



CROSS COUNTRY SKIING & SNOWSHOEING GUIDE

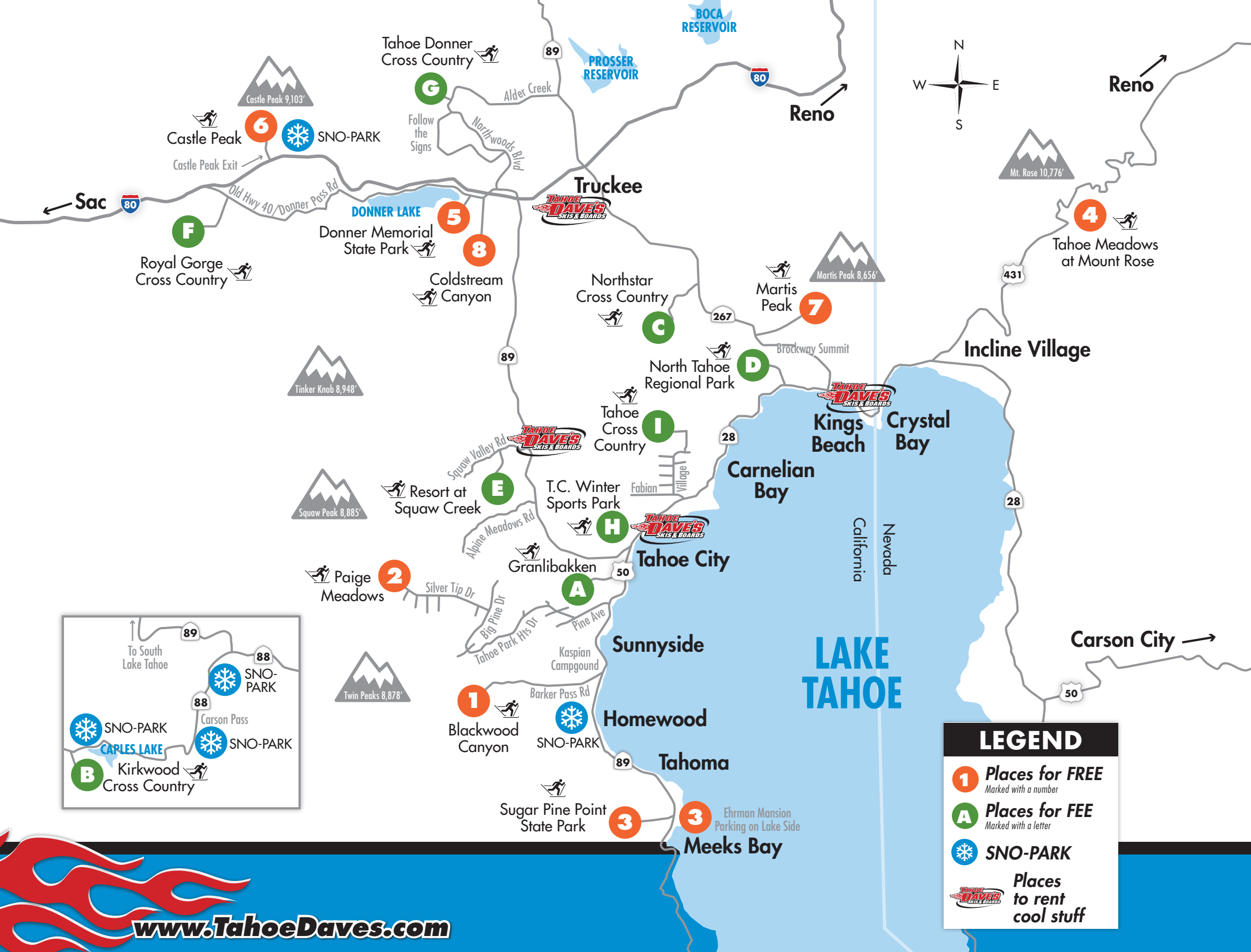


Includes:

- MAPS!
- Places to go for FREE
- Useful information
- Damn good advice!

4 North Lake Tahoe Locations

TAHOE CITY 590/600 N. Lake Blvd. CA 96145 530 583-6415	TRUCKEE 10200 Donner Pass Rd. CA 96160 530 582-0900
SQUAW VALLEY 3039 Highway 89 CA 96146 530 583-5665	KINGS BEACH 8299 N. Lake Blvd. CA 96143 530 546-5800



LEGEND

- 1** Places for FREE
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- SNO-PARK
Places to rent cool stuff

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Backcountry for FREE!

BLACKWOOD CANYON Gentle terrain leading to open meadows and groves of aspens. **1** Paved road closed in winter goes for 7 miles up to Pacific Crest. First 2.5 miles is gentle terrain for beginners and intermediates. Cross bridge and climb 5 miles to the top for spectacular views of Tahoe. This area gets moderate use by snowmobiles, however you can explore off the main trail to get away from the crowds. ❄️ SNO-PARK permit required. **ELEVATION:** 6200' **TOPO:** Tahoe Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From Tahoe City, head 4.4 miles south from light on Hwy. 89. Turn right at the SNO-PARK sign / Kaspian Campground.

PAIGE MEADOWS Enjoy the beautiful tranquility of Paige Meadows with this classic **2** tour through a series of alpine meadows. A local's favorite with easy terrain. **ELEVATION:** 6500' **TOPO:** Tahoe Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From Tahoe City head 2 miles from light on Hwy. 89. Turn right on Pine Ave. then right on Tahoe Park Heights Dr., go up for about 1 mile then right on Big Pine Dr., and then left on Silver Tip Dr. Park at the end of Silver Tip Dr. Follow trail for about .5 mile. You will notice an open area to your right. Enter the meadows here.

SUGAR PINE POINT Site of the 1960 Winter Olympic Nordic Trails. Trails originate from **3** the campground. You can take a tour up to General Creek or cross Hwy. 89 and tour the grounds of historic Ehrman Mansion. Trails are marked red for intermediate. All others are beginner level. For further information, call 530.525.7982. Parking fee required. **ELEVATION:** 6200' **TOPO:** Tahoe Quad **DIRECTIONS:** From Tahoe City head 9 miles from light on Hwy. 89. Turn right at the entrance to Sugar Pine Point State Park Campground or drive past the campground and park at the Ehrman Mansion.

TAHOE MEADOWS AT MOUNT ROSE High altitude meadows with treks to views **4** of Lake Tahoe and the Carson Valley. This is a popular place for winter play at over 8500'. Beware of high winds. **ELEVATION:** 8800' **TOPO:** Mt. Rose Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From Tahoe City head east on Hwy. 28 to Incline Village. At the round about turn left (second exit) onto Hwy. 431 (Mt. Rose Hwy.). Go about 6 miles to meadows on right just before summit of road.

DONNER MEMORIAL STATE PARK Tour through level forested area with views of **5** Donner Lake. Visit the new museum as of summer 2015. Parking fee required. **ELEVATION:** 5900' **TOPO:** Truckee Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From downtown Truckee head west on Donner Pass Rd. Cross over I-80, go straight at 4-way stop. Turn left into Donner Memorial State Park.

CASTLE PEAK A moderately strenuous hike takes you to the ridge leading up to Castle **6** Peak. ❄️ SNO-PARK permit required. **ELEVATION:** 7200' **TOPO:** Norden Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From downtown Truckee head west on I-80 towards Donner Summit. Take the Castle Peak exit. Park in the SNO-PARK area. Walk back under highway to access trail.

MARTIS PEAK A 4 mile ascent through the trees rewards you with a spectacular view of **7** Lake Tahoe and surrounding peaks, moderate to steep ascent with an exciting descent. **ELEVATION:** 7000' **TOPO:** Martis Peak Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From Kings Beach head north on Hwy. 267. Go up to the summit and go about .5 mile over. Park on the right only if there is an area cleared off the main road.

COLDSTREAM CANYON Tour through mostly level forested area for the first 4 miles. **8** Moderate/steep climb near start by gate and again at end of canyon. **ELEVATION:** 6000' **TOPO:** Truckee Quad. **DIRECTIONS:** From downtown Truckee head west on Donner Pass Rd. Cross over I-80 and turn left at (flashing light) 4-way stop. Go past the service stations (north) and drive to the end of the road about 1.4 mile. Donner Memorial State Park Campground will be on your right.

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	Resorts	Contact Info	KM Groomed	# of Trails	Elevation	Start Time	Ski School	% Novice	% Intermediate	% Advanced	Comments
A	GRANLIBAKKEN 1/2 mile south of Tahoe City on Hwy. 89	530.581.7533 granlibakken.com	0	2	6200' to 6500'	12:30 pm	NO	25	76	0	74 acres of un-groomed trails, this is also a trailhead to Paige Meadows (free!) Great place for family fun, sledding, and snow play. Food & hot cocoa available in warming hut.
B	KIRKWOOD From Tahoe City take Hwy 89 S to Hwy 88 over Carson Pass	209.258.7248 kirkwood.com	80	24	7500' to 9000'	12:30 pm	YES	20	60	20	Wide variety of trails for all abilities with great views of surrounding peaks. Includes 3 trail systems, dog friendly on 2 trails. Day lodge and 3 warming huts.
C	NORTHSTAR Off Hwy 267, between Kings Beach & Truckee	530.562.3270 northstarcalifornia.com	65	18	6800' to 7300'	1:00 pm	5 & older	30	40	30	Great choice for mix of downhill skiers and cross-country skiers/snowshoers. Telemark, track and skating lessons available. Beautiful forested trails with open vistas.
D	NORTH TAHOE REG. PARK Top of National Ave., Tahoe Vista	530.546.5043 northtahoeparks.com	15	N/A	6400' to 6600'	N/A	NO	40	40	20	Groomed trails. Family fun, sled hill and snow play. Parking fee ONLY. 🐾
E	RESORT AT SQUAW CREEK 400 Squaw Creek Rd., Olympic Valley	530.583.6300 squawcreek.com	18	9	6200' to 6400'	1:30 pm	4 & older	60	25	15	In the Squaw Meadow. Easy terrain and great for beginners. Guided snowshoe tours, dog sledding, and sleigh rides are also available.
F	ROYAL GORGE 1 mile off Hwy 80, take Soda Springs exit	530.426.3871 royalgorge.com	200+	60	7000' to 7400'	1:00 pm	4 & older	32	50	18	World class, endless groomed trails with beautiful vistas. Day lodge and great great food! 🐾
G	TAHOE DONNER From Donner Pass Rd. turn up Northwoods Blvd. Follow signs	530.587.9484 tahoedonner.com	100+	56	6500' to 7800'	1:00 pm	5 & older	43	36	30	Wide variety, butt-kicking climbs, long descents and valley cruising. Check out their spectacular NEW facility. 🐾
H	T.C. WINTER SPORTS PARK Located behind Save Mart in Tahoe City	530.583.1516 wintersportspark.com	4	2	6200' to 6200'	N/A	NO	100	0	0	Tahoe City Golf Course. Flat, easy, and fun! Great place in town for sledding. 🐾
I	TAHOE CROSS COUNTRY From Tahoe City head east turn at Fabian Way, follow signs	530.583.5475 tahoexc.org	65	23	6500' to 7800'	1:00 pm	YES	20	50	30	Great groomers, beautiful lake views, variety of terrain. FREE beginner cross country lessons. 🐾

Visit the Tahoe Dave's location nearest you for the latest in equipment rentals!

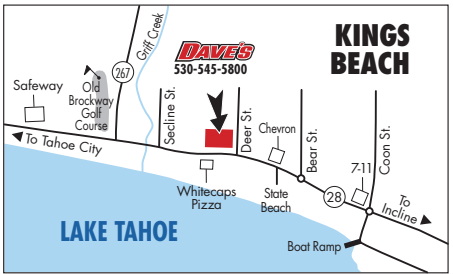
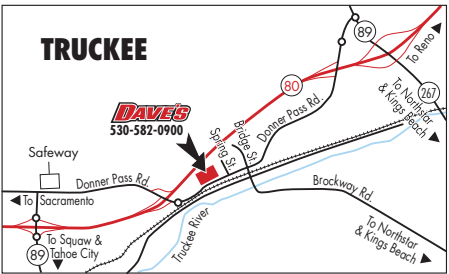
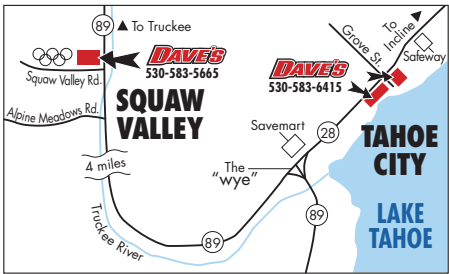
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BEFORE YOU GO!

The suggestions on the left panel are just a few of the more popular trekking areas. These areas are not patrolled. If you get into trouble you will be on your own. So be prepared, and tell someone where you are going, and when you will return. Below is a list of a few things to do and to bring when you head out into the backcountry. Most important is common sense. Avoid avalanche areas, and remember that any steep terrain above you has the potential to let loose and bury you. (6 inches of fresh snow blanketing a slope can pile up to 10 feet at the bottom.) Always check the weather forecast and avalanche conditions. Remember that it takes longer to go uphill than downhill, and plan your turn around time accordingly. Winter is a beautiful time to explore the Sierra, so plan ahead and have a safe and fun time!

CHECKLIST

1. Tell someone who cares where you are going and when you'll return
2. Take a friend. It's more fun and safer.
3. Water — bring plenty!
4. Food — i.e. energy bar, sandwich, etc.
5. Adequate clothing — layers, hats, gloves
6. Waterproof matches or lighter, and metal cup
7. Small flashlight
8. First aid kit
9. Map of area and a compass
10. Sunglasses, or goggles, sunblock, lip balm
11. Check the weather report and avalanche info 530.587.2158
12. Common sense!

ABOUT SNO-PARK PERMITS

❄️ In order to park in a Sno-Park area, a vehicle must have a Sno-Park permit displayed on the dashboard. A day permit costs \$5.00. It is a good at any Sno-Park on the date for which it is issued. A season permit costs \$25.00. Any vehicle parked in a Sno-Park without displaying a valid permit is subject to a \$94.50 citation. Permits can be purchased at all Tahoe Dave's locations and other retail stores in the area.

ABOUT THIS BROCHURE

The maps and descriptions contained in the brochure are to give you some ideas for fun and successful treks. You should also gain as much other information as possible, including USGS topographical maps, weather reports, avalanche reports and reliable advice from others. There are inherent risks in the sport of skiing, and injuries are a common occurrence. The user of these maps and information assumes full responsibility for his or her safety.

HELPFUL WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS

California Road Conditions
dot.ca.gov | 800.427.7623

Nevada Road Conditions
nvroads.com | 877.NV.ROADS | 877.687.6237

Sierra Avalanche Center
sierraavalanchecenter.org | 530.587.3558 (recorded advisory)

SNO-PARK Info
Off-Highway Motor Vehicular Recreation | ohv.parks.ca.gov | 916.324.1222