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This map includes trails adjacent to Winter Park Resort, but outside the resort boundary. Winter Park Resort provides ski patrol support within Winter Park Resort boundaries only. For medical assistance, call 9-1-1 however Search and Rescue may take time. Proceed at your own risk.

This map is an artistic representation and does not accurately reflect the contours or dimensions of the resort, its specific areas, or the trails within the National Forest

For additional information and trail suggestions:

- Winter Park Resort Tour Center - 970.726.1616
- Winter Park/ Fraser Valley Chamber of Commerce – 970.726.4221
- USDA Forest Service - 970.887.4100

### **ROUTE #1: SERENITY TRAIL**

**Description:** As its name suggests, Serenity Trail is a calm, quiet rolling trail through the forest just north of the base area. Serenity is one of the most popular summer hiking and mountain biking trails in this area, but serves a dual purpose in the winter for snowshoe and Nordic ski enthusiasts.

**Difficulty rating:** Moderate hike, out-and-back, with a few small hills.

Carrying your snowshoes, walk from the base area buildings (Balcony House or West Portal Station) north, past the Gemini Express chairlift and on to the frontage road that parallels the railroad tracks. Follow the tracks approximately 100 yards until you pass 6 large green transformers on the left. Just past these there is a telegraph pole that is leaning to the right, the trail cut up on the left before that. You may need to climb up over the snow bank to access the trail. Follow this single-track trail as it winds to the left, uphill into the woods. After an initial climb, this trail becomes relatively flat as it winds through the forest.

**Possible options:** On snowshoes, Serenity Trail is best hiked as an out-and-back trail from the resort base. Depending on your time frame, you can divide your total time in half, and turn around when you reach your halfway mark. Trail intersections are marked based on longer summer mountain bike trails, and it is best to return on the same route you hiked. If you are interested in a longer excursion, be sure to ask a guest services agent to help you mark your map.

### **ROUTE #2: TURNPIKE TO TUNNEL HILL**

**Description:** Turnpike is a beginner-level ski trail utilized by most first-timers in ski or snowboard lessons. Turnpike is one of the easiest ski trails down, off the mountain. For this reason, take care to stay to the right when hiking uphill, out of the way of downhill traffic. The initial climb of approximately one mile is steeper than it appears, and requires some level of aerobic fitness. When in doubt, stop for a minute to catch your breath. Tunnel Hill is a summer dirt road utilized by the Denver Water Board to manage and maintain the covered and uncovered canals within their extensive water transport system. This is a gentle, winding road lined with trees and highlighted by beautiful vistas of the Fraser Valley.

**Difficulty rating:** Uphill climb on Turnpike initially, then Tunnel Hill flattens out for a relatively easy walk.

Carrying your snowshoes, walk from the base area buildings (Balcony House or West Portal Station) north, past the Gemini Express chairlift and upward on Turnpike trail along the farthest right side of the trail. At the apex of the hill, look for a small sign on the right that says "Tunnel Hill." As you turn onto Tunnel Hill, you are leaving the ski resort boundary, but remaining on Public Lands.

**Possible options:** On snowshoes, Turnpike/Tunnel Hill is also best hiked as an out-and-back trail from the resort base. Depending on your time frame, you can divide your total time in half, and turn around when you reach your halfway mark. Trail intersections here are also marked based on longer summer mountain bike trails, and it is best to return on the same route you hiked. If you are interested in a longer excursion, be sure to ask a guest services agent to help you mark your map.

### **ROUTE #3: JIM CREEK TRAIL** (Winter Park Outdoor Center/NSCD Bonfils-Stanton area)

**Description:** The Jim Creek "loop" trail is managed by Winter Park's National Sports Center for the Disabled as a disabled-accessible summer hiking trail and campground. The single-track portion of Jim Creek trail follows the creek up toward "James Peak" on the Continental Divide. Jim Creek loop is flat, but the single-track portion climbs upward toward the divide at a moderate pace. The views from Jim Creek looking west, back toward the resort provide some spectacular views of the Winter Park/Mary Jane slopes and an excellent photo opportunity.

**Difficulty rating:** Easy to moderate, will a few small hills.

Walk up through the Winter Park Village and take the Cabriolet up to the main parking lot. Walk through the parking lot and go to the traffic signal at the main entrance on Highway 40. Use the traffic signal to cross the highway. Jim Creek loop trail begins at the large stone and wood sign that says "Winter Park Outdoor Center." The loop can easily be hiked in under an hour from this point start-to-finish. At the southeast end of the "loop" the Jim Creek single-track trail is marked by a small white sign. The trail is visible as you look east, toward the high peaks on the divide.

**Possible options:** On snowshoes, Jim Creek single-track can be used for yet another good out-and-back trail from parking lot "G." Using the view of the resort as your guide, it is relatively easy to return back on Jim Creek's single-track trail, catching the loop, and ultimately returning to the parking lot adjacent to Hwy 40.