscoverCamping/Backcountry/Garibaldi?Map before your trip.	OPEN
Parking lot to Red Heather Meadows	5 km	1.5 hrs	450 m	S – Type II Well Defined	Clear	OPEN
Red Heather Meadows to Elfin Lakes	6 km	2 hrs	250 m	M – Type II Well Defined	Some snow patches - follow marker poles on Summer route Snow patches at Elfin Lakes Camping on snow!	OPEN
Elfin Lakes to the Opal Cone	6.5 km	3 hrs	460 m	S – Type IV Defined	Ice/Snow Not Marked	OPEN
Elfin Lakes to the Saddle/Gargoyles	7 km	2 hrs	400 m	D – Type IV Defined	Ice/Snow Not Marked	OPEN
Elfin Lakes to Mamquam Lake	11 km	4 hrs	570 m	D – Type IV Defined	Ice/Snow Not Marked	OPEN

GARIBALDI LAKE and TAYLOR MEADOWS AREAS

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Hwy 99 to the parking lot	2km		75 m	Paved Road	<p style="text-align: center;">Road Clear</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">Camping fees must be paid before entering the park.</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">Cash only at parking lot or Please pre pay via https://secure.camis.com/DiscOverCamping/Backcountry/Garibaldi?Map before your trip.</p>	OPEN
Rubble Creek Parking Lot to Garibaldi Lake and Taylor Meadows Junction @ 6 km	6 km	3 hrs	770 m	S – Type II Well Defined Steep	CAUTION: Trail crews are working on the Garibaldi Lake Trail beyond 5 Km. Obey all signs and expect short delays	OPEN
6km Junction to Garibaldi Lake Campground	3 km	1.5 hrs	130 m	M – Type II Well Defined	<p style="text-align: center;">Trail is bare.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">All campsites at Garibaldi Lake are now free of snow.</p>	OPEN
Junction to Taylor Meadows Campground	1.5 km	1 hr	180 m	M – Type II Well Defined	<p style="text-align: center;">Trail is bare.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">All campsites at Taylor Meadows are now free of snow.</p>	OPEN
Taylor Meadows Campground to Garibaldi Lake Campground	2.3 km	40 min	50 m	E – Type II Well Defined	Trail is bare.	OPEN
Garibaldi Lake Campground to Black Tusk Junction	2.5 km	2 hrs	230 m	S – Type II Well Defined Steep	Minor snow patches.	OPEN
Taylor Meadows Campground to Black Tusk Junction	2 km	1.5 hrs	180 m	M – Type II Well Defined	Minor snow patches.	OPEN
Black Tusk Junction to Black Tusk View Point	4.4 km	3 hrs	300 m	D – Type III Defined Very Steep	Snow Not Marked Be prepared for icy sections	OPEN
Black Tusk Junction to Helm Pass	2 km	2 hrs	100 m	M – Type II Well Defined	Snow Not Marked Be prepared for icy sections	OPEN
Helm Pass to Panorama Ridge	3.2 km	2 hrs	330 m	S – Type IV Undefined Steep	Snow Not Marked Be prepared for icy sections	OPEN
Helm Pass to Helm Creek Campground	5 km	2 hrs	240 m	M – Type II Well Defined	Snow Not Marked Be prepared for icy sections	OPEN

CHEAKAMUS LAKE TRAIL

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Hwy 99 to the parking lot 7 km	7 km			Rough gravel road with potholes	<p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-weight: bold;">CAUTION! Road has rutted sections. 4x4 and vehicle with clearance is recommended.</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">Camping fees must be paid before entering the Park.</p>	OPEN
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Parking Lot to Cheakamus Lake Campground	3.5 km	1.5 hr	90 m	E – Type II Well Defined	Clear	OPEN
Cheakamus Lake Campground to Singing Creek	4 km	2 hrs	50 m	M – Type II Well Defined	Minor Windfall at 5km	OPEN

CHEAKAMUS LAKE TRAIL to the HELM PASS

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Trail	Estimated Distance one-way(KM)	Estimated time one-way (hours)	Estimated Elevation gained (meters)	Trail Difficulty	Trail safety Information	Trail Condition
Cheakamus Lake Trail Junction to Helm Campground	7 km	3.5 hrs	600m	D - Type IV Defined	Trail is bare. Four minor windfall sections.	OPEN
Helm Creek Campground to Helm Pass	5 km	3 hrs	240m	M – Type II	Snow Not Marked	OPEN

SINGING PASS TRAIL

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Parking lot 5 to Singing Pass	11.5 km	5 hrs	1200 m	S – Type I I Well Defined	CAUTION: No bridge crossing at Harmony Creek. Freshet occurring now with rapid melting. Not recommended Expect Snow and icy sections Camping fees must be paid before entering the Park. Please pre pay via https://secure.camis.com/DiscoverCamping/Backcountry/Garibaldi?Map before your trip.	OPEN
Singing Pass to Russet Lake	3 km	1 hr	200 m	M– Type IV	Snow Not Marked	OPEN
Whistler Mountain Gondola to Whistler Village via Musical Bumps and Singing Pass	21 km	8 hrs	1300 m	D – Type IV Steep	Snow Not Marked Check with Ski Resort for lift openings.	OPEN

WEDGEMOUNT LAKE TRAIL

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Hwy 99 to the parking lot	2 km			Improved gravel road	clear	OPEN
Parking lot to Wedgemount Lake	7 km	5 hrs	1200 m	D – Type IV Very steep	Snow Not Marked CAUTION The first 1km of	OPEN

					<p>trail has been re-routed. Please turn left at old parking lot and follow the signs to the new parking lot and trail head. The old trail is unsafe.</p> <p>Camping fees must be paid before entering the park.</p> <p>Please pre pay via https://secure.camis.com/DiscOverCamping/Backcountry/Garibaldi?Map before your trip.</p>	
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PLEASE NOTE:

- Motorized vehicles, Dogs and fires are prohibited within the park, year round.
 - Camping is permitted only in designated campsites.
- Biking opportunities are limited to the Cheakamus Lake trail as far as Singing Creek and the Diamond Head Trail as far as the campground at Elfin Lakes.
- Please use the permanent toilet facilities provided; this may require you to remove snow to access in the winter.
 - Please stay on the trails; this will protect the fragile alpine vegetation from damage.
- Backcountry facilities and campsite areas within Garibaldi Park are maintained by you. Please help by packing out what you pack in and by keeping the park and the facilities clean for others. Leave knowing that you did your part.