

POWDERHOUSE TRAIL

Rating is classed as Hard due to the steepness and distance one must travel to do the loops.

Maps required from our website are: 4 plus

via 1861 Gold Rush Pack Trail **2 & 5**

via VanWinkle Trail **3**

via Groundhog Lake Trail **1**

Maximum elevation gain: 2000 ft 609m

Water is difficult to find on this route, so refill before climbing.

The Powder House Trail starts across the meadow from Summit Rock (C) on the Cariboo Waggon Road, (approximately 4kms from Barkerville) if one is traveling from Barkerville, turn left at the Rock and cross the meadow. Cross some planks on the ditch and proceed up hill along an old road for +-100metres and then turn right on to a marked trail. The trail will now get very steep for about 1 kilometre (will feel like 5) until you reach the top and then levels off to flat rounded slightly timbered ridge. Follow the trail along 1.75 kilometre and you will intersect another trail (VanWinkle Trail) (F) by turning Right, this trail will take you to Groundhog Lake (D) (2.5km), and staying Left (straight on) will take you along Bald Mtn. -G- and either join the 1861 Gold Rush Pack Trail at (H) or (I), or by staying right along the top of Bald Mtn and head toward Mt. Agnes you will find the upper trail to Groundhog Lake.