



Winter Ski and Snowshoe Tours

Brought to you by: Vermont Land Trust, Orleans County Forester, NorthWoods Stewardship Center, and Memphremagog Watershed Association

Bluffside Farm Ski/Snowshoe Tour Saturday, February 23rd, 10am- 12pm 171 Scott Farm Road, Newport

Beginning in the winter of 2018, the MSTF started grooming ski trails at the Bluffside Farm, now owned and managed by the Vermont Land Trust (VLT). The groomed ski trails meander through managed forestland and agricultural lands along the shores of Lake Memphremagog. Join us for a ski and discussion of the ecology of the fields and forests of Bluffside Farm. Bring your skis and/or snowshoes and dress for a winter day on the trails. We will meet at the Sugarhouse parking lot at Bluffside Farm (171 Scott Farm Road, Newport) at 10AM for a hour and a half beginner level ski and discussion, returning to refreshments provided by MWA and VLT.

For additional information and to RSVP for this event, please contact Kendall Lambert at klambert@mwavt.org or 802-487-0160.

NorthWoods Demonstration Forest Ski Tour Saturday, March 9th, 10am-1pm, 154 Leadership Drive, Island Pond

Although winter is a quiet season in the woods, it's a great time to think about forest management. Join us for a forestry-focused ski tour in the NorthWoods Demonstration Forest to see how we sustainably and productively manage our own woodlands. Starting on groomed nordic ski trails and then venturing into untracked snow, we will visit past and future harvest areas while discussing the ecology of areas that we manage, and also the sensitive areas that we leave alone. This tour will cover 6-10 kilometers of nordic skiing in variable conditions, best suited to intermediate/advanced skiers (or energetic beginners!). Wider nordic backcountry skis are recommended but not required. Snacks and hot drinks will be provided after the tour.

For additional information and to RSVP for this event, please contact Sam Perron at sam@northwoodscenter.org.