

Townsite connector trails

These easy multi-use trails provide opportunities to explore and access areas close to the town of Jasper.

Jasper Discovery Trail
 8.3 km loop; elevation gain/loss: 120 m; 2-3 hrs
Trailhead • Can be started from nearly anywhere in town.
 This partly paved trail loops around Jasper. There are a few steep inclines on the northwest section of trail.

Campgrounds Trail
 4.6 km one way; no elevation gain; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • Whistlers and Wapiti Campgrounds
 This flat trail is a great way to walk or bike into town. Use this trail to connect to the Lakes loop trail.

Lakes Loop Trail
 Up to 13.9 km loop; elevation gain/loss: 33 m; 2-3 hrs
Trailhead • Various access points in and around Jasper townsite (11), and Old Fort Point.
 This mix pavement and packed gravel loop links Jasper Townsite, Old Fort Point, Lac Beauvert, Jasper Park Lodge, Lake Annette and Lake Edith. The part of the loop on trails 11, 12, 14 and 18 has slight elevation change. The northeast portion of the loop on trails 11 and 13 has 33m elevation change. The complete loop involves two light controlled highway crossings.

Pyramid Trail
 5.4 km one way; elevation gain/loss: 118 m; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • Jasper Activity Centre parking lot (P3)
 Follow the Jasper Discovery Trail (11) for 600 m before connecting to the Pyramid Trail (15). This trail climbs gently but continuously up the Pyramid Bench and is a great access route to other trails.

South of Jasper

These trails lie south of Jasper and are accessible from Highway 93.

Valley of the Five Lakes
 5.4 km to 8.9 km loops; elevation gain/loss 66 m; 1-4 hours
Trailhead • (P15) 9 km south on Highway 93
 This fire-affected area offers upgraded trails leading to panoramic views and five colourful lakes. These loops are mostly gentle with some short steep sections. Stay on trails to protect new growth.

Wetland Way 1.8 km return
 Gentle flat approach to small creek and scenic wetland viewpoint with benches to rest.

Emerald Loop 5.4 km
 Stunning views of all five lakes, iconic Red Chairs, and Picnic Point. (Bicycles are not allowed on part of the trail from May 15 to September 15).

Valley Loop 7.7 km
 A quieter trail experience with serene views of First Lake and Reflection Point.

Wabasso Lake
 6.4 km return; elevation gain/loss: 38 m; 2-3 hrs
Trailhead • (P16) 14.6 km south on Highway 93
 This trail passes through fire-affected areas and crosses several low ridges, offering broad views of the Athabasca Valley and Mount Edith Cavell. Stay on trails to protect new growth.
 From Wabasso Lake you can continue on trail 9 to connect to the Valley of the Five Lakes (5.3 km)

Whistlers Summit Trail
 1.1 km one way; elevation gain: 200 m; 1 hr
Trailhead • SkyTram upper terminal
 Venture up in the alpine for a 360-degree view of the Athabasca Valley and surrounding peaks.

Whistlers Trail
 7.3 km one way; elevation gain: 1000 m; 3-5 hrs up, 2-3 hrs down.
Trailhead • (P14) 2.8 km up Whistlers Road
 The effort required to hike this steep trail is well rewarded by panoramic views of the Miette and Athabasca Valleys.

Whistlers Trail (5) is closed to the public from November 1 to May 15 inclusive, to protect caribou habitat. For more information, visit: parks.canada.ca/caribou-winter-access

Across the river

These trails lie on the east side of the Athabasca River.

Lake Annette Loop
 2.4 km return; no elevation gain; 1-1.5 hrs
Trailhead • Lake Annette parking lot
 This interpretive trail offers a paved loop along the shores of Lake Annette.

Lac Beauvert Loop
 3.5 km loop; no elevation gain; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • (P18) Lac Beauvert parking lot
 This trail along the perimeter of beautiful Lac Beauvert provides amazing views of Jasper Park Lodge and the surrounding valley.

Flower Loop
 2.2 km loop; no elevation gain/loss; 1-1.5 hrs
Trailhead • (P8) Sixth Bridge parking lot, 7.5 km east of Jasper via Highway 16 and Maligne Road
 This short and flat trail follows the shore of Athabasca River and provides excellent bird and wildflower viewing opportunities.

Old Fort Point Loop
 3.8 km loop; elevation gain/loss: 130 m; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • (P1) from Highway 93A North turn onto the Old Fort Point/Lac Beauvert access road. After crossing the bridge the trailhead is on the right.
 Old Fort Point is a prominent bedrock hill. This trail is steep in places but provides an excellent view of Jasper. Horses and bikes are not permitted on some sections of this trail. Watch for bighorn sheep!

Overlander Trail
 15.5 km one way; elevation gain/loss: 65 m; 5-6 hrs
Trailhead • (P8) Sixth Bridge parking lot, 7.5 km east of Jasper via Highway 16 and Maligne Road
 The beginning of this trail is flat and winds its way to an historic Métis homestead. From there the forests and meadows yield to a steep hillside with amazing views of the Athabasca Valley.

Many trails around the town of Jasper have been affected by fire
 In summer 2024, lightning ignited wildfires in Jasper National Park. By fall, 327 km² of the park had burned, including one third of the Jasper townsite.
 Fire-affected areas are fragile. Help Jasper recover:
 • Respect all closures.
 • Stay on marked trails.
 • Protect fragile vegetation and new growth.
 • Keep invasive species out.
 • Understand that recovery takes time.
Cavell Road, Mount Edith Cavell area and Maligne Canyon remain closed for 2026.

Drivers Note: Some roads and sites do not allow RVs or trailers due to size limits. For information on vehicle restrictions and seasonal road closures, visit: parks.canada.ca/jasper-roads

1 Around town

Legend:

- Easy trail
- Moderate trail
- ◆ Difficult trail
- ◆ Campgrounds trail
- ◆ Lakes loop
- ◆ Pyramid trail
- ⋯ Trail not maintained by Parks Canada
- 3.3 Distance (km)
- ? Information
- P Accessible toilets
- P Parking
- P Parking with trailhead
- P Campground
- P SkyTram
- P Picnic site
- P Accommodation
- P Beach
- P Viewpoint
- P Restaurant
- P Exhibit
- P Boat tour
- ⊘ No biking
- ⊘ No horses
- ⊘ No dogs
- ⊘ Red chairs
- Bridge
- 93 Highway
- Road
- Loose surface road (closed to vehicles)
- Railroad
- Marsh
- P Commercial horse area

Keep dogs on a leash
 All domestic animals must be kept on leash at all times. Pets are not permitted in some areas. Look for notices at trailheads and info centres to find out where these restrictions are.

Jasper Transit
 The Municipality of Jasper is offering public transit.
 Jasper Transit connects Whistlers and Wapiti campgrounds to multiple stops in Jasper National Park. It includes stops in the town of Jasper, Pyramid Lake Resort, Jasper Park Lodge and Lake Annette.
 The routes and schedule change depending on the season.
jasper-alberta.ca/p/transit
 Fare and schedule information

West of Jasper

West of Jasper, the Pyramid Bench is bordered by the Miette River and more lakes.

Saturday Night Lake Loop
 24.3 km loop, 4.2 km one way for Caledonia Lake; elevation gain/loss: 540 m; 7-9 hrs
Trailhead • (P2) Southwest end of Jasper
 A gentle uphill walk takes you past Marjorie Lake to Caledonia Lake. From there the grade steepens toward Minnow Lake and the rest of the Saturday Night Lake Loop; a long day hike, or an easy overnight backpack. (Backcountry permit required).

Dorothy and Christine Lakes
 8.6 km return; elevation gain/loss: 250 m; 4-6 hrs
Trailhead • (P26) 11.5 km west of Jasper on Highway 16
 This hike is steep in places but beautiful Christine Lake is worth it. Be careful when crossing the railroad tracks.

Pyramid Bench

The trail routes described below are on the Pyramid Bench—a lake-dotted terrace adjacent to Jasper.

Cottonwood Creek Loop
 5 km loop; elevation gain/loss: 75 m; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • (P3) Jasper Activity Centre parking lot
 Follow trail 2 up the Pyramid Bench and across Pyramid Road. From here trail 2a rewards you with exceptional views of the valley. Use trail 11 to complete the loop.

Overlook Loop
 6 km loop; elevation gain/loss: 75 m; 1-2 hrs
Trailhead • (P7) North end of Pyramid Lake
 This trail is steep at the start, but rewards you with some of the best views of Pyramid Lake. Take trail 2b and follow it along the ridge. Follow trail 2f for 200 m, and then use 2g and 2 to get back.

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