

**Minnewaska State Park Preserve**  
PO Box 893, New Paltz, NY 12561  
Lake Minnewaska Visitor Center: 845-255-0752

For After-Hours Assistance:  
Call 911

**Designated Snowshoe Trails**

AF	Awosting Falls Carriage Road	Red
AC	Awosting Falls Connector	White
BC	Beacon Hill Carriage Road	Orange
BH	Beacon Hill Footpath	Yellow
BR	Blueberry Run Footpath	Blue
BW	Bullwheel Footpath	White
HK	High Peter's Kill Footpath	Blue
JL	Jenny Lane Footpath	Lt Blue
LA	Lower Awosting Carriage Road	Black
MG	Mossy Glen Footpath	Yellow
RL	Red Loop Footpath	Red
YC	Yellow Connector	Yellow

**Designated Ski Trails**

CP	Castle Point Carriage Road	Blue
HP	Hamilton Point Carriage Road	Yellow
LC	Lake Awosting Carriage Road	Black
<i>only east side of Lake Awosting is groomed</i>		
LM	Lake Minnewaska Carriage Road	Red
MC	Millbrook Mountain Carriage Road	Yellow
UA	Upper Awosting Carriage Road	Green

**Designated Multi-Use Trails**

AC	Awosting Falls Connector	White
AF	Awosting Falls Carriage Road	Red
AFC	Awosting Falls Connection	Red
LA	Lower Awosting Carriage Road	Black

**Carriage Road Distances**  
Groomed trails are in **BOLD**

*Note: Distances are in miles and are one-way from either the Lake Minnewaska or Awosting parking areas. The colors of the trail blazes are indicated in parentheses.*

**Beacon Hill Carriage Road (orange)** ..... 0.8  
**Around Lake Minnewaska (red)** ..... 2.0  
**Awosting Falls (red)** ..... 1.4

**Castle Point Carriage Road (blue)**

Kempton Ledge ..... 1.4  
Powerline ..... 2.0  
Castle Point ..... 3.6  
Hamilton Point intersection ..... 4.3  
Lake Awosting Beach ..... 4.8



**Hamilton Point Carriage Road (yellow)** 2.9  
Lower Awosting Carriage Road (black) ..... 2.7  
Around Lake Awosting (black) ..... 3.5

**Upper Awosting Carriage Road (green)**

Orchard ..... 0.8  
Powerline ..... 2.1  
Awosting Lake Carriage Road ..... 3.1  
Castle Point intersection ..... 3.5

**Millbrook Carriage Road (yellow)**

Patterson's Pellet ..... 2.3  
Millbrook Mountain ..... 3.3  
Sunset Carriage Road (orange) ..... 0.9



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# WINTER RECREATION MAP

## Minnewaska State Park Preserve

**Legend**

- Park Boundary
- Lake
- Multi-Use Trail
- Ski Trail
- Snowshoe Trail
- Stream
- 100' Contour
- Powerlines
- Parking Areas
- Visitor Center
- Easiest Trail
- More Difficult Trail
- Most Difficult Trail
- Ungroomed Trail
- Scenic View

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## Minnewaska State Park Preserve

is characterized by unique and sensitive environments, valuable for their many rare geological and ecological features. The Park Preserve is located in Ulster County in the dramatic Shawangunk Mountains, which rise more than 2,000 feet above sea level. The mountain landscape dominates the Park Preserve and its immediate environs, and is surrounded by the rolling agricultural landscape of towns and hamlets below. The Shawangunks and the nearby Catskill Mountains have been attracting tourists and artists for over a century, spurred by the completion of railroads linking the area to the Hudson River and distant population centers, such as New York City. The terrain is rugged and rocky, blanketed by dense hardwood forest encircling two lakes. Clear streams cut into valleys, incising sheer cliffs and ledges and emerging in waterfalls. Hiking, biking, snowshoeing, and cross-country (nordic) skiing are very popular activities. Visitors also enjoy swimming, picnicking, non-motorized boating and marveling at the scenery.

## Hours and Fees

The Park Preserve opens daily at 9:00 AM year-round. The Park Preserve closes at 5:00 PM throughout the winter season. User fees are posted at the Park Preserve entrances. Information is available at the Park Preserve office regarding Empire Pass Cards for frequent park users, senior citizens discount, and Access Passes. Empire Pass Cards are not accepted when the Park Preserve is charging a per-person ski fee.

Cross-Country Ski Fees	17 and Under	62 and Over	Adult
	\$10	\$10	\$12

When sufficient snow allows, there are over 16 miles (25.7 km) of groomed carriage roads for cross-country skiing and over 20 miles (32 km) of snowshoeing trails. Updated information can be obtained on the website and by calling the Park Preserve at 845-255-0752.

## Winter Programs

The Minnewaska State Park Preserve Education Department offers a variety of winter programs:

- Tuesday Trek series – every second and fourth Tuesday of the month
- Regularly scheduled recreational snowshoe outings
- Naturalist-led outings focused on winter ecology

Copies of the public programs brochure are also available at any of the Park Preserve gatehouses, as well as the Park Preserve office. For a full list of public programs, pick up a brochure, contact the Park Preserve office at 845-255-0752 or visit the website at: [parks.ny.gov/parks/minnewaska](https://parks.ny.gov/parks/minnewaska)

## Minnewaska State Park Preserve Winter Regulations

*Patrons are responsible to understand and obey these regulations. Violations may result in revocation of park privileges and/or legal prosecution.*

1. Sleds, toboggans, hiking, bicycling, and pets are not permitted on groomed carriage roads.
2. Tow-able sleds for small kids are permitted, provided they do not damage the classic track.
3. Snowmobiles and all terrain vehicles are not permitted in the Park Preserve.
4. Snowshoes are permitted on the Beacon Hill Carriage Road, Awosting Falls Carriage Road, and Lower Awosting Carriage Road.
5. Skate-skiing is permitted on all groomed trails. Please try to avoid damaging the tracks.
6. Avoid blocking trails – allow faster skiers to pass. If someone calls for track, step out of the track.
7. Select a ski tour to match your ability and available daylight.
8. If an accident occurs, report it to the Park Preserve office, Visitor Center or Park Preserve staff.
9. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted.
10. Glass containers are not permitted.
11. Drones are not permitted.
12. All plants and animals are protected. Please do not approach or feed wildlife.
13. Minnewaska is a “Carry-in – Carry-out” park preserve. Trash receptacles are not provided; you must take your trash out with you.
14. Amplified music is not permitted.
15. Designated parking areas are provided for your safety. Parking in other areas is not permitted.
16. Barbecuing/cooking and camping/camp fires are not permitted.
17. For your safety, remain on marked footpaths and carriage roads.
18. Millbrook Mountain and Gertrude’s Nose Footpaths are closed for the winter.

### DANGER: KEEP AWAY FROM CLIFF EDGES

Cliffs and steep drops are present on carriage roads, trails, and overlooks through the Park Preserve. Falling can result in serious injury or death.

### CAUTION: WATCH OUT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

Use caution when on all carriage roads. Park staff and private landowners drive motor vehicles in the Park Preserve.

