



Cross Country Skiing

From Lane Hotchkiss, Cross-Country Ski Coordinator **10/11/22**

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The AASC has five opportunities to Cross Country ski this year: the Instructional, Stokely Creek, Trapp Family Lodge in Vermont, the Terrace Inn, and the Munising Taste and Glide. Each trip is explained below. Contact Lane with questions: lanehotchkissaasc@gmail.com

Cross-Country Night, November 10, 2023 – **Sign-ups for the Terrace Inn trip will begin** at this meeting. The program this night will center around cross-country skiing led by Lane and other leaders.

At the Cross-Country Ski night, we will have XC exercises, info on clothing, detailed info on buying or renting XC skis, and places to XC ski locally and up north. You can also sign up for the Instructional and other trips at the Cross-Country Night meeting November 10.

AASC Membership: You need to join the AASC (\$20) to go on the AASC trips. Membership is \$20 and provides the needed liability insurance and communications for ski meetings & events.

Reservations: You sign up for the Instructional and Terrace Inn trips through the AASC at meetings and on the AASC web site [Ann Arbor Ski Club - Ski Trips \(wildapricot.org\)](http://AnnArborSkiClub.org).

For Stokely, the Munising Taste and Glide, and Vermont, you make your own lodging reservations and provide your own transportation. Please let me know if you are going on any of these XC trips so we can coordinate communications and activities. (lanehotchkiss@hotmail.com or text 734-730-7209).

Instructional January 6-8, 2023 – The Instructional trip is Led by Greg Robertson and is both a downhill and cross-country trip each year. There is wonderful cross-country skiing on the hilly groomed golf course. Sign-up is at our monthly meetings, as October 20 and November 10, and at our web site..

Stokely, Ontario, Canada January 8-13, 2023 – [Home | StokelyCreek](#) – led by Lane & Jan Hotchkiss – Check-in Sunday, 1/8/23 – check out Friday, 1/13/23 = ski 4 days. Stokely is rated as one of the top 5 places to XC ski in north America.

You can make room reservation at the Stokely Creek Lodge, 866-786-5359; or at the Best Western Water Tower Inn (888-461-7077, watertowerinn.com) or other motel in Ontario, Sault Saint Marie. The Stokely Lodge fills up very quickly, so reserve soon for a room. **All the rooms I reserved have filled, but new ones are opening up from time to time.** The 2022-23 rates are posted on their web site:

[Home | StokelyCreek](#) [See more info on this trip below/on our web site](#)

Cross Country Skiing in Vermont February 5-10, 2023, at the Trapp Family Lodge. The Trapp Family Lodge is located near Stowe, VT. [See more info on this trip below or on web.](#)

The Trapp Family Lodge's cross-country skiing is rated #1 in the U.S. There are 37 miles of groomed XC trails, some flat and some hilly. There are also miles of backcountry trails and snowshoe trails. So, take your cross-country skis, snowshoes, and hiking boots for lots of fun.

There is great dining in the lodge and in the nearby town of Stowe. The Lodge has a beer brewery, a wine cellar, hot tubs, an indoor/outdoor pool, and a fitness center.

Terrace Inn, Petoskey, February 24-26, 2023 – **Sign-ups for the Terrace Inn trip will begin at the November 10 Cross Country ski night.**

The Terrace Inn trip is led by Darlene Morin and is both a downhill and cross-country trip. There is wonderful XC skiing at nearby Wildwood Hills Pathway, at Nubs Knob, and at both Boyne ski resorts.

Many XC skiers stop and ski on the way to Terrace Inn, as at Hanson Hills, Forbush Corners, or Wildwood. More on this as we get closer to 2/24/23. Lane & Jan are coordinating the XC skiing

Taste & Glide at Valley Spur, Munising, March 3-5, 2023 – led by Lane & Jan Hotchkiss – This is an annual event costing about \$10 for the food and band. There is music and food in the cabin-lodge, and food at various junctions on the trails. The trails are expertly groomed and marked green, blue, & black as to difficulty level. Detailed trail maps are available for XC skiing. We will be staying at the AmericInn in Munising. We will work on getting a discount for our group and send more information out later.

VERMONT CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING AT THE TRAPP FAMILY LODGE

[Mountain Skiing in Stowe, Vermont | Trapp Family Lodge](#)

Sunday, February 5 through Thursday, February 9, checking out February 10

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A Little of Austria, A Lot of Vermont – 800-826-7000
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Want to ski at the very first cross-country ski center in the country? Look no further than Stowe, Vermont. With 37 miles of groomed trails and 25 miles of backcountry trails, there's plenty to explore and enjoy. The Von Trapp family has a storied history, largely in credit to the hit Broadway show and movie, *The Sound of Music*.

The Trapp Family Lodge is a European-style, 96-room lodge and resort overlooking the village of Stowe. Skiers can enjoy the network of cross-country trails by day and fantastic lodging, dining, and brews by night at the Lodge or in Stowe.

TRAPP FAMILY LODGE

- **Cross Country Skiing** – We have 37 miles of groomed trails and 62 miles of backcountry trails suitable for cross-country skiers of all ages and abilities.
- **Backcountry Skiing** – On our 2,500 acres, we've identified 25 miles of perfect territory for laying tracks on un-groomed snow. Backcountry gear rentals are available with 24-hour advance notice. Phone Number: (802) 253-5755
- **Snow Shoeing** – Our resort offers ample terrain where you can snowshoe on your own or with a scheduled group tour. Phone Number: (802) 253-5755
- **Four Dining Outlets** – All Serving Farm-to-Table Cuisine. Dine in the Main Dining Room, Bakery, or the Lounge for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks.
- **Slayton Pasture Cabin** – 3 Miles from the Ski Center – Take a break from skiing and snowshoeing to enjoy a warm meal at this cozy cabin.
- **von Trapp Brewing** – Homemade Brews vontrappbrewing.com Enjoy homemade lagers made right at the resort.
- **The Wine Cellar** – Wine Tastings & Private Dinners - Taste red, white, and blush wines as well as champagne and sparkling wine in the Wine Cellar.
- **Pools & Hot Tubs** – Swim & Relax
- Swim in one of our indoor or outdoor pools or relax in our 20-person hot tub.
- **Fitness Center** – Modern facility with everything you need to stay fit & active.
- **Recreation Activities** – So Much to Do – XC skiing, snowshoeing, biking, mountain biking, bird watching, disc golf, and much more awaits at Trapp Family Lodge.
- **Getting to the Lodge** – Driving is about 12 hours or so. Flights go into Burlington, VT regularly on several airlines.
- **Stowe** – Stowe is 10-15 miles away from the Lodge and accessible by taxi/Uber.

Estimated Costs for trip as of 10/13/22

King, one person: \$1,633 lodging plus \$450 flight plus \$400 car rental totals: \$2,483

King two persons: \$816 lodging plus \$450 flight plus \$200 car rental totals: \$1,466

Per persons for 3: \$641 lodging plus \$450 flight plus \$133 car rental totals: \$1,224

Per persons for 4: \$512 lodging plus \$450 flight plus \$100 car rental totals \$1,062

The cost would be a lot less per person if three, or maybe four shared the cost of a car rental and Lodge room. Chalets and Villas are also available near the Lodge to house groups of people.

Trapp Family Lodge	Price Per Night	Tax	Resort fee per Room	Extra fee per night	Total per night	Per Person price per night	Cost for 5 nights	Per person
Deluxe King	\$265	10%	\$35		\$326.50	\$163.25	\$1,632.50	\$816.25
Superior 2 people	\$295	10%	\$35		\$359.50	\$179.75	\$1,797.50	\$898.75
Superior 3 people	\$295	10%	\$35	\$25	\$384.50	\$128.17	\$1,922.50	\$640.83
Superior 4 people	\$295	10%	\$35	\$50	\$409.50	\$102.38	\$2,047.50	\$511.88

Car Rentals – The Lodge is about 30 miles away from the Burlington airport. Car rentals are available at the airport. Rentals are the best way to get to the Lodge, for use to get into the town of Stowe, or to tour the area, as to see Smuggler’s Notch.

Air Costs – Estimates for flying to Burlington from Detroit is \$350 to \$450 **at this time**. We all know costs vary a lot, and increase as time goes on for air, lodging and car rentals.

Flight to Burlington: \$350-**450** per person depending on times of flights, air carrier, and when you book your flight – the earlier the better usually.

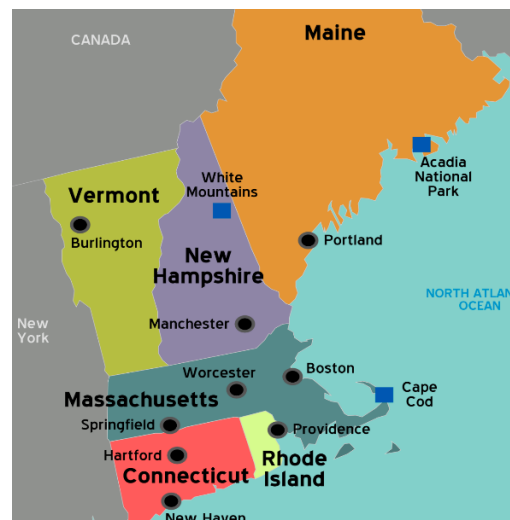
Car Rental: \$350-**400** - divided by two is \$175-200 per person plus gas cost

Lodging: See the chart above

XC Ski Passes: Cross country skiing is free if you are staying at the lodge.

Meals: **Meals are not included in the lodging price.** There are three places to eat in the Lodge, ranging in price, and one out 3 miles to the Slayton Pasture Cabin. There is also dining in the nearby city of Stowe. [Onsite Dining \(trappfamily.com\)](http://trappfamily.com)

Burlington International Airport is a convenient point of access to northern and central Vermont, servicing major air carriers JetBlue, United, American Airlines, and Delta. Flights from New York to Burlington, Vermont's largest city and home to its international airport, are just an hour from New York City.



Web site: [Mountain Skiing in Stowe, Vermont | Trapp Family Lodge](#)

More on Stokely

Stokely Creek is an all-Inclusive Winter Ski & Snowshoe Resort with a wonderful lodge. You can enjoy comfortable accommodations and three fine homemade meals each day plus appetizers late afternoon. The trails are expertly groomed and marked green, blue, and black as to difficulty level. XC skiing along the creek is a beautiful experience.

Stokely is located in the Algoma Highlands, just 30-40 minutes north of Ste. Saint Marie in Goulais River, Canada. Near the shores of Lake Superior. Stokely consistently has great snow conditions and perfect terrain for cross country skiing and snowshoeing. 100 kilometers of XC trails traverse to the highest peaks of King Mountain and cross the valley and creeks below.