## SNOWSHOEING IN WINNEBAGO (COUNTY PARKS & NATURE AREAS

Snowshoeing is a popular winter activity in Wisconsin, especially right here in Winnebago County. Unlike other winter sports, snowshoeing is an appealing sport for all ages and abilities. The parks and nature areas in Winnebago County provide the perfect place for snowshoeing beginners as well as seasoned trailblazers.



Many of the snowshoeing trails throughout Winnebago County are flat and easy to navigate, which make them great for all ages and skill levels. The most popular snowshoeing trails for beginners are found at Winnebago County Community Park, Coughlin Community Natural Area, Asylum Point Park and Lasley Point Archaeological Site.

Advanced snowshoers and those looking for something a little more challenging will enjoy the trails at Waukau Creek Nature Preserve. The hilly and sometimes steep terrain offers a more challenging experience, along with great scenery and wildlife. There are two areas in Waukau, the southern trails by the dam and the northern trails along the creek. A total of nearly five miles of trail can be enjoyed here.

Two other Winnebago County trails definitely worth mentioning are the Wiouwash State Trail and Mascoutin Valley State Trail. Each of these trails were built on old railroad corridors and offer a very flat surface for snowshoeing, along with a variety of snowy landscapes. Snowmobilers do use these trails so be on the lookout for them during your snowshoeing adventure.

Trail etiquette and safety are always important on recreation trails. Be respectful and courteous of others using the trail and always take out what you bring in.

Happy trails!