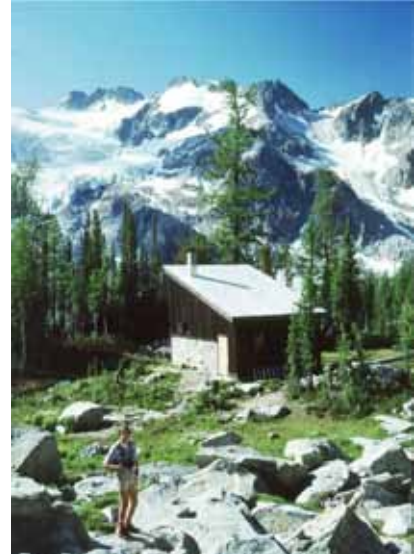




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Booking, Payment and Cancellation Policy

View the Booking, Payment and Cancellation Policies at www.alpineclubofcanada.ca/facility/reservations.html

Rates

Visit www.alpineclubofcanada.ca/facility/rates.html for current hut and wilderness pass prices.

Getting There

The Woodbury Cabin is located in British Columbia's Selkirk Mountains, northeast of Nelson and southwest of Kaslo in Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park.

The following information should be used in conjunction with the correct topographical maps (maps are listed below).

Summer

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| Trailhead location: | Woodbury Trailhead (see directions below) |
| Hiking distance: | 8 km |
| Elevation gain: | 762 metres |
| Approximate time: | 4 to 5 hours |

Note: the Woodbury Cabin is closed in the winter months due to avalanche danger.

Portering Services

Need help carrying your load? Check out our portering services!

Trailhead location

Summertime access starts at the Woodbury trailhead. To get there follow Highway 3A from Nelson to the marked turnoff 23 km north of Balfour. Follow the logging road for 13 kilometres.

Note that the last 2 kilometres require a high-clearance vehicle. All roads in the park may not be suitable for low-clearance vehicles. Park visitors are recommended to protect their vehicles with chicken wire to deter porcupines from chewing on rubber hoses, tires, and break lines.

Summer approach

From the end of the logging road, follow the well-marked trail along the creek for 8 km until you find the cabin just above the Wolf Cascade. Keep in mind that the trail forks after the first kilometre, at which point you want to take the left-hand trail up to the Woodbury Cabin. The trip up to the cabin gains 762 metres elevation and should take most hikers about 4 to 5 hours.

Maps and Guidebooks

All of the following books and maps can be purchased through the ACC office or online through the ACC online store at: www.alpineclubofcanada.ca/store/index.html

Map and GPS references

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| Map reference: | 82F/14 (Slocan) |
| Grid reference: | NAD27 490946 516311 |
| Hut elevation: | 2070 metres (6790 feet) |

Maps

- Canadian Government Issued 1:50,000 standard topographic map 82F/14 (Slocan). This map shows the area in which the hut is located.
- Canadian Government Issued 1:50,000 standard topographic map 82F/11 (Kokanee Peak). This map provides information for travel into the southern parts of the park).
- Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park Map (available at the trailhead)
- Guidebooks and general interest books
- Backcountry Huts and Lodges of the Rockies and Columbias, by Jim Scott
- Don't Waste Your Time in the West Kootenays, by Kathy & Craig Copeland
- A Climber's Guide to the Interior Ranges of BC – South, Krusyna & Putnam

Website Links

Current conditions

Weather: Go to www.weather.gc.ca click on <BC>, then scroll down to <Nelson>. The weather forecasts are updated 3 times daily.

It must be emphasized that Kokanee Glacier Park is wilderness and any visitors must be entirely self-sufficient. Weather conditions can change suddenly in this area and lightning storms with hail and snow are common in summer.

Area information

Avalanche Terrain Rating System (ATES): Parks Canada has developed a classification system for avalanche terrain, and has applied ratings to approximately 250 trips in the Mountain National Parks. For more information, visit www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/ab/banff/visit/visit7a1_E.asp

Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park Information: Park information on visitor safety, day-use sites, public amenities, overnight camping, hiking trails and other recreational activities can be found at the government website <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/kokangla.html>

Google Earth Reference: A good overview of the trip into Silver Spray Cabin can be seen in medium resolution on Google Earth. Go to <http://earth.google.com/>.

1:50,000 Topographic Map: The Canadian Government offers free downloads of their regular 1:50,000 topo maps. The map files are large (25 MB) and take a few minutes to download. You will find this service at: <http://www.geogratis.gc.ca/geogratis/en/product/search.do?id=10119>. Perform your search by selecting "NTS Mapsheet", and enter 082F14. Next, press "Search" under "Search Options" (without changing any of the information in "Search Options"). Select 082F14 from the options and download it.

1:50,000 Topo Map: Area specific version – YellowMaps.com offers access to the Canadian Government maps, but in smaller, area-specific versions.

What Is At the Hut

Summary

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| Heating: | Wood stove |
| Lighting: | Propane lanterns |
| Cooking: | Propane stove, cookware, dishes, cutlery provided. |
| Sleeping: | Dormitory style, foam pads provided |
| Capacity: | 8 people in the summer, closed in the winter |
| Drinking water: | From the creek (boil or filter) |
| Human Waste: | Outhouse |
| Dishwater: | Greywater pit |
| Garbage: | Pack it out! |

History

The Woodbury Cabin was built over the summers of 1983 and 1984 at the exact site on which an old mining cabin once existed. The circumstances that came together for the construction of the hut worked out conveniently – a great site location, abundant building materials, and free labor provided by a provincial co-operative inmate program. The hut was also built with the goal of creating an incentive to draw park users away from the central core of the park and into the less crowded areas by providing a base for their recreational activities.