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**MOUNT BUCHANAN RECREATION AREA**  
**KASLO RIVER TRAIL**  
**TRUE BLUE AREA**

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# KASLO & AREA TRAIL MAP

## MOUNT BUCHANAN RECREATION AREA Wardner Trail



 **Viewpoint** 400m A fairly steep set of switchbacks to a spectacular view overlooking Kaslo, Kootenay Lake, and the Purcell Mountains. 400m / 176m

 **Connector** 500m The short Connector above the Viewpoint will return you downhill via No Brakes trail to the Trailhead and parking lot. The longer 600m uphill trail will take you up to West Access Trail. Follow it east for 800m with picturesque views of Kootenay Lake and the Purcells, then return downhill on No Brakes to the Wardner Trailhead. A great 1 hour loop that gets your heart pumping!



## BUCKY AREA NORTH OF KASLO Brake Check/Branch 7


 **Jimi Crack Corn** 1.4km / 79m c 38m d - Access from Hwy 31, heading north from Kaslo to use the single track trail as a climbing trail to head toward Branch 7 FSR. Unsanctioned

### ♦/■ EAST/WEST ACCESS

  TRAIL Off Hwy 31 via Brake Check Trail Head, or from top of No Brakes off Branch 7 FSR, or East off Friendly Giant intersection, bidirectional. Start from Brake Check single track, multi-use bike climbing trail, loops back on challenging xc and flows down. Start from No Brakes Intersection: Go East 2.3km to Brake Check Trail Head, or West 6.7km to Friendly Giant. West side is physically challenging to Friendly Giant with steep and exposed slopes. Most ride East to West.


## BUCKY AREA NORTH OF KASLO cont'd Brake Check/Branch 7


  **Branch 7 FS Road** Climb 4.4km gravel road up to the top of No Brakes and East/West Access Trails, 1.5 km further to Carlsbad and further to Pandemic. Average climb time: 35-50 mins. Four stiff climbs with some good rests in between. Multi-use trail, physically hard. Worth the effort to access adjoining trails.

 **Big Foot** 500m - Unsanctioned At the junction, single track, connector to No Brakes... climb a little further on Branch 7 and drop out and you come to...


 **Turn Up** 900m - Unsanctioned Single track, winds in and around a rock ridge, with bridges connector to No Brakes.


 **No Brakes** Single track, primary direction: downhill. (Climb difficulty: ★) Can push up, physically extreme. Easy to follow. Fast and flowy down. 1.7km / 331m


 **Carlsbad** 1.4km / 17m c 219m d - Unsanctioned Continue past junction to No Brakes. Carlsbad takes off with a climb to a bench and delicious view. From there it levels out shortly before a sharp steep descent. You arrive at the head of No Brakes. A little ways in, choose to continue to the bottom ending on Wardner Street or take the East Access Trail (to the Brake Check) or West Access trail (to the bottom of the Monster) where you descend rapidly to the Wagon Trail (go East or West) or continue to the Hwy on Mr Skinny.


 **Pandemic** 1.8km Pandemic starts on Branch 7 at the second switchback after Carlsbad. After a single track XC section through beautiful old growth, a pair of drops mark the beginning of the DH section. Be careful crossing a couple of sketchy bridges before cruising down rolling bench cuts and connecting with the West Access Trail near its high point. Unsanctioned.


## BUCKY AREA WEST OF KASLO

 **Kaslo Wagon Road** Multi-purpose. Easy ride, run, walk. 30 km to Fish Lake, accessed from the top of Zwicky Rd. in Kaslo. Fabulous as a beginner cross-country, relatively flat, non technical double wide family friendly trail. It can also be accessed from a number of signed locations off Hwy 31A west of Kaslo. 28km / 494m

 **Upper Songbird** 4.4km Start at the Moose Meadow hut and climb steeply upwards. Once at the top you head west: many ups and downs. Finish with a berry descent back to the wagon road.

 **Lower Songbird** 2.3km Ride as the bottom half of the Songbird loop, or head west along the Wagon Trail a couple of km, watch for signs to the left where you can jump on the Lower Songbird and make your way back to the Highway parking lot.

 **Friendly Giant** The super flowy, bumpy trail starts at the top elevation of Upper Songbird (approx. 2km from Moose Meadows Cabin) and weaves its way toward the Bucky Cabin at an average 5% grade! It is a family friendly trail that is just as fun to ride up as it is down.

 **Bucky Loop** 2km At the top of Mount Buchanan this easy 2 km walking trail leaves from the outhouse and wraps around to the south face where the Monster starts.

## BUCKY AREA WEST OF KASLO

 **Buckshot** 883 m of fun, fast, flowy down - another trail to Bucky Cabin.

 **High Commander** 2.7km NEW for 2024. Fast and action packed singlettrack decent. Lots of quick corners off the top followed by high speed traverses. Its like an amusement park for your bike and rolls into...

 **Low Commander** more swoopy fun which takes you from Moose Meadow to the parking on the Hwy.

 **The Monster** Unsanctioned. Steep, single track, downhill from the top of Mt. Buchanan. Partially overgrown with poor visibility. Very experienced riders only.

 **Mr. Skinny** Single track, primary downhill biking. Access from wagon road or continue the descent from the Monster. Unsanctioned.

## TRUE BLUE AREA

### Above The Airport



● **Straight Face** 1.1km / 25m Double track, multi-use, easy trail. Great for kids. Continue on Straight Face until you reach the Bjerkness Rd or if you would like to get to the River Trail jump on...



● **Straight Face Connector** 340m length Easy Connector from the Trailhead to Straight Face trail and the True Blue Trail Network with nice view of the Purcell Mountains



● **Look Waaay Up** 1.3km - Unsanctioned Easy, single track (no horses - too many bridges), both directions. Always easy to follow. Very level. Drop down into...



■ **I'll Call Rusty** 981m 12m c/72 d - Unsanctioned Single track (no horses, too many bridges) through forest and over ponds. Sketchy bridges for narrow tires. Physically moderate. You'll hook into Lettrari Loop on the River Trail.



● **Sleepy Hollow** 2.2km / 65m Double track multi-use trail. Great for beginners! Physically easy. An original horse trail.



● **Sourdough Loop** 1.4km / 76m A fun trail done on its own or as a loop within the larger network. Single track, multi-use, both directions. Best ridden from Bjerkness FSR, heading south, looping up toward the viewpoint.



■ **Spanish Moss** 3.6km / 96m Single track, multi-use, primarily biking, and a very nice winter snowshoe.



■ **Destiny Ridge** 1.0km / 65m Single track, multi-use, primarily downhill, physically easy.



■ **Bjerkness Loop** 300m / 15m Multi-use trail, drops off the connector and brings you back to Bjerkness Rd



▲ **Strawberry Ridge Access Rd** 1.1km Double track access road to upper and lower Strawberry Ridge Trails. Easy, multi use, both directions.



■ **Elk Spine** Unsanctioned Starts at the top of the Strawberry Ridge Rd. Climb, turn right and descend and follow the ridge down then return via Sleepy Hollow.



■ **Strawberry Ridge** 1.9km Short climb from the access road to the summit, epic views of Kootenay Lake and the Purcells from the ridge. Single track, primarily downhill, biking, always easy to follow. Physically moderate.



◆ **Chainsmoker** 2 km is a hand built, down hill trail. Follow Bjerkness Rd up to the end. The trail leaves from high above Kaslo at an awesome viewpoint of Kaslo/Kootenay Lake. There are a handful of "pucker up" spots on the trail including a 90 foot long skinny log ride at the bottom where the trail joins with "Look waaaay up trail".



◆ **Chainsmoker 2.0** climb another 700 m past the entry to original trail to extend the down 561 m.

## SOUTH KASLO RIVER TRAIL



■ **Lettrari Loop** 5.4km / 121m Single track trail, popular with walkers and bikers. Access from either of Kaslo's foot bridges, or downhill from Kaslo West Rd via 'I'll Call Rusty'. Easy to follow.



● **Lettrari Loop Connector** 130m length Easy Connector from the Trailhead to Lettrari Loop Trail and the Kaslo River Trail Network.



● **Hemlock** 600m/15m Mainly flat and wide connection and multi-use access trail from Arena Ave TH to Kaslo River Trails, Lettrari Loop Trail, Kaslo Disc Golf course, and also is a connector to the True Blue Trails.



● **Birch** 200m / 32m Birch Trail is a moderately steep, short ascent/descent from/to Kaslo River South Trail.



● **Cedar** 600m / 13m Cedar Trail is a relatively flat wide, multi-use trail on the upper bench and is part of the Kaslo Disc Golf course trail system.



◆ **Serenade** Is a narrow walking/running and advanced biking trail situated on the steep slope inside the Lettrari Loop Trail.



■ **Erratica** Trail connects the lower and upper sections of Lettrari Loop and intersects with Serenade. Look for large ball shaped boulders.

## NORTH SIDE RIVER TRAIL



■ **Kaslo River Trail** - 2.5km loop. Northside of the Kaslo River Trail is accessed at the end of Higashi Way. The wide, well groomed trail can accommodate strollers and wheelchairs to a great view point by the stairway bypass, approx 750 m from the Trail Blazers Bridge. Cross to the south side of the river and you are on Lettrari Loop.



● **Kaslo Family Mtn Bike Park** - (Doug's Bike Park) Single track, great skill development for the young... and plain fun for the experienced :)

## KASLO

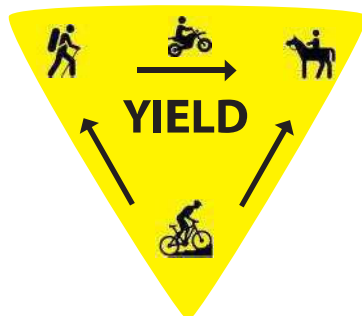


● **Lakeview Trail**: 2.6km Lakeside trail from Kaslo Bay to Hwy 31 bridge with several lake access points. FULLY ACCESSIBLE from Moyie Beach to Hwy 31 bridge.



WINTER: Groomed Nordic Ski Trails Access the Kaslo Nordic Ski Trails parking area by driving along Hwy 31A 6.5km west of Kaslo. Most trails are Advance Beginner and Advanced Intermediate difficulty level, and follow the historic K&S Wagon Road Trail. All ski trails are two-way travel "out and back" for a possible total 20km of groomed and track-set cross country skiing. Dogs are allowed on leash between the parking lot and the Moose Meadow Cabin at km 1, then off leash going east only. Please no dogs on the West and Bucky Cabin trails.

## USAGE GUIDELINES



- Respect surface water lines and uses.
- Carry out all litter.
- Share the trails. Respect other trail users and the surrounding landowners.
- Pick up after and control your dog.
- Be aware of your surroundings - this is bear and cougar country.
- Respect private property.

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