

Bunny Flat: Shasta Alpine Hut, Green Butte Ridge, & Old Ski Bowl (Snow Bunny)



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At 6,950', Bunny Flat is a major trailhead for both mountain climbers and day hikers. During the snow season, Bunny Flat is a great place for snow shoeing, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, and sledding and is the highest point accessible to vehicles during Mt. Shasta's snow season (Mid-October-End of June).

Location: Near-top of Everett Memorial Highway in Mount Shasta, just at Gate 2.

PUBLIC RESTROOMS AND WILDERNESS PERMITS

At the parking lot of Bunny Flat Proper is a vault toilet bathroom. There is also a vault toilet at Shasta Alpine Hut. If headed higher up, campers/day hikers need to bring their own disposable waste pack out bags. There is no vault toilet at Old Ski Bowl. Prepare accordingly. To hike Shasta Alpine Hut, you need to fill out a (free) wilderness permit at the Bunny Flat trailhead (located by the vault toilet). If hiking above 10,000' ft, a summit pass is required (day passes are \$25, year passes are \$30 and people under 16 years do not need a pass). Summit passes can be purchased at the USDA Shasta Trinity National Forest Service (ranger station) or at select trailheads.

DISPERSED CAMPING

There are many dispersed (free) camping sites at Bunny Flat proper. Please camp on the downhill side of the road and NOT above the road in Bunny Flat proper. There are many great sites below the road with existing fire rings and places to park. Camping fees for Shasta Alpine Hut are \$5.00 per tent and \$3.00 per solo bivy. The suggested day-use donation is \$1.00 per person. There is opportunity to camp at Helen Lake Campsite and Hidden Valley Camp. Dispersed camping is allowed in the Mt. Shasta Wilderness. See USDA Shasta Trinity National Forest Service (ranger station) restrictions and limitations for camping in the wilderness and fire restrictions. Fire permits (free) are required for campfires/stove use. Restrictions apply.

IMPORTANT TRAIL ROUTES FROM TRAILHEAD

Shasta Alpine Hut (No Dogs Allowed)

Distance: 3.5 Miles Out and Back
Elevation Climb: 965' Feet

The primary destinations of Shasta Alpine Hut are Hidden Valley, Helen Lake, and the Vista leading to Green Butte Ridge, where a loop can be completed. Both Hidden Valley and Helen Lake are summit routes. The most popular route to the summit climbs up Avalanche Gulch to Helen Lake. There are also several trails that connect down to Sand Flat.

Green Butte Ridge and Vista

Distance: Green Butte Ridge Length: 1.5 Miles, Vista Length: 0.7 Miles
Elevation Climb: Green Butte Ridge: 1,230' Feet
Vista (from Shasta Alpine Hut to high point at Green Butte Ridge Junction): 400' Feet

Just as you are heading up Shasta Alpine Hut trail from the Snow Bunny junction, there is a right-hand junction shortly after climbing the Green Butte Ridge Trail. After 1.5 miles, the trail turns into the Vista that trails off from Shasta Alpine Hut.

Old Ski Bowl Trail-Snow Bunny Trail (Dogs Allowed)

Distance: 4.1 Miles Out and Back
Elevation Climb: 920' Feet

This out and back trail takes you along Bunny Flat Proper through a charming subalpine forest up to the tree line at Old Ski Bowl. With an ascent of 826 feet in 2 miles, be prepared to climb up stair-like terrain.

ALONG THE ROAD: Bunny Flat Gate to Lower/Upper Panther Meadow

Distance: 3.4 Miles Out and Back (Lower), 5 Miles Out and Back (Upper)
Elevation Climb: Lower 530' Feet, Upper 800' Feet

Along the iconic Everitt Memorial Highway, the Highway that leads up to the Old Ski Bowl above the tree line of the Shasta summit, is Bunny Flat's gate that is closed seasonally. When the gate is closed, adventurers can embark on a track from the Bunny Flat gate up to Panther Meadow and beyond.

LEGEND



Parking



Bathroom



Junction



Trailhead



Campground



Elevation Marker



Everitt Memorial HWY A10 (Paved)



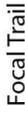
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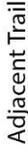
Graded Terrain/Butte/Ridge



Mt Shasta Wilderness



Focal Trail



Adjacent Trail

Distances:

- Old Ski Bowl (Snow Bunny): 2.05 Miles
- Shasta Alpine Hut: 1.75 Miles
- Green Butte Ridge Trail: 1.5 Miles
- Vista Trail: 0.7 Miles
- Panther Meadow Camp (Road): 1.7 Miles
- Upper Panther Meadow (Road): 2.5 Miles

0.2 Miles



BUNNY FLAT TRAILS MAP

