



# WINTER RECREATION



## Learn to snowshoe and take easy snowshoe tours



Everett Parks and Recreation would love to teach you what you need to know to have a great time snowshoeing! For more information on the following activities, please call 425-257-8300 ext. 2 or visit [www.everettwa.gov/register](http://www.everettwa.gov/register) with the code(s) listed below.

- **Introductory to Snowshoeing:** Dec. 13, Jan. 2 and 5 ~ Learn what you need, how to snowshoe and how to make it fun at this class at Forest Park in Everett. Then you'll be ready to sign up for one of the tours! Fee is \$9. Dec. 13 code # 2270, Jan. 2 code # 3015, Jan. 15 code # 3019

- **Introductory Snowshoe Tour:** Jan. 5 and 26 ~ Feel comfortable snowshoeing with other beginners. Everett Parks will provide the transportation, and expert guide, snowshoes and poles at no extra charge for these tours. Taking the Introductory class prior to the tour is

strongly encouraged. The Jan. 5 trip is \$42, code # 3024; The Jan. 26 trip is \$44, code # 3025

- **Very Easy Snowshoe Tours:** Jan. 25, Feb. 5 and March 9 ~ Take it easy on short and very gentle snowshoe walks designed for people who are apprehensive about longer treks. If you can walk on mile on dry land, then you can do this! Tour guides will help you put on your snowshoes and guide the way. After 60-90 minutes on the snow, lunch will be at a nearby restaurant. It's great for children and for the young at heart! Jan. 5 trip is \$52, code # 3007; Feb. 5 trip is \$42, code # 3010; March 9 trip is \$52, code # 3013

- **Lake Kachess:** Jan. 13 ~ Trek to the shore of a large reservoir and pass through a snowy, peaceful lakeside campground. Round trip is 2 miles with 200 foot elevation gain. \$46, code # 3053

- **Salmon La Sac:** Dec. 27 and Feb. 20 ~ Make tracks

through serene forests and across the gentle, riverside terrain north of Cle Elum. Meander through the winter landscape, visiting a snowy hilltop with panoramic vistas and the picturesque Cooper River Canyon. Round trip is 2-3 miles with 400 foot elevation gain. \$47 fee. Dec. 27 code # 2260, Feb. 29 code # 3062

- **White Salmon Road:** Jan. 10 ~ Enjoy a quiet mid-week snowshoe tour on a mostly gentle road near the Mount Baker Ski area. The awe-inspiring views of Mount Shuksan must be seen to be believed! Round trip is 1.5-4 miles with up to 500 foot elevation gain. \$49 fee. Code # 3046

## Get outside and take a hike this season!

Everett Parks and Recreation is offering great hikes for reasonable transportation and guide fees. For more information and to register, visit [www.everettwa.gov/register](http://www.everettwa.gov/register) or call 425-257-8300 ext. 2. Be sure to have the code handy for the hikes that are of interest to you. Check out the website at [everettwa.gov/parks](http://everettwa.gov/parks) for the Recreation Guide listing all of the hikes.

- **Heart Lake and Sugarloaf:** Dec. 2 ~ Sample a pair of trails in Anacortes: a loop around a wooded lake and a steep but short climb to a surprisingly sweet vista. Total hiking 5 miles with 600 foot elevation gain. \$39. Code # 2328

- **Silent Swamp Loop:** Dec. 15 ~ Explore this intriguingly named trail on Tiger Mountain near Issaquah. This loop combination of several trails leads through second-growth forest, passes numerous small creeks and streams, occasionally finds clearings that open up a few views. Round trip is 9 miles with 600 foot elevation gain. \$42. Code # 2327

- **Franklin Falls:** Jan. 8 ~ Hike a snowy trail to a spectacular falls near Snoqualmie Pass that is often frozen into fantastic ice shapes. The trail is packed down by many winter visitors making snowshoes unnecessary. Slip-on traction devices like Micro-spikes or Yak Trax work best. Round trip is 4 miles with 200 foot elevation gain. \$41. Code # 2953

- **Point Defiance:** Jan. 20

~ Crisscross the park on pleasant forest paths with occasional views of the south Puget Sound. Learn some of the park's history and enjoy a little time on the beach. Round trip is 4 miles with 400 foot elevation gain. \$46. Code # 2952

- **Kitsap Tripleheader:** Feb. 6 ~ Discover some wonderful but little-known walks tucked away on the bustling Kitsap Peninsula's Hood Canal. Sights include beautiful beaches, stately forests, mountain views and abundant wildlife. Explore Guillemot Cove, Theler Wetlands and Twanoh State Park. Round trip is 6 miles with 500 foot elevation gain. \$56. Code # 2954

- **Chanterelle Trail:** Feb. 10 ~ A good trail switchbacks up the hillside above Lake Whatcom, leading to excellent views. Round trip is 5 miles with 1,000 foot elevation gain. \$42. Code # 2955

- **Boulder River:** Feb. 27 ~ Stroll through this majestic old-growth forest valley near Darrington. Highlights include giant trees, waterfalls and soothing sounds of the wild river. Round trip up to 5 miles with 600 foot elevation gain. \$42. Code # 2956

- **Lime Kiln Trail:** March 21 ~ Immerse yourself in scenery and history as you follow the route of the old Monte Cristo railway along the Stillaguamish River. Round trip is 7 miles with 600 foot

elevation gain. \$42. Code # 2957

- **Ebey's Landing:** March 16 ~ Take an invigorating seashore walk on the west coast of Whidbey Island. Ebey's Landing offers awesome views of the water and mountains, opportunities to see eagles and shore birds, and great beaches. Round trip is 4 miles with 300 foot elevation gain. \$46. Code # 2963

- **Grand Ridge Park:** March 22 ~ Spend a day on this excellent wooded trail system near Issaquah. There are many miles of trails through deep green forest in this 1,200-acre park. Hike a one-way route across the park. Total hiking is 4 miles with 600 foot elevation gain. \$42. Code # 2960

- **Heybrook Ridge:** March 24 ~ Discover this brand new Snohomish County Parks trail near Index. Highlights include vistas of Mt. Index, Mt. Persis, Bridal Veil Falls and the Index Town Wall. Round trip is 3.5 miles with 800 foot elevation gain. \$44. Code # 2961

- **Deception Pass Tripleheader:** March 30 ~ Take three short hikes to sample the charms of this gorgeous and rugged seashore area. Walk Sharpe Park, Goose Rock and Canoe Pass Viewpoint within a relatively easy, relaxed-pace day. Round trip is 5 miles with 400 foot elevation gain. \$46. Code # 2966