

Winter in the Hills

Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park

Park Administration Office:

- Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
- Phone: 306-662-5411

Park Entry Gate:

- Hours: Saturdays 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Park Entry Permit Required:

- 2020 Sask Parks Annual Park Entry Permit is valid until Mar. 31, 2021, or \$10 per vehicle, per day. See admin office or entry gate to purchase.

Trim Your Tree

November 28-December 24

Calling all lumberjacks! Find and cut your own Christmas tree and take a piece of the Cypress Hills home this holiday season. Stop by the park administration office for a tree permit and directions to the designated tree cutting area. Dress for the weather and expect lots of snow. Bring your own saw, toboggan and rope or bungee cords.

Outdoor Fun for All Ages!

- Build an ice castle! Have you built a fairy house at the park in the summer? Winter fairies need homes too. Head to the beach to find coloured ice blocks waiting to become a winter fairy castle!
- Bring your toboggan and fly down the tobogganing hill, located behind the Visitor Centre. Enjoy this activity from sun-up to sun-down.
- Extreme tobogganer? Check out the luge track beside the tobogganing hill, behind the Visitor Centre. Disc style toboggans and helmets are recommended.
- Looking for a treasure hunt? Check out the winter geocaching course! GPS units can be borrowed from the Park Administration Office.
- Cypress Hills Photo Hop. It's time for a new family photo! Start at the gazebo on Loch Leven, and look for the Cypress Hills Photo Hop sign. Follow the prompts to find areas in the park to complete the fun, wild and silly photo prompts. Be as creative as you want and show us on social media by tagging #SaskParks on Facebook and Instagram.
- Lace up your skates and check out the skating rink at The Resort at Cypress Hills.
- Grab an outdoor Pick-up Park Activity Kit (PAK) from the Park Administration Office or Entry Gate. These self-use kits will take you and your family through a variety of fun outdoor activities! Indoor PAKs are also available.
- Take a walk around Loch Leven.

Outdoor Adventure

- Load up your snowmobile and enjoy fresh powder in the snowmobile area located in the Centre Block. Parking and groomed staging area located in Dark Sky Campground. The snowmobile area includes the park area west of Bald Butte road. NEW for 2020, follow the designated snowmobile trail along the Great Trail with stops at Bald Butte and Lookout Point.
- Cross-country skiing more your thing? Rent equipment from The Resort at Cypress Hills or bring your own and glide peacefully through on set tracks, or skate ski through the expanded trail system. Download a map or pick one up at the Park Administration Office or The Resort at Cypress Hills.
- Snowshoe with ease on two marked and groomed trails. Rent snowshoes from The Resort at Cypress Hills or bring your own. Download a map or pick one up at the Park Administration Office or Resort at Cypress Hills. See “Guided Experiences” for details of guided snowshoe hikes.
- Bring your gear and try your luck ice-fishing on Loch Leven. Ice thickness can vary from location to location and is accessible at user’s own risk. Fishing licenses are required for Saskatchewan residents aged 16-64.

Guided Experiences

- Offered on Saturdays and select Sundays, December 5, 2020 through March 7, 2021.
- Physical distancing and COVID-19 protocols will be in effect for all guided experiences.
- Snowshoe with an Interpreter on Saturdays and select Sundays at 2:00 pm. Explore the park’s trails and its snow-covered stories. Snowshoes are provided free of charge, or you can bring your own. Pre-registration is required and spaces are limited.
- Learn the winter night sky with an Interpreter on a guided stargazing program on Saturdays and select Sundays at 7:00 pm. Find constellations and planets and learn their stories! Pre-registration is required and spaces are limited.

Feeling Hungry?

- Ivan’s Restaurant at The Resort at Cypress Hills offers a varied menu and a beautiful view of snow-capped trees. Contact the resort for special offerings (705-474-2150). Restaurant Hours: Monday to Friday 11:00 am – 8:00 pm Saturday and Sunday 8:30 am – 8:00 pm
- Pack a picnic and enjoy the NEW enclosed picnic shelter on the west end of Loch Leven. Equipped with a wood burning stove (wood provided), it’s a sheltered location for a winter lunch!

Weather Not Cooperating?

- Grab an indoor Pick-up Park Activity Kit (PAK) from the Park Administration Office or Entry Gate. These PAKs contain all the supplies and instructions needed for a winter themed craft and indoor activity.
- Pamper yourself with a yoga class, massage or spa service! Contact The Resort at Cypress Hills for details (306-662-4477).
- Borrow a puzzle or board game from The Resort at Cypress Hills and complete it with family or friends.