

# Donner Memorial State Park Cross-Country Ski Trail Map and Winter Activity Guide



Welcome to the beauty of winter at Donner Lake! The park offers cross-country and snowshoe trails for adventurers of all ages, nestled among towering pines, winding along beautiful Donner Lake, and traveling the historic emigrant trails. You will truly enjoy all that Donner Memorial State Park has to offer!

## CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRAILS

Five color-coded trails range from 1/2 to 5 miles in length. The trailhead for all the trails is located near the Emigrant Trail Museum. Parking for the trails can be found at the museum and near the entrance station.

## PARK HIGHLIGHTS

Whether you decide to take a leisurely snowshoe hike along the shoreline of Donner Lake, or explore the outstanding Sierra vistas from Schallenger Ridge, visitors of all ability levels will enjoy many activities.



From the **Snowshoe Adventure Trail** and **Lake Loop Trail**, travel along the shore of the “Gem of the Sierra’s” and enjoy the incredible views of historic Donner Pass, Schallenger Ridge and Donner Peak. Eagles may be seen fishing the lake, and animals like the snowshoe hare, raccoon and fox leave their tracks for you to explore.

For a longer excursion, try venturing out along the **Coldstream Trail** and **Upper Coldstream Trail** in Coldstream Canyon, and follow the route of the pioneers on the California Trail. You will follow Cold Creek to Merrill’s Ponds and the upper valley.

## PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Day-use parking fees are required. Please register at the museum or entrance station.

- Dogs are not allowed on trails. Dogs are allowed in the parking areas, and must be on a leash no more than 6 feet in length.
- Do not walk on ski trails. Walk and snowshoe to the sides of the trail.
- Restrooms are available at the museum.
- Be prepared for changing weather and trail conditions.

## ACCESSIBLE FEATURES

The restrooms and museum are accessible. If you need assistance, please call (530) 582-7892.



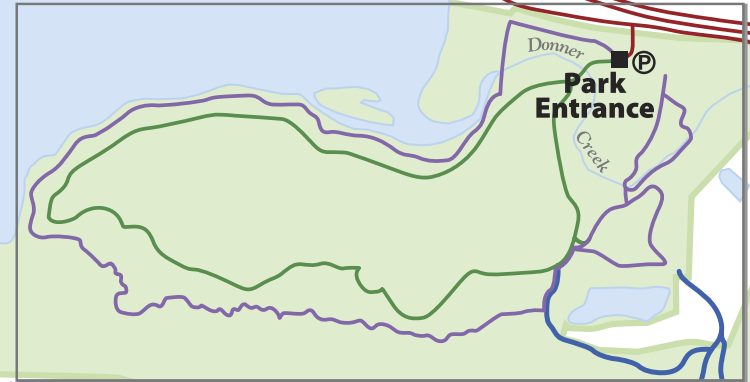
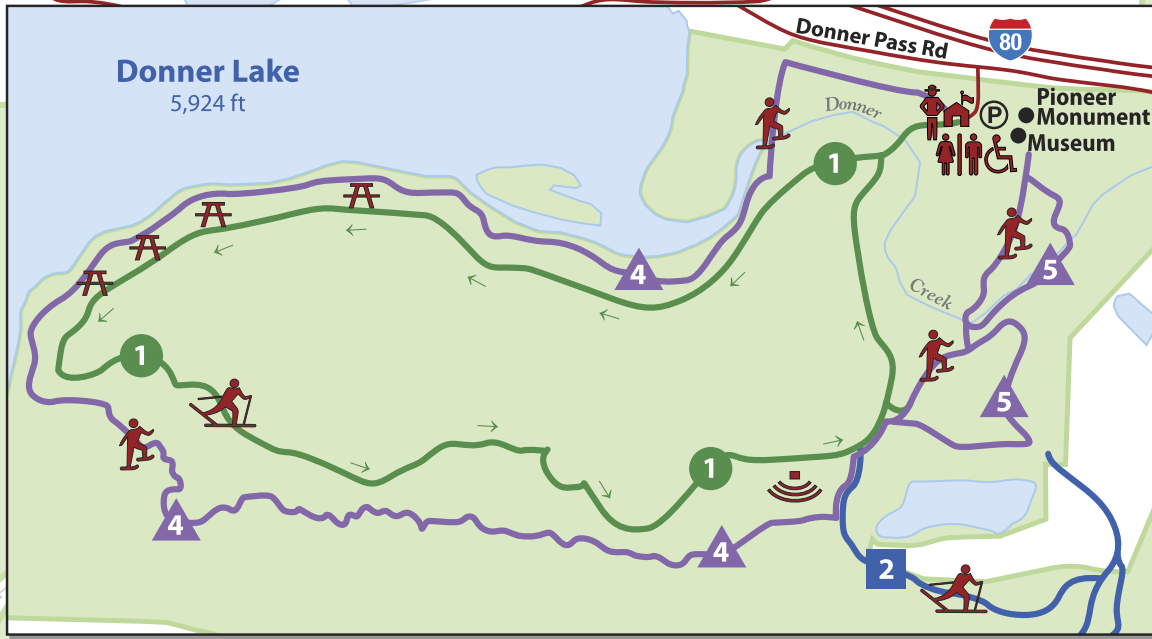
*Pioneer Monument*

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- 1** Lake Loop Trail . . . . . 2.5 miles (XC–Easiest)
- 2** Coldstream Trail . . . . . 2.1 miles (XC–Steeper)
- 3** Upper Coldstream Trail . . . . . 1.4 miles (XC–Most Difficult)
- 4** Snowshoe Adventure Trail . . . . . 2.9 miles (Snowshoe)
- 5** Nature Trail . . . . . 1.8 miles (Snowshoe)



see inset map at left

**Legend**

- Paved road
- Accessible Feature
- Campfire Center
- Cross-country Trail
- Entrance Station
- Parking
- Picnic Area
- Restrooms
- Snowshoe Trail

- Please use trails with caution and show courtesy to other park visitors.
- Winter play, including skiing and snowshoeing, can be hazardous. Trails and conditions can change quickly.
- Please be prepared and enjoy your stay safely.

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