



Kananaskis
Country

Avalanche Terrain Exposure Scale

Backcountry

Simple — Class 1

Exposure to low angle or primarily forested terrain. Some forest openings may involve the runout zones of infrequent avalanches. Many options to reduce or eliminate exposure. No glacier travel.

Black Prince XC Trails
Chester Lake Trail
Commonwealth Lake
Forks Campground

Fox Creek
Galatea Creek to Lillian Lake
Headwall Creek to First Lake
Hidden Lake

Kens Ridge
Marushka Lake
Mt Engadine XC Trails
Pocaterra XC trails

Ribbon Creek to Ribbon Falls
Rummel Lake
Sawmill XC Trails
Skogan Pass

Tombstone Lakes
Upper Lake Circuit
Watridge Lake

Challenging — Class 2

Exposure to well-defined avalanche paths, starting zones or terrain traps; options exist to reduce or eliminate exposure with careful routefinding. Glacier travel is straightforward but crevasse hazards may exist.

Aster Lake
Birdwood Pass
Black Prince Cone
Buller Pass
Burstall Pass
Commonwealth Ridge

Fortress Out of Bounds
French Creek to Toe of Glacier
Gypsum Quarry
Haig Glacier
Heros Nob
Lawson Lake

Maude Lake
Mount Allan
Murray Creek
Pocaterra Ridge
Ptarmagin Cirque
Ribbon Lake

Rummel Pass
Smuts Fist Col
Smuts Pass
Snow Peak
Tent Ridge
Three Isle Lake

Tryst Lake
Valley West Side of Mt Burstall

Complex — Class 3

Exposure to multiple overlapping avalanche paths or large expanses of steep, open terrain; multiple avalanche starting zones and terrain traps below; minimal options to reduce exposure. Complicated glacier travel with extensive crevasse bands or icefalls.

Aster Lake to Mount Joffre
Aster Lake to Warrior Mountain
Beatty Glacier
Black Prince to Murray Creek

French Glacier
Marushka Valley to Fist / Smuts Col
North Over Glacier to Aster Lake
Old Goat Glacier

Rae Glacier
Robertson Glacier
Upper Chester Lake to Fortress / Mount Chester Pass
Upper Headwall Lakes