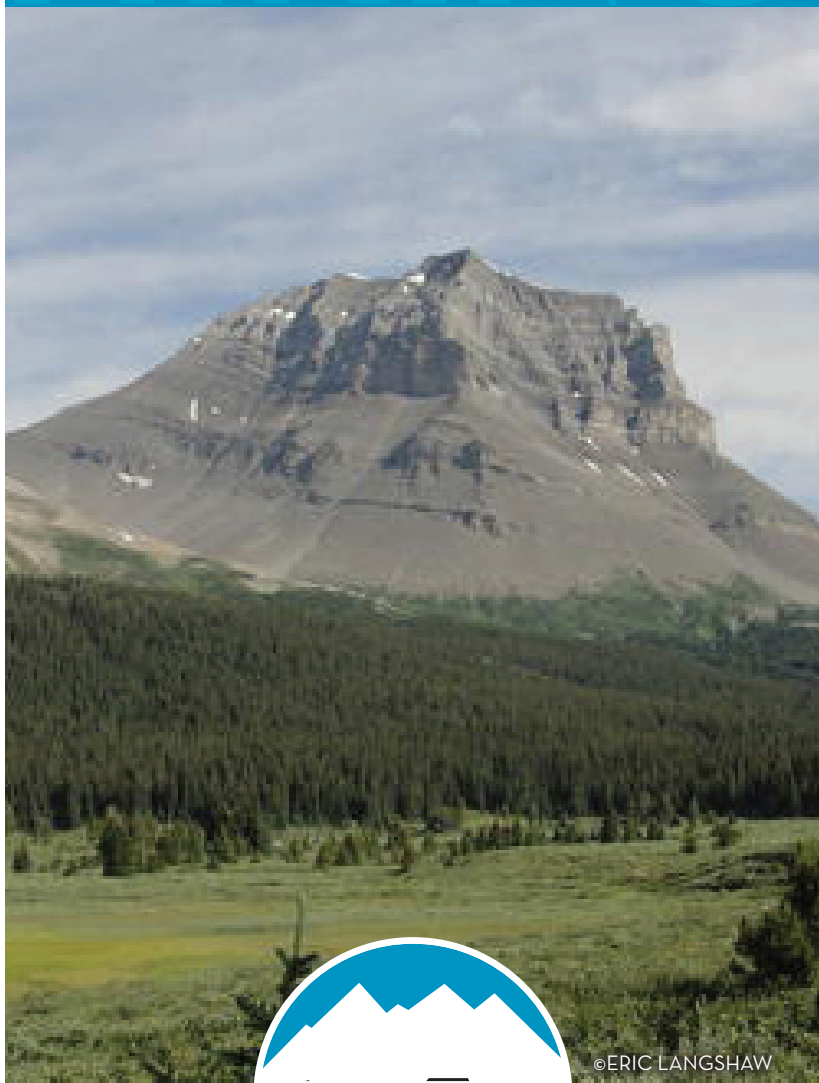


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## SUNSET PASS



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**Rating:** Strenuous, Difficult

**Distance:** 16.4 km (9.8 mi) round trip

**Max. Elevation:** 2165 m (7100 ft)

**Elevation loss/gain:** + 725 m (2380 ft)

**Approx. time:** 6-7 hrs round trip

**Footwear:** Good hiking boot

**Best months to hike:** Late June to early September

**Trail head:** Parking area on the North side of the Icefields Parkway 16.7 km (10.3 mi) from The Crossing Resort.



The Sunset Pass trail takes you through meadows near the cliffs of Mt Coleman to a viewpoint that enables you to see Pinto Lake which is located in the Cline River valley. It is breathtaking. The first 3 km is very steep moving up from the parking area and is through the forest so make sure you bring water with you. After passing Sunset lookout junction you go about 1 more km and the trail flattens out and descends into Norman Creek Meadows for the next 2.4 km approx. The trail continues past a meadow and you will likely find small streams you need to jump over and after the meadow you emerge onto the open ridge and soak in the view that was well worth the trek.

The first person listed as going through this pass was a geologist by the name of Arthur P. Coleman. Mt. Coleman was named after him and the Pinto lake was named after one of his horses that was a real pain in the you know what.



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