



YURTS of UTAH

YURT 4 NORWAY FLATS YURT/TUNA YURT

Location: Mirror Lake Highway; Uinta Mountains

Length: 3 miles one-way

Elevation: Nordway Flats trailhead: 7560'; Yurt: 8530'

Size: Sleeps 8; 18' diameter

Amenities: Wood stove for heating the yurt; propane stove for cooking; propane lantern; sleeping bunks with thick pads, fully equipped kitchen area. Outhouse complete with the carved sliver of the moon on the door.

Introduction: The Yurt sits at an elevation just below 8600 feet and is located on a flat bench surrounded by mature aspen and pines. It overlooks Boulder Creek and several small ponds. Moderate touring/snowshoeing is abundant in the Norway Flats area. The Utah Nordic Alliance owns the Norway Flats yurt. The location was selected to provide easy access for novice skiers and snowshoers. The 300 to 400 foot vertical slopes ranging from 30 to 35 degrees sit only five

minutes away, but more moderate glade skiing is available around the yurt. While these slopes are enough to keep a party busy for days, more extensive turning opportunities are abundant in the area above the yurt. Safe terrain makes the approach good at any time, and provides relatively quick access if an emergency situation occurs. The mild terrain and relatively short approach are perfect for beginners, even children. A couple old toboggans had been shoved beneath one of the beds when I was there. We found an hour of enjoyment making our way down the hill, through the trees. A freshwater spring runs near the yurt.

Season: Year round

Reservations: yurt@utahnordic.com

Fee: \$110 per night weekends, \$55 weeknights

Other: Pets are not allowed. Along the Mirror Lake Highway, the Samak Smoke House and Country Store rents snowshoes and sells homemade jerky. They also serve homemade baked goods, soups, sandwiches, espresso, hot chocolate, and other warm drinks.

