

## Natural Wind slabs in Hyalite

Maid of the Mist  
Northern Gallatin  
12/17/2022  
Code  
SS-N-R1-D1.5-I  
Elevation  
9600  
Aspect  
NE  
Latitude  
45.41640  
Longitude  
-110.97000  
Notes

Went on a tour today with a buddy and traveled through twin falls basin as well as the maid. We skied a NW slope off of Palace Butte and found touchy conditions below the ridge line, but great skiing in the trees. We also skied the bowl of Arden peak. We observed numerous recent wind slabs that released naturally in the past 24 hours on NE and E aspects with some crowns starting to get covered up throughout the day. Judging from afar, I would estimate these crowns to be 6 inches to 1.5 feet deep.

Number of slides  
1  
Number caught  
0  
Number buried  
0  
Avalanche Type  
Soft slab avalanche  
Trigger  
Natural trigger  
R size  
1  
D size  
1.5  
Bed Surface  
I - Interface between new and old snow  
Problem Type  
Wind-Drifted Snow  
Slab Thickness  
8.0 inches  
Vertical Fall  
300ft  
Slab Width  
75.00ft  
Images  
[Wind Slabs on NE aspects Hyalite](#)

Snow Observation Source

Wind slabs and active loading

Slab Thickness units

inches

Single / Multiple / Red Flag

Single Avalanche

Advisory Year

22-23