



TRACKS Winter Recreation Guide 2021

The snow is here and many will be heading out of Bellevue and up to the mountains. Many of the Western Washington winter recreation sites are on state or federal land. Make sure to check their rules and restrictions before heading out. Below are some general reminders from the National Parks Foundation on how to recreate responsibly. For more tips and information follow [@nationalparksfoundation](#) on social media.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Winter conditions can make some areas dangerous. Research your destination, as roads and facilities may be closed for winter

PRACTICE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Be prepared to cover your nose and mouth. When possible, opt to eat and rest outside. If you feel sick, stay home.

PLAN AHEAD

Check local conditions and prepare for winter conditions. Packing extra layer of clothing and have waterproof clothing and avalanche safety gear for the backcountry.

PLAY IT SAFE

Know your limits and your gear. Slow down and choose lower-risk activities to reduce risk of injury.

EXPLORE LOCALLY


Consider exploring locally, as driving and parking may be more challenging in winter. If you travel, be mindful of your impact on native and local communities.

LEAVE NO TRACE

Did you know that the snow is our water supply? Keep our winter playgrounds clean. Pack out any human or pet waste. Be respectful of the land.

BUILD AN INCLUSIVE OUTDOORS

Everyone deserves to experience a winter wonderland. Be an active part of making the outdoors safe, accessible, and welcoming for all identities and abilities.

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