

## Hiking

### Spring Hill Trailhead

This 3-mile round trip hike will give you great views, with numerous vistas along the trail such as Mt. Shasta City nestled in Strawberry Valley, and a view of Mount Shasta from Rock Point on the east side of Spring Hill. **Located off** N. Mt. Shasta Blvd., just passed the Mt. Shasta Animal Hospital onto Ski Village Dr. going straight from the stop sign onto County Road 2m16 to the parking lot for the trailhead. Great hike for your furry friends. Accessible in the winter, weather permitting.

### Gateway Trail

An ever growing and expanding trail system that is a literal gateway of trails leading into the foothills of Mount Shasta and Mount Shasta wilderness, this natural landscape and branch of trails features evergreen trees, cedars, oaks, and manzanita, and beautiful views of Mt. Shasta and surrounding mountains. A wonderful trail system with hours of exploration for the explorers at heart who want to hike, bike, snowshoe, climb, and horse back into the foothills surrounding Mount Shasta. **Location:** 1700 Everitt Memorial Hwy, Mount Shasta. **Learn More:** [www.gatewaytrail.org](http://www.gatewaytrail.org)

### Sacred Sites and Peaceful Meadows

### Sisson Meadow

This restored 7.5-acre wetland has a boardwalk, benches, a pond, a beautiful trail, a sculpture garden, and gorgeous views of the mountains. **Location:** 313 E Castle St, Mount Shasta (can access next to the public library). For more information see [www.siskiyoulandtrust.org](http://www.siskiyoulandtrust.org)

### Gateway Peace Garden

The Gateway Peace Garden is known for its natural landscape of cedars, oaks, and manzanita, and beautiful views of Mt. Shasta. It also has a labyrinth, and the Peace Pole, along with meditation niches for Peace and the guidance of Nature. Open every day from sunrise to sunset. During heavy snowfall the Peace Garden will stay closed but will remain open during mild winters. No dogs allowed in the garden. **Located off** Everitt Memorial Hwy at 834 Ski Village Drive.

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## Welcome to Winter – Mt. Shasta

### **Places of Interest**

**Parks, Hiking Trails, Lakes/Waterways, Snow Sports**

### Mount Shasta Winter Scenic Drive

This 12-mile drive ascends halfway up the mountain to Bunny Flat at 6,950' ft where Gate 2 is closed from late Fall-early Summer. You will see Black Butte and Mt. Eddy to the west, perhaps snow-capped Mt. Lassen 96 miles to the south, Castle Crags to the south, look down on Mt. Shasta City and Lake Siskiyou, and travel through beautiful old-growth forest. **Location:** Everitt Memorial Highway beginning at Lake Street in Mount Shasta City.

### Play in the Snow

### Bunny Flat Trailhead

(6,950') Major trailhead for both mountain climbers and day hikers. It is the trail to Horse Camp, the old Sierra Club caretaker's cabin, a moderate 3.4-mile round-trip hike with an elevation gain of 1,000'. This is also the main route to the summit. Great place for snow shoeing, cross country skiing, and sledding. This is the highest point accessible to vehicles during Mount Shasta's snow season (Mid October-End of June). Public restrooms are available. **Location:** Near-top of Everitt Memorial Highway in Mount Shasta, just before Old Ski Bowl Gate.

## **Sand Flat Winter Trails**

Located along the scenic Everett Memorial Highway, discover this 3.2-mile loop trail with stunning views of Mount Shasta. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 1 h 21 min to complete. This is a popular trail for birding, cross-country skiing, snow shoeing, and hiking. The trail is open year-round and is beautiful to visit anytime. Accessibility is weather permissible.

**Location:** There are two roads into and out of Sand Flat (The lower from near Red Fir Flat and the upper from below Bunny Flat). Both are signed and lightly maintained forest service roads (41N60 and 41N57) and provide drive up access to the formal Sand Flat trailhead in summer and are popular cross-country ski and snowshoe routes in winter. They also provide access to a network of marked winter cross country ski routes focused on Sand Flat.

## **Shastice Park: Sports, Playground, Ice Skating, and Sledding**

Shastice Park offers visitors a wide range of outdoor activities, including a playground, lots of fields to spread out in, a skate park, an ice-skating rink, a disc golf course, and places for sledding during snowy conditions. **Location:** Off of Rockfellow Drive and adjacent to the Mt. Shasta High School campus at 1315 Nixon Rd, Mt Shasta, Ca. 96067. learn more: [www.msrec.org/shastice-park](http://www.msrec.org/shastice-park)

**Ice Skating Rink** is open November 16<sup>th</sup> 2024-February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025. **Located:** Shastice Park. For more information, visit [www.msrec.org/ice-rink](http://www.msrec.org/ice-rink) or call 530-926-2494.

## **Snowman's Hill**

Between Mt. Shasta and McCloud sits a historic hill known to be one of the best sledding destinations in Northern California. **Located:** From I-5, head East on HWY 89, turn left at Shasta Springs McCloud Rd, then turn left on Snowman's Hill.

## **Mount Shasta Ski Resort**

The Ski Resort opens Dec. 11th 2024 and is ready to take you on a ski adventure with lifts and plenty of ski slopes for every level. Learn more: website [www.skipark.com](http://www.skipark.com), phone [530.926.8610](tel:530.926.8610). **Located at** 4500 Ski Park Hwy, McCloud, CA 96057.



## **Headwaters of the Sacramento River at Mt. Shasta City Park**

The 26-acre public park is **located off** N. Mt. Shasta Blvd. on 1315 Nixon Road. Picnic tables, a playground, restrooms, and hiking trails make this a wonderful spot for family outings. Here California's powerful Sacramento River emerges as a large spring of icy water from the hillside by Spring Hill. **Learn More:** [www.msrec.org](http://www.msrec.org)

## **Elsa Rupp Nature Study**

The Elsa Rupp Nature Study is a sweet nature walk around Big Springs Creek that flows from the Headwaters toward the Fish Hatchery. With trails that loop around the creek in several locations, this small nature hike is wonderful for families. Accessible year-round, weather permitting. **Parking located near** 22 North Old Stage Road Mount Shasta. Trailhead can also be accessed at the Fish Hatchery Parking Lot.

## **Mount Shasta Fish Hatchery**

Visit Mount Shasta's Fish Hatchery and feed some fish! Located next to the Sisson Museum (the museum is closed for the winter), the fish hatchery offers a unique experience for families. **Located:** 3 N Old Stage Rd, Mount Shasta

## **Lake Siskiyou and Box Canyon Dam**

The lake is located 2.5 miles southwest of the City of Mt. Shasta on W. A. Barr Rd. The beautiful 7.5-mile **Lake Siskiyou Trail** encompasses the 430-acre lake and empties over a dam in Box Canyon. The 260' **Wagon Creek Bridge** for pedestrians is easily accessed by parking across the street from the tennis courts on W. A. Barr Rd. and following the trail approximately a half a mile. The lake trails can be accessed hiked in the winter when conditions are permissible.

## **Castle Lake and Heart Lake**

**Located 7 miles** from Lake Siskiyou. Castle Lake is a beautiful alpine lake that sits at 5,440' and is accessed by a well-maintained paved road which ends at the lake. There is a flat trail that meanders along the right side of the lake starting behind the Forest Service toilet. On the left side of the lake, a steep trail climbs to **Heart Lake** that sits at 6,615' and has beautiful views of Mt. Shasta. Trails will be snowy and icy in the winter but are accessible (weather permissible).

## **South Fork Sacramento River**

The South Fork Sacramento River meets Lake Siskiyou from the western mountains along **W A Barr Road**, a road that meanders into the mountains to the West. A scenic drive that will take you along the river, with lots of large rocks and scenic river canyon to enjoy. In the snowy winter months, the icy, snowy parts of the road require all wheel drive, snow tires, or chains to access. The river can be accessed along W A Barr Road or by the Lake Siskiyou trail along Northshore Road.

## **Hedge Creek Falls (Exit 732)**

While many waterfalls remain less accessible in the winter, Hedge Creek Falls in Dunsmuir can be easily accessed year-round, weather permitting. This waterfall is accessed by a short trail about a half a mile, that switchbacks down to a point where you can walk behind the falls. **Located:** 4121 Dunsmuir Ave, Dunsmuir, CA 96025