

## Welcome

With two dedicated lifts, 2,000-foot vertical drop, and 12 miles of designated resort hiking trails in addition to the Appalachian and Long Trails, Killington offers a variety of day hikes suitable for many ability levels.

At Snowshed Lodge, you'll find our full service retail shop and ticket center offering hiking gear rentals and sales, and insider tips to get you on your way. One-way and round trip tickets for Snowshed Express Quad or K-1 Express Gondola are available for purchase.

For the most up to date information, go to [killington.com/conditions](http://killington.com/conditions) or call the Snowshed Bike Shop/Ticket Center at (802) 422-8232.

## Trail Designations

Hiking trails are marked by letter and colored lines on this guide and on lettered signs posted along the trail as shown right.



**EASIER:** Most of these trails are relatively short (less than two miles long) with only a few steep pitches and many flat or gentle sections where you can catch your breath. The vertical climb is normally less than 700 feet.

**MODERATE:** Most trails rated "Moderate" are less than three miles long. They climb fairly continuously uphill with occasional "rest" sections. Steep pitches are common. The vertical climb is normally between 700 and 1,500 feet. You may want to plan a half to full day for the round trip and allow for frequent rest stops, depending on your physical condition.

**DIFFICULT:** Trails rated "Difficult" tend to be longer than three miles with vertical climbs exceeding 1,500 feet. There are very few "rest" sections. These trails have very steep gradients and will not be appropriate for everyone. Be aware and hike accordingly.

## Trail Descriptions

Trails to or from Killington Peak, Snowdon and Ramshead Mountains

| Trail        | Length | Vertical |
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| <b>Flume</b> | 1.1 mi | 1,640 ft |

The most direct way to climb to Killington Peak from K-1 Lodge is to follow the K-1 Express Gondola line up Flume and Cascade ski trails. Flume has been an old standard for intrepid "peak baggers" for years. Not recommended for solitude seekers or for hiking down.

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| <b>Canyon Loop</b> | 1.3 mi | 280 ft |
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Starting at the K-1 Lodge this easier loop takes you into the Canyon area of the resort and the head waters of the Roaring Brook. The trail combines work road, grassy ski trail and woods.

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| <b>Warbler</b> | 2.0 mi | 1,640 ft |
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This is a moderate walk linking K-1 Lodge and Killington Peak. It follows a gravel work road where you may encounter mountain bikers and vehicles, so please keep to the side of the work road. This trail is a more open hiking experience offering grand views and interesting features.

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| <b>Wildlands</b> | 2.2 mi | 1,640 ft |
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A true wilderness experience, this beautiful, many-featured nature trail crosses ski trails that afford incredible views of the surrounding mountains. Near the top it crosses mountain bike trails and connects to the Peak Walkway.

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| <b>Alpine</b> | 1.3 mi | 220 ft |
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This is an alternate route to the upper section of Wildlands. Following a ski trail for much of its length, it is more open than Wildlands and has amazing views from the top of Superstar Express Quad. Watch out for the mountain bikers who share this route and keep to the side.

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| <b>Moraine</b> | 1.3 mi | 580 ft |
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The Moraine Trail from Snowshed Lodge to the top of Snowshed Slope ascends a gentle slope from Snowshed Pond, through wooded and glacial moraine before joining the Wildlands Trail.

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| <b>Pond Loop</b> | 0.7 mi | 20 ft |
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Follow this spacious, rolling exercise trail around Snowshed Pond where you will cross several walking bridges. Take in picturesque views of the Green Mountains in the background. Stretch out at the fitness area, just off the trail.

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| <b>Summit</b> | 0.2 mi | 200 ft |
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Whether you're finishing a power hike up Flume, starting a more leisurely expedition down Warbler or Wildlands, or finishing a ride up the K-1 Express Gondola, this is a trail not to be missed, especially on a calm, clear day. From Killington's bare rock summit, the panoramic views of the Adirondack, Taconic, Green and White Mountain Ranges and the valleys of Vermont are memorable, as are the many features around the treeline.

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| <b>Idler</b> | 0.7 mi | 290 ft |
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Use this trail to hike between the Snowshed and K-1 base areas. It follows a grassy ski trail along Killington Road.

## HIKER RESPONSIBILITY CODE

Hike with care. Read the following information carefully. You are responsible for yourself. Be prepared:

- With knowledge and gear.** Become self-reliant by learning about the terrain, conditions, local weather and your equipment before you start.
- To leave your plans.** Tell someone where you are going, the trails you are hiking, when you will return and your emergency plans.
- To stay together.** When you start as a group, hike as a group and end as a group. Pace your hike to the slowest person.
- To turn back.** Weather changes quickly in the mountains. Fatigue and unexpected conditions can also affect your hike. Know your limitations and when to postpone your hike. The mountains will be there another day.
- For emergencies.** Even if you are headed out for just an hour, an injury, severe weather or a wrong turn could become life threatening. Don't assume you will be rescued; know how to rescue yourself.
- To share the hiker code with others.**

Hike Safe: It's Your Responsibility. The Hiker Responsibility Code was developed and is endorsed by the White Mountain National Forest and New Hampshire Fish and Game.

