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The Columbia River Gorge is a natural wonder that is united, not divided, by the mighty Columbia River and the Cascade Mountain Range. As the majestic river winds its way through the mountains it brings six counties in two states together with something truly unique and different to see around every corner. Hiking trails and wildflowers are abundant, not to mention incredible views of Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams and Mt. St. Helens.

I began this journey of exploring the Columbia River Gorge 35 years ago and can't imagine living anywhere else. The spectacular natural beauty enhances the endless list of recreational opportunities. This beautiful area is the perfect destination for those

planning to visit family or friends, discover a waterfall, cycle a country road, sample a new wine or craft brew, play on the river or take a scenic drive. Along with the gorgeous scenery, you will also meet some of the friendliest people in the Pacific Northwest.

The following pages have been arranged to guide you as you travel from west to east and north to south, showcasing the many communities, attractions and hidden gems along the way. **Make sure to look for our new featured "Editor's Favorite" on the community pages.** The map on page 46 will assist you in your journey as you discover this beautiful paradise!

Visiting is easy, leaving is hard. I truly believe we have it all!

Judy Bair
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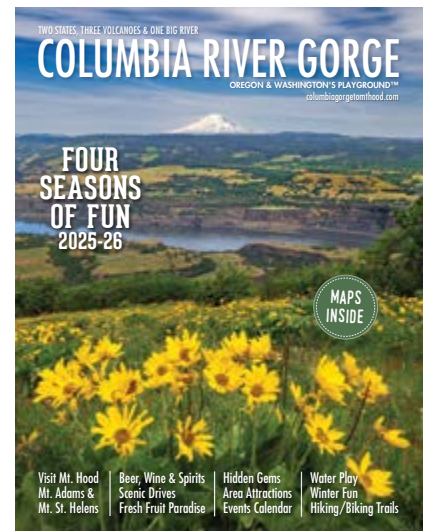
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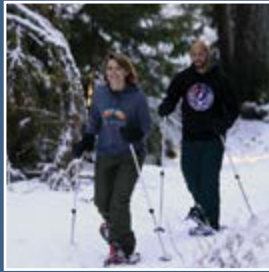
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YOUR SEASONAL GUIDE TO MT. HOOD TERRITORY

Planning the perfect vacation can feel as tricky as spotting Bigfoot. Instead, build a seasonal experience in Oregon's Mt. Hood Territory, where every time of year offers something new.



WINTER

Embrace snowy adventures at Timberline Lodge and Mt. Hood Skibowl, with fewer crowds during midweek and night skiing under the lights. Add a guided snowshoe tour with Mt. Hood Outfitters, then warm up with comfort food at the Ratskeller or a craft brew at Mt. Hood Brewing. Stay cozy at Collins Lake Resort, complete with fireplaces, saunas and alpine views.



SPRING

As the snow melts, wildflowers emerge and hiking season begins across Mt. Hood Territory. Hit the lower elevation trails as they become snow-free and then stop by the North American Bigfoot Center in Boring, where exhibits blend legend, history and science around the region's most famous mystery. End the day with an overnight stay in a yurt at Camp Colton, surrounded by quiet forests and fresh spring air.



SUMMER

A guided rafting trip down the Upper Clackamas River with Blue Sky Rafting is an adrenaline-packed gift that combines rushing rapids with gorgeous scenery. After the adventure, celebrate with a burger and milkshake at Granny's Drive-In in Estacada. Relax at a Clackamas County campground with great amenities like playgrounds, disc golf and easy river access.



FALL

Scenic drives through the countryside showcase brilliant fall foliage, making the journey as memorable as the destination. Stop into Stone Circle Cider in Estacada for seasonal pours that pair perfectly with crisp fall days. Note: Please drink responsibly.. Book a stay at the Mt. Hood Oregon Resort, where forest-facing rooms and a heated outdoor pool make fall evenings extra special.



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Up to 4,000 feet deep, the Columbia River Gorge stretches for more than 80 miles as the Columbia River winds westward through the Cascade Range, forming the boundary between the State of Washington to the north and Oregon to the south.

Three volcanoes dominate the Cascades and are major attractions when visiting the Columbia River Gorge. Majestic Mt. Hood stands at 11,245 feet and is the highest point in Oregon. It is one of the three dormant volcanoes in this region, with Mt. Adams (12,276 feet) and Mt. St. Helens (8,358 feet) located across the river in Washington state.

The western Gorge, with an average annual rainfall of 75 inches, is lush and green with misty mountains, old growth forest and over 40 plus waterfalls. The eastern Gorge, with an annual rainfall of less than 15 inches, is a region of rocky bluffs, rolling hills, desert wildflowers and wide open spaces.

In 1986, a group of hikers and outdoor

enthusiasts organized a campaign to preserve the Columbia River Gorge's scenic beauty by successfully encouraging Congress to pass the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act. The purpose of the act is to protect and provide for the enhancement of scenic, cultural, recreational and natural resources of the Gorge— and to protect and support the economy of the Gorge by encouraging growth to occur in existing areas and by allowing future economic development outside these areas if it is compatible with Gorge resources.

The Scenic Area begins in western Oregon, spanning from Troutdale to the Deschutes River and in western Washington from Washougal to Wishram. With 75,000 people calling this area home, two million tourists visit each year. Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood territories, Mt. St. Helens Area, Deschutes River Valley and Goldendale are all outside the scenic area boundaries but are all considered popular tourist attractions when visiting the Columbia River Gorge.

Whether you are visiting for the afternoon, weekend or your entire vacation, the Columbia River Gorge and Cascade Mountains are host to far more activities than you can pack into one visit!

Year-round recreation is abundant, offering the best of outdoor activities including hiking, biking, camping, horseback riding, golf, whitewater rafting and kayaking, windsurfing and kiteboarding, stand-up paddling, sailing, motorcycle touring, zip lining, boating, fishing, downhill and cross-country skiing, snowboarding, paragliding, wing foiling — the list is endless.

Indoor options are also readily available with world-class museums, wine tasting, brew pubs, cideries, distilleries, coffee shops, superb dining opportunities, shopping and spa services.

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▶ **LOWER LEWIS RIVER FALLS** requires a Northwest Forest Pass *IN ADDITION* to a reserved \$2 day visit ticket.

▶ **DOG MOUNTAIN TRAILHEAD** hiker and parking permits are required on Saturdays and Sundays from mid-April to mid-June and Memorial Day. A NW Forest Pass is required for parking *IN ADDITION* to a hiker permit. A hiker permit is automatically included with the shuttle bus from Stevenson, WA. ▶ ridecatbus.org • recreation.gov

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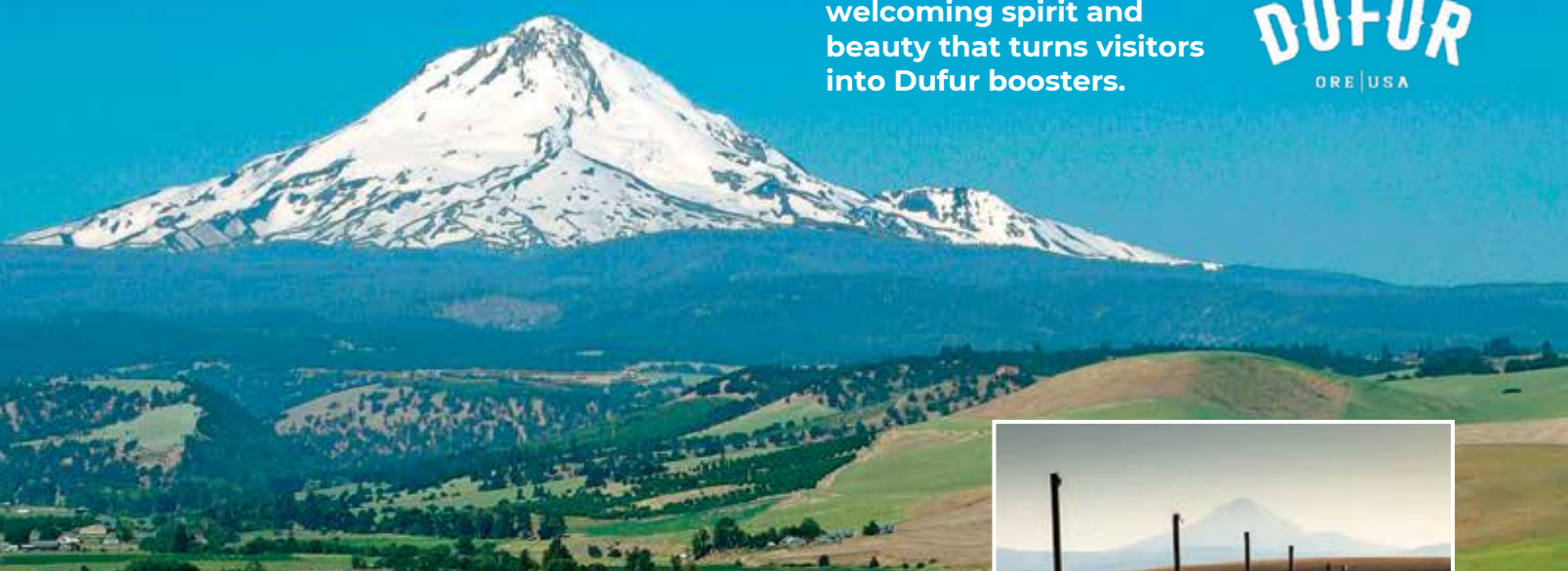
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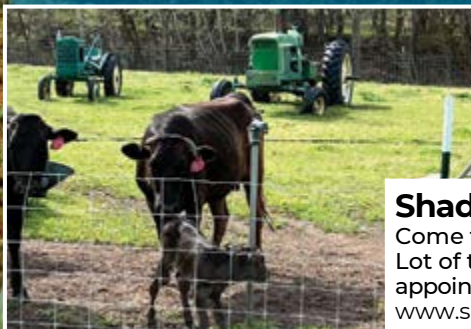
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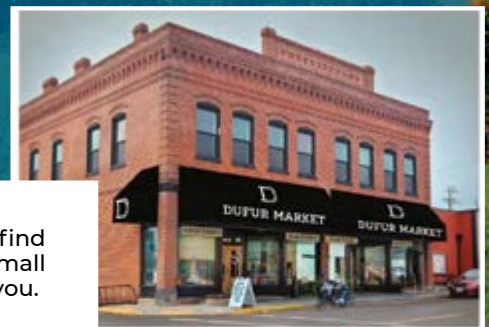
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Fairview marks the westernmost city of the Mt. Hood and Columbia River Gorge region, conveniently located 15 minutes from the Portland International Airport, at Exit 14 on Interstate 84. A family-friendly, water recreationist paradise, Fairview is home to Salish Ponds Wetland Park, Blue Lake Regional Park, and Chinook Landing Marine Park, which makes a great starting point for cycling the 4-mile Ch’ak Ch’ak Trail to Troutdale.

WOOD VILLAGE

Located off Exit 16 on Interstate 84, Wood Village is the ideal base camp for any adventure in the Mt. Hood, Gorge, or Portland area. For travelers, hikers, and cyclists there is a network of “Gorge Hubs” which provide welcome centers, information and maps, trailheads and rest areas featuring bike amenities. The western end of the Gorge Hub Network and the Mt. Hood Scenic Byway begin in Wood Village.

TROUTDALE

Troutdale, accessible from Exit 17 or 18 off I-84, is the picturesque “Gateway to the Gorge”. With the Historic Columbia River Highway as its main street, the Sandy River at its edge, and thousands of acres of public land at its doorstep, it is a crown jewel in the Pacific Northwest. The area supports a

thriving downtown with one-of-a-kind stores, art galleries, coffee shops, museums, and over 25 food carts and dozens of restaurants. Visitors can enjoy the glacier-fed waters of the Sandy River at popular summer recreation spots, such as Glenn Otto Park. If you’d rather take in the view, visit the brand-new Sharon Nesbit Heritage Park for sweeping river vistas and family-friendly amenities. Easy access to the recreational opportunities in the Gorge, along with close proximity to Portland, make Troutdale a perfect landing pad for those wanting the best of both worlds. Its small-town charm provides the perfect “welcome” to The Gorge.

SPRINGDALE/CORBETT/BRIDAL VEIL

The rural communities of Corbett and Springdale are located amongst the foothills of the Cascade Range, and are known for their spectacular views and small, family-owned farms. Send a postcard back home from a ghost town by visiting the tiny Bridal Veil Post Office. When driving the Historic Highway, keep your eyes peeled for farm stands to enjoy fresh lavender and U-Pick berries.

CASCADE LOCKS

Cascade Locks is home to the famed Bridge of the Gods. Located along the mighty Columbia River in the Heart of the Gorge, Cascade Locks is surrounded by stunning

The western end of the Columbia River Gorge in Oregon is a destination bucket list item for people from all over the world. From towering evergreens to majestic waterfalls, this area offers scenery that is sure to amaze the eyes and refresh the soul. There are excellent restaurants for unique dining experiences, as well as fun stops for shopping. Exquisite art created by talented local artists can be viewed throughout the region. Don’t miss out on the opportunity to stay and experience the beauty of this awe-inspiring area where nature thrives.

→ HIDDEN GEMS

Museum + History

Visit the Gateway to the Gorge Visitor Center in the historic Troutdale Depot to learn more about the history of the railroad in Troutdale and to view a 10-foot tall hundred-year-old painting of Multnomah Falls that hung in the Multnomah Hotel in Downtown Portland.

Learn about the building of the Historic Columbia River Highway at the King of the Road Barn Exhibit Museum in Troutdale.

Tour the historic Harlow House built in 1900 by the son of Capt. John Harlow, Troutdale’s founder.

Take a Walk + Explore

Whether you want serious exercise or a lazy day on the water, a kid-friendly romp or a grown-up picnic, find it at Blue Lake Regional Park and Chinook Landing Marine Park, both in Fairview. A 3.5-mile ride or walk along the Ch’ak Ch’ak Trail brings you to the Sharon Nesbit Heritage Park, where you can enjoy nature-play areas, scenic overlooks, and a half-mile trail into Downtown Troutdale. Alternatively, you can take the I-84 bike/ped bridge to the Sandy River Delta, also known as the 1,000 acres dog park, which offers six trails and the Confluence trail ends at “Bird Blind,” a work of art by renowned artist, Maya Lin, which offers a unique view of nature, while educating about the past.

Visit Donald L. Robertson Park, the Gorge Hub in Wood Village, to enjoy recreation, trails, nearby shopping and more!

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landscape. Hailed as a pristine spot for sailing, Cascade Locks hosts national and international sailboat racing events each year amongst many other festivals and events. Cascade Locks is the only incorporated city directly on the 2,663 mile Pacific Crest Trail, serving as an ideal base camp for outdoor enthusiasts. Cascade Locks offers a variety of activities for craft beer fans, foodies, cyclists, nature lovers, thru-hikers, marathon runners and much more!



MULTNOMAH FALLS

➔ ATTRACTIONS

SANDY RIVER RECREATIONAL AREAS

Pack a beach picnic, soak up the sun, and take a dip as lifeguards ensure your safety at Glenn Otto Park. Take a hike up Broughton Bluff or launch a boat or kayak at Lewis and Clark State Park. Start floating down the Sandy River or play a round of disc golf at Dabney State Park. Explore 1,500 acres with your furry four-legged friend or seek solitude and seasonal birds at the Sandy River Delta Natural Area.

HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

Drive through history on the nation's first scenic highway, enjoyed by many for over 100 years. The western section starts in Troutdale and takes you to gorgeous views, lush green forest, hiking trails and majestic waterfalls. There are many treasures to be found on this beautiful, historic highway.

Note: Check tripcheck.com for seasonal road closures and construction delays.

WOMEN'S FORUM STATE PARK

Located just east of Corbett, this scenic viewpoint is a photographer's dream, offering breathtaking views of the Columbia River Gorge, Beacon Rock, Vista House and Crown Point.

VISTA HOUSE AT CROWN POINT

The Vista House, built in 1917, is one of the most scenic and architecturally significant points on the Historic Highway. More than a "bathroom with a view," there is a gift shop, coffee bar, observatory deck, and historical photos on display. Oregon State Parks Pass is required.

WATERFALL AREA

Coming from Portland, take Exit 17 to the town of Troutdale, which will lead you to the Historic Columbia River Highway. Every twist and turn leads to more waterfalls including the majestic Multnomah Falls. At 620 feet high, Multnomah Falls is Oregon's top tourist attraction and the nation's second tallest year-round waterfall! An interpretive center, restaurant, restrooms and gift shop make this a favorite stop in the Columbia River Gorge.

BONNEVILLE LOCK AND DAM

The mighty Bonneville Dam spans the Columbia River linking the two states of Washington and Oregon. Visit the Bradford Island Visitors Center, tour a hydroelectric powerhouse, watch migrating fish, see sturgeon, salmon and trout at the Bonneville Fish Hatchery and support Oregon wildlife at the Bonneville Gift Shop.

➔ Multnomah Falls Permit Information

A timed use permit is required for each vehicle accessing Multnomah Falls from Exit 31 between Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends, 9am–6pm. Permits are \$2/vehicle and must be purchased online at recreation.gov. The Gateway to the Gorge Visitor Center in Troutdale and the Cascade Locks Historical Museum each have 25 free in-person permits available daily on a first come, first served basis.

The parking lot for Multnomah Falls on the Historic Highway requires a day-use parking fee, only purchasable on site if spaces are available.

➔ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Bridal Veil Falls

A short hike takes you to a majestic waterfall and then to cliff-top overlooks offering views up and down the Columbia River Gorge. Bridal Veil State Park offers a nice parking area, picnic tables, restrooms and nice grassy areas for relaxing.

Round Trip: 1.4 miles / **Level:** Easy
Elevation Gain: 205 ft.

Getting There: From the west, take I-84 to Exit #28/Bridal Veil. Turn south onto the Historic Columbia River Highway and drive 0.75 miles to Bridal Veil Falls State Park on the left/north side of the road. Coming from the east on I-84, take exit 35 (Ainsworth Park) and drive 8.3 miles west on the Historic Highway to reach Bridal Veil Falls State Park.

NOTE: No pass required

IT ALL STARTS IN ✨

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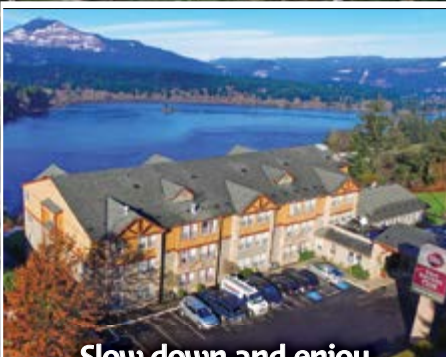
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The small town charm and riverfront trails of Camas and Washougal are located at the western entrance to the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. Shopping, dining, history, breweries, art, hiking, water sports and more await you.

➔ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Dougan Falls

Dougan Falls is a 19-ft high by 100-ft wide waterfall that cascades over volcanic rock into a deep pool. The hike to the falls is a very short relatively easy walk along the rocks. If you continue along the riverbank downstream, you can find patches of sandy beach to relax and take in the beauty. Picnic tables and toilets are provided at the day use area near the bridge. **NOTE:** If it is the high water season, you might see kayakers running the falls.

Getting There: On Highway 14, turn at the Cape Horn trailhead parking, and take a left onto Salmon Falls Rd. Stay on Salmon Falls Rd. for about 3.5 miles, then turn right onto Washougal River Rd. Continue on Washougal River Rd. for another 6 miles until you arrive at the Dougan Falls day-use area. The roads are paved.

NOTE: Washington Discover Pass required

➔ COMMUNITIES

CAMAS

Conveniently located just 15 minutes from the Portland airport, historic Downtown Camas is the perfect place to relax, slow down and spend a day or night. Enjoy the fine shops, art galleries, public art, brewpubs and eateries, and authentic small town charm. Walkable tree-lined streets, an inviting boutique hotel and notable movie theatre add to the experience. Outdoor enthusiasts will have fun with surprising adventures close to town including hiking, biking, kayaking, SUPing, golfing, fishing, watching wildlife, and exploring the beautiful springtime Camas lily fields at nearby Lacamas Lake.

WASHOUGAL

The western gateway to the Columbia River Gorge Scenic Area, Washougal is a perfect place to start or end your gorge adventure. Motorists who approach Washougal from the west on the Lewis and Clark Hwy (Hwy 14) enjoy a stunning view of Mt. Hood rising above the Cascade Mountains. Stop in downtown for unique shopping, dining, local craft breweries and many works of art sprinkled throughout the community. There is great summertime swimming on the Columbia and Washougal Rivers as well as bountiful year-round fishing. A favorite past time for many is walking and biking on the scenic trails along the riverfront, enjoying the numerous birds and wildlife living there.



DOWNTOWN CAMAS ASSOCIATION





CITY OF WASHOUGAL

➔ ATTRACTIONS

PORT OF CAMAS-WASHOUGAL

Recreational boaters and fishermen from throughout the area use the large, modern launch facility at Parker's Landing Marina as their point of entry to Columbia River fun. A variety of community events are hosted at Marina Park, and the Washougal Waterfront Park walking trail features fantastic views of the Columbia River and Mt. Hood with historic markers along the way.

TWO RIVERS HERITAGE MUSEUM

Be captivated by the history of Washougal and Camas. Enjoy curated displays about native culture, pioneer history and industrial growth of these communities. The Gathering Place at Washougal Pavilion features carved Native American artwork and the rich history found along the shores of local rivers.

LACAMAS LAKE

This vibrant lake has amazing views, great picnicking areas, waterfalls and walking trails.



CITY OF WASHOUGAL



CITY OF WASHOUGAL

STEIGERWALD LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

This wildlife refuge consists of 1049 acres of former Columbia River floodplain including shallow ponds, marshes, open fields and riparian woodlands. You can find over 200 recorded species of birds making this a great bird watching area.

WASHOUGAL WATERFRONT PARK AND TRAIL

The waterfront park in Washougal is a lively community space offering a biking and walking trail that wows with magnificent views, offers touch-and-learn signage, rain gardens and plentiful artwork. The waterfront is now connected through kiosks and wayfinding signs connecting to downtown Washougal and Camas and other area trail systems. Along the trail, there are a non-motorized kayak/canoe launch, viewpoints, interpretive signage, and water access trails. Catch sight of Roxy The Rock Snake along the way!

➔ HIDDEN GEMS

Charming Downtown Shopping

Enjoy every First Friday of the month with art shows, fun themed activities, dining and after hours shopping in historic Downtown Camas. Shop for deals on classic clothing and gifts at one of the many stores in Downtown Camas and Washougal.

Discover

Find the hidden bronze birds among the landscape of charming Downtown Camas, these artful beauties are fun to find for young and old.

Downtown Washougal offers a plethora of public artwork. Stroll the City's streets to enjoy unique murals and sculptures around every corner.

Hike + Bike

Explore the area's surprisingly diverse hiking and biking trails offering captivating views of rivers, waterfalls and lakes. Lacamas Heritage Trail winds along Lacamas Lake for a seven-mile up and back stroll. Enjoy the Washougal River Greenway Trail and the Columbia River Dike Trail for excellent wildlife viewing.

Take a Walk + Water Play

Take a stroll at Washougal Waterfront Park to visit "Erric the Erratic" boulder, deposited here more than a million years ago during the Missoula Floods.

Visit scenic and historic Cottonwood Beach, located at Captain William Clark Park. Take a walk, swim or paddle.

Educate yourself by taking a historic walking tour in both downtown Camas and Washougal.

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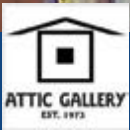


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SKAMANIA

Hiking and picnicking opportunities are located near Skamania at Sam's Walker and St. Cloud Day-Use Sites. Franz Lake Refuge is a popular place for wintering tundra swans. Visitors may even get lucky and spot a bald eagle hanging out at the wetlands.

NORTH BONNEVILLE

Recreation runs year-round at North Bonneville. Fishing, golfing and hiking are literally at your doorstep. An 18-hole disc golf course is located in a park-like setting which blends perfectly with the City's existing Discovery Trails system that includes almost 12 miles of paved pathways perfect for biking and walking. Greenleaf Lake is ideal for flatwater kayaking. North Bonneville is also home to a destination hot springs resort and spa.

STEVENSON

Views of the Gorge in and around Stevenson are breathtaking and not to be missed. As Skamania County's seat of government and home to fine destination resorts, Stevenson strives to keep visitors busy with activities and events throughout the year. With an award-winning brew pub, fine restaurants, along with distinctive clothing and gift stores, one can only delight in discovering this welcome respite from the big city. Don't miss the spectacular Columbia River waterfront in Stevenson.

CARSON

Carson is the gateway to the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Oldman Pass and Mt. St. Helens. This sleepy little town is the perfect "base" from which to experience the many recreational opportunities found in the region. Carson is also home to a historic hot springs resort, local art gallery, brewpub and a new wine bar.

HOME VALLEY

Home Valley, Washington, is located near the mouth of the Wind River just 10 miles east of Stevenson. Popular ball fields, picnic area, sandy swimming beach and playground are all found at the county park on the riverfront. Two RV/tent campgrounds and motel rooms are located next to some of the best fishing in the world.



Traveling through the western part of the Columbia River Gorge on the Washington shore takes you from verdant rainforest just outside of Washougal to the dry, near-desert conditions found as you approach Bingen and White Salmon. The abundant precipitation in Skamania County creates the beautiful green forest and cascading waterfalls that attract hikers to the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. The pace is slower in this part of the Gorge and home to unique small towns, brew pubs, endless trail options and Sasquatch. Experience it for yourself and don't forget your camera because who knows when a sighting might occur!



→ HIDDEN GEMS

Hike + Explore

Explore the 59 acres of thick forest and waterfalls at the Nellie Corser Unit on Duncan Creek in Skamania.

Discover North Bonneville's trail system which is home to a Bigfoot family.

Check out waterfalls of Skamania County on our waterfall map at skamania.org/experience-skamania/waterfall-lovers.

Scenic Drive + History

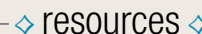
Take a drive and look for pieces of the old Broughton Lumber Flume tucked away in Willard, just off Cook-Underwood Road.

Take a Walk

Be entranced by the kinetic wind art sculpture in Teo Park on Stevenson's waterfront.

Water Play

Travel seven miles east of Stevenson to Home Valley and find a sunny swim beach and beautiful close-up views of the Columbia River.



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→ **ATTRACTIONS**

CAPE HORN

This is by far one of the best locations to view the expanse and magnificence of the western Gorge. The Cape Horn viewpoint is located on Hwy 14, east of Washougal, near mile marker 25. Don't forget your camera! Cape Horn Trail is one of the best maintained and most scenic trails in the entire Gorge, featuring several overlooks, two tunnels and an incredible waterfall.

FRANZ LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

As many as 1,000 wintering tundra swans have been observed on Franz Lake. Other common waterfowl include western Canadian geese, mallards, northern pintails, gadwalls, green-winged teal, northern shovelers, canvasbacks, ring-necked ducks and American wigeon. This scenic overlook is located near Milepost 31 on State Hwy 14.

BEACON ROCK

Beacon Rock is a well known landmark that is recommended for first time visitors to the Columbia River Gorge. You can hike safely to the top of this 848 foot extinct volcano core, which offers a stunning vista of the Columbia River Gorge. The state park also includes a campground, day-use area with boat launch and several trails.

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL

The Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail (PCT) is a treasured pathway through some of the most outstanding scenic terrain in the United States. Beginning in southern California at the Mexican border, the PCT travels a total distance of 2,650 miles through California, Oregon and Washington, before reaching the Canadian border. The section north of the Columbia River cuts through the middle of Skamania County.

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BONNEVILLE DAM

The mighty Bonneville Dam spans the Columbia River linking the two states of Washington and Oregon. The Washington Shore Visitors Center offers one of the most accessible views of the powerhouse and a fish viewing window.

MT. ST. HELENS

Mt. St. Helens is one of the world's most active and violent volcanoes. One of the quickest ways to see this impressive mountain is the southeastern route through Skamania County.

GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST

Eighty percent of Skamania County in the western part of the Columbia River Gorge is home to the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. An abundance of recreational activities are found at Trapper Creek Wilderness, Indian Heaven Wilderness, Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Adams.

→ **EDITOR'S FAVORITE**

Arboretum Trail

The Arboretum Trail is one of the oldest arboreta in the Pacific Northwest. In 1912, researchers began planting trees from around the world to learn what kind of trees would grow best for replanting after the huge forest fires of the early 20th century. This interpretive trail passes dead and surviving trees of 250 species from all over the world planted here to see which ones would grow best for timber production.

Round Trip: 2 miles / **Level:** Easy
Elevation Gain: 40 ft.

Getting There: From Carson, drive north on Wind River Hwy for 7.6 miles. At Stabler, turn left on Hemlock Rd. Drive 1.3 miles and pass the former Wind River Ranger Station. Cross the bridge, continue straight passing the historical homes and follow signs to Arboretum.

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→ COMMUNITIES

HOOD RIVER

Home to both Oregon's highest mountain and mightiest river, Hood River is the Gorge's basecamp for outdoor adventures, from hiking, mountain biking and skiing to windsurfing, kiteboarding and rafting. After a day of outdoor fun, explore Hood River's historic downtown, where you will discover an eclectic mix of independently-owned gift shops, coffee shops, distilleries, brew pubs and wine tasting rooms. Hood River is also the launching point for the renowned Hood River County Fruit Loop, a gorgeous 35-mile self-guided tour route through the agriculturally rich Hood River Valley. It takes visitors past pear, cherry and apple orchards and vineyards, with suggested stops at almost 30 farms, orchards, cideries and wineries.

ODELL

Located in the heart of the Hood River County Fruit Loop, Odell has cideries, wineries and the valley's biggest fruit packing houses. Odell is also home to the Hood River County Fairgrounds, which hosts the County Fair in July and the Gorge Fruit & Crafts Festival in September.

PARKDALE

Mt. Hood provides a dramatic backdrop for the residents of Parkdale, an agricultural community located about 16 miles south of Hood River. The Hutson Museum, a historical Hood River valley landmark, rests on a two-acre National Historic Site.

➔ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Mitchell Point Tunnel

After 4 years of construction, the 655-foot long tunnel is now open and is available for non-vehicle users to hike and bike on this 1.5 mile segment of the Historic State Trail. The new tunnel includes five arched windows with expansive views of the Columbia River along with a hand placed stone masonry wall on the trail, plaza with picnic tables, break areas, an overlook, and an expanded restroom at the trailhead.

Getting There: The Mitchell Point Tunnel is only accessible from I-84 eastbound Exit 58. There is no access from westbound I-84. From Hood River, use the Exit 56 interchange to turnaround and head east to Exit 58.

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→ HIDDEN GEMS

Art Walk

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Bike + Hike + Run

Bike, hike or run on the five-mile, traffic-free section of the Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail— America's first 'King of Roads'— that runs between Hood River and Mosier.

Museum

Discover one of the largest collections of still-flying antique airplanes and still-driving antique automobiles in the country at the Western Antique Aeroplane and Automobile Museum (WAAAM).

View + Picnic

Have a picnic at Ruthton Park and enjoy scenic views of the Columbia River Gorge.

Water Play

Hit the water and play on one of the eight rivers located near Hood River (Columbia, Deschutes, Hood, John Day, Klickitat, Sandy, White Salmon and Wind Rivers).

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→ ATTRACTIONS

HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL: TWIN TUNNELS SEGMENT

This five-mile trail section of the Historic Highway— which is closed to vehicles— starts in Hood River at the Mark O. Hatfield West trailhead and features amazing views of the Gorge, plus passage through a double tunnel, on the way to the small town of Mosier.

HOOD RIVER WATERFRONT

The vibrant Hood River Waterfront Park is located on Portway Avenue on the banks of the Columbia River. There is a walking path, a sandy beach and swimming area (no lifeguards), picnic shelters, restrooms, grassy areas and a natural playground and climbing wall. The waterfront area also features two locally-owned brew pubs, cocktail bar,

restaurant, coffee shop and the nation's number one non-alcoholic distillery and tasting room. The waterfront is a great place to watch kiteboarders, windsurfers, foilers and stand-up paddlers. The Event Site is a great spot for watching the activity on the river. Cost for day use is \$10.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN HOOD RIVER

Hood River's downtown historic district has more than 40 civic and commercial buildings dating from 1893 to the 1930s, some of which are listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Enjoy restaurants, art galleries and coffee shops in this quaint small town.

PANORAMA POINT

At Panorama Point, visitors can see the entire Hood River Valley. The view features more than 15,000 acres of orchards and vineyards, and the fruit trees in bloom in spring offer a photo opportunity not to be missed. Located three miles south of Hood River on Hwy 35. Follow signs.

HOOD RIVER FRUIT LOOP

The fertile Hood River Valley is home to numerous small, family-run fruit orchards, offering visitors luscious apples, pears, cherries, peaches, blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. One of the best ways to experience this fresh fruit paradise is to take the 35-mile scenic drive along the Hood River Valley Fruit Loop. Many of the orchards offer u-pick opportunities. Not only is there fresh fruit, you will also find lavender farms, wineries and cider tasting rooms.

LOST LAKE

Lost Lake's awesome beauty with classic views of Mt. Hood offers an ideal getaway for families. Great recreational opportunities including hiking, swimming, boating and camping. Reservations required.

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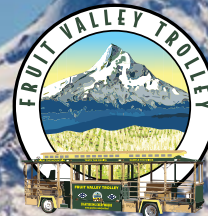
The fertile Hood River Valley is home to numerous small, family-run fruit orchards, delighting visitors to samplings of luscious apples, pears, cherries, peaches, blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. Farmers tend 2.4 million fruit trees on 13,800 acres, accounting for nearly one-third of the fruit tree acreage in Oregon. Fruit farming has been the region's key business for more than 150 years, and Hood River Valley is the largest pear-growing area in the United States.

One of the best ways to experience the fresh fruit paradise is to take the 35 mile scenic drive along the Hood River Valley Fruit Loop. Not only can you buy fruit or pick your own, you can also sample homemade pies and preserves, taste local wine, fresh fruit cider or take home a bouquet of fresh lavender and sunflowers. Picking your own fruit or fresh flowers is a fun experience and can also save you some money. Many of the orchards offer U-pick opportunities— make sure to call ahead to check out availability. Celebrate the harvest of fruit at the many events scheduled throughout the season. Visit www.hoodriverfruitloop.com for details and download The Fruit Loop map.

Hood River Valley is not the only producer of fruit in the Columbia River Gorge. Wasco County is the number one producer of sweet cherries in Oregon, with the Goldendale area in Washington recognized for its delicious peaches.

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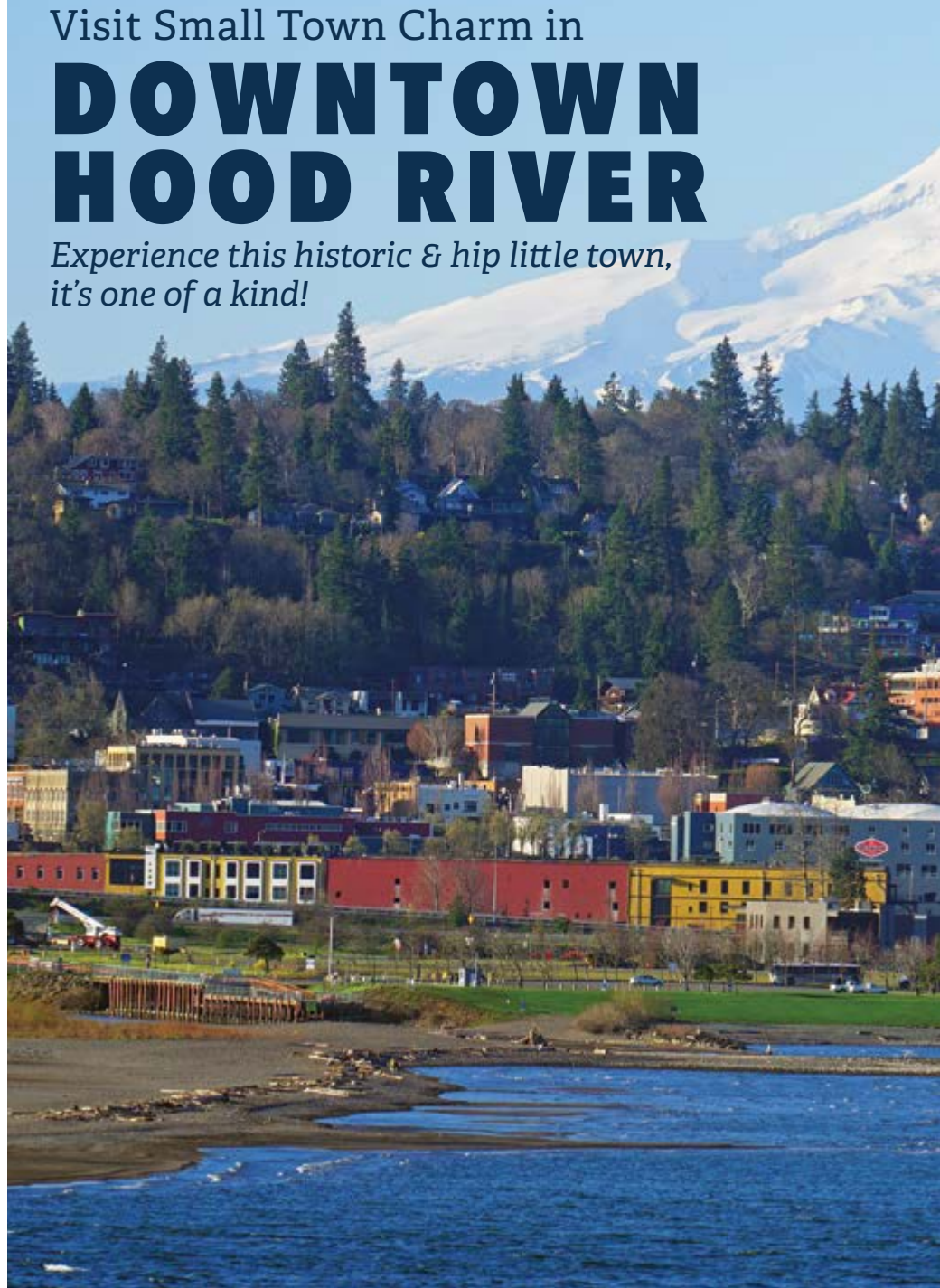


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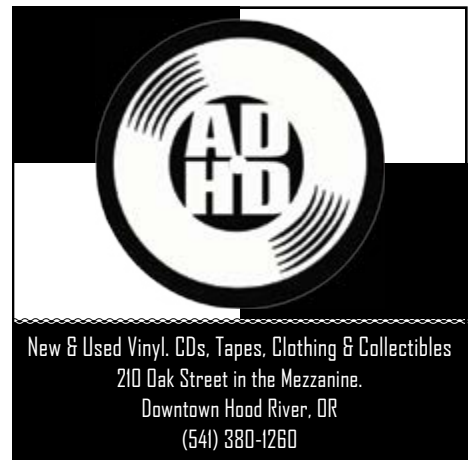
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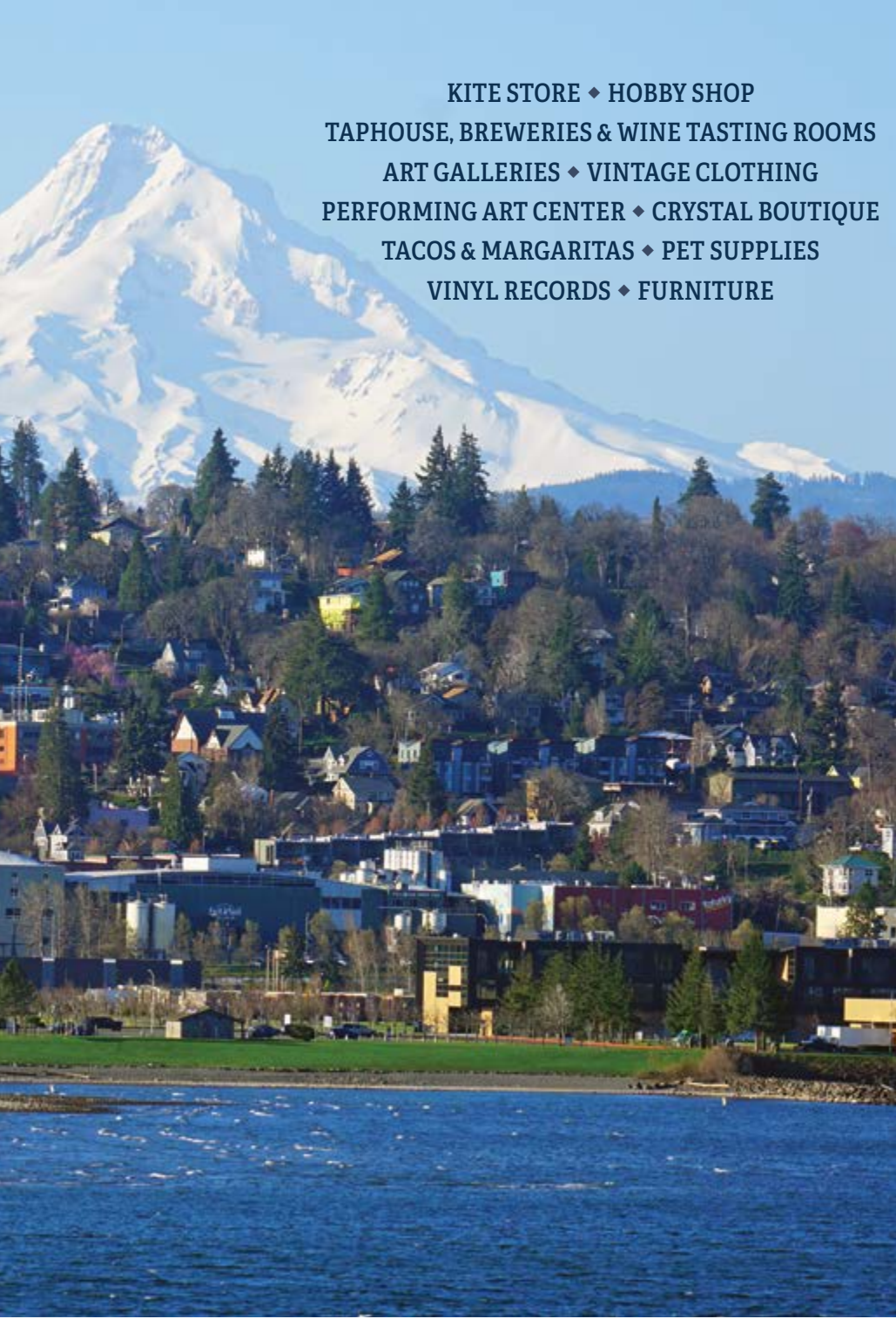


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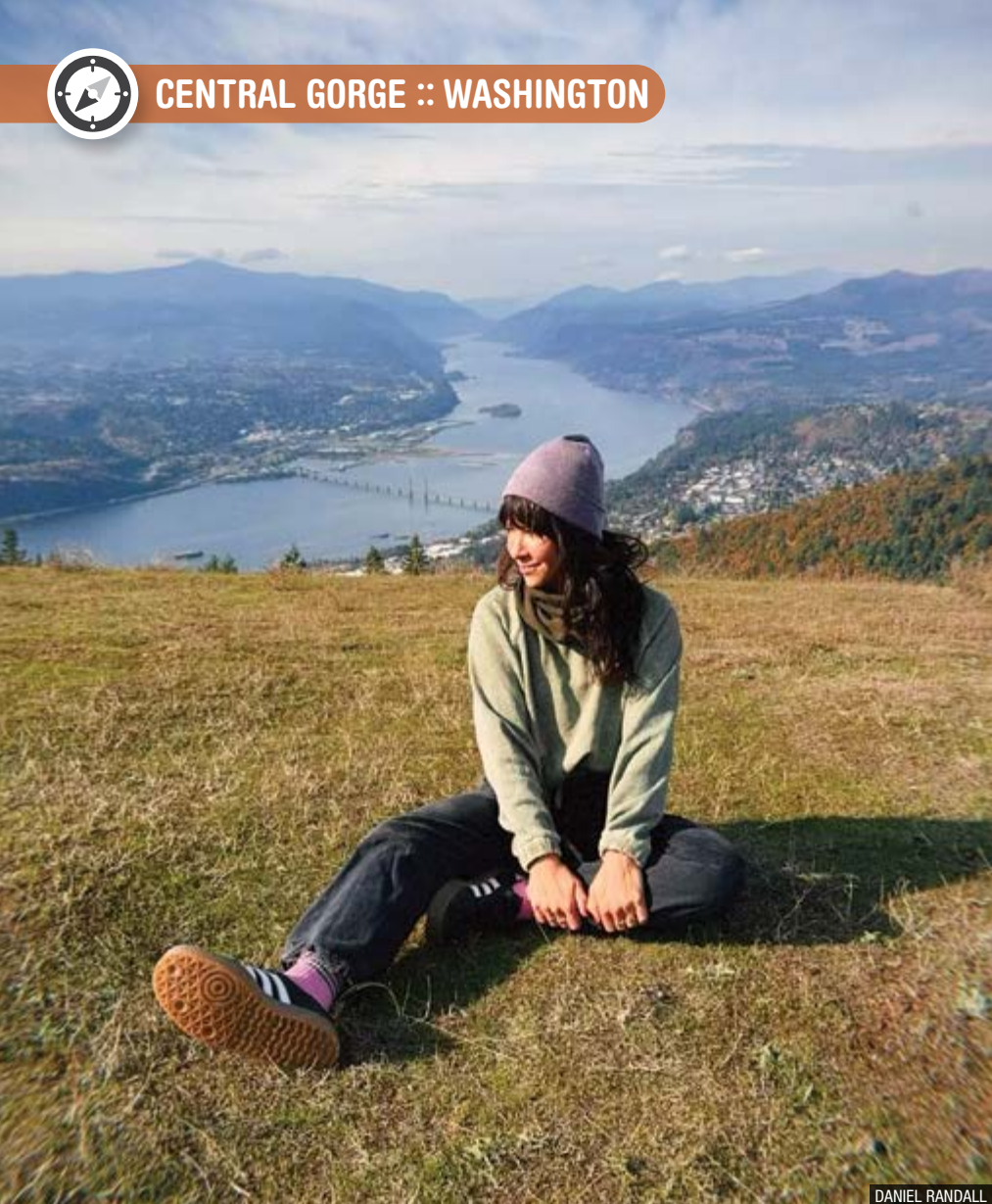
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The Central Gorge on the Washington side is known as the land where the rain meets the sun. Every small town here boasts its own charm, distinct attractions, and breathtaking views. Discover the sunny side of the Gorge and uncover your rainbow.

EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Labyrinth Falls Trail

You'll find wildflowers, unique changing terrain, cascading waterfalls and gorgeous views on this trail. A great spring time hike but beware of ticks, poison oak and rattlesnakes. Follow the abandoned road and in 0.3 miles you will see Labyrinth Falls. A bit farther down the road, look for obvious path and sign to the right and follow trail to the right at the fork.

Round Trip: 5 miles round trip

Elevation Gain: 1200 ft.

Getting There: Travel 5 miles from Bingen to Old Hwy 8. Park immediately on the corner gravel lot. Head west road that parallels Hwy 14.

NOTE: No pass required

COMMUNITIES

WHITE SALMON & BINGEN

Located in the heart of the Columbia River Gorge, White Salmon and Bingen are ideal bases for outdoor adventures, from windsports and kayaking to skiing, mountain biking, and hiking. Within 10 miles, you'll find 10 Washington wineries to explore. Stroll through both towns to discover vintage shops, a historic museum, fruit stands, and artisan markets. Centrally located, White Salmon and Bingen make it easy to relax, explore, and experience the best of the Gorge.

White Salmon, perched on a bluff with stunning Gorge views, boasts a vibrant downtown with three wine-tasting rooms, a highly rated wine shop, an award-winning brewery, a famous bakery, and exceptional lodging. It hosts a popular wine walk and the annual Wildflower Festival.

Two minutes away, Bingen offers direct access to the Columbia River at the Port of Klickitat, the Bingen Skate Park in Daubenspeck Park, a Spa and Bathhouse, and the beloved Huckleberry Festival.

MILL A / WILLARD / COOK

Mill A and the neighboring communities of Willard and Cook are located on the eastern edge of Skamania County and are access points to the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. Big Cedars rustic campground is a local favorite with access to nearby creeks and wilderness. The tiny town of Cook is located just west of the mouth of the Little White Salmon River and is home to the Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery.

UNDERWOOD

Nestled on the eastern slope of the Cascades, Underwood enjoys a drier climate than the western side of the Gorge, creating ideal conditions for vineyards that produce exceptional wine grapes. Located near the towns of White Salmon and Bingen, it's a great destination for wine enthusiasts and visitors alike. Explore the historic Underwood School gymnasium and community center, or drive up Cook-Underwood Road to discover breathtaking viewpoints perfect for capturing stunning photos of Mt. Hood and the Columbia River.





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→ ATTRACTIONS

LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY

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WHITE SALMON & KLICKITAT WILD & SCENIC RIVER

Enjoy fishing, hiking, nature viewing, rafting, kayaking, and paddleboarding. Over 50,000 rafters and kayakers visit annually to boat on the White Salmon and the Klickitat — Wild and Scenic Rivers.

WINE COUNTRY

The Columbia Gorge AVA is the most diverse appellation in Washington. Sip award-winning wines and soak in world-class scenery. Three tasting rooms in White Salmon and 10 Washington Wineries within 10 miles of Bingen and White Salmon.

SPOKES BIKE PARK

A family-friendly, non-motorized mountain bike and BMX skills park in White Salmon's Jewett Creek Recreation Area features well-designed jump lines and is praised for its expert execution and rider-friendly take-offs.



→ HIDDEN GEMS

Windsports

Five launch sites include Swell City, Cheap Beach, The Hatchery, Bingen, and Doug's Beach, with lessons available in Lyle.

Resources

The White Salmon Valley Community Library offers much more than books. Music, movies, special events, children and teen programs, a rotating art display, used bookstore, business and professional services and a multitude of useful resources available to everyone.

Bike + Hike + Run

From Coyote Wall Trailhead, bikers, hikers, and trail runners can access a 30-plus-mile network of trails with breathtaking views.

Museum

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Mt. Adams is one of the largest volcanoes in the Cascade Range. Although it has not had a major eruption in 1,400 years, it is not extinct. While it has been less active during the past thousand years than nearby Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Hood, there is a chance it will erupt again.



There are boundless opportunities for hiking, camping and winter recreation in the Mt. Adams Wilderness Area and the Gifford Pinchot National Forest.

➔ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Sleeping Beauty

Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier and Indian Heaven Wilderness await you at the top of this steep rewarding climb through maple, hemlock and fir trees. As you hike out of the trees, you are almost to the base of the rock slope. The rocky trail will take you to the summit and the site of a former fire lookout.

Round Trip: 3 miles

Elevation Gain: 1500 ft.

Getting There: Travel to Hwy 141 on Hwy 14 (25 miles east of Stevenson, WA). Travel north 20 miles to Trout Lake, take 141 west, then turn right on Trout Lake Creek Rd/FR 88. Drive 4.5 miles and turn right on FR 8810. Follow FR 8810 for 6.2 miles, then turn right on FR 040. In about .6 mile, there's a small pullout for parking on the right with trailhead on left.

NOTE: No pass required

➔ COMMUNITIES

HUSUM / BZ CORNER

Husum and BZ Corner are located along Hwy 141 in the White Salmon River Valley. Whitewater rafting and kayaking are both major recreational sports, with access points to the White Salmon River in both communities. Enjoy a night's stay in one of Husum's hospitable B&B's.

GLENWOOD

This historic ranching community located in the Glenwood Valley at the base of Mt. Adams is known for its annual NPRA rodeo, wilderness access and scenic views.

TROUT LAKE

Visit this rural farming community and find yourself surrounded by nature. Horseback riding, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, hiking, bicycling, camping, fishing, mountain climbing and scenic drives are just some of the major attractions you can participate in. Stay at a bed and breakfast, a mountain lodge or a Buddhist temple. Find your adventure away from the city lights and under the stars in Trout Lake.





→ ATTRACTIONS

MT. ADAMS

The 12,276-foot high Mt. Adams is the second highest peak in the Northwest after Mt. Rainier. Wilderness trails offer hikers magnificent views of Mt. Adams and its glaciers, plummeting streams, alpine forests and wildflowers spread among lava flows and rimrocks.

GIFFORD PINCHOT NATIONAL FOREST / MT. ADAMS RANGER DISTRICT

The Mt. Adams Ranger District covers the southern portion of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest and includes the Mt. Adams, Indian Heaven and Trapper Creek Wildernesses. It also includes the Big Lava Bed, an unusual lava field which originated from a crater now 500-foot deep, and the Wind River Experimental Forest.

BIG LAVA BED

Big Lava Bed, covering 12,500 acres, ranks among the major landmarks of southwest Washington. Located just south of Goose Lake you'll find a 20-square-mile flow of basalt. The flow came from a source vent found in the north-central part of the lava bed.

ICE CAVES

Just a few miles west of Trout Lake on Hwy 141, deep in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, is a series of lava tubes with local roof collapses that capture and keep the winter snows and ice all summer long. Many of the ice formations are just inside the cave entrance, so it's not necessary to explore deep inside. For more information stop at the Trout Lake Ranger Station on your way out of town.

CONBOY LAKE WILDLIFE REFUGE

Conboy Lake National Wildlife Refuge, one of the hidden jewels of the National Wildlife Refuge System, is located on the east slope of the Cascade Mountains at the base of 12,276-foot Mt. Adams. Refuge visitors enjoy the scenery, hike the Willard Springs trail and observe wildlife from the county roads that surround and cross the refuge.

WHITE SALMON RIVER

The White Salmon River is a 44-mile tributary of the Columbia River, originating on the slopes of Mt. Adams. Listed as a "Wild and Scenic River" by the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, it is world-renowned for its whitewater rafting and kayaking.

WHITewater RAFTING

When most Pacific Northwest white water rivers are reduced to a late summer trickle, the spring-fed White Salmon River maintains a healthy base flow for year-round rafting. The White Salmon is more than a whitewater rafting and kayaking river, it's an experience of nature's beauty.



→ HIDDEN GEMS

Hikes

Conboy Lake Wildlife Refuge has peaceful hikes through serene aspen groves.

Hike the easy trail from the portage area up to BZ Falls.

Scenic Drive

The Trout Lake to Goldendale scenic drive offers magnificent viewpoints.

Shop at the Local Market

Trout Lake Sunday Market offers handmade and home grown delights.

Viewpoints

Glenwood and Trout Lake are excellent night sky viewing locations.

Catch the spray from the class V waterfall viewpoint at Husum Steel Bridge.

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As you travel toward the eastern Columbia River Gorge you will begin to see an impressive change in the landscape. The eastern Gorge is in the rain shadow of the Cascades where annual rainfall is just 14 inches at The Dalles, Oregon. You will notice the dramatic change in scenery as it shifts from temperate rainforest to dry grasslands. Enjoy the sunshine!

→ COMMUNITIES

MOSIER

The small community of Mosier is located on the Oregon side of the Columbia River at River Mile 175. Five miles downstream is Hood River and 15 miles upstream is The Dalles. Today Mosier is well known for being the eastern end of the Twin Tunnels of the Historic Columbia River Highway. Across the Columbia from Mosier are the basalts of the Bingen Gap. Upstream on the Oregon side are the basalts of Rowena Gap and the beautiful area of the Tom McCall Nature Preserve.

ROWENA

Mayer State Park, Rowena Crest and Tom McCall Nature Preserve are attractions found in the tiny community of Rowena which is ten miles from The Dalles.

THE DALLES

Located along the Columbia River and sheltered by Mt. Hood, The Dalles blends rich history with outdoor adventure. Once an important stop for pioneers traveling west, the town today offers scenic cycling, hiking, rafting and fishing, along with a walkable historic downtown. With its sunny climate and easy access to the Columbia River Gorge, The Dalles is a welcoming place to explore Oregon's past and present.

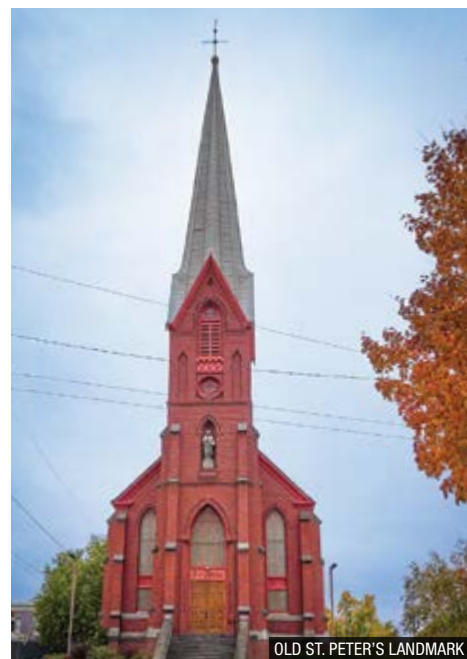


DUFUR

Dufur offers visitors majestic vistas, great outdoor recreation and a glance into another time through museums and historic sites. Dufur is also a farming community, with wheat being an important crop, along with tree fruit and grapes.

RUFUS

Rufus is a beautiful recreational community located off Interstate 84 in the majestic Columbia River Gorge, 100 miles east of Portland and west of Pendleton. A range of small businesses cater to residents and travelers, and the nearby rivers offer a variety of recreational opportunity such as camping, fishing, wind surfing, parasailing, rafting and boating.



OLD ST. PETER'S LANDMARK

→ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Memaloose Hills

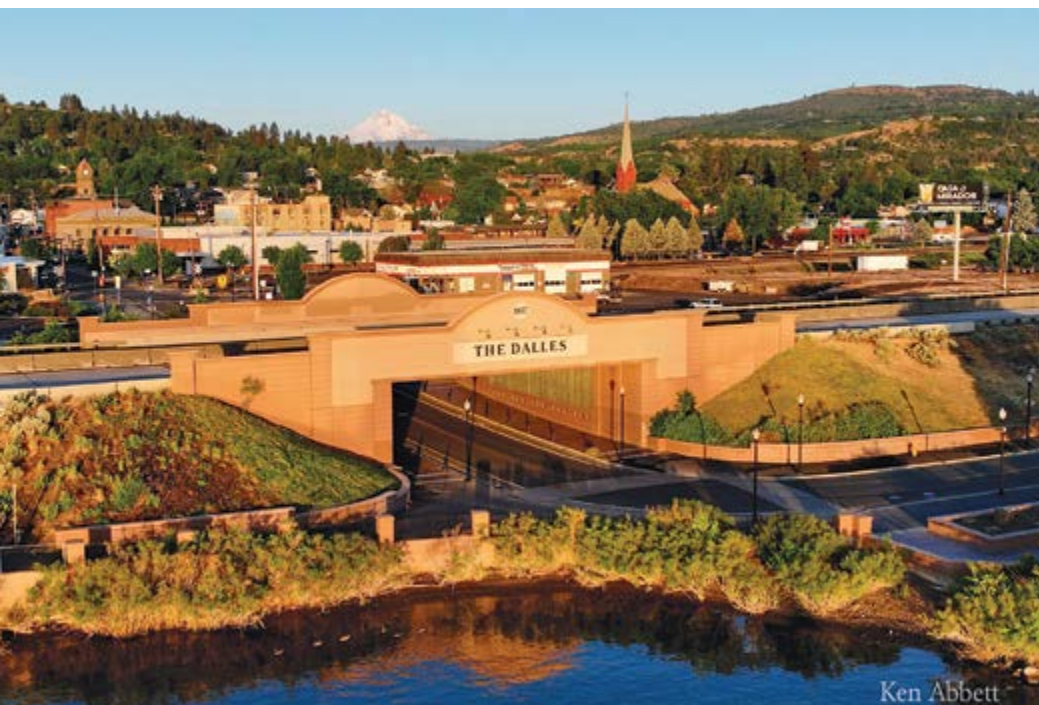
Take a hike through an oak forest for a moderate climb to the top. Be wowed by a spectacular wildflower show along with views of Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams and the mighty Columbia River. The best time to hike is April and May. Consider doing this hike on a weekday as it is very popular but worth it!

Note: Before you begin the hike, check out the overlook for a great view of the Rowena Gap and Memaloose Island. Memaloose is Chinook jargon for 'death' as the island was an Indian mausoleum for centuries. Corpses were brought here in wooden structures to protect them from the vultures.

Round Trip: 3.5 miles
Elevation Gain: 542 ft.

Getting There: Take the Mosier exit off I-84 and head east on Hwy 30 (old Columbia River Highway) to the Memaloose Overlook. Park at the Memaloose Overlook area. Hike begins south of parking area. There are no signs at the beginning of the trail; just a path.

NOTE: No pass required



→ ATTRACTIONS

HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

Between Mosier and Hood River, the five mile Twin Tunnels segment of the Historic Columbia River Highway is a beautiful multi-purpose paved trail with outstanding views of the Columbia River Gorge (no motorized vehicles allowed). The four mile section from The Dalles to Rowena is a scenic drive offering an incredible view from Rowena Crest.

TOM MCCALL NATURE PRESERVE

The 271-acre Tom McCall Nature Preserve on Rowena Plateau provides breath-taking views of the Columbia River Gorge. Wildflowers are abundant in the spring with over 200 plant species. No dogs allowed.

COLUMBIA GORGE DISCOVERY CENTER AND MUSEUM

The 48,200 square-foot Columbia Gorge Discovery Center and Museum is situated on a 54-acre point of land adjacent to the Columbia River and the Historic Columbia River Highway. The multimedia, interactive museum inspires appreciation and stewardship of the natural and cultural treasures of the Columbia River Gorge and Wasco County.

FORT DALLES MUSEUM

Fort Dalles Museum, in The Dalles, Oregon, is housed in the former Surgeon's Quarters; the only remaining officer's quarters of the 1856 Fort Dalles military complex. One of Oregon's oldest history museums, it first opened its doors in 1905. Take a tour of the unique collection of pioneer and military artifacts and antique wagons at one of the old west's most pivotal places in history. You will enjoy viewing the exhibits and walking on the grounds of this military fort, built during the 1800s.

THE NATIONAL NEON SIGN MUSEUM

The National Neon Sign Museum in The Dalles, Oregon is dedicated to providing a dynamic and entertaining environment that promotes an understanding and appreciation of advertising and signage and the unique role it has played in American history. It provides historical, social and cultural relevance through the exhibition of more than 20,000 square feet of electrifying signs, ephemera and interactive displays that date from the late 1800s through the 1960s.

RIVERFRONT TRAIL

The Riverfront Trail at The Dalles is a scenic paved pathway along the Columbia River from the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center parking lot east 7.3 miles to the Riverfront Park. There are a lot of interesting things to see in that distance, including the Riverfront Park, the marina, a Lewis & Clark "slept here" campsite, the wild Chenoweth Creek and the lakes and ridges of the wildlife refuge below the Discovery Center. The trail may be windy, but never boring.

THE DALLES DAM

Learn about hydropower, navigation, recreation, fish passage and much more at The Dalles Locks and Dam. There's a 250-gallon cold water aquarium stocked with fish from the Columbia River, a live-camera view of the fish going up the fish ladder, a short film and several interactive displays and activities about the multifunctions of the dam. There is something for everyone, even in January when the Annual Eagle Watch takes place.

→ HIDDEN GEMS

Art + History

Take a step back in time and experience a slice of country life at the Dufur Living History Museum.

Sneak a peek at the Old St. Peters Landmark, a 115 year old former Catholic Church complete with stained glass windows and old church bell.

Visit The Dalles School District Archive Museum, honoring both the old and new school districts of The Dalles, Oregon.

Walk around historic Downtown The Dalles to admire the 33 beautiful murals painted by local and out of town volunteer artists.

Bike + Drive

Bike or drive into history with eye-catching views and abandoned homesteads at Eight and Fifteen Mile Loop, also known as Emerson Loop Cutoff.

Festivals

Don't miss the Northwest Cherry Festival that provides three days of entertainment and fun for the whole family in downtown The Dalles.

Walk

Explore The Riverfront Trail, and enjoy an easy, paved walk along the Columbia River with big views, historic landmarks, and riverside charm.

Raptor Program

Visit the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center to learn about birds of prey including eagles, owls, hawks and falcons.

Viewpoints

Enjoy sweeping views of The Dalles and surrounding area at Kelly View Point with access to Sorosis Park.

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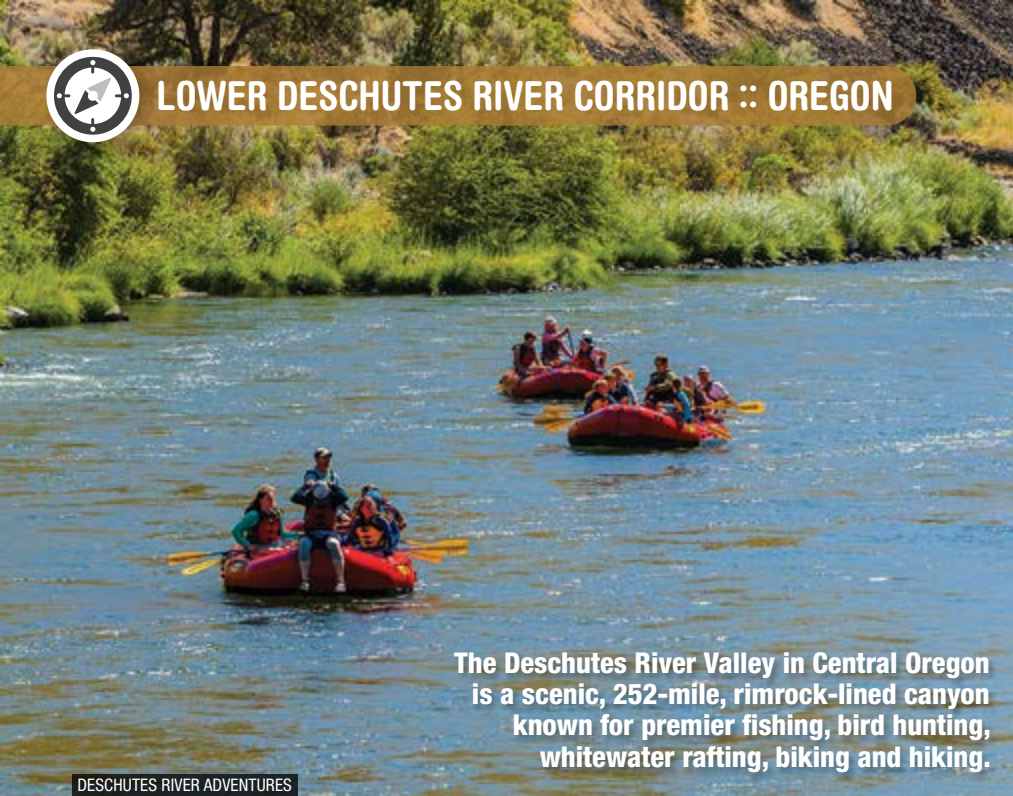
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→ COMMUNITIES

MAUPIN

Maupin is the only community located directly on the beautiful lower Deschutes River. The area offers an abundance of recreational opportunities. In addition to world-class fishing and whitewater rafting, there is also hunting, cycling, hiking, camping and bird watching.

PINE HOLLOW

Pine Hollow is a popular destination for those who enjoy lake recreation but don't want to compete with large crowds. Stunning views, lakeside meals, camping, fishing, and more!

ANTELOPE

A designated "Dark Sky" community with newly renovated A-frame cabins and RV park. While here, you'll experience quiet solitude and learn about the rich history of this tiny town.

SHANIKO

Known as one of Oregon's ghost towns, Shaniko has been restored over the last ten years and features lodging, restaurants and shops. There's still plenty of history to be explored in Shaniko.

→ ATTRACTIONS

WHITE RIVER FALLS STATE PARK

White River Falls State Park is a beautiful day-use recreational area offering hiking trails with views of the White River Falls and desert flowers blooming in the spring.

DESCHUTES RIVER STATE RECREATION AREA

The Deschutes River State Recreation Area is an overnight haven for campers. There's no better place for family activities like hiking, mountain biking, camping, rafting and world-class fishing. The Deschutes, which is both a national and state scenic waterway, drops about a quarter of a mile in its final 100 miles as it twists through canyons 700 to 2,200 feet deep.

SHERMAN COUNTY MUSEUM

The Museum comprises 16,000 square feet and over 15,000 artifacts used in Native American families, Oregon Trail migration, rural households, churches, schools, businesses, livestock production, dry-land wheat farming and conservation, military units and patriotic efforts.

COTTONWOOD CANYON STATE PARK

This park is rugged and vast, from the vertical cliffs carved by the John Day River to deep side canyons and arid, rocky grasslands that extend for miles in all directions. The park's 8,000-plus acres are open for exploring, stargazing and contemplating the elemental forces that carved this unique landscape.

BARLOW RANGER DISTRICT

The Barlow Ranger District is a US Forest Service District located on the east side of Mt. Hood. Look for hikes in the Badger Creek Wilderness & Lower White River Wilderness for the closest proximity to Maupin. For more information contact Dufur Ranger Station.

→ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

White River Falls State Park

The White River Falls plunges 90 feet over two tiers at White River Falls State Park. A short steep staircase-like trail takes you to the viewing area. Continue on this trail for an epic view of the falls. At the bottom you will see the abandoned 1901 power plant building. Farther downstream there are flat ledges and beaches for relaxing in the beauty of this hidden gem. Continue south to Maupin for a scenic drive and lunch along the Deschutes River.

Round Trip: 1 miles

Elevation Gain: Short stair climb

Getting There: Travel I-84 east to The Dalles, Exit #87. Turn right, then left onto Hwy 197 towards Dufur and Bend. Follow Hwy 197 for 28 miles to MP33 at flashing light, and follow Route 216. Go 4 miles to the park entrance.

NOTE: No pass required

→ HIDDEN GEMS

Art + History

Visit the town of Shaniko where the west still lives.

Take a step back in time and experience a slice of country life at the Dufur Living History Museum.

Festivals

Maupin Daze is an annual celebration of the Maupin community and life on the beautiful Deschutes River. The event features a parade, local arts, a 5K, crafts & food vendors, a plant sale, city-wide garage sales, and more! Held annually on the third Saturday in May.

Fish

Discover Sherar's Falls where you will find salmon run peaks from May-June and sometimes continuing until October. This area remains a significant fishing & cultural site of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Located North of Maupin on the Deschutes River Access road.

Rodeo

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➔ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Crawford Oaks Vista Loop

Located as part of the Dalles Mountain Ranch, this five mile round trip trail offers sweeping views of the Columbia River and Mt. Hood. The area is non-motorized and multi-use, so expect to see other hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians. The location also has a bathroom and covered picnic table. Known as a wildflower WOW in April and May.

Elevation Gain: 831 ft.

Getting There: Drive east of Bingen, WA 27 miles on Hwy 14 to milepost 87. There is a sign for Crawford Oaks Trail.

NOTE: Washington State Discover Pass required

➔ COMMUNITIES

LYLE

The small community of Lyle is located on the north bank of the Columbia River where the Klickitat River merges with the Columbia. After a day of hiking the Klickitat Trail, visit one of the many wineries along the Columbia, or watch the windsurfers and kiteboarders at Doug's Beach State Park.

KLICKITAT

Fishing, rafting and kayaking are favorite activities in this small timber community. The 31-mile Klickitat Trail passes through the town of Klickitat before following 10.5 miles of the beautiful, wild and scenic Klickitat River.

DALLESPORT

Dallesport is home to the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport. The area has a commanding view of Mt. Hood to the south and Mt. Adams to the west.

WISHRAM

Wishram is a railroad community along the Columbia River, served by Amtrak. Trains depart daily from the small station at Wishram. Enjoy dramatic views of Mt. Hood to the southwest and Mt. Adams to the northwest.

CENTERVILLE

Historic farming community in beautiful eastern Klickitat County.

MARYHILL

The quaint hamlet of Maryhill, on the banks of the Columbia River, features wineries, vineyards, orchards, historic Stonehenge, Maryhill State Park and Maryhill Museum of Art.

ROOSEVELT

The waterfront park in Roosevelt is very popular for fishing, windsurfing, kiteboarding and picnicking.

GOLDENDALE

With Mt. Adams in the distance, the pioneer town of Goldendale is located at the heart of the Eastern Columbia River Gorge. A local base for outdoor adventure and the Klickitat County seat, Goldendale is home to popular area attractions such as the Presby House Museum, Goldendale Observatory State Park, services, restaurants and seasonal farmers' market.

BICKLETON

Bickleton is known as the Bluebird Capital of the world because of the thousands of bluebirds that spend most of the year in the area. Bickleton is worth the drive to the Bluebird Inn, the oldest operating tavern in the state of Washington, and the Alder Creek Pioneer Carousel Museum, open from April to mid-October. A few miles south of town is the area's first large wind power farm, consisting of 133 turbines.



KLICKITAT RIVER



STONEHENGE

→ ATTRACTIONS

PRESBY HOUSE MUSEUM

The Klickitat County Historical Society is located at The Presby Mansion which was built in 1902. The home has 20 rooms on three floors filled with exceptional displays of furniture, clothing, utensils and personal effects from the 1880s–1930s.

KLICKITAT TRAIL

The Klickitat Rails to Trails is a recreation treasure. The 31-mile rail corridor travels from Lyle, Washington up the Klickitat River and then heads up to the Swale Canyon, just north of Columbia Hills State Park.

KLICKITAT RIVER

The Klickitat River was designated as a "Wild and Scenic" River in 1986. It enters the Columbia River from the north at Lyle.

KLICKITAT FISH HATCHERY

A rearing facility consisting of 22 raceways, three release ponds, six water intakes and two adult holding ponds. Hatchery tours are available to visitors.

FISHER HILL BRIDGE

View the Klickitat River Gorge at Fisher Hill Bridge. In January, bald eagles gather along a two-mile handicapped accessible trail near the bridge.

COLUMBIA HILLS STATE PARK

Columbia Hills State Park (which includes Horsethief Lake and Dalles Mountain Ranch areas) is a 3,338-acre camping park with 7,500 feet of freshwater shoreline on the Columbia River. Columbia Hills State Park is home to a remarkable collection of Native American petroglyphs.

DALLES MOUNTAIN RANCH

The Dalles Mountain Ranch runs along the north side of Hwy 14 from The Dalles Dam to east of Wishram. The entire ranch was deeded to the state of Washington and is now a state park, accessible by cars and hiking trails. The Dalles Mountain Ranch is known as a glorious place to hike, especially in April, May and early June when the grasses are still green and the wildflowers are in bloom.

HORSETHIEF LAKE AREA

This park is an amazing area to see pictographs and petroglyphs, including the famous She Who Watches. Some of the oldest pictographs in the Northwest are found in this park. The park is a National Historic Site and guided tours are available to see the petroglyphs.

MARYHILL WINERY

Sample award-winning wines and enjoy sweeping views of the Columbia River Gorge and Mt. Hood at world class Maryhill Winery.

STONEHENGE

Stonehenge was built in the early 1900s by Sam Hill as a memorial to WWI soldiers from Klickitat County who died during the war. It is a full sized, near exact replica of the original. From Stonehenge's incredible location, you can enjoy a great view of the Columbia River, green farmland, the Sam Hill Memorial Bridge and Mt. Hood.

GOLDENDALE OBSERVATORY

Renovated in 2019, Goldendale Observatory State Park is a five-acre educational facility on a 2,100-foot-high hilltop. The observatory is home to one of the nation's largest public telescopes and attracts thousands of sky-watchers annually since opening in 1973.

CHAMBERLAIN LAKE VIEWPOINT

Rest area overlooking the Gorge and Memaloose Island. Located west of Lyle.

MARYHILL MUSEUM OF ART

Set on a stunning 5,300-acre site overlooking the Columbia River Gorge, Maryhill Museum of Art is one of the Northwest's most fascinating cultural destinations. Exhibitions include early 20th century American and European works— you can see 80 works by Rodin— an extensive Native American collection, particularly Columbia Plateau tribes, and much more. Hands-on children's space, sculpture garden, café and museum shop make for a well-rounded experience.

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Art + History

Stop by the Presby House Museum, home of the Klickitat County Historical Society, on your journey through the Eastern Gorge. The hard-working pioneer history of the area is a museum specialty. Open daily, May 1–Oct. 1.
122 West Broadway, Goldendale, Washington.

Visit the Rodin Gallery at Maryhill Museum of Art. The gallery features 87 works Auguste Rodin, considered the father of modern sculpture.

Hit the Trail

Observatory Hill offers three hiking/biking loops for all levels offering scenic overlooks, nature trail and an advanced trail for mountain biking and hiking.

Discover

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Shop at the Local Market

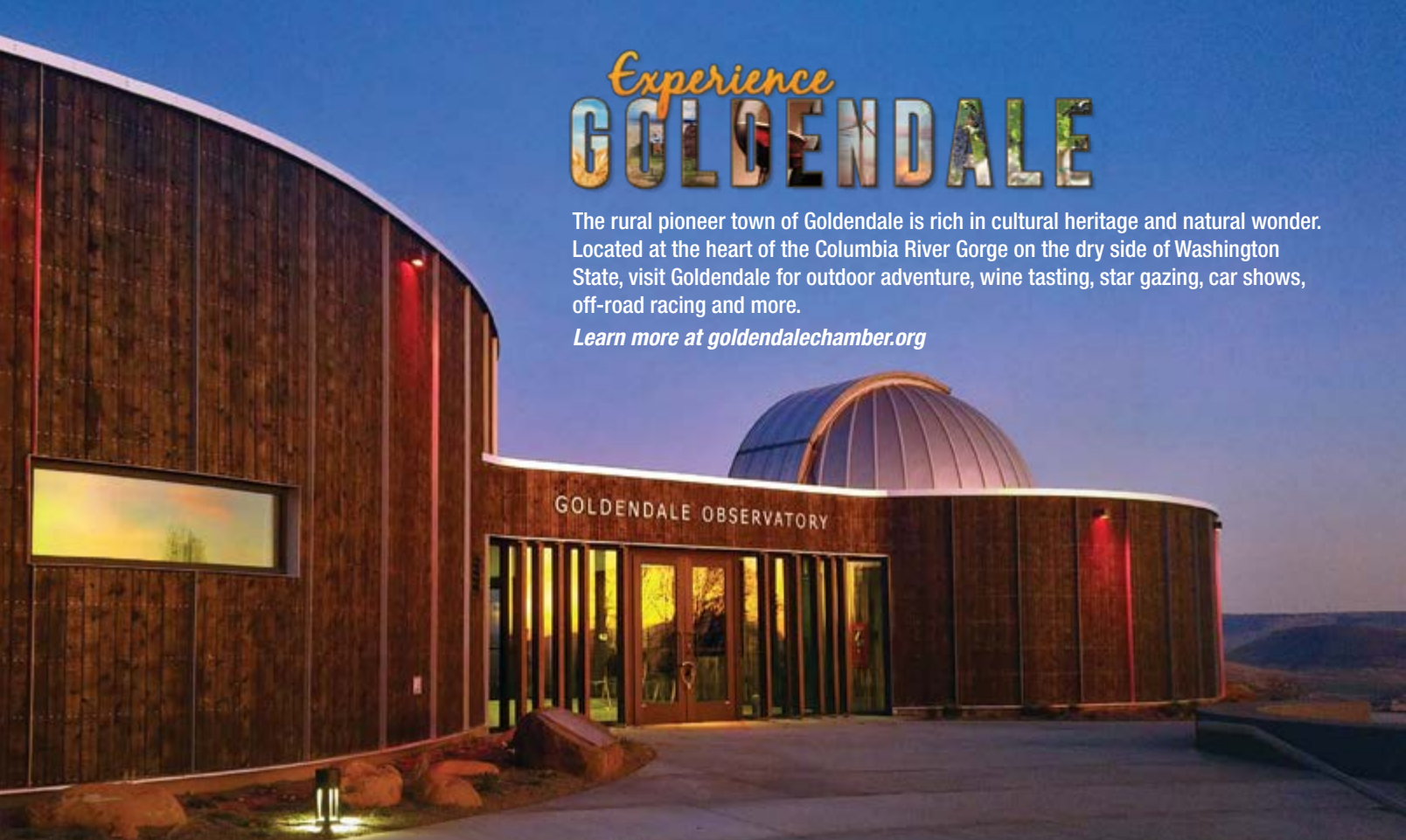
Find delicious and nutritious farm-fresh fruits and vegetables on Saturdays at Goldendale Farmers' Market at the Goldendale Chamber grounds, 903 East Broadway, 9am–2pm, May–September.

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Experience GOLDENDALE

The rural pioneer town of Goldendale is rich in cultural heritage and natural wonder. Located at the heart of the Columbia River Gorge on the dry side of Washington State, visit Goldendale for outdoor adventure, wine tasting, star gazing, car shows, off-road racing and more.

Learn more at goldendalechamber.org



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Every year people are relocating to the Columbia River Gorge to embrace the amazing scenery and be part of the local community. The area has the most beautiful landscape varying from desert to forest, along with crown jewels: Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams and Mt. St. Helens. And of course there is the mighty Columbia River! Drive east and you are in the desert, north or south and you are in the mountains, west and you are in the city of Portland, and two hours later at the Pacific Ocean. It just doesn't get any better than this!


The Scenic Area stretches 85 miles on both sides of the Columbia River from Troutdale, Oregon and Washougal, Washington in the west end to the Deschutes River in the east end. The Gorge is home to more than 65,000 people and is a place to visit for more than two million people each year.

The Columbia River Gorge is home to a diverse group of companies including Google, Insitu and Tofurky. Breweries, wineries, cideries and distilleries are all on the rise offering employment and jobs are also available in healthcare, government and agriculture. Outdoor activities attract thousands of people every year to the Columbia River Gorge which creates ample tourism opportunities.

Thinking about moving to the Gorge?


Friendly real estate agents are ready to lend their expertise in finding you a new home. They are true believers that this area is the perfect place to live whether you are retired, raising a family or commuting to work in the city. In fact, many commuters find the drive through the Gorge a chance to unwind, knowing there is still time when they get home to enjoy their favorite hike or jump on the river for an evening session.






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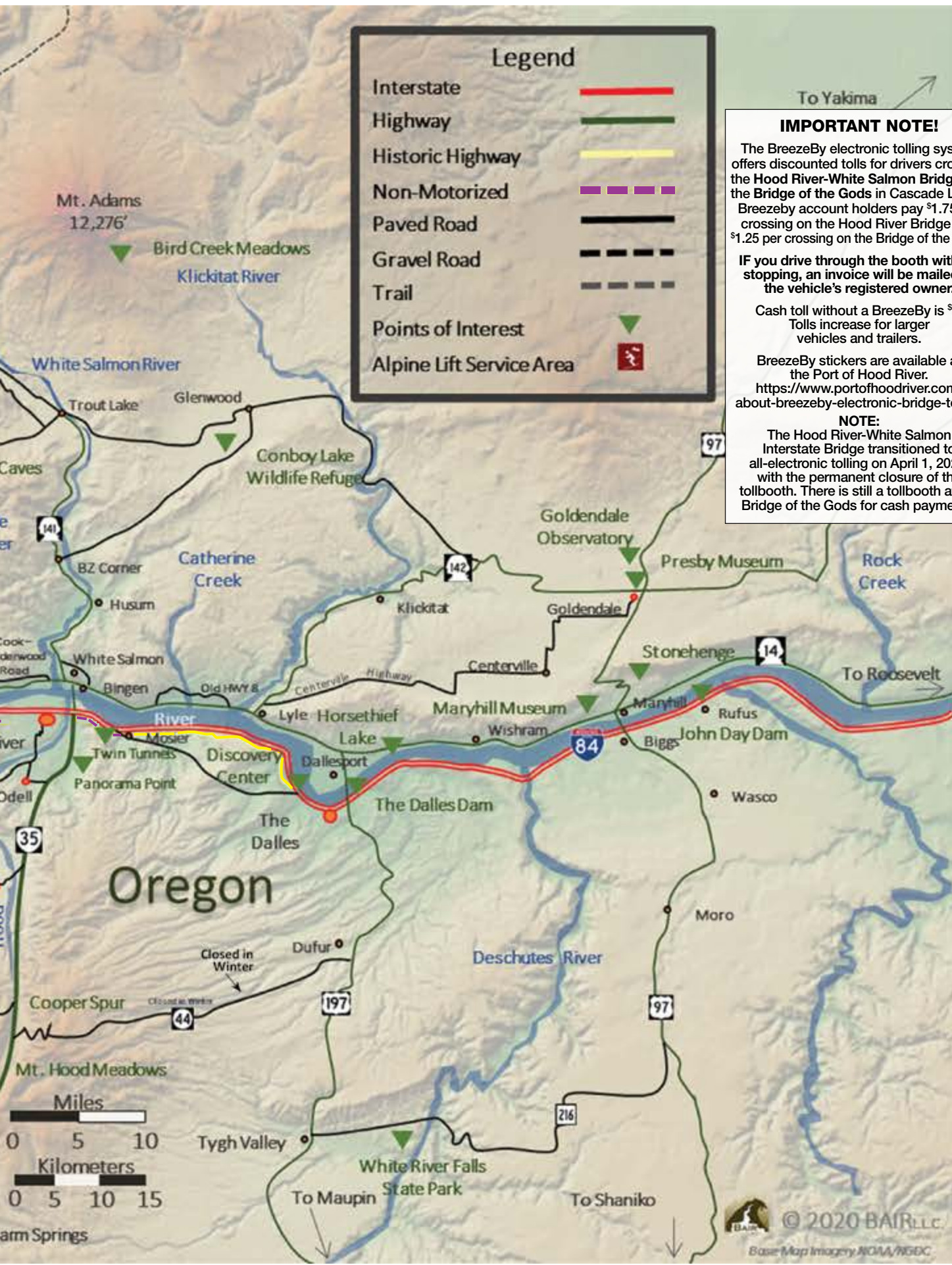


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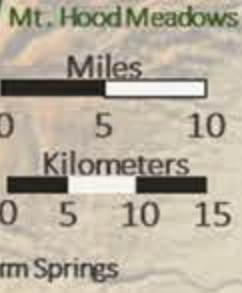
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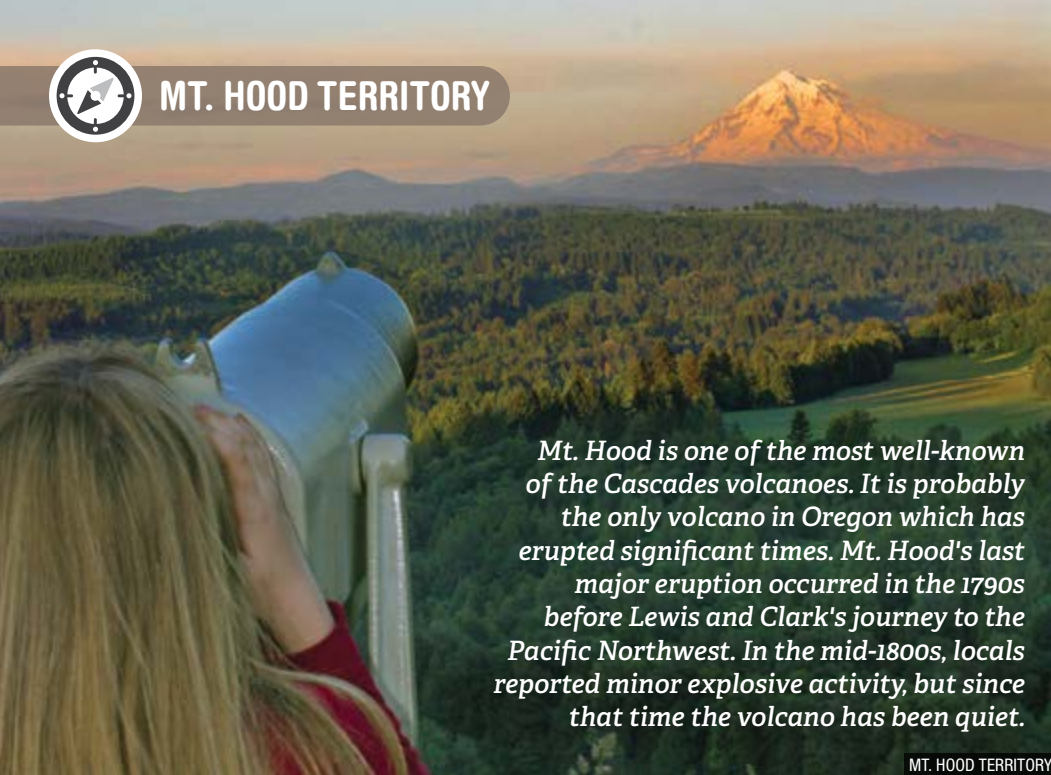
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BreezeBy stickers are available at the Port of Hood River.
<https://www.portofhoodriver.com/about-breezeby-electronic-bridge-tolling>

NOTE:
The Hood River-White Salmon Interstate Bridge transitioned to all-electronic tolling on April 1, 2025, with the permanent closure of the tollbooth. There is still a tollbooth at the Bridge of the Gods for cash payments.

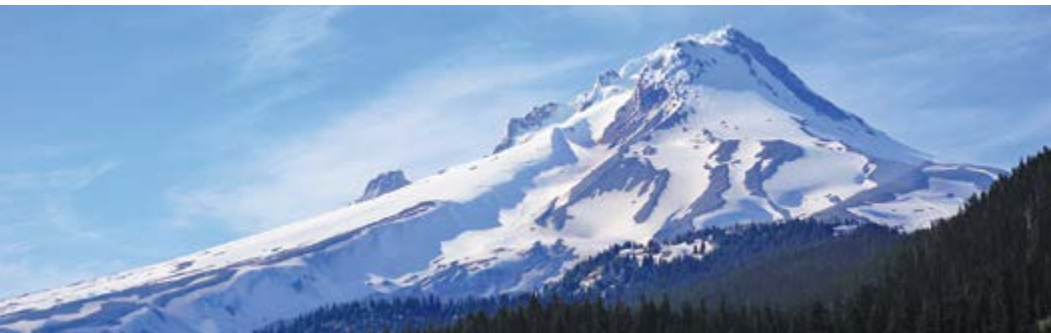


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Mt. Hood is one of the most well-known of the Cascades volcanoes. It is probably the only volcano in Oregon which has erupted significant times. Mt. Hood's last major eruption occurred in the 1790s before Lewis and Clark's journey to the Pacific Northwest. In the mid-1800s, locals reported minor explosive activity, but since that time the volcano has been quiet.

MT. HOOD TERRITORY



→ COMMUNITIES

ESTACADA

Bordering the Clackamas River at the base of Mt. Hood, Estacada is the perfect jumping off point for recreational fun. The town also offers spectacular public murals, shopping, dining, along with a growing beer and cider scene.

SANDY

This area near the Mt. Hood National Forest features the Sandy River, Jonsrud Viewpoint, Sandy Ridge Trail System, Sandy Actors Theatre and a historical museum. In Sandy you can enjoy city parks and trails, delicious eateries, and events like the Sandy Mountain Festival.

VILLAGES OF MT. HOOD

Traveling east along Hwy 26 toward Mt. Hood you will pass the Villages of Mt. Hood including Alder Creek, Brightwood, Welches, Zigzag and Rhododendron. Located near lakes, rivers, trails and the Mt. Hood National Forest, the Villages are a playground for all recreation enthusiasts. Stay awhile and enjoy the area's many cozy vacation rentals and culinary delights.

GOVERNMENT CAMP

Mt. Hood's alpine village, Government Camp, is located on the south slopes of Mt. Hood along the historic Barlow Road and the Mt. Hood Scenic Byway. At an elevation of 4,000 feet, Government Camp is home base for several ski resorts and other year-round outdoor recreation. Learn about the area's ski culture and natural history at Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum.

→ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Magic Mile Sky Ride

A favorite summer activity at Timberline Lodge is the Magic Mile Sky Ride, taking you to 7,000 feet and no skis or snowboards needed! From the lift you can enjoy gorgeous views of Mt. Hood, the Palmer Snowfield, and nearby Mt. Jefferson. Once at the top, you can get off the chair to walk around and watch snowboarders and skiers engaging in summer shredding. A memorable experience for all ages.

Fun note: When constructed by Byron Riblet in 1938, the magic mile chairlift was the longest chairlift in existence, the second in the world to be built as a passenger chairlift, and the first to use metal towers.

There are few more powerful symbols in Oregon than Mt. Hood. At 11,245 feet, Mt. Hood is the highest point in Oregon and the fourth highest peak in the Cascade Range. It is the second most climbed glaciated mountain in the world, after Mt. Fuji in Japan. From Portland, Sandy, Hood River and The Dalles, Mt. Hood hovers dreamlike in the distance, a postcard of alpine symmetry. Year-round recreation for all skill levels stretches from the mountain to the rivers, lakes and trails.

→ HIDDEN GEMS

Bike

Ride year-round on more than 15 miles of trails at the Sandy Ridge Trail System, or opt for lift-assisted rides at Timberline Bike Park during the summer.

Museum + History

Learn about the thousands of pioneers that settled in the area in the mid-1800s at the Sandy Historical Society and Museum.

Travel back in time at Philip Foster Farm and experience this hands-on, living history museum about a local pioneer family.

Scenic Drive + History

Visit the West Barlow Tollgate along the Barlow Road, a historic road built in 1846, which served as the last segment of the Oregon Trail.

Viewpoints

Visit Jonsrud Viewpoint for one of the best views of Mt. Hood and the Sandy River Valley.

Water Play

Rent a kayak, stand-up paddleboard and enjoy peaceful Estacada Lake, or take a guided rafting tour down the Wild & Scenic Clackamas River.

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→ ATTRACTIONS

MT. HOOD

Mt. Hood is one of the crown jewels of this region and is popular with skiers, hikers and climbers. The mountain receives an average of 430 inches of snow each year, and is home to North America's longest ski and snowboard season.

TIMBERLINE LODGE & SKI AREA

Timberline Lodge is a National Historic Landmark and one of Oregon's most popular tourist attractions. The hand-hewn building was built in 1937 by the Works Progress Administration (WPA). It is a prime example of Cascadian architecture and is most famous for serving as the Overlook Hotel in the well-known movie *The Shining*. Timberline Lodge & Ski Area sits at the 6,000-foot level of Mt. Hood and combined with the recently-acquired Summit Ski Area, now known as Summit Pass, the two boast more than 4,540 feet of vertical terrain, more than anywhere else in the country. During the summer months, Timberline's lift-assisted mountain bike park lets users ski during the morning and mountain bike in the afternoon all at one location.

MT. HOOD SKIBOWL

Skibowl is the largest night ski area in the US and provides year-round recreation. In addition to its ski area, Skibowl comes alive in the winter with Cosmic Tubing. In the summer their Adventure Park includes an alpine slide, zip line, tree top action zone and interpretive trails to discover on foot or horseback.

WILDWOOD RECREATION SITE

The Wildwood Recreation Site is a unique 580-acre day use site with over five miles of interpretive trails meandering through woods along the Salmon River. Don't miss the Cascade Streamwatch Trail, where you can get an underwater "fish-eye" view of this famous salmon habitat.

NORTH FORK RESERVOIR

Located along the Clackamas River just east of Estacada, the North Fork Reservoir is popular with anglers and is a great spot for kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. Also, Promontory Park along the reservoir offers camping, yomes and a camp store.

MILO MCIVER STATE PARK

Take in the beauty of the Clackamas River at Milo McIver State Park. This state park features a boat launch, fishing dock, disc golf course, 14 miles of hiking and horseback trails and both day use and camping areas. Learn about the area's wildlife at the Clackamas Fish Hatchery or wildlife interpretive trail.

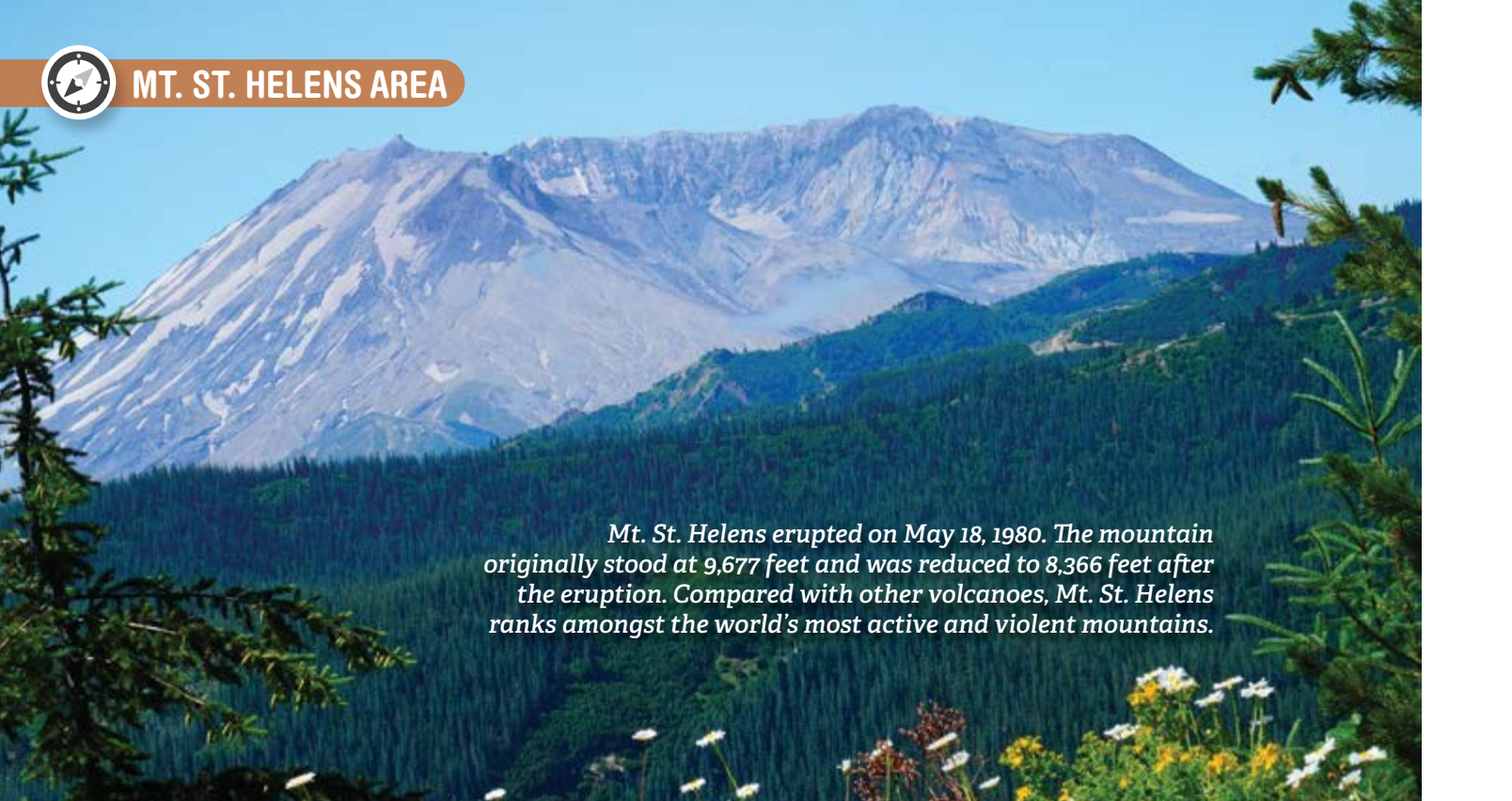
MT. HOOD SCENIC BYWAY

Mt. Hood, crowned one of Oregon's 7 Wonders, is a powerful symbol for the Pacific Northwest. The now-dormant volcano is believed to have been formed 11 to 14 million years ago and is home to 12 glaciers and the source for five rivers that run into the Columbia. The Mt. Hood Scenic Byway is a majestic route around the edge of this iconic landmark, exposing travelers to some of the state's most stunning scenery and sought after recreation destinations. The byway encompasses Hwy 35, Hwy 26 and from Sandy on to Wood Village.

WEST CASCADES SCENIC BYWAY

The West Cascades mountain range bursts with lush old-growth forest scenery, mountain lakes and rushing rivers. This 215-mile byway takes travelers along the canyon of the Wild and Scenic Clackamas River, which offers rafters and kayakers the closest whitewater to Portland. The route begins in Estacada and parallels the bike-friendly Cascading Rivers Scenic Bikeway route to Detroit, then continues on toward Oakridge.





Mt. St. Helens erupted on May 18, 1980. The mountain originally stood at 9,677 feet and was reduced to 8,366 feet after the eruption. Compared with other volcanoes, Mt. St. Helens ranks amongst the world's most active and violent mountains.

→ COMMUNITIES

CASTLE ROCK

The town's namesake, a 190-foot-high rock, was a landmark for Cowlitz Indians and Hudson's Bay Company traders as early as 1832. Castle Rock is the gateway to Mt. St. Helens and offers shopping, restaurants, coffee shops and brew pubs. Fishing, hiking and boating are popular outdoor activities.

TOUTLE /SILVER LAKE

Toutle is home to the Forest Learning Center and Johnston Ridge Observatory where you can experience the story of Mt. St. Helens and the recovery of forests, fish and wildlife following the eruption. The area offers fishing and boating on Silver Lake. Summertime brings Art of the Mountain music festival.

LONGVIEW

The city of Longview recognizes that a vibrant downtown is critical to the uniqueness as a community. Built in the 1920s, Longview has a small-town atmosphere that is very appealing to residents and visitors alike, offering a safe, comfortable, and inviting gathering place with shopping, restaurants, galleries and beautiful streetscapes. There truly is something for everyone at Lake Sacajawea so add this gem to your list of things to do in Longview.

KELSO

The city of Kelso is located on the Cowlitz River, immediately northeast of Longview. The Cowlitz County Historical Museum is located here along with Tam O'Shanter Park. Make sure to visit for the annual Squatch Fest.

KALAMA

Located on the banks of the Columbia River in southwest Washington, the Port of Kalama is home to miles of riverfront playground, beaches, public parks and marina, along with an energetic community of antique shops, restaurants and brewpubs.

WOODLAND

The City of Woodland is the southern gateway to Mt. St. Helens and the Lewis River recreational areas. Also known for the famous Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens and the annual celebration of The Lilac Festival. Horseshoe Lake is a C-shaped body of water right at the southern end of Woodland and is one of the most accessible trout lakes you'll find in Southwest Washington.

ARIEL

Ariel is a small unincorporated town known for its great fishing at Lake Merwin. Also home to the Lelooska Foundation and Cultural Center.

COUGAR

Cougar is located 28 miles northeast of Woodland along Washington State Route 503 and situated along the northwest bank of Yale Lake, a reservoir on the Lewis River. Cougar is near Mt. St. Helens, Marble Mt. Snow Park and Ape Caves.

Locals and visitors alike agree that Mt. St. Helens is a must-see destination when visiting the Columbia River Gorge. Summer and fall activities include jaw dropping views along with numerous trails created for you to explore by car and foot.

MT. ST. HELENS FACTS

- › The top of Mt. St. Helens fell into Spirit Lake, tossing water 860 feet above lake level, it was known as the great inland tsunami.
- › Ash fell as far as 930 miles away.
- › Debris, avalanche and mudflows buried the Toutle Valley to a depth of almost 50 meters.
- › The eruption lasted for nine hours.
- › 250 square miles of land was damaged.
- › Estimate of animals killed: 7000 big game animals, 12 million Chinook and Coho salmon, and millions of birds and small mammals.
- › 57 people died in the eruption.
- › Winds reached 670 miles per hour and carried temperatures of 800 degrees Fahrenheit.
- › The blast is said to have been 500 times greater than the 20-kiloton atomic bomb that fell on Hiroshima.

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→ ATTRACTIONS

MT. ST. HELENS FOREST LEARNING CENTER

Located inside the blast zone of the May 18, 1980 eruption of Mt. St. Helens on Hwy 504. Learn about forest recovery, reforestation and conservation of forest resources.

JOHNSTON RIDGE OBSERVATORY

The Johnston Ridge Observatory is temporarily closed due to a landslide occurring last summer that has taken out the road on State Route 504. A gate is closed by the Hummocks Trailhead, preventing further travel on State Route 504. It is estimated that Johnston Ridge may be open in 2027, depending on repair work progress. Further updates on when the visitor center will open will be made available as soon as possible.

WINDY RIDGE VIEWPOINT

One of the best places to overview the area devastated by the 1980 eruption. The landscape is littered with sand and gray rocks from the event. Deposits of the debris avalanche are visible to the west. These include the lower parts of The Spillover, where the debris avalanche traveled up over Johnston Ridge and into the South Coldwater area. Listen to an interpretive talk or venture up 361 steps to a viewpoint of the volcano and Spirit Lake.

MCCLELLAN VIEWPOINT

Great lookout providing a distant but outstanding view of the mountain. Best place for a sunset!

MT. ST. HELENS VISITOR CENTER

Mt. St. Helens Visitor Center is a newly refreshed visitor center and gateway to exploring Mount St. Helens. Recently renovated with updated interactive exhibits, hands-on learning experiences, and enhanced storytelling—including cultural perspectives in partnership with the Cowlitz Indian Tribe—it offers visitors engaging insights into the volcano's history, eruption science, and the region's natural recovery. The center also features educational displays, a short walking trail with scenic views, and thematic films for all ages.

APE CAVE

Step beneath the forest and into adventure at Ape Cave, where ancient lava from Mount St. Helens carved a vast underground world. Cool, dark, and full of dramatic rock formations, the cave offers both an easy walk and a more adventurous route for explorers. It's a rare chance to journey inside the earth and experience the powerful volcanic history of the Pacific Northwest. Get your timed tickets at recreation.gov.



→ EDITOR'S FAVORITE

Cold Water Lake

Coldwater Lake at Mount St. Helens is a stunning natural lake formed by the 1980 volcanic eruption that dammed Coldwater Creek, now part of the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. Surrounded by dramatic landscape and lush regrowth, the day-use area offers picnic spots, an accessible boardwalk "Birth of a Lake" interpretive trail, non-motorized boating, fishing, kayaking and scenic views of the surrounding peaks.

Getting There: The drive to Castle Rock, WA from the Gorge is a 2-hour drive. Once in Castle Rock, take State Route 504 east 43 miles. Stay right where State Route 504 forks towards the Johnston Ridge Observatory. Continue for 1 mile, turn left at Coldwater Lake.

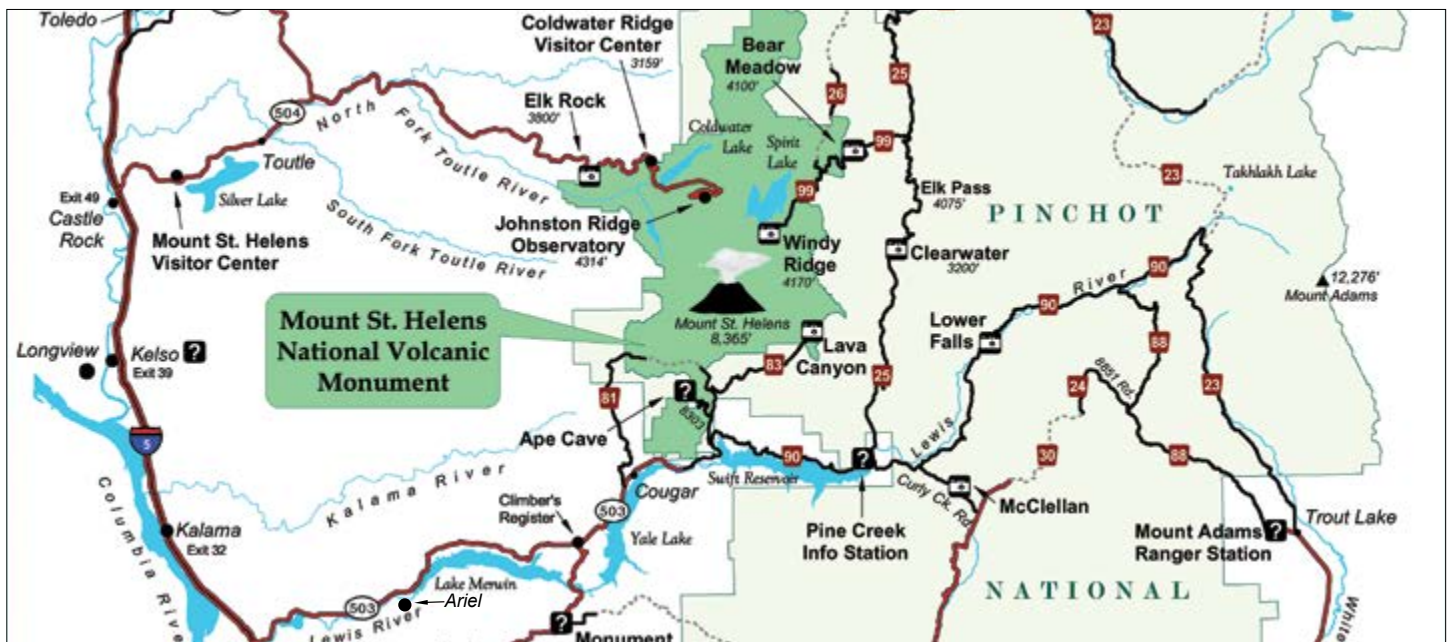
NOTE: No pass required

GETTING THERE – TO MT. ST. HELENS FROM THE GORGE

The quickest way to see Mt. St. Helens if visiting the Gorge is via the Carson Route. Follow Hwy 14 to Carson, head north on Hwy 30 (Wind River Highway). Just beyond the Carson National Fish Hatchery, turn right towards the Wind River Recreation Area. At the top of Oldman Pass, turn left at FS 51 Curly Creek, and look for the McClellan Viewpoint for an outstanding distant view of the mountain. Continue on FS 90, head north on FS 25, and left on FS 99, which will take you to Windy Ridge and Spirit Lake, offering amazingly close views of this spectacular volcano.

Drive time » 2.5 hours

Note: The drive from Carson to Windy Ridge is 2.5 hours. This route is seasonal and closed during the winter.



Scenic Drives

By using a combination of state, county and forest roads, one can enjoy the awesome and beautiful scenery found in the Columbia River Gorge and surrounding area. For a better look at the region and breathtaking countryside, try one of these scenic tours. Drive times are dependent upon sight-seeing and traffic.

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MT. ST. HELENS

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MT. ADAMS COUNTRY TOUR

Take Hwy 141 from Bingen, Washington to BZ Corners and head east on The Goldendale/Glenwood Road towards Glenwood. Continue west towards Trout Lake returning to Hwy 141 south to Hwy 14. This is a two hour trip with spectacular views of Mt. Adams.

Drive time » 2 hours

KLICKITAT RIVER TRAIL

Explore this two-hour adventure on the wild and scenic Klickitat River north of Lyle on Hwy 142, then continue to Goldendale. Travel south on Hwy 97 returning to Hwy 14, then head west back to Lyle.

Drive time » 2 hours

HIGHWAY 14 WEST LOOP

Running beside the Columbia River through the entire county, State Route 14 is a Scenic Byway known as the Lewis and Clark Trail. Although it stretches from the Idaho border to the Pacific Ocean, the route's 47-mile traverse through Skamania County is often called its most scenic section. The highway crosses the Cascade Mountains near sea level, allowing year-round transit and easy access to four seasons of outdoor beauty and activity. Starting in Stevenson, travel west on State Route 14 passing by Bridge of the Gods, Bonneville Dam and Beacon Rock. Make sure to pull off on top of Cape Horn for the majestic view looking east down the Columbia River. End your trip in Washougal and Camas and back track east to Stevenson via State Route 14.

Drive time » 1.5 hours

TWO STATES BRIDGE TOUR

Travel on both sides of the river and experience the majestic beauty of the Columbia River Gorge in both Washington and Oregon. A scenic drive on Interstate 84 on the Oregon side to Hwy 14 on the Washington side will take you on a beautiful tour along the Columbia River. You will have options to cross the Hood River Bridge, The Dalles Bridge, the Biggs Bridge or the Bridge of the Gods. Views of Mt. Hood, Dog Mountain, Drano Lake and Coyote Wall are sites along the way.

Drive time » 2-3.5 hours



ROWENA CREST

Oregon

HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

Traveling along the historic highway you will be able to view several waterfalls and amazing Gorge scenery. Traveling from the Portland area, follow the signs through the charming town of Troutdale and over the Sandy River to the Historic Columbia River Highway. The road follows the Sandy River, then climbs past orchards through the communities of Springdale and Corbett, offering views of Mt. Hood. At the Portland Women's Forum State Scenic overlook, you will see a jaw-dropping view of the Columbia River and the Cascade Mountains. The Vista House is the next stop at Crown Point, a must-see rest area. A 12-mile section of the Historic Highway ends at the John Yeon State Park. Coming from the Gorge, travel west on I-84 and take Exit 35 to Ainsworth and begin your scenic drive.

Drive time » 1–2 hours

NEW: *IF* parking at the lot across from the Multnomah Falls Lodge on the historic highway, there is a fee year-round. For fee schedule: sasquatchshuttle.com/sasquatch-parking-lots

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MULTNOMAH FALLS TIMED USE PARKING PERMITS

Between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend, between the hours of 9am and 6pm, there is a timed use permitting that goes into effect for those arriving by personal vehicle at the Multnomah Falls I-84 Exit 31 parking lot. Permits will be available on a per-vehicle basis two weeks prior to the date you wish to visit at Recreation.gov. There is a \$2 reservation fee. The Gateway to the Gorge Visitor Center in Troutdale and the Cascade Locks Historical Museum each have 25 free in-person permits available daily on a first come, first served basis. For more updated info: recreation.gov

LARCH MOUNTAIN VIEWPOINT

Travel along the Historic Columbia River Highway east of Corbett, until you see a fork in the road with a sign for Larch Mountain on the right. If you get to Vista House you have gone too far. The drive up Larch Mountain is 14 miles from the highway. Once there, a short trail leads from a picnic area to a panoramic viewpoint. From this 4,000-foot-high extinct volcano, visitors enjoy a sweeping view of the Columbia River Gorge and many of the major peaks including Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Adams, Mt. Rainier and Mt. Jefferson.

Drive time » 1.5 hours from Larch Mountain Road

NOTE: *The road to the summit is closed in the winter.*

ROWENA CREST LOOKOUT DRIVE

From the town of Mosier, continue east along the Historic Columbia River Highway climbing gradually for seven miles to the top of Rowena Crest Lookout. The scenery will take your breath away from this popular viewpoint. Continue down the long winding road known as the Rowena Loops, to the town of The Dalles.

Drive time » 30 minutes from Mosier

FRUIT LOOP

This 35-mile scenic drive known as the Fruit Loop has something for everyone. As you drive along the Loop past gorgeous pear, cherry, apple, nectarine and peach orchards, you'll find farm stands, wineries, breweries, cideries, alpaca ranches, lavender farms, plus great jams, jellies, pies, wines, beer and more. Visit 29 unique attractions as you travel the scenic Hood River Valley with outstanding views of Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams.

Drive time » Varies

NOTE: *Maps for this route are available at Hood River Chamber visitor center or online at hoodriverfruitloop.com.*

HISTORIC DESERT LOOP

Escape the rain by heading to the southeastern section of Wasco County. From The Dalles, head straight on Hwy 197 towards Maupin and Dufur. Travel through the farmlands and wheat fields and visit the ghost town of Shaniko. When you reach Hwy 97, head north through Shaniko and Moro to connect back to Interstate 84 at Biggs. Return via I-84 to The Dalles.

Drive time » 2.5 hour round trip

MT. HOOD SCENIC BYWAY

This is a day trip that is absolutely worth your time! Loop around 11,245 foot Mt. Hood and take in the countless panoramic viewpoints and natural wonders along the way. The Mt. Hood Scenic Byway takes visitors on a majestic route around the edge of this iconic landmark, being exposed to some of the state's most stunning scenery and sought after recreation destinations. From Hood River travel south on Hwy 35 and from Gresham travel west on Hwy 26. You can venture back on Hwy 14 on the Washington side of the Columbia River or I-84 in Oregon.

Drive time » 2–3 hours

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» **NOTE:** *Please refer to the map on pages 46-47 to assist you in planning your scenic drive.*



MULTNOMAH FALLS

Help protect the Gorge by using one of many car-free options or guided tours. Sit back, relax, and avoid parking hassles. Check out the GOrge Pass which is valid on the transit systems in the Gorge: CAT, Columbia Gorge Express, The Link, MAT, and Skamania County Transit.

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- The Link in Wasco County
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The brew masters in the Columbia River Gorge are very passionate about their commitment to making quality beer. Session ales, stouts, sours, IPA's, fresh hop ales, pilsners, lagers... you name it, they are all fresh out of the fermenter waiting to be sniffed, tasted and adored. Needless to say, combining a handcrafted beer with spectacular scenery and fabulous food and it's a recipe for a great experience. Several outdoor gardens and decks at our region's breweries are dog friendly, so bring Fido, but call first to check.

Distilleries are on the Rise

On December 5, 1933, President Franklin Roosevelt repealed prohibition and the 18th amendment, making it legal once again to distill and distribute alcohol. Sample vodkas distilled 100% from cherries or grapes, Cinnamon Moonshine and distilled gin, rum and brandy! Tasting rooms offer relaxing accommodations for sitting and sipping your favorite libation.

Non-alcoholic Spirits

As many people make the decision to quit drinking alcohol, non-alcoholic spirits sometimes known as "mocktails" are on the rise. NA beers are also becoming very popular and are available at most breweries.

In the Columbia River Gorge, you will find over 12 cideries, 20 breweries and taphouses, 5 distilleries and over 50 wineries and 90 vineyards!

Hard Cider

Long ago, cider was the drink of choice until prohibition closed its grip and orchardists had little option but to grub up their cider trees and replace them with eating varieties. Today there are over 1,000 cideries in the United States with more than a dozen in the Columbia River Gorge. Craft cider makers source the apples, pears and other fruit from the 440+ local orchardists. In turn, they produce cider that truly offers a sample of the bountiful fruit from this region.

Meet the Brewers

by Judy Bair, Editor

Over the years, as editor of this magazine, I have always wanted to do a “beer family tree” to learn where, how and why our local breweries came to be. So... here we go. Thank you to Ferment Brewing, Freebridge Brewing, Double Mountain Brewing, Backwoods Brewing and PFriem Family Brewers for taking time to answer my questions.

Did you work at another brewery before you started your own?

▶ Dan Peterson / Ferment

I started my journey at the Brooklyn Brewery in New York from 2003–2010. I then moved to Hood River, worked two years at Full Sail, then two years at pFriem before opening Ferment.

▶ Jim Waters / Backwoods

I started home brewing after going on my honeymoon in England as I had been visiting my uncle who was home brewing his beer and that sparked my love to brew beer! My dream to own a pub came true when I opened Backwoods.

▶ Matt Swihart / Double Mountain

I started working in Maryland at a Brewery called Frederick Brewing Company, then after graduating from the Siebel Institute, I got a job at Full Sail Brewing. Eventually Double Mountain was born.

▶ Steve Light / Freebridge

I did not cut my brewing teeth at a commercial brewery, like many others in the industry. I was just an obsessive homebrewer. I learned many of my failures and successes right at home! I hired a brewing consultant to get us off the ground and Freebridge opened its doors!

▶ Josh Pfriem / pFriem

I started my brewing career at Salt Lake City brewing Squatter’s and Wasatch beers. I then helped open Chuckanut Brewery in Bellingham. I was the first head brewer. I then moved my family to Hood River and worked for Full Sail and then opened pFriem in 2012.

What’s your favorite beer?

▶ Dan / Ferment: Czech Pilsner

▶ Jim / Backwoods: IPA

▶ Matt / Double Mountain: IPA (and Pilsners)

▶ Steve / Freebridge: Pilsner

▶ Josh / pFriem: Pilsner (and well made lagers)

What’s the biggest challenge of owning a brewery?

▶ Dan / Ferment: Operating a brewery you have a myriad of issues to tend to at every moment. Less a challenge, more reminders to myself to step back and take it all in.

▶ Jim / Backwoods: The hardest part is probably trying to be ready for the highs and lows of the market and the industry. Through all the experiences, we have had to be nimble throughout all of it.

▶ Matt / Double Mountain: The biggest challenge owning a brewery is dry January. It’s a tough month for a publican.

▶ Steve / Freebridge: Public House HR. Turns out brewing the beer is the easy part.

▶ Josh / pFriem: The beer business is extremely dynamic which makes it incredibly rewarding, but equally as hard.



What is IBU?

IBU stands for International Bitterness Units which measures the bitterness from hops in a beer on a scale from 0-100.

Note: Though IBUs help you better understand what style of beer you like in terms of bitterness, it’s important to note that the bitterness of beer is also affected by the malts, thus some less bitter due to sweet malts.

ABV stands for Alcohol By Volume which is usually listed as a percentage. The percentage is usually in the 4%-7% range. The yeast transforms the sugar into alcohol.



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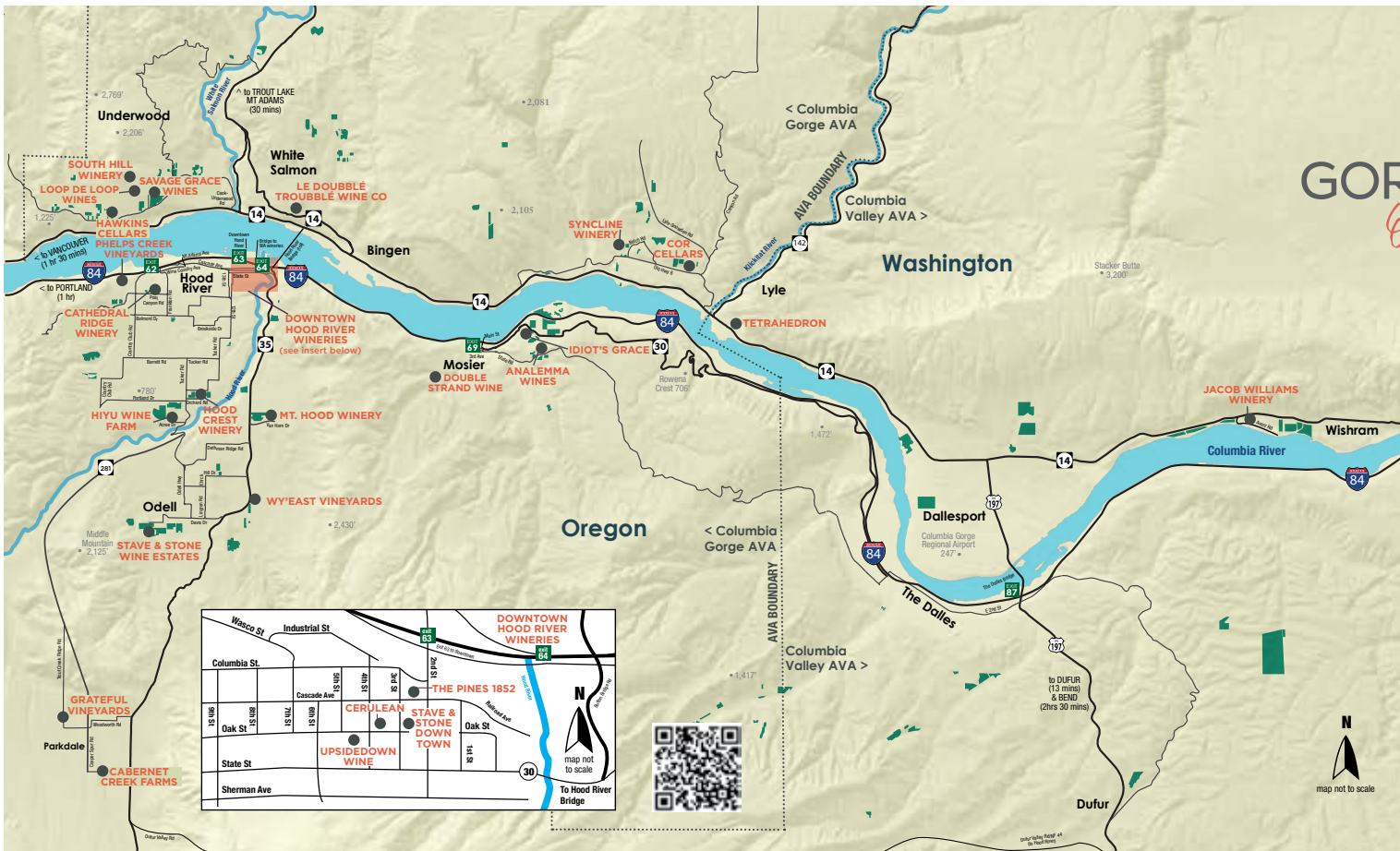
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BIKING

From paved roads to mountain bike trails, the Columbia River Gorge offers endless opportunities for adventure on two wheels. Several sections of the Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail are open to cyclists and pedestrians only—making for stress free biking. For more details see page 66.

BIRD WATCHING

Bird watching is a fun hobby for people of all ages. One of the best things about the Columbia River Gorge is that there is such a variety of different geological features nearby where many different types of birds reside in close proximity. You'll spot ospreys, bald eagles, blue herons and kingfishers along the river's edge. Red-tailed hawks, California quail and western meadow larks make their home in the fields and orchards. While hiking in the forest, look for Lewis's woodpeckers, wrens, flickers and Steller's jays.

DISC GOLF

One of the fastest growing recreational sports in the U.S. is gaining popularity right here in the Columbia River Gorge. Courses are located in The Dalles, Hood River, Cascade Locks, North Bonneville, Washougal, Stevenson, Dabney State Recreation Area, Rooster Rock, Troutdale, Blue Lake Park, Milo McIver State Park and Benson State Park. Grab your disc and check it out!

GOLFING

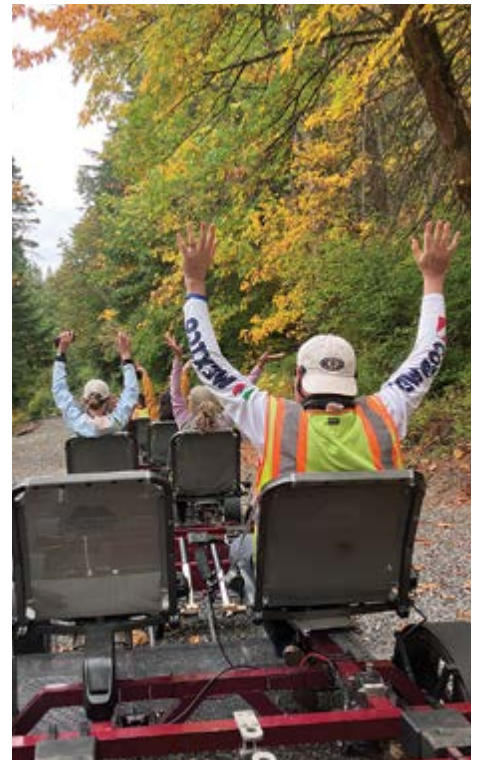
Take advantage of golfing amongst the most beautiful scenery in the Pacific Northwest. The Columbia River Gorge offers 15 first class golf courses set amidst rolling hills with views of Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams and Beacon Rock. Tee up and enjoy!

HIKING

The majestic mountains, lush green forests and cascading waterfalls are home to literally hundreds of trails for hikers of all abilities. Many hikes require recreation passes, so make sure you are aware of the permits needed. For permit information, see page 90. For information for some of the most popular hikes, see page 74.

KITE FLYING

Flying a kite can now be done in high winds due to new technology. The Columbia River Gorge is a windy place, so what could be more fun than flying a kite on a warm breezy day. Fun for the whole family.



MOTORCYCLE TOURING

The roads in the Columbia River Gorge are exceptional for motorcycles because of the mountains and rivers they tend to follow. There are plenty of twists, turns, uphill and down hills. Backcountry gravel roads offer fun and adventure for dual sports riders.

PARAGLIDING

This little observed sport has many local enthusiasts taking every opportunity to enjoy the gift of foot-launched gliding flight. Pilots can soar above the Gorge rim in thermal lift and enjoy great views of the river. There are flying sites all along the length of the Gorge where the river bends and ridges protrude into the prevailing wind, typically with views of Mt. Hood. Cliffsides to the east above John Day Dam and Bald Butte near Parkdale, are two favorite sites.

RAILBIKING

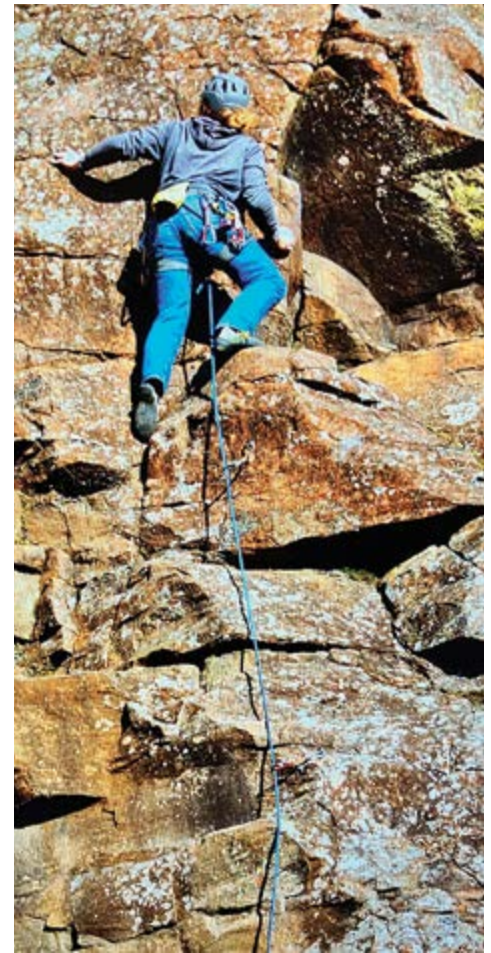
Enjoy a leisurely ride pedaling a railbike on a train track through gorgeous scenery. Travel along the Hood River towards Mt. Hood to orchards and wine country. The motorized two-person railbikes are designed to climb with minimal effort so you can relax and take in the experience.

ROCK CLIMBING

There are several options for rock climbing in the Columbia River Gorge and Mt. Hood. Horsethief Butte and Beacon Rock in Washington State, and Frenches Dome and Illumination Rock in Mt. Hood Territory, are some of the most popular sites. Be aware there are many restrictions and skill levels for these rock climbing destinations.

SKATEBOARDING

Skateboarding popularity skyrocketed the moment we went into lock-down. The industry is flourishing like never before. In the Columbia River Gorge, on the Washington side, you will find a new and improved skate park in Bingen, and in Oregon there are two parks in Hood River and one in Government Camp near Mt. Hood.



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SPELUNKING/APE CAVE

Ape Cave is one of the most popular spots in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. Visitors can rent lanterns and buy maps along with attending interpretive tours in the cave which are held several times a day from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

TRAIN RIDES

Enjoy an unforgettable train ride in the beautiful scenic Hood River Valley. Travel through orchards, vineyards and forests with picture-perfect views of snow-capped Mt. Hood.

U-PICK

Picking your own fruit is a fun experience and many orchards in the Hood River Valley offer u-pick experiences. For the more

adventurous, talk to the locals about hunting mushrooms and wild huckleberries that are abundant in late summer and fall.

WINTER FUN

Fun in the snow is abundant on Mt. Hood offering five downhill ski areas along with the finest sno-parks offering cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, sledding and snowmobiling. For more details, see page 72.

ZIP LINE TOURS

Enjoy stunning views and adventure as you fly suspended by a cable over the moss covered firs of a rain canopy forest at Skamania Lodge. Experienced guides will lead you through the course, so prior zip experience is not necessary. Get out of your comfort zone and come fly with us!



CAMPGROUNDS / DAY-USE PARKS

Discover camping amongst the beauty of the Columbia River, alpine lakes and Cascade Mountains. Find yourself along a cascading creek or beautiful old growth forest. Whether you are pitching a tent or parking your RV or van, there are over 100 campsites and day-use parks available to meet your needs.

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Why is it so windy in the Columbia River Gorge?

The Columbia River winds through the Cascade Mountains, bordering the states of Washington and Oregon from the Eastern deserts to the Pacific Ocean 200 miles to the west. The river's low-elevation channel moves through miles of mountains. The pressure difference across the Cascade Mountains makes air flow from one side to the other. In the summer, the cold, dense marine air from the west meets the hot and dry air out in the east. The higher the pressure difference— the stronger the wind.



CHRIS MOORE

The Columbia River Gorge is a haven for water sports enthusiasts. The Columbia River is the second longest river in North America, starting at southeastern British Columbia and traveling more than 1,200 miles to the ocean. The Gorge is a natural wind tunnel creating wind and waves for windsurfers, sailors, stand up paddlers, surfskis, kiteboarders, parawingers and wing foilers. Whitewater rafters and kayakers — from beginner to the most extreme — come from all over the world to float and enjoy the whitewater along with the tranquil beauty of the magical river canyons. The White Salmon River is a National Wild and Scenic River that begins on the glaciers of Mt. Adams and flows into the Columbia River. It is known for its most popular Class III rafting trips. Gentle, scenic tours are also available with portaging options for those less adventurous, but if you are an adrenaline junkie, the White Salmon will get your blood flowing. The mountain lakes are a peaceful getaway for calm water kayaking, stand up paddling and canoeing. The opportunities are endless, so get out on the water and play!

BOAT CRUISES

Experience the natural and scenic wonders of the Columbia River Gorge aboard an authentic triple deck sternwheeler. Scenic rides, dinner cruises and interpretive tours provide 360-degree breathtaking vistas.

FISHING

Limitless opportunities are available for the beginner or experienced angler. The vast Columbia River along with mountain streams, alpine lakes, reservoirs and ponds make this area a fisherman's paradise. More details on pages 70-71.

FLAT WATER KAYAKING/CANOEING

If flat water kayaking is your passion, there are many lakes and rivers to relax and enjoy the surrounding beauty. Mt. Hood's Lost, Trillium and Timothy Lakes, as well as Lacamas and Horsethief Lakes along the Clackamas River, are all kayak and canoe friendly.

FOILBOARDING

Foilboarding has gained popularity within the kiteboarding, windsurfing and stand up paddling communities. The hydrofoil allows riders to ride in less than 10 knots while still having lots of fun. Riding above the surface of the water gives the rider the feeling of floating and you can reach speeds around 30 mph without much effort.

KITEBOARDING

The Columbia River Gorge is a world class destination for learning to kiteboard. With advancements in equipment and lessons, along with perfect conditions, more and more people are choosing kiteboarding. Feel the combination of wakeboarding, windsurfing, paragliding and surfing as you learn to control a kite while skimming along the water.

OUTRIGGER/SURF SKI PADDLING

For decades, outrigger canoe and surfski paddlers have been frequenting the Gorge because of its consistent wind and ideal downwinders. Outrigger canoes can be single or up to six-man boats whereas the surfski is a long, narrow, lightweight kayak with an open cockpit, usually with a foot pedal controlled rudder.

PARAWINGING

A parawing is a super short-bridled kite designed to get up on a foil using the wind which allows the rider to go upwind. The rider can then pack away the parawing so they can carve and glide hands-free going downwind using the energy of the water and the waves. An advantage to this new sport is there is no need to inflate the parawing and it's easy to pack in your "kangaroo pouch" while on the water!





SAILING

The Columbia River, which is famous for its high winds, has become known worldwide as one of the best places to host sailing events. Not only is the wind great but the water is warm and the views are spectacular.

STAND UP PADDLING

Stand up paddling is taking off in all corners of the world, including the Columbia River Gorge and several lakes in the surrounding area.

Popular for all ages as wind is not needed and it's great for fitness. For those more advanced, downwind stand up paddling adventures offer surfing on the Columbia River as well as whitewater on the White Salmon, Klickitat and Clackamas Rivers.

WATER SKIING/WAKEBOARDING/JET SKIING/TUBING

When the wind stops blowing on the Columbia River, the calm waters offer a gorgeous setting for skimming across the water at high speed.

WHITewater RAFTING/KAYAKING

Whether you're a first-time rafter or class V kayaker, you'll find several opportunities to enjoy the White Salmon, Klickitat, Deschutes and Clackamas rivers. Professional kayakers travel from all over the world to challenge themselves on the renown whitewater. Rafting trips can range from relaxing floating trips to challenging rapids. A popular full day rafting trip will take you along the scenic White Salmon River through the previous site of the Condit Dam all the way to the Columbia River.

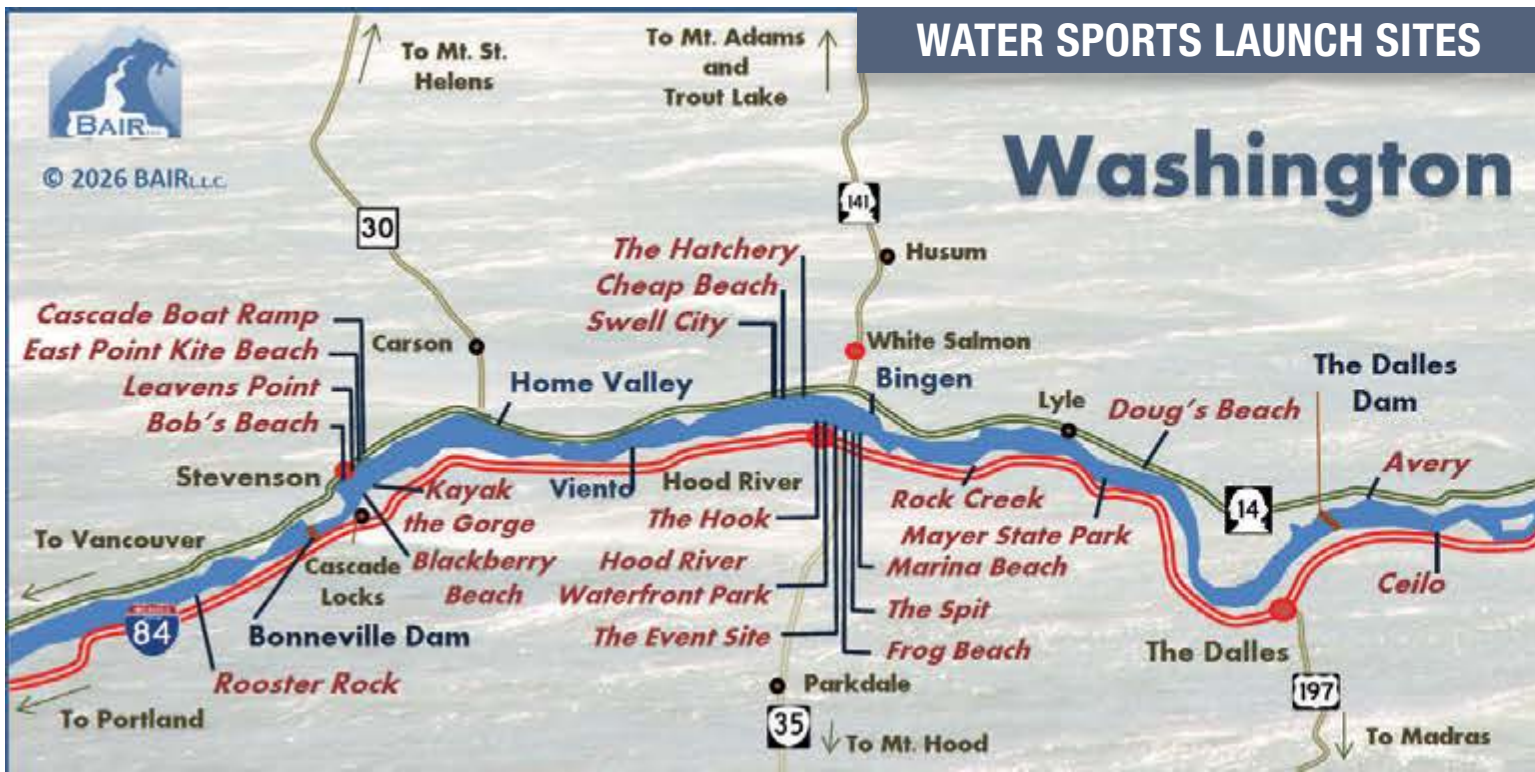
WING FOILING

Wing foiling is a new wind sport consisting of managing a wing that's unattached to a newly designed board. The wing is carried with two hands while standing on a hydrofoil mounted on the wing foil board. This sport has become very popular as athletes are looking for a new challenge after mastering windsurfing and kiteboarding.



WINDSURFING

The sport of windsurfing that started in the 1970s is recognized as the catalyst for bringing water enthusiasts from all over the world to the Gorge. The "boardheads" began to flock to the Gorge for the consistent high winds and it became known as one of the "windsurfing capitals" in the world. Take a drive to the Spring Creek Fish Hatchery and watch the hardcore and dedicated windsurfers harnessing the extreme conditions on the Columbia River.



ROOSTER ROCK, OR K PS W PW ■ ◆

East winds can be very strong with swift current, especially in fall and winter. Veer too far from the launch site and you may find yourself at a popular nude beach.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 25
- » FEE: Fees required – oregonstateparks.org
- » AMENITIES: Picnic tables, boat ramp, sandy beach, flush toilets

BOBS BEACH, STEVENSON, WA PS W PW ■

Popular for east and west winds. Short walk to town.

- » LOCATION: Waterfront west end
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Changing rooms, grassy rigging, flush toilets

CASCADE BOAT RAMP, STEVENSON, WA

K PS W PW ■

Launch can be tricky with large waves often breaking into launch area.

- » LOCATION: Waterfront east end
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Boat launch, flush toilets, changing room, picnic tables, grassy rigging

EAST POINT KITE BEACH, STEVENSON, WA

K PS PW ◆

Challenging launch, sidewalk and small grassy area for rigging.

- » LOCATION: Waterfront east end, behind industrial building
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Picnic table, flush toilets, changing room

LEAVENS POINT, WA PS ■

A new spot to launch a kayak or paddle board. Take a picnic and soak up the sun while viewing the Columbia River and Oregon mountains.

- » LOCATION: Between Stevenson Landing and East Point Kite Beach
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Slide for children and great views!

BLACKBERRY BEACH / GOVT COVE,

CASCADE LOCKS, OR PS W PW ■

Wind and water conditions similar to Stevenson. Newly developed site. Look for signs near industrial area east of town.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 44
- » FEE: Fees required – portofcascadelocks.org
- » AMENITIES: None

HOME VALLEY, WA K PS W PW ● ■

Good starting point for downwinders to Stevenson. Few crowds, good for families. Good on east and west winds.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, near mile marker 45
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potty, playground, swimming beach, ball fields, family friendly

KAYAK THE GORGE PS, CASCADE LOCKS, OR

PS ● ■ ◆

Located in a beautiful protected bay, this launch site offers easy access to calm waters, making it ideal for beginners and experienced paddlers. Kayak and SUP rentals available.

- » LOCATION: 1425 Columbia Gorge Way
- » FEE: Day-use fee required – kayakthegorge.com
- » AMENITIES: Free parking, grassy area, protected cove, mountain views, porta potties

VIENTO, OR K PS W PW ■ ◆

One of the most scenic sites in the Gorge. Good spot to practice water starts. Beware of underwater logs close to shore.

- / Located at the campground /
- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 56
- » FEE: Fees required – oregonstateparks.org
- » AMENITIES: Pit toilet, picnic tables, camping nearby

WATER SPORTS LAUNCH SITES

Washington

SWELL CITY, WA *PS W ◆

*Paddle Sports at East Cove only

Very large swells, for expert Wind-riders only. Kite launching prohibited. Not family or dog friendly, close to highway. Owned by CGWA.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 56
- » FEE: CGW2.org Annual Donation Supporters only plus \$90 seasonal Launch Pass Fee.
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, sail drying rack available, picnic tables

CHEAP BEACH, WA W PW ◆

Good swells, less crowds than the hatchery. Limited parking, difficult launch. Not family or dog friendly, close to highway.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 56
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: None

SPRING CREEK FISH HATCHERY, WA

K PS W PW ◆

Hot spot for pros and advanced windsurfers. Swell can get very big. Difficult launch. Great spectator spot for watching freestyle experts.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 56
- » FEE: Fees required – discoverpass.gov/wa
- » AMENITIES: Pit toilets, picnic tables, grassy rigging area

THE HOOK, OR PS W PW ● ■

The best place in the Gorge for beginners.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63, western most point on the waterfront in Hood River.
- » FEE: Fees required – portofhoodriver.com
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, changing rooms, access ramp for intermediate sailors, picnic tables

HOOD RIVER WATERFRONT PARK, OR W PW ■

Rustic launch conditions along Hood River Waterfront.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63
- » FEE: Fees required – portofhoodriver.com
- » AMENITIES: Use Waterfront Park amenities

WINDY & STRONG CURRENT CONDITIONS CAN CREATE BIG WAVES AND EXTREME CONDITIONS FOR PADDLE SPORTS.



EVENT SITE, OR K PS W PW ■

Very user friendly, grassy rigging, rocky launch, booties recommended.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63
- » FEE: Fees required – portofhoodriver.com
- » AMENITIES: Flush toilets, grassy rigging

FROG BEACH, OR PS W PW ●

Ideal for beginning paddlers and windsurfers.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63, Nichol Basin, OR
- » FEE: portofhoodriver.com
- » AMENITIES: Wind sheltered, water access, sandy beach

THE SPIT, OR K PS PW ■

Summer home for many kite schools. Beware of strong currents in middle of river.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Rustic site, porta-potties, sandbar

MARINA BEACH, OR K PS W PW ■

Flat water and shallow water for beginners. Beware of current on west end.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 64
- » FEE: Fees required – portofhoodriver.com
- » AMENITIES: Grassy picnic areas, bathrooms, pay showers, picnic tables

BINGEN, WA K PS W ■ PW

Uncrowded, mellow site. Flat water, small chop. Beware of shallow rocks, island and pilings west of launch.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, milepost 62
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: grassy rigging, porta-potties, picnic area

WATER SPORTS KEY

- K** = KITEBOARDING
- PS** = PADDLE SPORTS
- W** = WINDSURFERS/WING FOILERS
- PW** = PARAWINGERS

SKILL LEVEL KEY

- = BEGINNER
- = INTERMEDIATE
- ◆ = ADVANCED

ROCK CREEK, OR K PS W ■ PW

Mosier community members ask that you be respectful to native plant species.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 69
- » FEE: Fees required – cityofmosier.com
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, picnic tables, grassy rigging area

MAYER STATE PARK, OR K PS W PW ■ ◆

Chopped water with small swells. Can get crowded during the summer.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 76
- » FEE: Fees required – oregonstateparks.org
- » AMENITIES: Paved parking, grassy rigging, pit toilets, picnic tables

DOUG'S BEACH, WA W PW ◆

Big swells, shallow water near beach.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, milepost 74
- » FEE: Fees required – discoverpass.wa.org
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, grassy rigging, picnic tables

EVERY, WA PS W PW ■

Uncrowded, nice waves, choppy at times.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 87
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potty, picnic tables

CELILO, OR K PS W PW ■

Narrow river crossing, choppy. Beware of barges coming around corner from the east.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 97
- » FEE: Fees required – oregonstateparks.org
- » AMENITIES: Best grassy rigging areas in the Gorge, family friendly

MARYHILL, WA K W PW ■ ◆

Located at Maryhill State Park, sail from your campsite! Swells are big and current is swift.

- » LOCATION: SR 14, just east of Biggs Bridge
- » FEE: Fees required – discoverpass.wa.org
- » AMENITIES: Flush toilets, camping, changing rooms, grassy rigging, picnic tables, shelters, grills, family friendly

THE WALL, WA W PW ◆ :: Very advanced
Narrow reach makes for large swells and strong current.

- » LOCATION: East of Maryhill Park on the road to the community of Maryhill
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Very rustic, porta-potty

RUFUS, OR K W PW ■ ◆ :: Very advanced
Sailing with some of the biggest swells in the Gorge.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 109
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Vault-toilets

ARLINGTON, OR K PS W PW ◆

Wide reach, great swell, competent sailors only. On calm days, great for paddling.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 137
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: RV parking, dry camping, flush toilets

ROOSEVELT, WA K PS W PW ■ ◆

Steady wind, no chop, rolling swells.

- » Location: SR 14, exit 133
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Free camping, picnic area, porta-potties, grassy rigging, flush toilets and showers.

3-MILE, OR K PS W PW ■ ◆

A long drive, but well worth it. Wide section, sail with a buddy. Only go out to main channel if you are advanced.

- » LOCATION: I-84, exit 151
- » FEE: Free
- » AMENITIES: Porta-potties

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Columbia Gorge Wind and
Water Association — cgw2.org

Bike Riding Adventures

ROAD BIKING

Washington

MT. ADAMS LOOP

» **Level: Easy to Intermediate | 11.5 miles**

This not-too-demanding loop circles the beautiful Trout Lake Valley with panoramic views of Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood.

Directions: From Hwy 14, follow Hwy 141 to Trout Lake School, park here. Get on your bike, travel north and turn right on Little Mountain Road. When you hit Warren, turn left and stay straight on Sunnyside and follow all the way back to Hwy 141, head south back to the Trout Lake school parking lot.

Note: No pass required

ASHES LAKE RIDE

» **Level: Easy | 12 miles**

Two miles of this trail is a non-motorized path which connects you to scenic Ashes Lake Road. There are very few motorized vehicles on Ashes Lake Road and enough hills to give you a good work out.

Directions: In Stevenson, park at the Rock Creek Playground at the fairgrounds on Rock Creek Drive. From there, head west on the sidewalk along the pond until you reach the entrance for Skamania Lodge. Follow the path west, which will take you to Ashes Lake Road. This is an out and back ride so turn around at the stop sign at Hwy 14.

Note: No pass required

DISCOVERY TRAILS SYSTEM

» **Level: Easy | 12 miles**

Easy family friendly bike riding through the town of North Bonneville.

Directions: Travel 7 miles west of Stevenson to North Bonneville. Park across from the gas station.

Note: No pass required

Oregon

7-MILE HILL LOOP :: MOSIER TO THE DALLES/ROWENA CREST

» **Level: Advanced | 28 miles**

The beautiful views on this ride are well worth the climb as is the thrilling descent into The Dalles both from the top of the hill and coming down from Rowena Crest Viewpoint.

Directions: Drive to the town of Mosier, (10 miles east of Hood River) and start your ride on Center Street. Turn left onto 3rd Avenue. Bear left up the hill onto State Road. Go up. Pass Marsh Cutoff Road on the left, keep riding up, you'll reach the peak of Sevenmile/State Road hill, at 1,820 feet. Descend down awesome switchbacks into The Dalles. At 12 miles, take a left at Chenoweth Road. Turn left at Chenoweth Loop West. When the road hits a T-intersection, take a left onto the Historic Highway. Follow for 8.5 miles to the top of Rowena Crest. Follow the 30 from Rowena Crest back into Mosier.

Note: No pass required

DALLES RIVERFRONT TRAIL

» **Level: Easy to Intermediate | 10 miles**

The Riverfront Trail at the Dalles is a scenic paved pathway along the Columbia River from the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center parking lot east to The Dalles Marina.

Directions: From I-84 in The Dalles, take exit 84 to Brewery Overpass Road and head for the river. The road dead ends in a T-junction. The marina is to the left, the Riverfront Park is to the right. Turn right and enter the park. The trail entrance is below the billboard.

Note: Best to do this ride in the spring or fall as it gets very hot out there, and AVOID on windy days! No pass required

► Use the map on page 46 to help you plan your adventure. See permits and passes on page 91.

Oregon

PETERSBURG LOOP

» **Level: Intermediate to difficult | 28 miles**

This quiet country road ride takes you through rolling wheat fields, basalt mesas and cottonwood trees, along with views of Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams. Take a left from the Petersburg school house and head clockwise for a flat start. Follow 15 Mile Road for quite a ways until you reach Kelly Cut Off Road and turn right to begin a long climb. When you approach Emerson Cut Off take a left which offers nice views of Mt. Hood. At the end of Emerson Cut Off, turn right on 8 Mile Road for a nice winding downhill which will bring you back to 15 Mile Road to your car.

Directions: As you travel east to The Dalles, Oregon take exit 87 to Columbia View Drive that will take you to 15 Mile Road. Do not park in school parking lot, park in the dirt pull out of the road near the school.

Note: Best to do this ride in the spring or fall as it gets very hot out there, and AVOID on windy days! No pass required

PARKDALE TO COOPER SPUR

» **Level: Difficult | 18 miles**

The bike ride from Parkdale to Cooper Spur is a challenging climb offering a scenic ride through forested roads to the Crooked Tree Tavern and Grill. Makes this a great stop for lunch! This bike ride is an out-and-back

Directions: Drive up Highway 35 from Hood River. Follow the signs to Parkdale. Park anywhere along the main street or near the museum in Parkdale. Head out of town south on Clear Creek Road then continue left onto Evans Creek Road. Turn right onto Cooper Spur Road to start the climb for 7 miles or so to Crooked Tree Tavern and Grill. Go home the way you came, back to Parkdale.

Note: No pass required





CAR-FREE RIDES ON THE HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

The Historic Columbia River Highway runs 73 miles connecting Troutdale, Oregon to The Dalles. The highway reminisces the original scenic highway that was partly damaged in the construction of Interstate 84. Some portions of the highway are accessible to cars and bikes, while other highway sections, known as the Historic Highway State Trail are accessible only by hikers or bikers. All but five miles is now open.



Biking the Historic Highway: Oregon

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL MOSIER TWIN TUNNELS :: HOOD RIVER TO MOSIER

» **Level: Easy to Intermediate** | 9–12 miles
Out and back

Ten miles of this ride are car-free and family friendly. Stunning views of the Gorge and Twin Tunnels.

Directions: You can park across the road from the Hindustani restaurant and ride up the hill or drive up and park at the Mark Hatfield West Trailhead lot. For a more advanced ride, continue past Mosier and climb the switchbacks to Rowena Plateau. This will add 6.7 miles to your trip.

Note: Oregon State Park Permit required at Mark Hatfield.

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL :: CASCADE LOCKS TO ELOWAH FALLS PARKING AREA

Important Note: As of press time for the magazine, this trail is closed due to a massive landslide. There's a chance it may be closed throughout the summer months. For more information check readyssetgorge.com.

» **Level: Easy to Intermediate** | 13 miles
Out and back

Beautiful car-free trail with optional stops at Bonneville Dam for fish viewing. For ebikers, be aware there are stairs close to the beginning of the ride where you have to carry your bike up three flights. There are grooves for your tires but it is a bit of work even with a regular bike.

Directions: Park under the Bridge of the Gods next to the mural in Cascade Locks. Start on the upper trail near the road.

Note: No pass required

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL :: WYETH STATE PARK TO VIENTO STATE PARK

» **Level: Easy to Intermediate** | 16 miles
Out and back

This car-free section on the Historic Highway offers incredible views of the Cascade Mountains and the Columbia River with three waterfalls to enjoy along the ride. Three miles were added in 2023 east of Viento parking area.

Directions: To start at Viento State Park, take I-84 to exit 56, park on the south side of the highway once you enter the park near the trailhead. To start from Wyeth State Park, take exit 51 off I-84. The trailhead is located east of the campground.

Note: No pass required when parking on south side of freeway. Oregon State Park permit required when parking on north side at campground at Viento State Park. No pass required at Wyeth State Park.

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL MITCHELL POINT TUNNEL

» **Level: Easy** | 2.5 miles

Out and back

After 4 years of construction, the 655-foot long tunnel is now open and is available for non-vehicle users to hike and bike on this 2.5 mile segment of the Historic State Trail. The new tunnel includes five arched windows with expansive views of the Columbia River along with a hand placed stone masonry wall on the trail, plaza with picnic tables, break areas, an overlook, and an expanded restroom at the trailhead. The views are amazing! ODOT has identified funding to connect Viento and Mitchell Point Tunnel— construction is anticipated to start in fall 2025, with an estimated construction duration of one year.

Directions: The Mitchell Point Tunnel is only accessible from I-84 eastbound Exit 58. There is no access from westbound I-84. From Hood River, use the Exit 56 interchange to turnaround and head east to Exit 58.

Note: No pass required



Hood River County built the original Mitchell Point Tunnel in 1915.

The tunnel included five arched windows where drivers could experience scenic views of the Columbia River from the highway. The tunnel was closed in 1953 for safety because it could no longer accommodate growing traffic volumes and increasing care size. It was then ultimately destroyed in 1966 to widen I-84.



JEFF KRAMER

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Oregon

SURVEYOR'S RIDGE

» **Level: Intermediate to advanced 20+ miles**
 Popular mountain biking and hiking trail offering stunning views of Mt. Hood. Includes a few short lung-busting climbs, rocky undulating descents, and plenty of scenic look-outs to enjoy a break. Surveyor's Ridge can be ridden as an out and back from either the north or south trailhead, or point to point with two vehicles. Note there are options to include Dog River and Oak Ridge trails as well, so bring your maps. Visit www.44trails.org for details and to donate funds to the volunteers who maintain these trails.

Directions: Closest access is the north trailhead. Take Hwy 35 south from Hood River 10 miles to Pinemont Road. Turn left and travel 1.8 miles to a gravel road on the right that will direct you towards the power lines and end at the trailhead.

Note: NW Forest Pass is required when parking at the south and Dog River trailheads.

POST CANYON

» **Level: Intermediate to extreme | 25 miles**
 Post Canyon has some of the most radical freeride action in the northwest, but it also has some of the easiest terrain to grow your skills. There are mind blowing wooden stunts built for experts along with an "all ages" fun practice area at "Family Man." The area offers everything from beginner cross country to advanced cross country.

Directions: From Hood River, travel west on Oak Street/Cascade Avenue for two miles. Turn left on Mt. Adams Drive, which turns into Country Club Road. Head up Country Club Road for 1.5 miles to Post Canyon Drive on the right. Follow Post Canyon Drive for approximately .5 mile to the end of the pavement and park there.

Note: No pass required

CLIMB TRAIL

» **Level: Intermediate | 12-16 miles**
 CLIMB Trail is a new mountain bike trail that is being built and already getting a lot of praise for being super fun. The trail is located on Forest Service land and has a lot of natural beauty, views and rock features. Phase 1 is open and Northwest Trail Alliance is currently working on building phases 2 and 3, which will make the CLIMB trail a serious mountain bike destination.

Directions: From downtown Cascade Locks, take a left on Forest Lane and cross the highway overpass. Take a left onto Frontage Road. Follow Frontage Rd. to Herman Creek Rd. (Aka Wyeth Rd.) and take a right. Proceed about 300 yards and you'll see parking on the side the of the road. The trail starts on the north side of the road on the other side of a metal gate.

Note: See Trail Forks App for best trail information.

► Use the map on page 46 to help you plan your adventure. See permits and passes on page 91.

Washington

SYNCLINE / COYOTE WALL

» **Level: Challenging/Advanced | 11 miles**
 The climb up is somewhat demanding. Follow the dirt road up to make it easier— or take the bumpy switchbacks up to challenge yourself and test your skills. This is a technical ride with climbing, loose rocks, volcanic cliffs and switchbacks.

Directions: Follow Hwy 14 through downtown Bingen and travel past the end of town along Hwy 14 for approximately 2 miles. Keep your eyes open for Courtney Road on your left. Turn left on Courtney Road and there is a parking lot immediately on your right.

Note: No pass required » Refer to the map on page 46 for assistance with directions.

KLICKITAT TRAIL

» **Level: Intermediate | 31 miles**
 The Klickitat Trail is a gently graded trail corridor that heads north along the Klickitat River, of which 11 miles is designated Wild and Scenic between Lyle and the town of Pitt.

Directions: Drive 13 miles east on Hwy 14 towards Lyle. Parking area is on your left across from the Confluence Cafe.

Note: No pass required

HARD TIME LOOP

» **Level: Easy to Moderate | 11 miles**
 Many cross country trails offer great mountain biking adventures! At the Wind River Recreation Area, you will discover Hard Time Loop. This 11 mile trail offers flat and rolling terrain ranging in elevation from 2,980 feet to 3,240 feet. Start from the Oldman Pass Sno-Park at Trail #148, (Oldman Loop). Head clockwise to the intersection with FR 3054. Turn left and continue on FR 3054. A viewpoint offers a spectacular view of Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier and Mt. Adams.

Directions: From Stevenson, travel 3 miles east on Highway 14 and turn left on Wind River Highway (Hwy 30) to Carson. Travel 25 miles north of Carson and follow signs to the Wind River Recreation Area to the Oldman Pass.

Note: No pass required

Oregon

DESCHUTES RIVER TRAIL

» **Level: Intermediate | 24 miles**

Out and back

A scenic out-and-back ride on an old railroad bed in a beautiful deep rock canyon.

Directions: From The Dalles, head east on Interstate 84/US 30 to Exit 97. Take a right and then an immediate left. Follow State Route 206/Celilo-Wasco Highway for 3 miles to the Deschutes River State Recreation Area on your right, just past the Deschutes River Bridge. Trailhead parking is located at the entrance.

Note: No pass required unless parking at campground where Oregon State Park permit is required. **There is very little shade along this route, so avoid hot days. Rattlesnakes are abundant in this canyon; watch your step if hiking off your bike.*

PIONEER BRIDLE TRAIL

» **Level: Challenging | 8 miles**

The eight-mile, intermediate-level Pioneer Bridle Trail parallels Hwy 26 and connects Rhododendron with Government Camp. Riders can continue riding to climb to Timberline Lodge via the Enid Lake, Cross Town and Glade Trails.

Trailhead Directions: Follow Hwy 26 east through the city of Sandy toward Mt. Hood. Pass through Welches, Zigzag and Rhododendron to the Tollgate Campground (about .5 mile east of Rhododendron) on the south side of the highway.

Note: No pass required

EASY CLIMB / CASCADE LOCKS

» **Level: Easy | 3 miles**

If you are looking for a trail that is tight and twisty, this is a good mountain bike trail for a quick fun workout. It is perfect for kids, families and newer riders, as well as experienced folk looking for a great looped trail system with views. The area has several features for skill building including skinnys and berms.

Directions: Take a left on Forest Lane on the east end of Cascade Locks. Turn left on Cramblett Lane to find the parking lot at the ?end of the road.

Note: Parking fee is required. \$1 per hour via Passport Parking App available on site.



Railbike in the Hood River Valley

Enjoy a leisurely ride peddling a railbike as you travel along the Hood River towards Mt. Hood to orchards and wine country.

The motorized two-person railbikes are designed to climb with minimal effort so you can relax and take in the experience.



Oregon

SANDY RIDGE TRAIL SYSTEM

» **Level: Intermediate | 15 miles**

Located on a ridge just west of Mt. Hood and above the Sandy River, The Sandy Ridge Trail System provides directional singletrack opportunities specifically designed for mountain bikers in the foothills of the Cascade Range.

Directions: From the east side of Sandy, head east on U.S. Hwy 26 (Mt. Hood Highway) for 11.4 miles. Turn left on Sleepy Hollow Drive soon after a large sign indicating a left turn for Marmot.

*Note: This will be the second turn-off for Sleepy Hollow. Once on Sleepy Hollow, go 0.3 miles and turn right on E. Barlow Trail Road and over the Sandy River. After 1 mile on E. Barlow Trail Road, look for the BLM signed parking lot on your left. Trails intersect with the paved Homestead Road north of the gate.

Note: No pass required

TIMBERLINE BIKE PARK (PHASE 1)

» **Level: All levels | 8 miles**

New chairlift assisted bike trails with up close views of Mt. Hood. Offering family friendly rides along with more advanced technical single track, steep trails and jumps.

Directions: From Hood River, drive south on Hwy 35, 38.2 miles. Merge onto Hwy 26 West/Mt. Hood Hwy via ramp to Portland, 2.4 miles. Turn right onto Timberline Road, travel 6 more miles.

Note: Trail fee is required



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Maps available

E-biking in the Gorge is so much fun and becoming a favorite popular activity.

E-bike sales are predicted to grow to 17 million bikes by 2030.

Think riding an e-bike is too easy? That is not true, you will still get a workout as your legs are pedaling and you have the option to choose a low or high setting. Exploring on an e-bike in the Gorge offers scenic beauty, waterfalls and incredible views.

If you want to enrich your knowledge of local and geological history, check out group and custom guided tours. Visit lavender farms, local wineries, bike along the Deschutes River or stop at U-pick orchards all at a moderate pace and minimal effort from the seat of a bicycle.



Let's go Fishing!

Of all of the fish, the Chinook Salmon is the most popular and sought after fish in the Columbia River Gorge.

JEFF STAGEBERG

With the Columbia River serving as the main artery for migratory sea-run species by the thousands, coupled with resident warmwater and coldwater sport fish, there's a plethora of fishing opportunities practically year round. In the heart of the Gorge lays the 48-mile long Bonneville Reservoir (Columbia River) that collects a number of tributaries with significant fisheries (including the Columbia itself). On the Washington side they are the Wind, Little White Salmon (aka Drano Lake), Big White Salmon and Klickitat rivers and on the Oregon side is Hood River.

There are four seasonal Chinook runs up the Columbia and a good portion from three of these complete their journey here in the Gorge. These are the Spring Chinook (locally known as "Springers"), Summer Chinook, Up River Bright Fall Chinook and Tule Fall Chinook. The Springer is by far the most popular Chinook to catch because of its rich flavor. Springers arrive in April and are caught into early June. The Summer Chinook (June-July run) are bound

THE VAST COLUMBIA RIVER, MOUNTAIN STREAMS, WILDERNESS LAKES, RESERVOIRS, PONDS AND RIVERS MAKE THE GORGE A YEAR-ROUND FISHERMAN'S PARADISE.

for the upper Columbia River and historically were known as the "June Hawgs" as their size was incredible with fish up to 80 and 90 pounds! If the escape quota can be met, there is typically a short sport season for summer salmon on the mainstem Columbia. Last to arrive are the Fall Chinook in August. A small run of winter steelhead also takes place in the Hood River from November through March.

White sturgeon fishing is available year round both from shore and boats on the mainstem Columbia River. Sturgeon are somewhat of a prehistoric creature and can get up to an enormous size of 10 feet.

Another sea-run migrant that is highly prized with light tackle and fly fishing gear is the American shad in May and June with a run size in the millions.

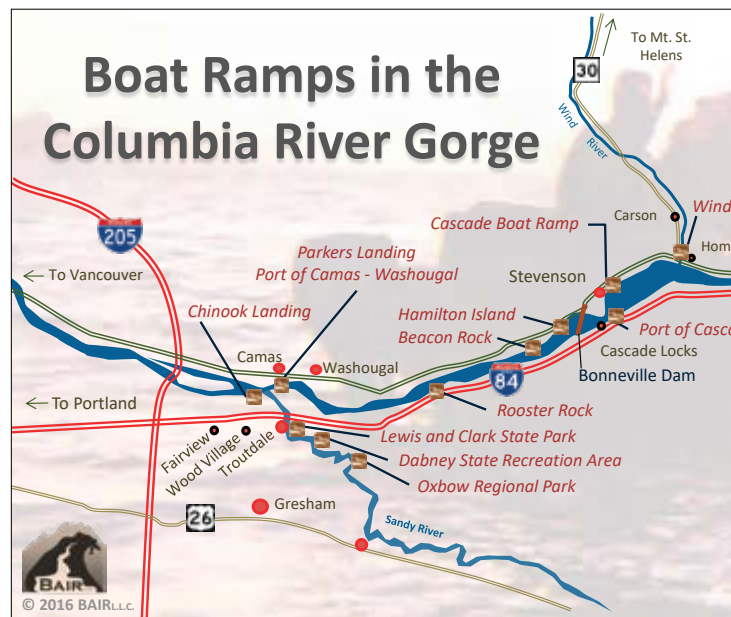


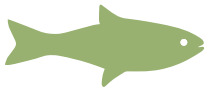
The fishery is common below Bonneville Dam both from the shore and out of boats. Neighboring lakes in the Cascades are also abundant with various species of trout.

Trophy size smallmouth bass and walleye are also found in the Columbia River. Big smallmouths up to four pounds plus can be common along the Columbia's rocky banks and back waters as early as the end of March and into summer months. The six to eight mile stretch below The Dalles Dam is a likely place but the fishing gets better the further east you go.

Along Interstate 84 on the Oregon side and Highway 14 on the Washington side are numerous ponds and lakes. The majority of them host panfish of sorts and smallmouth and largemouth bass. Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife stocks rainbow trout after the first of the year in Ice House, Little Ash, Tunnel and Roland Lakes along Highway 14 (double check regulations for openings and closures). Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife plants rainbows in small lakes just west of Multnomah Falls along I-84. For those wanting a little more solitude on scenic streams, one can pursue wild rainbow trout and mountain whitefish in upper sections of the Big White Salmon and Klickitat rivers.

When it comes to fishing in the Columbia River Gorge, it can very well be a tour in paradise with the opportunity of a lifetime to catch your best fish ever. — Text provided by Joe Warren





Life Cycle of the Salmon

After one to seven years in the ocean, the adult salmon that have survived countless risks from predators, ocean conditions and commercial harvest return to the Columbia River and head for their home streams. Once at the home stream the female makes a nest, known as a red, in the clean gravel.

When the female deposits her thousands of eggs, the male releases milt which fertilizes the eggs. The adult salmon die soon after spawning, with the exception of steelhead and cutthroat, who may survive another year or more to spawn again. The little fry, less than an inch long, emerge from their nest in the gravel to begin their wild journey from freshwater to saltwater and the life cycle repeats itself. The salmon is a true survivor.

Hatcheries help mitigate the loss of salmon runs due to the construction of hydroelectric projects on the Columbia. In the Gorge, there are federal, state and tribal hatcheries artificially propagating Chinook and Coho salmon that are vital to commercial and sport fisheries. Perhaps the most popular hatchery for public viewing during the spawning season in mid-September is the Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery located off Hwy 14 on the Washington shore of the Columbia River. Spring Creek has a comfortable indoor viewing deck for visitors to watch hatchery employees collect the eggs and milt from mature Fall Chinook salmon.

Bonneville Dam Fish Counts:

fpc.org/currentdaily/HistFishTwo_7day-ytd_Adults.htm

More information: wdfw.wa.gov/fishing • dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing



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WASHINGTON

- WASHOUGAL RIVER:** Salmon, whitefish, steelhead
- LITTLE WHITE SALMON RIVER:** Salmon, steelhead
- UPPER LITTLE WHITE SALMON:** Rainbow & brook trout
- WIND RIVER:** Spring Chinook salmon, summer steelhead
- Klickitat RIVER:** Summer steelhead, trout, spring & fall Chinook
- SPEARFISH LAKE:** Rainbow trout
- HORSETHIEF LAKE:** Rainbow trout, bass, crappie
- SWIFT CREEK RESERVOIR:** Rainbow & bull trout
- GOOSE LAKE:** Brook & brown trout
- DRANO LAKE:** Chinook salmon, steelhead



OREGON

- CLACKAMAS RIVER:** Spring & fall Chinook, steelhead, trout
- SANDY RIVER:** Summer & winter steelhead
- SALMON RIVER:** Steelhead, rainbow & cutthroat trout
- LOST LAKE:** Brown, rainbow & brook trout, kokanee
- LAURANCE LAKE:** Rainbow, bull & cutthroat trout
- BENSON LAKE:** Trout
- LOWER DESCHUTES RIVER:** Rainbow & brown trout, steelhead, spring Chinook
- HOOD RIVER:** Trout, steelhead, spring & fall Chinook
- SPEARFISH LAKE (east of The Dalles bridge):** Rainbow trout
- JOHN DAY RIVER:** Smallmouth bass, steelhead

NATIONAL FISH HATCHERIES

Adult salmon return every fall for spawning. You can watch them return, and catch the spawning process, from the end of August into December at the following hatcheries.

- Carson National Fish Hatchery
- Little White Salmon Fish Hatchery
- Bonneville Fish Hatchery
- Sandy Fish Hatchery
- Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery
- Klickitat Fish Hatchery
- Clackamas Fish Hatchery



NOTE: Several boat ramps and day use parks require launch fees and permits. Please check before you go.

Winter Fun



RICHARD HALLMAN

Keep in mind, when the snow level hits the valley floor, there can be a winter wonderland just 30 miles away. Always be prepared: carry tire chains, extra clothing, food and water.

Alpine skiing and snowboarding are thrilling and fast, but

Nordic skiing is a great and sometimes life changing alternative, offering a person one of the purest skiing experiences. Whether you seek the speedy kick and glide of skate skiing along the corduroy smooth groomed runs, or you long for the silent schussing experience of ski touring on or off trail through the woods and open snowfields, you will find plenty of options in both Washington and Oregon. Government Mineral Springs north of Carson, Washington offers beautiful skiing when the snow level drops to 1200 feet.

If there is snow in the town of Hood River, check out the Mosier Twin Tunnels trail in Oregon for amazing views and some peace and quiet. Access the park in Hood River at the Mark O. Hatfield Trailhead parking lot. When the snow level is at 2,000 feet, Trout Lake School meadows is great for flat touring, open spaces and views of Mt. Adams.

Snowshoes allow you the ability to hike on trails that might normally not be accessible in the winter time due to snow coverage. An example is Tamanawas Falls Trail along Hwy 35, 25 miles from Hood River. Tamanawas, a misty waterfall in the summer, transforms into an enormous white monolith of ice and snow during the winter. Snowshoe trails are easily accessible out the door of many vacation rentals in Government Camp. Daytime and moonlight snowshoe tours are offered at Timberline Lodge and Mt. Hood Skibowl.

Five downhill ski resorts, three Nordic areas with groomed trail systems and a bevy of easily accessible sno-park and backcountry trail options makes “this an ideal snow lover’s destination. Mt. Hood’s ski resorts are: Mt. Hood Skibowl, Timberline Lodge & Ski Resort, Mt. Hood Meadows, Timberline Summit Pass Ski Area and Cooper Spur Ski Area.



Sno-Park Permits

SNO-PARK PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR SNO-PARKS AND SKI RESORTS IN WASHINGTON AND OREGON

WHERE TO PURCHASE OREGON SNO-PARK PERMITS

Season Pass is \$30, Day-use permit is \$10

- **Estacada:** OISA Three Rivers League
- **Government Camp:** Best Western Mt. Hood Inn, Collins Lake Resort, Govy General, Huckleberry Inn, Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum, Mt. Hood Outfitters, Mt. Hood Skibowl
- **Hood River:** Best Western Hood River Inn - *Day Pass only*
Season Pass: Doug’s Hood River, Pure Stoke, Szeremi’s 76, Windance Sports
- **Mt. Hood:** Hood River Ranger Station
- **Pine Grove:** Boys Pine Grove Grocery
- **Rhododendron:** Mt. Hood Village Market
- **Sandy:** Sandy Historical Museum & Visitor Center
- **The Dalles:** Bi Mart, Fun Country Inc.
- **Troutdale:** Plaid Pantry
- **Welches:** Mt. Hood Oregon Resort, Mt. Hood Vacation Rentals
- **Zigzag:** Zigzag Ranger Station

WHERE TO PURCHASE WASHINGTON SNO-PARK PERMITS

Season Pass is \$53, Day Pass is \$28

- **Carson:** Wind River Market
- **Stevenson:** Main Street Convenience Store
- **Trout Lake:** Trout Lake Grocery



- **Snow Bunny Sliding Sno-Park**
- **Little John Sno-Park**
Limited to inner tubes and sliding discs only
- **Mt. Hood Skibowl Snow Tube Adventure Park**
Also offers Cosmic Tubing on weekend nights with laser lights, black lights, music and more
- **Cooper Spur Tubing Park**
- **Oldman Pass**
- **Pineside Sno-Park**
- **White River West Sno-Park**

Kids will love the tubing and sledding opportunities at the listed day parks →

Oregon Sno-Parks

TRILLIUM LAKE SNOW TRAILS

To get to Trillium Lake from Portland, take Hwy 26 toward Government Camp. Located 4 miles north of Government Camp. Park in the provided lot and take the wide road.

Sno-Park permit required • Dogs must be on leash

TEACUP NORDIC

Located one mile north of Mt. Hood Meadows on Oregon Hwy 35. Generally groomed several times.

\$25 trail fee / Sno-Park permit required • Dogs and snowshoers prohibited

GOVERNMENT CAMP SUMMIT SNO-PARK

This sno-park, nestled in the shoulders of Mt. Hood, is a fabulous launching point to access many winter recreational opportunities from skiing, snowshoeing and more. Hwy 26 to the East end of Government Camp, Oregon Loop.

Sno-Park permit required • Dogs prohibited

MT. HOOD MEADOWS NORDIC CENTER

Located north of Hood River Meadows parking lot, 2 miles north of the Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area entrance.

Track fees range from \$18–\$30 / Half day rates available

Sno-Park permit required • No dogs allowed • Snowshoers allowed on designated trails

COOPER SPUR NORDIC CENTER

Located 23 miles south of Hood River. Travel Hwy 35 and look for signs. Offers 6.5 km of cross country ski trails groomed for both skating and traditional cross country skiing. Separate trails for snowshoers.

Trail fee \$10 / Rentals available

Sno-Park permit required • No dogs allowed

POCKET CREEK SNO-PARK

A less crowded alternative to the nearby Teacup Lake groomed trails. Located 2 miles from Teacup Nordic. Travel 34.5 miles south of Hood River on Oregon Hwy 35.

Sno-Park permit required • Dog friendly

Washington Sno-Parks

PINESIDE SNO-PARK

This Sno-Park offers 20 miles of groomed ski and snowshoe trails (non-motorized use only). From White Salmon, take State Route 14 west for a few miles to Hwy 141 and turn north and travel about 23 miles to Trout Lake. At Trout Lake stay right at the gas station and head towards Mt. Adams Recreation area. Stay on Mt. Adams Road for a few miles and go right on Forest Road 82. The Sno-Park is at the junction of Forest Road 82 and 8225.

Sno-Park permit required • Dog friendly

ATKISSON SNO-PARK

This area offers 16k of ski and snowshoe trails (marked but not groomed) and 154 miles of groomed snowmobile trails. This Sno-Park features a warming hut with wood stove. Access Mount Adams Sno-Parks via Hwy 141, north off of Hwy 14, eighteen miles from Stevenson. To reach Atkisson Sno-Park, follow 141 past the Ranger Station approximately five miles. The Sno-Park entrance is on the south side of the road, just within the Forest boundary. Flat Top and Big Tree Sno-Parks are located farther north from Atkisson. *Sno-Park permit required • Dog friendly*

WIND RIVER WINTER RECREATION AREA/OLDMAN PASS

Cross country and snowmobile trails cover beautiful terrain with views of the Cascade Mountain Range. Access Wind River Sno-Parks via the Wind River Highway (Hwy 30) north of Carson about 30 miles. After you pass Carson National Fish Hatchery, you will see a sign for the recreation area that points to your right. Follow the road to the parking area at the top of the pass.

Sno-Park permit required • Dog friendly

GOVERNMENT MINERAL SPRINGS

Access Government Mineral Springs by traveling on Wind River Highway north of Carson approximately 14 miles to Carson National Fish Hatchery. Continue northwest for one mile, proceeding straight on to FR 3065 to the entrance.

Sno-Park permit required • Dog friendly

READY TO HIKE?

The Columbia River Gorge is a Hiker's Paradise

— readyssetgorge.com —

GET READY

Avoid crowds by following these tips.

1. Go Early – before 10 a.m.
2. Go East – beyond Waterfall Alley
3. Go North – discover Washington
4. Go Midweek – Tuesday-Thursday

HIKING LEVELS GUIDE

EASY: Level to gently rolling terrain and incline. Required limited skill and has minimum physical challenges.

MODERATE: Hiking that involves an increase in mileage and elevation gain.

MORE DIFFICULT: Vigorous hiking with moderate hills and slopes.

NOTE: Changing weather conditions can affect hiking levels for trails. Refer to map on page 46 to assist you in the location of trailheads.

10 WAYS TO LOVE THE GORGE

1. Protect vital habitat by using authorized trails, campsites and boat launches.
2. Leave no trace by packing out your trash and picking up litter you find.
3. Stop the spread of invasive species by using a boot brush, available at many trailheads.
4. Protect wildlife by keeping dogs on leash and picking up their waste.
5. Be courteous. Don't block parking spots or private driveways.
6. Reduce carbon emissions and congestion by carpooling, taking a shuttle or biking.
7. Respect local cultures, practices and resources.
8. Help businesses prosper by shopping locally.
9. Donate time and skills to local nonprofits and agencies.
10. Support maintenance and conservation efforts by paying recreation fees.

DON'T FORGET: A Northwest Forest Pass, Washington Discover Permit and Oregon State Parks Pass is required at many of the trailheads. You may purchase a season pass or day use permit on site. See specific details on page 91.

UNIVERSAL ACCESS TRAILS

A universal access trail is a paved trail that has gentle slopes making it accommodating to wheelchairs and people with disabilities. accessiblegorge.com • columbiagorgetomthood.com/universal-access-trails

Oregon

Columbia River Gorge Historic Highway:

Mosier Twin Tunnels in Hood River, Cascade Locks trail to John Yeon State Park and Wyeth Park to Viento Park all offer up to 13 miles of round trip paved accessible trails offering incredible scenery. **NOTE:** There are some hills on the historic highway.

Mitchell Point Tunnel: After four years of construction, the 655-foot long tunnel is now open and available for non-vehicle users to hike and bike. The new tunnel includes five arched windows with expansive views of the Columbia River along with a hand placed stone masonry wall on the trail, plaza with picnic tables, break areas, an overlook and expanded restrooms at the trailhead. **NOTE:** Eastbound exit only at Exit 58.

Starvation Creek Trailhead: This section of the Historic Highway State Trail boasts views of three waterfalls in 1.2 miles. And all paths are paved! The 190-ft two-tiered Starvation Creek waterfall is quite impressive and is tucked away in the woods behind the rest area. To see Cabin Creek Falls and Hole in the Wall Falls, head west from the parking lot on a paved, well-graded universal trail. This is an out-and-back trail. **NOTE:** Eastbound exit only. Traveling east on I-84, take Exit #55: Starvation Creek State Park and Rest Area.

Hood River: The Hood River Waterfront Trail is a 2.8-mile paved path, connecting The Hook on the west end to the Best Western Hood River Inn to the east.

The Dalles: The Riverfront Trail at The Dalles is a scenic paved pathway along the Columbia River from the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center parking lot east to The Dalles Dam allowing for many interesting things to see along the way. **NOTE:** There are some hills on this trail.

Trillium Lake Loop: The Trillium Lake Loop (Trail #761) is a 1.9-mile, universally accessible, and easy trail in Oregon's Mt. Hood National Forest, designed for hikers, wheelchairs, and strollers. It consists of a flat, compacted gravel and boardwalk surface with scenic views of Mt. Hood.

Bridal Veil Falls Overlook Trail: A paved path leads to some gorgeous views over the Columbia River. Catch a glimpse of Beacon Rock, Archer Mountain, and the Pillars of Hercules. The loop is 1/2 mile long and fully paved. People using mobility devices may be able to enjoy some of the views from the path. However, it has experienced some erosion. Some lookout points are missing pavement. You will find a picnic area that is located off the pavement.

Washington

North Bonneville: Explore 12 miles of paved walking trails in a beautiful park like setting located around the town of North Bonneville.

Doetsch Walking Path: Located west of North Bonneville at Beacon Rock Marina, you will find a paved and flat 1.2-mile loop through what was once a pasture of the Doetsch family ranch. View interpretive panels that explain the area's natural and human history dating back to the Ice Age floods.

Washougal: Find paved trails at Marina Park, Parkers Landing and the Washougal Waterfront Park.

Stevenson: Stroll along the paved waterfront path along the river in Stevenson for up close views of the Cascade Mountains along with the windsurfers and kiteboarders.

Rock Creek Pond Trail: Starting at the fairgrounds in Stevenson, you will find a nice paved path along Rock Creek Pond leading towards the Columbia Gorge Museum and Skamania Lodge.

Sam Walker Loop in Skamania: This flat, 1.1-mile gravel riverfront loop offers river viewpoints with mature oak woodlands to cedar forests. It's a gorgeous walk with stops and picnic benches at the overlooks.

Catherine Creek: A 1-mile user friendly trail that is paved with several benches along the way for resting. A waterfall is a must see on this trail.

Balfour-Klickitat Trail: This day use area offers a .75 mile paved loop trail with views of the Gorge, wildflowers and birdwatching opportunities. Balfour-Klickitat is a prime eagle watching spot around February and great for spotting songbirds and waterfowl year-round.



Dog Mountain

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: More difficult**

7 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 2,948 ft

A very popular trail, particularly from mid-April through early June, when the hills are filled with blooming wildflowers. Hikers will see impressive views of Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood. The trail is somewhat challenging as it gains 2,948 feet and is 3.5 miles to the top. Plan four hours to hike this one and take water and food for the break on top.

Getting there: To reach the trail, travel on Hwy 14 to MP 53. Dog Mountain is halfway between Stevenson and Bingen. Look for a large parking lot on the north side of the highway.

Note: NW Forest Parking Pass required year round. A Trail Pass Permit is required for each individual hiker on Saturdays and Sundays from mid-April to mid-June and Memorial Day, along with the NW Forest Parking Pass. If parking at the trailhead, you will need to have both a per-person trail system permit and a per-car recreation day-use or annual pass. Hikers can reserve a permit through the recreation.gov online reservation system at a cost of \$2 per permit. The number available will be limited to match parking capacity. A hiker permit is available with the shuttle bus from Stevenson, WA.

More shuttle info at ridecatbus.org

Wind Mountain

☞ view

» **Level: Moderate to Difficult**

3 miles round trip | Elevation gain 1,236 ft

Wind Mountain is a relatively short but moderately challenging hike. The summit offers remarkable views of the Columbia River, Beacon Rock and Cascade Mountains. There are some spots on the trail that are rocky, so be cautious, and there can be rattlesnakes and poison oak along the trail.

Getting there: Travel 6 miles east of Stevenson, WA on Hwy 14 and turn left on Wind Mountain Road (1/2 mile past the Home Valley Store). Travel just under 1.5 miles and take a right on Girl Scout Road. Just after the paved road gives way to gravel, you will see the parking area. Walk down the gravel road 200 yards to the trailhead.

Notes: No pass required



River-to-Rock Trail

☞ view ☞ wildflowers

» **Level: Easy to moderate**

1.5 miles round trip | Elevation gain 250 ft

The River-to-Rock Trail adds 1.6 miles to the Beacon Rock climb and offers parking away from the crowds. Wildflowers in the spring and blackberries in the summer make this a nice beginning to your 848-foot climb to the top of the rock. Visit the marina at the day-use area for a picnic and another incredible view of the infamous Beacon Rock.

Getting there: Once you pass Beacon Rock on Hwy 14, you will continue another 0.7 miles and turn left on Doetsch Ranch Road to Doetsch Day Use Area. Go past the Day Use Area and park in the large parking lot. The River-to-Rock trail starts near the railroad bridge and road towards RV camping area. River-go-Rock trail is 11 miles from Stevenson, WA.

Notes: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking

Beacon Rock

☞ view

» **Level: Easy to moderate**

2 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 848 ft

Beacon Rock is the core of an ancient volcano and is a well known landmark that is recommended for the first time visitor to the Columbia River Gorge. The plug is 848 feet high with handrails lining most of the ascent. The trail is 4,500 feet long with a 15 percent grade and takes 45 minutes to an hour to make the round trip. Once on top of the rock, the view of the Columbia River Gorge is breathtaking.

Getting there: Drive west on Hwy 14, 10 miles from Stevenson, WA. You can't miss the rock on your left at MP 35.

Note: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking

Stacker Butte/ Dalles Mountain Ranch

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Moderate**

5.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,500 ft

The best time for this hike is mid-April through May for the wildflower show! A gravel road amongst the wide open field of wildflowers will take you to the top where you will see Mt. Adams, Mt. Rainier, Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Jefferson. Stunning!

Getting there: From Bingen, WA travel 24 miles east to milepost 84.5. Turn left onto gravel Dalles Mountain Road. Proceed 3.4 miles on Dalles Mountain Road and turn left just before an old ranch and barn. Pass interpretive displays and continue on this rough dirt road for 1.4 miles to a gate.

Note: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking



RODNEY FALLS

Hardy & Rodney Falls (Pool of Winds)

☞ *waterfalls*

» **Level: Easy to moderate**
2.5 miles round trip
Elevation Gain: 440 ft

This hike takes you up a steep, but beautifully forested, climb to three tiers of waterfalls. Start at the Hamilton Mountain Trailhead and climb up to Hardy Creek. You'll come to a side trail leading downhill to a viewpoint of the lowest tier, known as Hardy Falls. Next, after a short distance past Hardy Falls, you'll see a signed spur heading up to the left leading to Rodney Falls and Pool of the Winds. At Pool of the Winds, Hardy Creek is channeled into a funnel-like chamber in the cliff face. From the Pool of the Winds junction, the main trail switchbacks down to a bridge over Hardy Creek, just at the base of the middle falls of Rodney Falls.

Getting there: From the Bridge of the Gods, head west onto WA Hwy 14 and travel seven miles. Watch for Beacon Rock— it will tower in front of you as you approach the state park which is near mile marker 35. Turn right to the campground into the small trailhead parking lot. The trail starts behind the restrooms.

Note: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking

Hamilton Mountain

☞ *waterfalls* ☞ *view*

» **Level: More difficult**
8 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 2,100 ft

The trail to the top of Hamilton Mountain is a gradual climb offering spectacular views of the Columbia River and Bonneville Dam from the top. The first part of the hike is very popular with the first 1.3 miles taking you to Rodney Falls, Pool of the Winds and Hardy Falls.

Getting there: Driving west on Hwy 14 from Stevenson, turn right at Beacon Rock State Park. Parking area is on your right with trailhead located behind the restrooms.

Note: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking

Cape Horn Trail

☞ *wildflowers* ☞ *view*

» **Level: More difficult**
7 miles round trip
Elevation Gain: 1,300 ft

This hike features gorgeous views, rocky crags, streams and two waterfalls. The full trail loop provides fantastic views of the Columbia River Gorge, an intimate look at Cape Horn Falls and a challenging workout as it climbs and descends the rocky slopes of Cape Horn.

Note: The lower trail is closed from February 1st to July 15th to protect peregrine falcon nesting areas. Parts of the trail are narrow, which can be unsafe during heavy snow and ice conditions.

Getting there: Follow State Hwy 14 west from Stevenson about 18 miles, pass Beacon Rock State Park, continue to the intersection with Salmon Falls Road, near MP 26. Turn right on Salmon Falls Road, parking area is on your right.

Note: No pass required

Lower Falls Creek

☞ *waterfall*

» **Level: Easy to moderate**
4.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 800 ft

This waterfall is well worth the hike! Not only do you see a spectacular waterfall but you also are hiking in a beautiful old growth forest. Start the hike by crossing the cable suspension bridge which spans a rock gorge providing spectacular views of the white water of Falls Creek. The trail ends at the waterfall so this is an out and back hike. **Note:** Trailhead is closed December 1 to March 31 (snowfall can affect earlier and later months).

Getting there: Take State Hwy 14 to Carson, Washington. Drive 15 miles north on Wind River Highway. Take a right towards Wind River Recreation Area. Turn right at signs for Falls Creek on FS Road 3062. Follow and stay on road for 1.5 miles. Keep to the right to the parking area for Lower Falls Creek Trail 152A.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Lewis River Trail – Lower Falls Recreation Area

☞ *waterfall* ☞ *view*

» **Level: More difficult**
3.5 miles round trip
Elevation Gain: 974 ft

The Lewis River Trail follows the course of the Lewis River as it meanders through a magnificent old-growth forest of Douglas fir, western red cedar and big leaf maple. Spectacular waterfalls will delight you as you explore this route. The trail leaves the Lower Falls Campground, crosses Copper Creek and comes to Middle Falls. The trail circumvents a cliff above Upper Falls, providing excellent views of the falls. It crosses Alec Creek and terminates on FR 90, near Quartz Creek Trail #5.

Getting there: Follow the Wind River Highway (Hwy 30) 40 miles north of Carson, Washington. Continue up and over Oldman Pass to FR 51 (Curly Creek Rd). Turn left. Stop by McClellan View Point for view of Mount St. Helens. Turn right on FR 90, follow to Lower Falls Recreation Area to Lewis River Trail #31.

Note: Parking at the middle, lower or upper Lewis River Falls parking lot now requires BOTH a parking permit AND Northwest Forest Pass. Tickets are available at recreation.gov.

SQUATCH OUT!

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Squatch Out is the newest small business in Stevenson, WA. Offering adventure booking services as well as a small retail space with outdoor gear and Sasquatch themed gifts!

Squatch Out to Stevenson and say hello!

Thursday–Sunday | 194 2nd Street, Unit A, Stevenson, WA 98648
SquatchOut.co | 509.219.5005



CRAWFORD OAKS TRAIL

Catherine Creek Arch Loop

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Easy**

3.5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 500 ft

Enjoy gorgeous views, astounding wildflowers, oak woodlands and open grasslands. More than 90 varieties of wildflowers bloom here, making this a favorite springtime destination.

Getting there: Traveling 6 miles east of Bingen on Hwy 14, take a left on Old Hwy 8. Follow highway for 1.5 miles to parking area. The universal paved trail takes off to the right, the arch loop hike begins uphill to the left.

Note: No pass required

Horsethief Butte

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Easy**

2 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 150 ft

Starting from the parking area, take the first grassy path marked with stones to the right. Stay to the right and follow well marked trail on the flat area to the east side of the butte, trail ends here, turn back towards parking lot. Adventure on some of the side trails into rocky canyons to look for Native American art. Views of the river and wildflowers add to this adventure.

Getting there: From Oregon, take I-84 to Exit #87/Hwy 197 north (The Dalles Dam bridge). Cross the Columbia River and continue about 2 miles to WA Hwy 14. Turn right on Hwy 14 and drive about 2 miles to the signed trailhead on the right. From Washington, the trailhead is at about MP #86.

Note: Washington State Discover Pass required for parking

Crawford Oaks Vista Loop

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

Level: Easy to Moderate

5 miles

Elevation Gain: 831 ft

Located as part of the Dalles Mountain Ranch, this five mile round trip trail offers sweeping views of the Columbia River and Mt. Hood.

The area is non-motorized and multi-use, so expect to see other hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians. The location also has a bathroom and covered picnic table. Known as a wildflower WOW in April and May.

Getting there: Drive east of Bingen, Washington 27 miles on Hwy 14 to milepost 87. There is a sign for Crawford Oaks Trail.

Note:

Washington State Discover Pass required



Weldon Wagon Trail

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

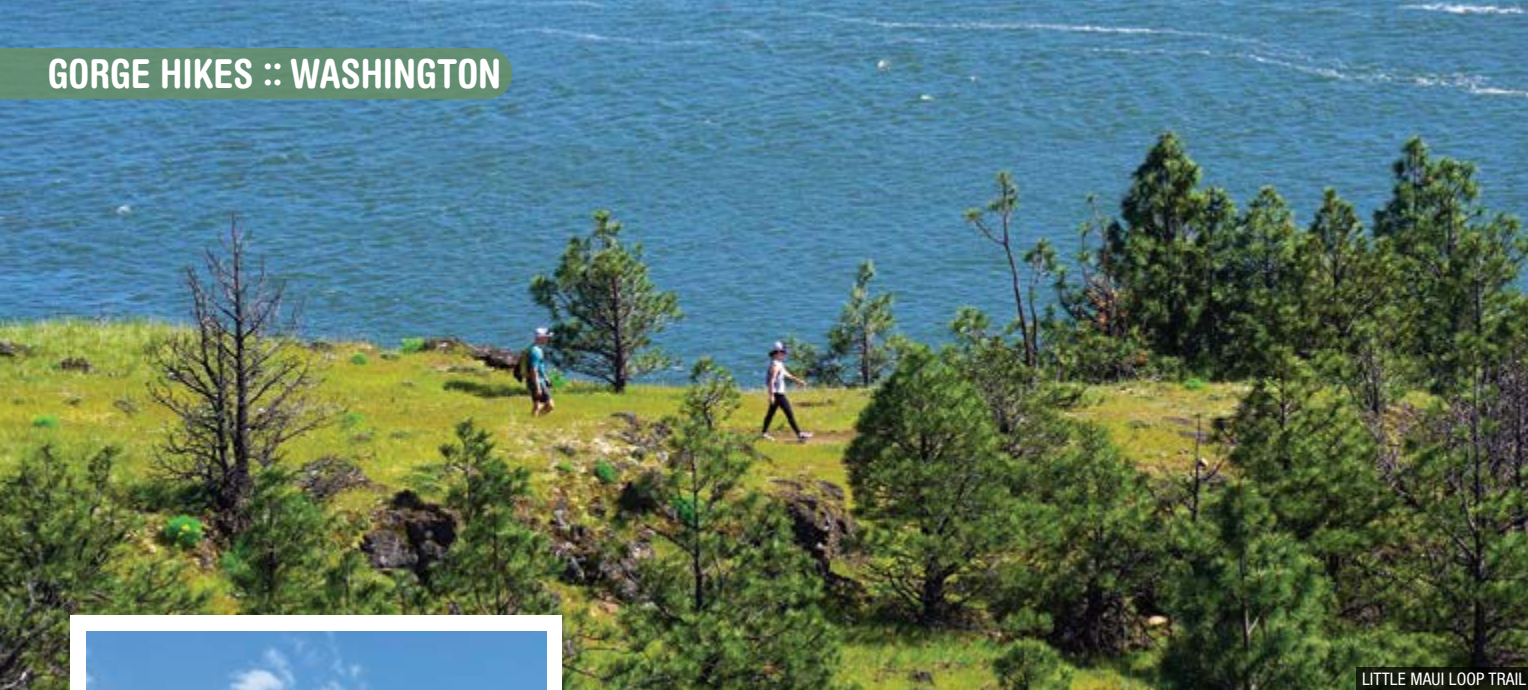
» **Level: Moderate**

5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1340 ft

A hidden gem of a hike with a wildflower show in the spring and great colors of vine maples and oak woodlands in autumn. To find the trailhead, walk 0.15 mile up a 4x4 road to a well marked sign for Weldon Wagon Trail. At 1.5 miles, the trail takes you into the White Salmon Oak Natural Conservation Area. Look for views of Mt. Hood to the south.

Getting there: From Hood River, cross the bridge to Washington and turn left on Hwy 14. Go 1.6 miles and turn right onto State Route 141A. Head north for 2 miles then stay left to continue north on Hwy State Route 141. Go 3.8 miles and turn right onto Indian Creek Road. Follow this gravel road for .6 miles, then go left on Indian Cemetery Road and continue .4 miles further. Look for the unmarked jeep road on your right and a wide spot on the left where you can park.

Note: No pass required



LITTLE MAUI LOOP TRAIL



Labyrinth Falls/Little Maui Loop Trail

☞ waterfall ☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Difficult**

5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,200 ft

You'll find wildflowers, unique changing terrain, cascading waterfalls and gorgeous views on this trail. A great spring time hike but beware of ticks, poison oak and rattlesnakes. Follow the abandoned road and in 0.3 miles you will see Labyrinth Falls. A bit farther down the road, look for obvious path and sign to the right and follow trail to the right at the fork.

Getting there: Travel 5 miles from Bingen to Old Hwy 8. Park immediately on the corner gravel lot. Head west on paved road.

Note: No pass required

Sleeping Beauty

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Difficult**

3 miles round trip

Elevation Gain: 1,500 ft

Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier and Indian Heaven Wilderness await you at the top of this steep rewarding climb. Fortunately, the trail is shaded with a Pacific Northwest mix of firs, maples and hemlocks. As you hike out of the trees, you are almost to the base of the rock slope. The rocky trail will take you to the summit and the site of a former fire lookout.

Getting there: Travel to Hwy 141 on Hwy 14 (25 miles east of Stevenson, WA). Travel north 20 miles to Trout Lake, take 141 west, then turn right on Trout Lake Creek Rd/ FR 88. Drive 4.5 miles and turn right on FR 8810. Follow FR 8810 for 6.2 miles, then turn right on FR 040. In about .6 mile, there's a small pullout for parking on the right with trailhead on left.

Note: No pass required

Lyle Cherry Orchards

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Difficult**

5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,100 ft

This gem of a hike offers dazzling views of the Columbia River, amazing spring flowers and an oak forest full of gnarled old trees. The trail is midway along the Rowena Gap, where the Columbia River cuts through folded layers of basalts. The result is a spectacular scene of multiple basalt flows shorn into 1,000-foot-high cliffs.

Getting there: From the Hood River Bridge (on the Washington side), drive east on SR 14 for 11 miles to Lyle. Continue on SR 14 through two tunnels, about one mile east of town. Immediately past the second tunnel, pull into the wide gravel area on the left (north) side of the highway.

Note: No pass required

Klickitat Trail/Swale Canyon/ Lyle Trailhead

☞ bird watching ☞ river walk

» **Level: Moderate**

Mileage Varies | Elevation Gain: 365 ft

The Klickitat Trail is a 31-mile non-motorized rail trail along the Klickitat River. The cycling and hiking trail offers river and canyon views and starts in one of the nation's only National Scenic Areas, winding along a nationally designated Wild & Scenic River then finishing by going through a remote, beautiful tributary canyon. There are great birding opportunities, including winter habitat for bald eagles near the Lyle trailhead.

Getting there: Travel 13 miles east on Hwy 14 from Bingen, WA. Go about 13 miles to the Klickitat River Bridge (the entrance to Lyle). Just beyond the bridge turn left (north) on Hwy 142. Immediately turn left at the trailhead entrance.

Note: The 13 mile Swale Canyon is generally closed from July 1 – October 1 each year because of fire danger. It is closed when the Department of Natural Resources rates the fire danger in Klickitat County as "High." This section is between the Wahkiacus trailhead and the Harms. Be aware that there are rattle snakes, ticks and poison oak that can be a hazard to dogs and people alike everywhere along the trail. Dogs are required to be on leash on this trail.

Note: No pass required

CAUTION

BE AWARE THERE ARE RATTLESNAKES, TICKS AND POISON OAK THAT CAN BE A HAZARD TO BOTH DOGS AND PEOPLE ALONG MANY OF THE TRAILS. THERE ARE ALSO CREEK CROSSINGS, SO USE CAUTION ESPECIALLY IN THE SPRING MONTHS.



FERRY SPRINGS HIKE

White River Falls State Park

☞ waterfall ☞ history

» **Level: Easy to moderate**

1 mile round trip | Elevation Gain: none

The White River Falls plunges 90 feet over two tiers at White River Falls State Park. A short steep staircase-like trail takes you to the viewing area. Continue on this trail for an epic view of the falls. At the bottom you will see the abandoned 1901 power plant building. Farther downstream there are flat ledges and beaches for relaxing in the beauty of this secret hideaway.

Getting there: Travel I-84 east to The Dalles, Exit #87. Turn right, then left onto Hwy 197 towards Dufur and Bend. Follow Hwy 197 for 28 miles to MP33 at flashing light, and follow Route 216. Go 4 miles to the park entrance.

Note: No pass required

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL DAY HIKE Dry Creek Falls

☞ waterfall

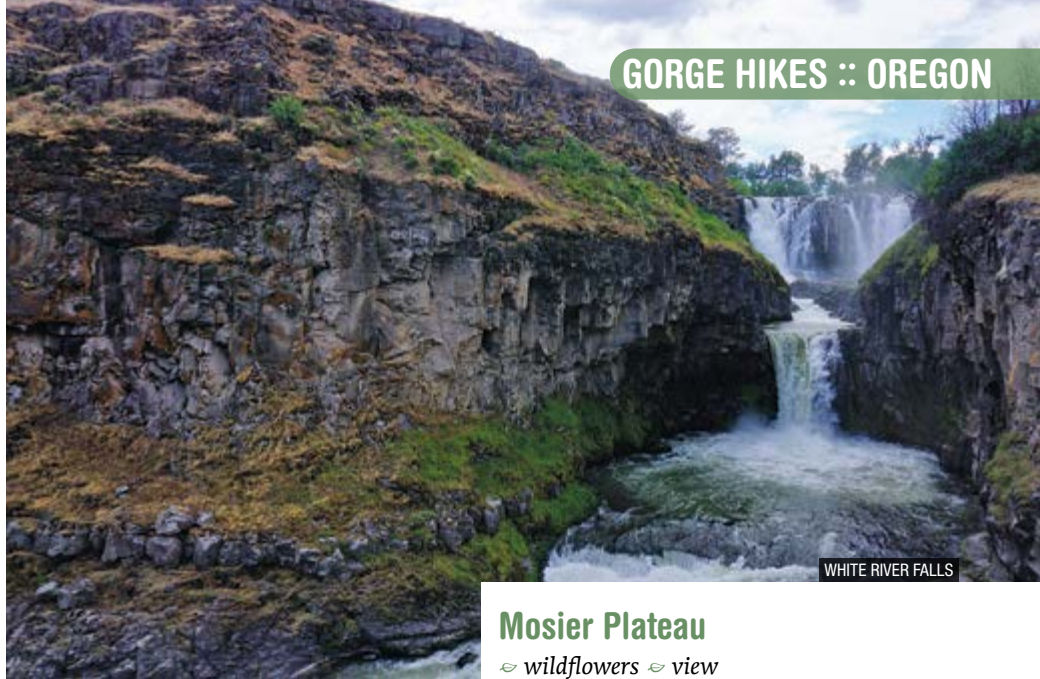
» **Level: Easy to moderate**

4.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 700 ft

Take a tour through lush green forests to the base of 70 foot Dry Creek Falls. This popular out and back starts at the Bridge of the Gods trailhead. From the trailhead, cross the road. At Moody Street, walk uphill to the right. You'll see the signed trail on your left. After a mile or so, you'll come to a powerline access road. Turn right and walk a short distance. Do not cross the bridge, instead turn right toward the falls.

Getting there: Park on the south end of the Bridge of the Gods in Cascade Locks, Oregon at the rest area. The trailhead is located south of the parking area.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking



WHITE RIVER FALLS

Eagle Creek to Tunnel Falls

☞ waterfall

» **Level: More Difficult**

12 miles out and back | Elevation Gain: 1640 ft

This hike travels deep into the Eagle Creek canyon on to a spectacular tunnel carved behind a 172-foot-tall waterfall. The hike to Tunnel Falls is one for the bucket list, but not for young children or dogs because of its narrow passage alongside very high cliffs. This is a challenging hike with beautiful views along the way. The trail is steep and has loose rocks in some sections, so trekking poles and sturdy footwear are recommended.

Getting there: Eastbound I-84: Take exit 41/Eagle Creek. At the end of the ramp, turn right, and drive 0.6 mile along Eagle Creek to the parking area and trailhead at road's end. Park only in designated spaces. If the parking area is full, turn around and park in the large lot near the restroom and fish hatchery. This will add about 1 mile (round trip) to the hike.

Westbound I-84: There is no exit, so take exit 40/Bonneville Dam; turn left to cross over I-84 and then left onto the eastbound ramp to I-84. In 1 mile, take exit 41/Eagle Creek, and follow directions above.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking



Mosier Plateau

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Moderate**

3.5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 600 ft

This trail begins in the town of Mosier and then ends up on Mosier Plateau. The trailhead is actually 1,000 yards east up the road from the parking lot, just over the historic bridge. You'll see a bench just after crossing the bridge and a trail. This is the beginning of the hike. After a series of switchbacks and four sets of stairs, you'll find yourself at the view point, soaking up the outstanding Gorge views. The peak of the wildflowers being mid-to-late April where you will find over 30 different flower species!

Getting there: From I-84, take Exit #69/Mosier. Follow the Historic Columbia River Highway into town. Park at the Mosier totem pole located mid-town on left/north side of road. Park here in the gravel or below the totem pole between Hwy 30 and the railroad tracks.

Note: No pass required

Ferry Springs Hike

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Moderate**

4.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 500 ft

This wildflower hike is best in spring months as the summers are very hot. You will bask in the smell of sagebrush, grassy hillsides and lots of sun. The Ferry Springs Hike climbs up to great views of the Deschutes River as it enters the Columbia River. The first 0.9 miles follows along the Deschutes River, coming to a sign indicating the Ferry Springs Trail. The trail to the springs is a single-track trail for 0.8 miles, then 0.9 miles back down to where it joins the main Deschutes River Trail, and another 1.9 miles back to the trailhead.

Getting there: Take I-84 East, travel 10 miles east of The Dalles to exit #97 for Celilo/Deschutes State Park. Turn left on Frontage Rd. for 3 miles to the State Park. Drive to the very end of the campground for parking and trailhead. Start the hike by crossing a grassy field to sign for Ferry Springs. Take a photo of map at trailhead for assistance.

Note: Oregon State Parks Pass required for parking



Tom McCall Nature Preserve / Rowena Plateau

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» Trail across plateau to river viewpoint
 » Level: Easy
 2.2 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: none

» Trail to McCall Point » Level: More difficult
 4.0 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,100 ft

The Tom McCall Nature Preserve overlooks the Columbia River and provides gorgeous scenery and wildflower viewing. More than 200 plant species live here including grass widows, prairie stars, shooting stars, balsamroot, lupine and Indian paintbrush. Dogs, horses and bicycles are not allowed. Please do not pick the flowers and off trail hiking and camping are also not allowed. And remember to wear long pants if you're taking the upper trail, as it passes through poison oak.

Getting there: From Hood River, drive I-84 east to Mosier/Exit 69 and follow signs for 6.6 miles to the Rowena Crest Viewpoint.

From The Dalles, take Rowena/Exit 76 and follow the old Columbia River Highway west to the viewpoint.

Note: No pass required

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL Cascade Locks to John Yeon State Park

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» Level: Easy to intermediate
 13 miles out and back | Elevation Gain: 1100 ft
 Beautiful car-free paved trail with optional stops at Bonneville Dam and Eagle Creek Fish Hatchery. Waterfall hikes at John Yeon State Park.

Getting there: In Cascade Locks, park under the Bridge of the Gods next to the mural. Start on the upper trail near the road. Or take exit 31 off I-84 coming from PDX or exit 35 from Cascade Locks to start the walk at John Yeon State Parking Lot which is located 8 miles west of Cascade Locks.

Note: No pass required

IMPORTANT NOTE: As of press time for the magazine this trail is closed due to a massive landslide, there is a chance it may be closed throughout the summer months. For more information check readyssetgorge.com.

Angels Rest

☞ view

» Level: Moderate to more difficult
 5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,500 ft

The trail to Angels Rest takes you to the top of the world with a spectacular 270 degree view of the Gorge, including many landmarks like Beacon Rock and Silver Star Mountain. It's somewhat steep going up, so you'll get a workout, but coming down is so much easier and quicker. Keep your dogs on a leash and kids close by on top, the cliffs are huge and steep.

Getting there: From the west, take I-84 east to Exit #28/Bridal Veil. Follow the road to the stop sign and turn right onto the Historic Columbia River Highway. The parking lot is immediately on the right. From the east, take I-84 west to Exit #35/ Ainsworth State Park. Follow the historic Columbia River Highway for 7.1 miles to Angels Rest.

Note: No pass required

Tamanawas Falls

☞ waterfall

» Level: Easy
 4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 500 ft

Tamanawas Falls is another gorgeous waterfall in the Gorge and great for families. The two mile hike takes you through lush forest along Cold Spring Creek with the destination ending at the 100 foot waterfall. An ideal hike for cooling down on a hot afternoon!

Getting there: Follow Hwy 35 south of Hood River for approximately 22 miles. Look for a parking area a few miles past Cooper Spur turn off just before Sherwood Campground. Follow the path to the footbridge crossing of the East Fork of the Hood River.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Memaloose Hills

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» Level: Easy to moderate
 3 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 460 ft

The trail begins across the road from the Memaloose Hills Lookout parking area. There are no signs at the beginning of the trail; just a path. Hike through a moderate oak forest and evergreens. Stay right and head to Chatfield Hill where you will switchback to the top for a spectacular wildflower show and views of Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams and the mighty Columbia River. The best time to hike is April and May.

Getting there: Take the Mosier exit off I-84 and head east on Hwy 30 (old Columbia River Highway) to the Memaloose Overlook. Park at the Memaloose Overlook area. Hike begins south of parking area.

Note: No pass required

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL Mosier Twin Tunnels

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» Level: Easy to moderate
 9 miles out and back | Elevation Gain: 400 ft

Walk through the Mosier Twin Tunnels on a paved road, which is part of a car-free section of the Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail. Views on the trail are spectacular, which runs 4.5 miles between Mosier and Hood River, are spectacular in any season.

Getting there: To start in Mosier: Take exit 69 off I-84 and turn left onto Rock Creek Road. Pass under the freeway ramp and stay on Rock Creek Road 0.7 mile to a parking area on the left. To start in Hood River: Follow the road east from Hindustani restaurant in Hood River to the Mark Hatfield West Trailhead parking lot.

Note: Oregon State Park Permit required for parking. Dogs must be on a leash.

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL Mitchell Point Tunnel

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» Level: Easy
 1.5 miles out and back | Elevation Gain: 500 ft

After 4 years of construction, the 655-foot long tunnel is now open and is available for non-vehicle users to hike and bike on this 1.5 mile segment of the Historic State Trail. The new tunnel includes five arched windows with expansive views of the Columbia River along with a hand placed stone masonry wall on the trail, plaza with picnic tables, break areas, an overlook, and an expanded restroom at the trailhead.

Getting there: The Mitchell Point Tunnel is only accessible from I-84 eastbound Exit 58. There is no access from westbound I-84. From Hood River, use the Exit 56 interchange to turnaround and head east to Exit 58.

Note: No pass required

HISTORIC HIGHWAY STATE TRAIL Viento to Wyeth State Park

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» Level: Easy to moderate
 12 miles out and back | Elevation Gain: 800 ft

This car-free section on the Historic Highway offers incredible views of the Cascade Mountains and the Columbia River along with three featured waterfalls: Cabin Creek Falls, Hole in the Wall Falls and Starvation Creek Falls. Three miles were added to this trail in 2023, just east of the Viento parking area.

Getting there: To start at Viento parking lot, take I-84 to exit 56, park on the south side of the highway once you enter the park near the trailhead. To start from Wyeth State Park, take exit 51 off I-84. The trailhead is east of the campground.

Note: No pass required at the south parking of Viento Campground or Wyeth State Park. Parking pass is required at North section of Viento.



Umbrella Falls

☞ waterfall ☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Moderate**

4.6 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 820 ft

In July and August, the Umbrella Falls loop offers all of the best that Mt. Hood has to offer with expansive wildflower displays, tumbling waterfalls and huge views of Oregon's tallest mountain. Enter at the trailhead parking area and follow the Elk Meadow Trail, #645, about .25 mile to the Umbrella Falls junction.

Getting there: Travel 30 miles south on Hwy 35 from Hood River. Turn right at the Hood Meadows Nordic Ski Area sign. Drive to the trailhead parking area on the right.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Mt. Hood Meadows

☞ wildflowers ☞ view» **Level: Varies**

Mileage varies | Elevation Gain: Varies

Mt Hood Meadows offers several miles of hiking trails that are perfect for families to experienced hikers. Along the trail you will discover waterfalls, creeks and wildflowers along with great views of Mt. Hood, Mt. Jefferson and the Three Sisters. There is a fee for those wanting to ride the chairlift for higher elevation hikes or you can start your hike from the lodge. Have fun exploring your favorite ski runs in the summertime!

Getting there: From Portland - Take Hwy 26 east to Government Camp, then north on Hwy 35 for 10 miles to Mt. Hood Meadows. From Hood River - Take Hwy 35 for 35 miles south to the Mt. Hood Meadows entrance.

Note: No parking permit required after ski season end (mid-May)



Little Zigzag Falls

☞ waterfall

» **Level: Easy**

1.5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 50 ft

This trail follows Little Zigzag Creek to Little Zigzag Falls. This trail is inviting on warm summer days as it stays cool in this small canyon. This is a very kid-friendly trail. It's a gentle uphill trail located in a narrow canyon next to the Little Zigzag River.

Getting there: From Rhododendron, take Hwy 26 east for 5 miles. Then turn left onto Forest Road 2639 (Kiwanis Camp Road) and continue to the end of the road to a large parking area.

Note: No pass required

Mirror Lake

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Easy to moderate**

2.9 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 780 ft

This beautiful hike takes you to Mirror Lake and offers fantastic views of Mt. Hood. There is a 3 mile loop that takes you around the lake. The Mirror Lake trail is one of the few hikes accessible directly from Hwy 26, and thus is very busy on weekends. The best time to hike Mirror Lake is mid-week and early mornings to avoid crowds in order to have a good hiking experience.

Getting there: From Rhododendron, take Hwy 26 east for 8 miles. Turn right (south) into the Skibowl West/Mirror Lake Trailhead parking area.

Parking: Parking is no longer available off of Hwy 26, but only in the new parking plaza area that was finished in the fall of 2018 located immediately adjacent to Skibowl west along Hwy 26 near Government Camp. The trailhead is located behind the toilet facility.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Tom Dick and Harry Mountain

☞ wildflowers ☞ view

» **Level: Difficult**

6.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,600 ft

Just before Mirror Lake, you intersect the trail for Tom Dick and Harry. Keep to the right and you will pass by the north side of the lake. The trail to the top of Tom Dick and Harry Mountain climbs gently over the next mile with amazing views of Mt. Hood. The final climb is a bit rocky. Wildflowers are blooming in summer months.

Getting there: Follow Mirror Lake's directions and parking instructions.

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Timberline Trail

☞ view

» **Level: Easy to advanced**

Optional miles | Elevation Gain: varies

Timberline Trail, which takes off from Timberline Lodge, circles all around the mountain requiring multi-days to complete the entire route. There are options for day hikes as far as you like from either direction at Timberline Lodge. This particular hike travels what is known both as the Timberline Trail and the Pacific Crest Trail. Timberline Lodge has easy-going hiking trails accessible around the lodge for overnight guests and day visitors to enjoy throughout the summer. For a slightly more challenging hike, you can walk a mile up Mt. Hood and enjoy the views from Silcox Hut and the Palmer chair lift.

Getting there: Drive south on Hwy 35 from Hood River for 38 miles. Merge onto Hwy 26/ Mt. Hood Hwy via ramp to Portland 2.4 miles. Turn right on Timberline Road, travel 6 miles to Timberline Lodge for parking.

Note: No pass required



LATOURELL FALLS

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MULTNOMAH FALLS

Lower and Upper Latourell Falls

↻ *waterfall* ↻ *view*

» **Level: Moderate**

1.6 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 500 ft

Lower Latourell Falls is a unique Columbia Gorge waterfall due to the fact it drops straight down from an overhanging basalt cliff. From the Latourell Falls parking lot, follow the paved path to the upper viewpoint, then pick up the path as it reverts to dirt and climbs to the upper falls in a little over .75 mile. The trail loops back to the highway on the opposite side of the creek. You can walk back to your car on the highway or cross the highway down the steps to Guy Talbot State Park and take the paved trail east of the picnic area to the lower part of the lower falls leading you back to your car.

Getting there: From the west, take I-84 to exit 28, turn west for 3 miles to trailhead. From the east, take exit 35 and travel 10 miles to the trailhead. To feel the mist from the base of the falls make sure to walk down the short path to the right of the parking lot.

Note: No pass required

Multnomah Falls · Wahkeena Falls Loop Trail

↻ *waterfall* ↻ *view*

» **Level: More difficult**

5 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 1,500 ft

This is a waterfall lover's dream! There are eight waterfalls on this trip including well known Fairy Falls and Wahkeena Falls. Although Multnomah Falls is the Gorge's signature icon and the most visited attraction in Oregon, don't let this hike scare you away. Once you reach the top of Multnomah Falls the crowds will fizzle and this hike is well worth it. The hike is steep at times and is paved near Wahkeena and Multnomah Falls.

Getting there: Traveling on I-84, take Exit 28 or Exit 35 for the Historic Highway and drive to start the hike either at Wahkeena Falls or Multnomah Falls.

Note: Pass required for parking / *See note above

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Wahkeena Falls · Fairy Falls

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» **Level: Moderate**

2 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 800 ft

The trail starts at a wooden bridge over Wahkeena Creek. Make sure you take the trail to your right. It is a short hike to the falls and you can enjoy the cool spray on the trail here year-round.

From here, the trail starts up a pretty steep section, climbing about 600 feet in about half a mile. Follow the pavement out to the point, called Lemmon's Viewpoint. The trail switches back before you reach Fairy Falls.

Getting there: Traveling on I-84, take Exit 28 or Exit 35 to the Historic Highway. Travel .5 miles west from Multnomah Falls to Wahkeena Falls parking area.

Note: No pass required

Bridal Veil Falls

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» **Level: Easy**

1.4 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 205 ft

A short hike takes you to a majestic waterfall and then to clifftop overlooks offering views up and down the Columbia River Gorge. Bridal Veil State Park offers a nice parking area, picnic tables, restrooms and nice grassy areas for relaxing.

Getting there: From the west, take I-84 to Exit #28/Bridal Veil. Turn south onto the Historic Columbia River Highway and drive 0.75 miles to Bridal Veil Falls State Park on the left/north side of the road. Coming from the east on I-84, take exit 35 (Ainsworth Park) and drive 8.3 miles west on the Historic Highway to reach Bridal Veil Falls State Park.

Note: No pass required

Wahclella Falls

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» **Level: Easy**

**2 miles round trip
Elevation Gain: 440 ft**

Wahclella Falls is a 350-foot two tiered plunge, with the final 60-foot section providing a horsetail fall into an enormous splash pool.

The easy, well graded trail climbs moderately along Tanner Creek for 0.9 mile, splitting into a loop about three quarters of the way and ending at the base of the falls.

Getting there: Take Exit 40 off I-84 for Bonneville Dam. Head south to the trailhead called Tanner Creek Trail (Wahclella Falls).

Note: NW Forest Pass required for parking

Upper Horsetail Falls

☞ waterfall ☞ view

» **Level: Easy to moderate**

1.6 miles round trip | Elevation Gain: 440 ft

Begin at the base of beautiful Horsetail Falls on the Historic Highway. A nice trail takes you to the upper falls, which flows over a cavern for relaxing and taking in the view.

Getting there: Travel west on I-84 to Exit 35 for Ainsworth State Park to the old scenic highway. Parking lot is on your right at the base of Horsetail Falls.

Note: No pass required



HORSETAIL FALLS



BRIDAL VEIL FALLS



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EVENTS CALENDAR 2026-27



2026 ONGOING EVENTS

WORKING HANDS FERMENTATION

Fun events. Pub Trivia Thursday nights. Open Mic Sunday nights. Working Hands, Hood River, OR workinghandsfermentation.com

TRIVIA NIGHT

Every Thursday, 6–8pm / Rally your crew and come early to snag a table to flex your brainpower and raise a glass. Thunder Island Brewing Co., Cascade Locks, OR facebook.com/ThunderIslandBrewing/events

LIVE MUSIC AT 64 TAPHOUSE & BAR

2nd Wednesday is open mic. 3rd Wednesday is live music. 208 Oak St., Hood River, OR / 64taphouse.com

LIVE MUSIC AT EVERYBODY'S BREWING

Mondays / 6–8pm / Excluding federal holidays. White Salmon, WA / everybodysbrewing.com

CAMAS FIRST FRIDAYS

5–8pm / Monthly, themed passport events featuring activities, art, dining and after-hours shopping. Downtown Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

MUSEUM ORIENTATION TOURS YEAR ROUND

Discover Maryhill's collections or learn something new with our friendly and knowledgeable volunteer docents. Included with admission. Maryhill Museum of Art in Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

SECOND SUNDAY SKATE NIGHT

Monthly on 2nd Sunday / 4–6 pm / Party lights and groovy music add to the fun vibe. \$3 per skater. 16 and under requires adult present. Bring your own gear. Underwood Community Center, 951 Schoolhouse Rd., Underwood, WA mtadamschamber.com/events

LIVE MUSIC, WINE AND ENTERTAINMENT

Live music at Porron Cellars with Williy & Nelson every Third Thursday of every month. Second Thursdays will be DJ Mexi. Third Thursdays are jazz and classical performances. Matthew McCravey will be playing every last Thursday. Fridays will feature a chef and/or winemaker popup. Check website for monthly Burlesque and Flamenco performances. Downtown Hood River, OR / porroncellars.com

KARAOKE AT BUDDY'S ARCADE

2nd Saturday of every month, 8pm–midnight. Sing your heart out. Cascade Locks, OR buddysarcade.com

SECOND SATURDAY AT WAAAM AIR AND AUTO MUSEUM

9–5pm / Year-round WAAAM opens the doors to run some of its antique airplanes and cars. Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum, Hood River, OR / waaamuseum.org

VIDEO DANCE PARTY AT BUDDY'S ARCADE

Last Saturday of every month / Dance the night away to your favorite dance videos on the screens while the music blasts through the speakers. 21+ please. Buddy's Arcade, Cascade Locks, OR buddysarcade.com

THUNDER ISLAND BREWING BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME ACOUSTIC JAM

First Monday of every month / 5–8pm / Come enjoy and share acoustic bluegrass and old-time music with friends on the 1st Monday of every month. Thunder Island Brewing, Cascade Locks, OR thunderislandbrewing.com

THE DALLES DAM VISITOR CENTER EAGLE WATCH

January–mid-February / 9am–Dusk Join U.S. Army Corps of Engineers park rangers at The Dalles Dam Visitor Center to catch a glimpse of bald eagles that congregate near the dam every winter in search of food. The Dalles, OR nwp.usace.army.mil

RAILBIKE TOURS

April 18–October 17 / Motor-assisted two-person railbike journey along Mount Hood Railroad tracks with stunning countryside views and adventurous pedaling experience. Mount Hood Railroad, Hood River, Oregon / mthoodrr.com/railbikes

LIVE MUSIC AT THE RUINS

Tuesdays / May–August / 6–9pm / \$5 charge before 7 pm / \$10 after 7 pm. One of the best outdoor music venues in the Pacific Northwest! The Ruins, Hood River, OR / ruins.org

WALKING MAN SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

Thursdays / May–September / 6–8pm / Join us Thursday evenings for our Summer Music Series. Free for all ages and dogs welcome on leashes. Weather permitting. Walking Man Brewing, Stevenson, WA / walkingmanbeer.com/music

GORGE WIND SOCIAL

Every third Wednesday / May–September 5:30–7:30pm / Ferment Brewing, Hood River, OR cgw2.org

WA'PAAS BASKET WEAVING WORKSHOP

May–October / 10am–12pm / Practice or learn how to make a Wa'paas, or utilitarian basket. Free / Maryhill Museum of Art in Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

THE FRUIT COMPANY FACTORY & ORCHARD TOUR

May 7–October 29 / New orchard tram tour combined with a visit to The Fruit Company gift basket factory and scenic railroading experience. Mount Hood Railroad / The Fruit Company, Hood River, OR mthoodrr.com/tours/fruit-company-tour

STEVENSON WATERFRONT PUBLIC STAGE

May 16–October 3 / 6–8pm (but times vary up to an hour with sunset time, so the time is moved to 7–9pm at the heat of the summer). Free! 130 SW Cascade Ave, Stevenson, WA stevensonwamusic.com

HOOD RIVER SWAP MEET

May 17, June 21, July 19, August 23 / 8am–noon Swap, Sell, Score / Windance Sports, Hood River, OR

SUMMER TRAIN

May 19–September 7 / Seasonal scenic summer excursion train through orchard valleys and Columbia River Gorge with panoramic views and relaxing vintage rail travel. Mount Hood Railroad, Hood River, OR / mthoodrr.com/train-rides/summer-train

FRUIT VALLEY TROLLEY

May 20–September 7 / Combo trolley and scenic train ride offering unique valley views and round-trip adventure through orchard landscapes. Mount Hood Railroad / Gray Line Tours, Hood River, OR mthoodrr.com/tours/fruit-valley-trolley

2026 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Fridays, May 29–October 2 / The Basin at Red Bluff Tap House. Variety of bands and musicians every week, with great food and cold beverages. Stevenson, WA / thebasinatredbluff.com

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT SKAMANIA LODGE

Sundays, June–September / 5–7pm / Enjoy live music by Pacific Northwest artists spanning pop, blues, country, rock, jazz, folk, and more. skamania.com

SUNSET SERIES

Wednesdays / June–September 2nd / 6:30–8:30pm Live music, food & drinks in our Beer Garden. Thunder Island Brewing, Cascade Locks, OR thunderislandbrewing.com

LIVE MUSIC AT HOOD CREST WINERY & DISTILLERS

June–September every Friday at 4:30–6:30pm / Saturday and Sunday 3:30–5:30pm / Live music from international recording stars Tess and Patrick Barr and other exceptional musicians. Reservations not required but recommended. Hood Crest Winery, Hood River, OR / hoodcrestwinery.com

NIGHTS IN WHITE SALMON

Join us in Downtown White Salmon on third Thursdays from June through September for an evening of Makers Market, food and drink, live music, and fun! White Salmon, WA / explorewhitesalmon.com

TROUTDALE FIRST FRIDAYS STREET FAIR

June 5, Aug. 7, Sept. 4 / 5pm until sunset / Dancing in the street, sipping, strolling, snacking and shopping. 80 vendors, sidewalk dining, local craft beers, and live music at Mayors Square. Troutdale, OR / troutdalefirstfriday.com

WASHOUGAL COMMUNITY MARKET

June 5–July 31 / 2–6pm / Handmade goods, baked treats, artisan crafts, with live music and family-friendly activities. Reflection Plaza, Washougal, WA cityofwashougal.us/822/Washougal-Community-Market

TUESDAYS TUNES AT NOON

July–August / Grab take-out or bring your own meal to the Streatery during lunchtime and enjoy a free performance by a local musician. Stevenson, WA stevensonmainstreet.org

DRAIN RAIDER BASS TOURNAY

June 27–28 / Aug 25–26 / September 12–13 Reel in the excitement at this competitive bass fishing tournament for big catches, friendly rivalry and classic outdoor fun. The Dalles Marina, The Dalles, OR / drainraiderproteamseries.com

MUSIC & MAGIC IN THE PARK KICK OFF

Wednesdays / July–August / Enjoy this free, family-friendly summer series featuring live music, performances, and magic in the park. City Park, The Dalles, OR facebook.com/thedalleswascocountylibrary

FLOWER FIELDS AND FARM FUN AT DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM

Mid-August–Mid-September / Gardens full of Dahlias, Sunflowers, and Gladiolas! U-cut the perfect bouquet or just stroll with a glass of our award-winning cider! U-pick peach orchards and farm animals. Mount Hood, Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

LEARNING TO PAINT WITH OIL WITH CHRIS POTHIER

11am–1pm / An 8 week series. The Dalles Art Center, The Dalles, OR thedallesartcenter.org

COPIES OF THE MASTERS WITH CHRIS POTHIER

7–9pm / Explore the techniques of history's great painters by creating your own copy of a masterpiece under the guidance of professional artist Chris Pothier. The Dalles Art Center, The Dalles, OR thedallesartcenter.org

COMMUNITY NIGHT

6–8pm / Every Wednesday / September–December Supporting local non-profits! Thunder Island Brewing Co., Cascade Locks, OR facebook.com/ThunderIslandBrewing/events

FOOSBALL TOURNAMENTS

6–9pm / Every other Wednesday / Sept. 9–Dec. 23 Friendly competition, good times and delicious beer. Thunder Island Brewing Co., Cascade Locks, OR facebook.com/ThunderIslandBrewing/events

2026 EVENTS

MAY

TBD CASCADIA CLASH — GORGE ROLLER DERBY

Experience high-energy roller derby as teams compete in this WFTDA-sanctioned, multi-day tournament featuring full-contact bouts and fierce competition in The Dalles, OR. gorgerollerderby.com/cascadian-clash

1-13 WHITE SALMON WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL

A month-long celebration of nature, art and community to the Columbia River Gorge with a variety of events. Guided hikes and art shows to wine walks and live music. White Salmon, WA exploresalmon.com/white-salmon-wildflower-festival

1-31 BLOSSOMS AND CIDER CELEBRATION

Mother Nature never disappoints with gorgeous cherry, apple and pear blossoms everywhere. Draper Girls Country Farm, Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

1-31 GORGE LIFE - THE QUILT SHOW RETURNS

From local fiber art group Beyond the Block: Art Quilters of the Gorge. Beautiful Art Quilts on view and for sale. FREE. The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, OR / gorgediscovery.org

16 5TH ANNUAL SKAMANIA SIP N' STROLL

12-5pm / Skamania Sip N' Stroll returns to Downtown Stevenson! Discover regional craft beverages while strolling between unique local shops and tasting stops. Stevenson, WA / skamania.org

16 COLUMBIA GORGE MUSEUM'S 31ST ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate the Columbia Gorge Museum's 31st Anniversary with the Annual Membership Meeting and 2026 Board vote. Enjoy demonstrations by lace-makers, quilters, and fiber guilds, outdoor lumber activities, and a silent auction. Stevenson, WA / columbiagorgemuseum.org

16-17 OREGON TRAIL RALLY

Starts in Goldendale, WA at 8:30am and ends in Dufur, OR / The 2026 Oregon Trail will be a Super Regional event that runs through the Columbia Gorge and the farmlands outside the cities of The Dalles and Goldendale, WA / oregontrailrally.com

16-17 CASCADIA FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday, 11am-7pm / Sunday, 10am-4pm A vibrant showcase of Pacific Northwest artists featuring original art, live demonstrations, and one-of-a-kind pieces. Troutdale, OR cascadiafineartsfestival.org

22 EMBROIDERY 101

8pm / Join instructor Katherine Raymond and learn the basics of the ancient art of embroidery. The Dalles Art Center, The Dalles, OR thedallesartcenter.org

23 BUDDY'S ARCADE 3RD ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Celebrate the 3rd anniversary of Buddy's Arcade. Drink specials, cake, games, and as always all ages! Cascade Locks, OR / buddysarcade.com

23 WILDFLOWER & WATERSHED FEST RETURNS!

Learn about the Gorge Watershed and Native Wildflower Ecology with local experts, hands on learning and wheelchair accessible pond walks with native plant specialists. FREE / The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, OR gorgediscovery.org

24 2026 SWAP MEET

8am-12:30pm / Sellers arrive and set-up as early as 7am. Free to the public. \$20 sellers fee. Lot #1 Hood River Waterfront just North of The Event Site, Hood River, OR / cgw2.org

24 EXPERIENCE FLAMENCO DANCE

Engage in a cultural experience with delicious wine and a chill atmosphere. Porron Cellars, Hood River, OR / porroncellars.com

25 MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Guest speaker, rifle salute, playing of Taps, and retiring of the colors. Washougal Memorial Cemetery, Washougal, WA cityofwashougal.us/820/Memorial-Day-Ceremony

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29-31 TROUTFEST

A celebration of the lower Deschutes River, the trout that live there, and the fishermen who chase them. Oasis Riverview Campground, Maupin, OR deschutestroutfest.org

31 THE GRAND DALLES MUSIC FESTIVAL

Enjoy three days of bluegrass, old-time, and country music featuring grassroots musicians, live performances, dancing, and community celebration in the heart of the Gorge. thegranddallesmusicfestival.com

31 MUSIC IN THE ORCHARD WITH ROCK VIOLINIST AARON MEYER

Enjoy Music in the Orchard with rock violinist Aaron Meyer and JP Garreau. Includes gourmet appetizers by Chef Ben Stenn from Celilo Restaurant, Analemma wines, and signature Pear Martinis. Hood River, OR / unitedwaycolumbiagorge.org/events

JUNE

4 COMPOSER/CLASSICAL GUITARIST RYAN WALSH

Relax with wine and music in a chilled atmosphere. Porron Cellars, Hood River, OR / porroncellars.com

4-8 GOLDDALE PICKERS FESTIVAL

An annual celebration of music, makers, and community in the heart of Goldendale! Ekone Park, Goldendale, WA facebook.com/golddalepickersfest

5 FIRST FRIDAY PRIDE

6-8pm / Our first 2026 First Friday is kicking off in June. Join us for a fun festival with vendors, food, and a Pride parade. Downtown Hood River, OR visithoodriver.com

5 UNICORNS, RAINBOWS & MYTHICAL BEASTS

Do the Downtown Camas Unicorn, Rainbow & Mythical Beast Sticker Challenge and be entered to win! Also enjoy Unicorn, Rainbow and Mythical Beast themed games and activities. Dressing up encouraged! Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

6 WALLEYE WILLIE SHOOTOUT

Cast for prize-winning walleye during this popular fishing tournament. Competitive waters, friendly camaraderie, and classic river-town excitement. The Dalles Marina, The Dalles, OR facebook.com/p/Walleye-Willie-Shootout-Memorial-Benefit

11-12 STARRY NIGHT CAMPOUT AND STARGAZING

Starts at 4pm. Camp under the stars at Maryhill Museum and enjoy guided stargazing with Troy Carpenter from the Goldendale Observatory. Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org/calendar

11-14 MAUPIN MADNESS MOTORCYCLE RALLY

The Maupin Madness Motorcycle Rally brings together the love of motorcycling. Sweeping roads and twisties, options for camping onsite or over-nighting in the nearby cabins or hotel. Oasis Riverview Campground, Maupin, OR maupinoregon.com

12-14 115TH ANNUAL ALDER CREEK PIONEER RODEO

Experience one of Washington State's oldest rodeos. Bickleton, WA / bickletonrodeo.com

13 NCH'I-WANA CHALLENGE

Surfski/Outrigger/SUP paddle race. paddleguru.com/races/NCHIWANAChallenge

13 GET OUTDOORS: CHALK ART FUN

1-3pm / Participate in National Get Outdoors Weekend making chalk art with music and kid-friendly contests. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org/calendar

13 TDAC ANNUAL AUCTION: HAVANA NIGHTS

6:30-9:30pm / Step into a night of rhythm, color, and celebration at our Havana Nights-themed Annual Auction. National Neon Sign Museum, The Dalles, OR / thedallesartcenter.org

14 PLANT SALE

10am-3pm / Annual plant sale of beautiful, healthy local plants! Two Rivers Heritage Museum, Washougal, WA / <https://2rhm.com/events>

14 NATIONAL GET OUTDOORS DAY

Between 10am-2pm join park rangers at Bonneville Dam's Fort Cascades National Historic site for family-friendly activities aimed at getting youth outdoors. North Bonneville, WA / outwardbound.org

19-20 GORGE BLUES & BREWS FESTIVAL

Microbrews and wines from the Columbia Gorge, food and live blues music. Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson, WA parks@co.skamania.wa.us / 509-427-3980

19-21 ROOTSTOCK FESTIVAL

Friday, 4-8pm / Saturday, 11am-6pm / Sunday, 11am-3pm / A celebration of gardening, homesteading and the art of sustainable living. Vendors, kids activities, lots to see and do. Daubenspeck Park, Bingen, WA hiddengemeventsmore.com

20 SUMMERFEST

1 pm / A full day of fun kicking off with the grand opening of Sharon Nesbit Heritage Park, featuring new green space, interpretive elements, and connections to the Columbia River Gorge trail system. The celebration continues at the Troutdale Historical Society Barn with activities, entertainment, and hands-on experiences. Sharon Nesbit Heritage Park & Troutdale Historical Society Barn, Troutdale, OR troutdalehistory.org

20-21 SUMMER SOLSTICE AT STONEHENGE

4pm-10am / Campout on Maryhill's Great Lawn, followed by a sunrise ceremony at Stonehenge Memorial Monument. Maryhill Museum of Art in Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org/calendar

20-21 GLENWOOD KETCHUM KALF NPRA ANNUAL RODEO

Thrilling NPRA Rodeo action, kids games and a Western Beer garden. Glenwood, WA / 509-364-3363 facebook.com/Glenwood-Ketchum-Kalf-Rodeo

25-28 GREATER GOLDDALE AREA COMMUNITY WIDE YARD SALES

Get ready for four full days of treasure hunting during the Community-Wide Yard Sales, Greater Goldendale Area, WA / golddalechamber.org

26 MOVIES IN THE PARK

7pm: The Peanuts Movie | 8:30pm: A Minecraft Movie Grab your blankets and popcorn for two evenings of double feature films on a giant LED screen under the summer evening sky. Columbia Park, Troutdale, OR troutdaleoregon.gov/movies

27 CAMAS CAR SHOW

Saturday, 2-7pm / Classic and custom car celebration. Live music and entertainment, kids activities, food vendors. Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

JULY

7/1-8/31 STAN PETERSON: HORSING AROUND

Oregon/New Mexico-based artist Stan Peterson exhibits sculptural woodcarvings of animals, people, and narrative scenes inspired by folk art and outsider art. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

1-31 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM U-PICK CHERRY BONANZA

Pick your own sweet or tart cherries by the bucket or purchase them in our Country Store. Grandma & Grandpa's famous cinnamon sugar dried apples are available along with fresh pressed cherry ciders, or enjoy our hard ciders by the glass or growler. Parkdale, OR / drapergirlscountryfarm.com

1-31 APPLE VALLEY COUNTRY STORE & BAKERY CELEBRATES EVERYTHING CHERRY

Cherry & Huckleberry Milkshakes, a variety of fresh local cherries. Weekend specials: Fresh baked cherry goodies, such as hand pies, cobblers & muffins / Hood River, OR / applevalleystore.com

4 FORT DALLES FOURTH

Celebrate Independence Day with races, breakfast, a hometown parade, and a dazzling fireworks finale over the Columbia River Gorge. The Dalles, OR fireworksinthedalles.com

4 4TH OF JULY PATRIOTIC PARADE

City of North Bonneville, WA facebook.com/northbonneville

4 INDEPENDENCE DAY PICNIC & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Celebrate 250 years of independence in Carson! Bring a picnic, enjoy live music, free ice cream, community fellowship, and a visit from former Sheriff Brown. / facebook.com/WindRiverBA

4 TRADITIONAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION WITH FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Live music and fireworks at dusk at Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson. 509-427-3980 parks@co.skamania.wa.us

4 2026 DEMOLITION DERBY & TRUCK TUG O' WAR

Get ready for a heart-pounding day of adrenaline-fueled action, roaring engines, and explosive entertainment! Goldendale, WA goldendalechamber.org

4 CASCADE LOCKS 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Fireworks display, food and beverage vendors, live music, Sternwheeler cruises and more at the Cascade Locks 4th of July Celebration! Marine Park, Cascade Locks, OR portofcascadelocks.gov

4 PARADE AND MUSIC IN THE PARK

11am / Wear your patriotic colors and walk, ride or bike from Grandview to Rheingarten Park, via Jewett Blvd. through downtown White Salmon. Music in the park afterwards. Rheingarten Park, White Salmon, WA / explorewhitesalmon.com

4 ONE COMMUNITY, MANY HANDS: CELEBRATING AMERICA'S 250TH!

Join us for family friendly carnival inspired games, community service opportunities, art shows, dress up, live music and more! All in celebration of America's 250th birthday! Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

5 SWAP MEET

8am-12:30pm / Sellers arrive and set-up as early as 7am. Free to the public. \$20 sellers fee. Lot #1 Hood River Waterfront just North of The Event Site. Hood River, OR / cgw2.org

10-11 100TH ANNUAL GOLDENDALE COMMUNITY DAYS

Get ready for the 100th year of Goldendale Community Days, the biggest summer celebration in town. Goldendale, WA / goldendalechamber.org

10-12 KITEBOARDING FOR CANCER

20th Anniversary. Be part of this magical event as kiteboarders, along with others assisted by the wind, take to the river to raise money for cancer. Live music, food, beer and fun! Hood River Event Site, Hood River, OR / kb4c.org

11 WAAAM TRAFFIC JAM

8am-5pm / Enjoy a car show and other fun activities with judging and prizes for entrants and drawings. WAAAM Air and Auto Museum. Hood River, OR / www.waaamuseum.org

11 GOLDENDALE COMMUNITY DAYS CAR SHOW

A high-gloss showcase of classics, muscle, hot rods and more hosted by the Old Hwy 97 Cruisers Car Club. Goldendale, WA / goldendalechamber.org

11-12 STARRY NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

4pm-10am / Camp out on Maryhill's Great Lawn on a starry night for stories, stargazing, and guided telescope viewing. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

11-12 GORGE GAMES HORSE SHOW

A two-day gaming show supporting the Skamania County Fair 4-H Horse Barn, hosted by the Gorge Games Club nonprofit. Skamania County Fairgrounds, Stevenson, WA / skamania.org

13-18 GORGE DOWNWIND CHAMPS

Week long downwind paddling festival for OC's, Surfski's, and SUP's. Stevenson, WA gorgedownwindchamps.com

17-19 MT. ADAMS MUD FEST

Family friendly featuring obstacle courses, mud drags, races and structured play. Burnt Ridge MX Park, Glenwood, WA mountadamsmudfest/facebook.com

18 GOLDENDALE PRIDE

Join us in celebrating love, inclusion, and community at the Goldendale Pride event - everyone is welcome! Goldendale, WA / goldendalechamber.org

18 YOGA & BEER

Marine Park, Cascade Locks, OR cheersandnamaste.com

18 THANKS FOR WIND

5:30-9:30 / Fun and Fundraising Celebration Mosier Company, Mosier, OR

18 BAKER-BERRY GOLF TOURNAMENT

8am shotgun start. Annual fundraiser for Rotary Club of White Salmon Bingen. Bring your team or let us assign you with a fun group of people. Hood River, OR / whitesalmon-bingenrotary.org

23-25 WASHOUGAL MX PRO NATIONALS

Round 8 of the Pro Motocross Championship Washougal MX Park, Washougal, WA washougalmxpk.com

23-26 COLUMBIA GORGE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

Concerts, workshops and contests at the Skamania County Fairgrounds. Stevenson, WA / skamania.org

24-26 BRIDGE OF THE GODS KITE FEST & GORGE BLOWOUT

Youth freestyle kite and wing foiling at East Point Beach in Stevenson. The Gorge Blowout is a 17-mile downwind race from Stevenson to Hood River. Open to all vessels. Rachel: 209-559-1952 instagram.com/botgkitefestival

25-26 KIYOKAWA FAMILY ORCHARDS CHERRY HARVEST

11am-4pm / Hay wagon and music. Get ready to start the season with our Cherry Harvest! Rainier, Lapin, Black Pearl, Skeena, Bing, tart pie cherries and more. U-Pick cherries and in the stand. Parkdale, OR / kiyokawafamilyorchards.com

26 PICNIC IN COLOR

11am-4pm / Free family friendly outdoor art and crafts event. Tie dye, clay, painting, paper art, puppet show and rubber duck racing. 4th & Cedar. Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

26 IN A LANDSCAPE: CLASSICAL MUSIC IN THE WILD

Classical Music in the Wild tours the American West featuring pianist Hunter Noack on a 9-foot Steinway concert grand piano. Listen through wireless headphones. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA maryhillmuseum.org

31 PARKERSVILLE HERITAGE FAIR

4-6pm / A regional, heritage-focused event making history engaging, human, and relevant. Parkersville Landing, Port of Camas-Washougal and Marina Park, Washougal, WA. facebook.com/parkersvilleheritagefair

31 SUMMER CONCERT AT MARINA PARK

7-10pm / An evening of live entertainment and fun on the Columbia River. Port of Camas Washougal portcw.com

31-AUGUST 2 TROUT LAKE COMMUNITY FAIR

7-10pm / Huckleberry pancake breakfast, Parade, Fun Run, Carnival, Quilt Show, Bake Sale, Kids Activities & Art Show, hot food booths, silent auction and rides on the Blue Train! facebook.com/TroutLakeFair

AUGUST

1-31 APPLE VALLEY COUNTRY STORE & BAKERY SUMMER FRUIT CELEBRATION

Daily: Huckleberry & Marionberry Milkshakes along with seasonal favorites like Peach. Fresh-baked cookies, hand pies, turnovers, pies, jams, jellies, syrups, sauces, and more. Weekend specials: freshly baked crisps, cobblers, muffins. Hood River, OR AppleValleyStore.com

1-31 PEACH LOVERS, REJOICE!

Stroll through our sun-kissed orchard and pick your own perfectly ripe peaches straight from the trees. Afterward, treat yourself to our delightful array of peach-inspired creations. Hood River, OR packerorchards.com

1 WASHOUGAL ART AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

9am-3pm / A gathering of local-area artists to participate in an outdoor, lively, family-friendly event on the second Saturday in August. Reflection Plaza, Washougal, WA / washougalarts.org

2 THUNDER ISLAND TWILIGHT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Enjoy music, food trucks and beer garden while watching the sun set on the Columbia River Gorge. Cascade Locks, OR / thunderislandbrewing.com

7 RED BLUFF TAP HOUSE 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Come Celebrate 10 years with us at the Red Bluff Tap House. Outdoor area named The Basin, featuring great music and giveaways. Stevenson, WA / thebasinatredbluff.com

7 CAMAS COMIC CON

5-8pm / Comics, sci-fi, cosplay, anime, fantasy, and everything in between. Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

7 FIRST FRIDAY CLASSIC CAR SHOW

6-8pm / Join us for a fun festival with vendors, food, and a classic car show. Downtown Hood River, Hood River, OR / visithoodriver.com

7-8 STEVENSON WATERFRONT MUSIC FESTIVAL

An annual mixed genre live music festival, Friday eve to all day Saturday. Local food/drink, vendors, family-friendly, free entry (donations gladly accepted) - spans the Waterfront! Stevenson, WA / stevensonwamusic.com

8 MT. HOOD'S ANNUAL STEINER CABIN TOUR

Tour eight Steiner Log Cabins along a two-mile route in beautiful Rhododendron. Tickets go on sale in July and generally sell out quickly. Government Camp, OR / mthoodmuseum.org

8 SHOW IN THE SHADE

See 300-plus classic cars at Sorosis Park during Cruise the Gorge, featuring awards, food vendors, and a Parade of Champions celebrating automotive craftsmanship. The Dalles, OR midcolumbiacarclub.org

8 NATIONAL MUSEUM DAY

An invitation to explore, learn, and appreciate the profound impact that museums have on our lives. Two Rivers Heritage Museum, Washougal, WA 2rhm.com/events

9 UNCORKED

Sip and stroll downtown while sampling wines from 10+ local wineries, plus refreshing mocktails and summer drinks during this lively tasting event. The Dalles, OR / sunshinemill.com

9-11 NEON CRUISE & CRUISE THE GORGE

Rev up for three days of classic cars, family fun, and nostalgia, highlighted by the iconic Neon Cruise. The Dalles, OR / midcolumbiacarclub.org

10 VINTAGE DUFUR DAYS & CAR SHOW

Dufur Threshing Bee and Classic Car Show is often part of Vintage Dufur Days. Large car show on the Sunday of the second weekend in August. It highlights antique, classic, and collector vehicles alongside historic wheat-harvesting demonstrations. Dufur, OR / dufur.org

10-31 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM U-PICK EXTRAVAGANZA: PEACHES, PEARS & APPLES!

Many varieties to pick from, including nectarines and berries! Take home some dahlias from our U-cut fields! Say hi to the farm animals on your way to the Country Store. Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

12-15 SKAMANIA COUNTY FAIR & TIMBER CARNIVAL

Since 1908, Skamania's fair has brought rides, livestock shows, timber events, food, and entertainment. Junior Timber Carnival starts at 9am, Timber Carnival at 6pm. Stevenson, WA / skamaniafair.com

13 SUMMER NIGHTS SIPS & BITES

5-9pm / Tropical themed event with island themed cocktail samples, tropical inspired bites from local downtown restaurants, music and sizzling Summer shopping specials. / downtowncamas.com

13 PCT DAYS PRE-FUNK PARTY

5-11pm / Kicking off PCT Days with a funky evening at Thunder Island Brewing Co. with Gossamer Gear! Live music from SunDog Syndicate, food, drinks and prizes. Thunder Island Brewing Co. Cascade Locks, OR / thunderislandbrewing.com

13-15 PCT DAYS AT BUDDY'S

Join Buddy's Arcade in celebrating hikers traversing the Pacific Crest Trail. Each night will have a different party event and celebrations. Cascade Locks, OR buddysarcade.com

13-16 KLICKITAT COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

Same Tradition. New Memories. See you there! Goldendale, WA / klickitatcountyfair.com

13-16 WASCO COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

The Wasco County Fair may be over 110 years old, but there's always something new to enjoy. Tygh Valley, OR / co.wasco.or.us

14 MOVIES IN THE PARK

6:30pm: Zootopia 2 / 8:30pm: Ghostbusters
Grab your blankets and popcorn for two evenings of double feature films on a giant LED screen under the summer evening sky. Columbia Park, Troutdale, OR / troutdaleoregon.gov/movies

14-15 PCT DAYS BEER GARDEN

Come say hi to the Thunder Island Brewing Co. Brew Crew at PCT Days! We will be serving up beverages in the beer garden. Cascade Locks Marine Park / pctdays.com

14-15 PCT DAYS

The most popular event for outdoor enthusiasts in the Gorge, meet other hikers, vendors and for a celebration of our Pacific Crest Trail and its heritage. Cascade Locks, OR / pctdays.com

15 SKAMANIA COUNTY FAIR PARADE

11am / Enjoy logging trucks, classic cars, candy, and community spirit in this beloved parade. Stevenson, WA / skamaniafair.com

MID-AUGUST SUNFLOWER FIELDS & BUTTERFLY EXPERIENCE AT PACKER ORCHARDS

Stroll through acres of vibrant sunflowers and pick a bouquet to bring the sunshine home. Step into our magical Butterfly Experience, where you can interact with these delicate beauties up close. Learn about their fascinating life cycles, witness their graceful flight, and feel the joy of nature's wonders all around you. Hood River, OR / packerorchards.com

19 TROUTDALE CRUISE IN

9am-2pm / Rev up your engines for a stunning display of classic cars, hot rods, and custom vehicles. Live music and vibrant atmosphere. Troutdale, OR / facebook.com/columbiagorgekiwanis

22-23 KIYOKAWA FAMILY ORCHARDS STONE FRUIT CELEBRATION

11am-4pm / Hay wagon & music. Plum, Pluot, Pluerry Harvest is finally here. Our Pluots, a delightful mix of plum and apricot, and Pluerries, a fusion of plum and cherry. Both offering sweet and tart flavors. Parkdale, OR / kiyokawafamilyorchards.com

22-23 THE DROP IN AT CEDAR PARK

The City of Sandy will be hosting a large skateboard competition and mountain bike race at their new public park. This will be a festival style event with lots of vendors, kids activities, food, drink, and of course the competition. / ci.sandy.or.us

27 PORT WHEELS & WINGS

9pm-dusk / A Community Appreciation Day includes a free hot dog lunch and a Car & Airplane walk through show! PORT - Grove Field Airport, Fern Prairie, WA / portcw.com

29 CAMAS VINTAGE & ART FAIRE

9am-3pm / Antiques, vintage vendors, up-cycled items, and a wide variety of local art vendors in the charming streets of Downtown Camas. downtowncamas.com

SEPTEMBER

1-30 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM U-PICK HONEYCRISP & FAMILY FUN

Our largest u-pick selection, features Honeycrisp apples, pears, peaches, nectarines and berries! Come feed the farm animals and visit our Country Store. Enjoy a glass of our award-winning hard cider in the garden. Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

SEPT 1-OCT 31 APPLE VALLEY COUNTRY STORE & BAKERY CELEBRATES FALL HARVEST

Daily treats will include Huckleberry & pumpkin milkshakes, freshly picked local pears, apples and other seasonal fruits, cookies, pies, hand pies, turnovers, jams, jellies, syrups, sauces, and more. Weekend specials will include our famous pear dumplings, pumpkin muffins, and other favorites. Hood River, OR / applevalleystore.com

4 CELEBRATE ART!

Local art displayed throughout downtown businesses with chances to win prizes and local art. Art demos and free hands on art activities for families. Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

4 FIRST FRIDAY

6-8pm / Join us for a celebration as summer ends. A warm evening downtown with music, food, and fun. Downtown Hood River, OR / visithoodriver.com

5 COLUMBIA RIVER CROSS CHANNEL SWIM

6am-1pm / For 81 years, swimmers have boarded the famous Sternwheeler paddleboat on the south shore of the Columbia River, at the dock in Cascade Locks, where they are ferried to the Washington side of the river for a 1.1-mile stretch to swim back to Cascade Locks. Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler, Cascade Locks, OR / visithoodriver.com cascadelocks.com

5-6 LABOR DAY WEEKEND PICKLE FESTIVAL AT PARKER ORCHARDS

It is a great time for the whole family to explore the tangy, spicy, and sweet world of pickles. From classic recipes to creative new twists, this festival is a can't-miss event for anyone who loves a good crunch. Hood River, OR / packerorchards.com

6 TIMBERLINE DAYDREAM

A celebration of music, brews, and bikes benefiting OHSU Doernbecher Children's Hospital. Timberline Daydream starts in the morning with a bike race in the Timberline Bike Park. The music festival kicks off in the early afternoon in the amphitheater. Timberline Lodge, Government Camp, OR timberlinelodge.com

6 SWAP MEET

8am-12:30pm / Sellers arrive and set-up as early as 7am. Free to the public. \$20 sellers fee. Lot #1 Hood River Waterfront just North of The Event Site. Hood River, OR / cgw2.org

SEPT 8-OCT 31 FALL TRAIN (AUTUMN HARVEST)

Seasonal autumn scenic train ride featuring harvest-themed views, orchard colors, and special excursions through the Hood River Valley. Mount Hood Railroad, Hood River, OR www.mthoodrr.com

10 SUNSET IN THE PARK

Goldendale's Farmers Market event featuring vendors, food trucks, yard games, and music or a movie—bringing the community together on a beautiful summer night. World War II Park, Goldendale, WA / goldendalechamber.org

10-31 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM ALL THINGS FALL

Bring your family and friends to enjoy a fall day by u-picking fruit, shopping at our Country Store, and feeding the mini goats! Enjoy a glass of hard cider or our non-pasteurized non-alcoholic cider while visiting our flower-filled gardens! Choose from hundreds of pumpkins littering the farm! Parkdale, OR / drapergirlscountryfarm.com

11-13 GORGEOUS INK TATTOO CONVENTION & MOTORCYCLE RALLY

Family friendly three-day tattoo convention, poker run through the Columbia River Gorge, live music, traditional contests & awards, food and beverages. gorgeousinktattooconvention.com

FARMERS MARKETS 2026

gorgegrown.com

OREGON

Estacada Farmers Market

May - September • Saturdays, 10am-2pm
502 East Main Street in front of Fire Station

Hood River Farmers Market

May 2 - November 21 • Saturdays, 9am-1pm
Downtown Hood River, 501 Columbia Street

2026/27 Winter Season Hood River Farmers Market

December 26 - April 2027 • 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 10am-1pm
Ferment Brewing Company, 403 Portway Avenue, Hood River

Mercado del Valle

June 18, July 2 & 16, August 6 & 20, September 3
5-7pm

Downtown Odell, Atkinson Road

Mt. Hood Farmers Market

May - October • Fridays, 2-7pm *Closed 4th of July
NO Market July 10

38600 Proctor Blvd, Sandy

*Located behind Dairy Queen and the Big Apple

South Wasco Farmers Market

June 28 - September 26 • Saturdays, 9am-1pm
Tygh School Community Center, 57594 Tygh Valley Road

The Dalles Farmers Market

June - October
Saturdays, 9am-1pm
City Park, Union and E 5th Street

Troutdale Music at the Market

July - August • Every Tuesday, 5-8pm
Downtown Troutdale

WASHINGTON

Camas Farmers Market

June 3 - September 30 • Wednesdays, 3-7pm
314 Birch Street

Goldendale Farmers Market

May - October • Saturdays, 9am-2pm
On Chamber lawn at 903 E Broadway

Stevenson Farmers Market

mid-June - mid-October • Saturdays, 10am-2pm
140 SW Cascade Avenue (on the waterfront)

White Salmon Farmers Market

June 2 - September 29 • Tuesdays, 4-7pm
Rheingarten Park, 282 N Main Avenue, White Salmon

Trout Lake Market

May 24, July 26 & Sept. 20 • 1st Sunday, 10am-2pm
Trout Lake Grange Hall, Trout Lake, WA

12 54°40' OKTOBERFEST WITH CAMAS LIONS

Family-friendly, live music, German food, beer garden, 5k/10k run. 54°40' Beer, Washougal, WA camaslionsclub.org

MID-SEPT-LATE OCT FALL FESTIVAL AT THE FARM PLACE AND FALL ON THE FARM AT PACKER ORCHARDS

Get lost in our corn maze, a fun challenge for all ages. Enjoy crisp autumn air, cozy fire pits, and seasonal treats like warm apple cider donuts and fresh-baked pies. Hood River, OR packerorchards.com

18-20 TYGH VALLEY BLUEGRASS JAMBOREE

Workshops, band scramble opportunities, music performances, and plenty of opportunities for jamming, including late night jams hosted by performing bands—bring your instrument to drop in and pick with them! Or sign up for the band scramble to get on stage to pick some 'grass. Wasco County Fairgrounds, Tygh Valley, OR tyghvalleybluegrass.com

19 WCGHS HIKE THE DIKE

Dog Walk and Fundraiser along the Dike Trail of the Columbia. Washougal, WA / wcghs.org

19 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Commemorate the centennial of the dedication of Maryhill Museum of Art (1926-2026) by museum cofounder Marie, Queen of Romania with entertainment, food, and family-friendly activities. Maryhill Museum of Art / Goldendale, WA maryhillmuseum.org

19 PERFORMANCE: THREE RIVERS DULCIMER SOCIETY

10am-1:30pm / Three Rivers Dulcimer Society plays American and Celtic folk with a good helping of seasonal tunes at Maryhill Museum of Art. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA maryhillmuseum.org

19-20 KIYOKAWA FAMILY ORCHARDS HONEYCRISP HARVEST

11am-4pm / This early ripening variety arrives about 3 weeks ahead of the classic Honeycrisp, ensuring you get your apple fix sooner. The Premier Honeycrisp is like a sneak peek into apple season. Parkdale, OR / kiyakawafamilyorchards.com

20 BRIDGE OF THE GODS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the Bridge of the Gods, this weekend festival will highlight the bridge's unique history with exhibits, food and beverage vendors, live music, and more! Marine Park, Cascade Locks, OR portofcascadelocks.gov

20 RIDE, ROW, RUN

Begin the race with a 1 mile downhill run, bike 26 miles, kayak or paddle 3.5 miles down the Deschutes River, then finish with another 3.5 mile run back to Imperial River Company. Take the adventure solo or in teams. Participate in the trike races for adults on Saturday night: Main Street in Maupin. Imperial River Company, Maupin, OR maupinoregon.com

FREEBRIDGE BREWING OKTOBERFEST

Experience an all-day, family-friendly Oktoberfest featuring German-style beers, traditional food, lively contests, and festive Bavarian fun in the heart of the Columbia Gorge. Freebridge Brewing, The Dalles, OR freebridgebrewing.com

OCTOBER

1-31 ARTISTS OF THE GORGE

Local art display at Stevenson Community Library. 509-427-5471

1-31 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM: THE ULTIMATE U-PICK EXPERIENCE

Amazing u-pick selection of apples, pears, peaches, nectarines and raspberries. Visit our well stocked Country Store, featuring our famous unpasteurized ciders and our award-winning hard ciders! Don't forget to feed the mini goats! Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

1-31 BRIDGE OF THE GODS DOWNTOWN CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

October in downtown Cascade Locks will be chock-full of exhibits, events, activities and special menu/merchandise items to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the opening of the Bridge of the Gods in style. / mainstreetcascadelocks.com

2 PUMPKIN PAGEANT & HARRY POTTER COSTUME CONTEST

Vote for your favorite carved or decorated pumpkin throughout downtown businesses for a chance to win and come as your favorite Harry Potter character! Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

2-3 OKTOBERFEST TRAIN

A festive Oktoberfest-themed train ride featuring live polka music by the Polkatones Band, Yodeling & Accordion by Shelby Imholt, themed food and beverage add-ons, and traditional Oktoberfest atmosphere. Mount Hood Railroad, Hood River, OR mthoodrr.com

3 HOOD RIVER ORCHARD & ALE FEST (FORMERLY HOPS FEST)

11am-7pm / The Hood River Orchard & Ale Festival (Formerly Hops Fest), a festival that brings together the region's finest cider makers and brewers during peak harvest season. This event is your chance to sip the freshest pours in one of Oregon's most scenic settings. Hood River Event Site, Hood River, OR visithoodriver.com

3 LOGTOBERFEST

Celebrate Skamania's logging heritage and Sasquatch lore with family fun, kids' activities, a plant sale, food, live music, a beer garden, and quirky contests like Hairy Legs or Dress Like a Logger! Carson, WA / facebook.com/logtoberfestevent

3 ALPACA PUMPKIN FEST

11am-5pm / Family fun, variety of pumpkins for purchase, vendor pop-up, games for all ages. cedarcreekalpacas.com

3 CONCOURS DE MARYHILL

10am-3pm / Annual juried automobile show on Maryhill's lawns, open driving on Maryhill Loops Road, and viewing of an historic hill climb with vintage cars. Maryhill Museum of Art in Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

3 ANNUAL AUCTION — MUSEUM FUNDRAISER

Join us for our Annual Auction! An evening of fun and friendship that helps CGDCM create our amazing programs. Tickets on our website. The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, Oregon / gorgediscovery.org

3-4 KIYOKAWA FAMILY ORCHARDS FIESTA DAYS!

11am-4pm / Hay Wagon Rides & Music. Come pick your own apples to the sound of live music and join us for a delicious Mexican lunch. And some Pinata fun for the kids to enjoy. Parkdale, OR / kiyakawafamilyorchards.com

9-11 HOOD RIVER HARVEST FESTIVAL

Fri 1-6pm / Sat 10am-6pm / Sun 10am-5pm A weekend to enjoy the harvest of the Hood River Valley farms and orchards, as well as arts & crafts, live music, and delicious food. Hood River Event Site, Hood River, OR / visithoodriver.com

10 MOUNTAIN TOWN THROWDOWN

An unforgettable day of music, craft brews, and family fun! Downtown White Salmon, WA explorewhitesalmon.com

10 5K BEER RUN | 54°40'

2026 OR Brewery Running Series / 10am-1pm 5K fun run/walk and great beer at 54°40' Beer. Washougal, WA / eventbrite.com/e/5k-beer-run

10 & 24 ARTIST TALK: CHARLES M. CARRILLO

1-3pm / Meet and learn from National Endowment for the Arts-honored artist, author, and archaeologist Charles M. Carrillo. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

17 WITCHES WALK & MASQUERADE BALL

Celebrate spooky season with a costumed downtown Witches Walk, followed by an elegant masquerade ball featuring music, dancing, and magical autumn atmosphere. The Dalles, OR

17 MILL CREEK PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Celebrate fall at Sandoz Farm with a pumpkin patch, family activities, farm animals, mazes, slides, and local treats in a festive autumn setting. Sandoz Farm, WA / facebook.com/sandozfarm

17 KLICKITAT COUNTY HARVEST FESTIVAL

11am-5pm / A lively atmosphere filled with vendors, food stalls, and various activities for all ages. Hay mazes, face painting, touch-a-truck, scavenger hunt, parade, hayrides and more. / Goldendale, WA goldendalechamber.org

17 STEVENSON MUSHROOM FESTIVAL

Unearth the world of fungi with food, fun, and local art. Join the passport adventure—collect stamps as you explore events, learn about mushrooms, and enjoy downtown Stevenson, WA. stevensonmushroomfestival.com

17-18 DRAPER GIRLS COUNTRY FARM CIDER DAYS CELEBRATION

Our Country Store will be stocked with our famous unpasteurized apple, pear, and cherry ciders. Highlighting the weekend is our award-winning hard cider available by the glass or growler. Serving hot cider and cider donuts all weekend! Parkdale, OR drapergirlscountryfarm.com

17-18 KIYOKAWA FAMILY ORCHARDS APPLE TASTING!

11am-4 pm / Hay wagon & music. An extraordinary opportunity! Taste over 100 varieties of apples. The unique Mountain Rose, luscious Ambrosia, zesty Crimson Crisp and many others are sure to ignite the curiosity. Parkdale, OR kiyakawafamilyorchards.com

23 GROSSOLOGY

This popular event invites families to explore the slimy and shadowy side of science while dressed in their Halloween best. FREE. The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, OR / gorgediscovery.org

24 WHY RACING SCARY RUN GLOW SPOOKY RUN/WALK

4pm / Put on your favorite costume and get ready to be cheered on, chased down, and maybe even spooked a little during this family friendly run/walk. Washougal, WA / whyracingevents.com/scary-run

28 BOO BASH TRICK OR TREAT

3-5pm / Family "trick-or-treat" event at participating businesses, the Camas Library and City Hall in Downtown Camas. Come in costume, one and all! Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

31 HOMETOWN HALLOWEEN

Hometown Halloween celebrates Trunk or Treat and brings festive, family fun to downtown Stevenson. Visit participating businesses for candy, deals, and more! / stevensonmainstreet.org

31 WASHOUGAL TRICK OR TREAT

Downtown Washougal Businesses business.cwchamber.com/events

NOVEMBER

6 THANKFUL FOR YOU! (AND PIE) MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION!

Pie samples, pie raffles and a pie walk dance party! Community gratitude activities as well. downtowncamas.com

11 VETERANS DAY PARADE

Honor local veterans and active-duty service members at this patriotic downtown parade featuring community groups, ceremonial colors, and a moment of remembrance on November 11. The Dalles, OR / thedalleschamber.com

12 HOLIDAY SIP & SHOP

Holiday shopping, festive cocktail tastings, treats, caroling, raffle prizes, festive photo booth and supporting local for the holidays! downtowncamas.com/event/holiday-sip-shop

14 ARCHEOLOGY ROADSHOW FROM PSU

The Archaeology of Fire & Water featuring exhibits and activities hosted by archaeologists and heritage specialists. FREE / The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, OR gorgediscovery.org

14-15 WASHOUGAL STUDIO ARTISTS HOLIDAY TOUR

A tour of local artists' studios that takes you on a journey throughout Washougal. washougalstudioartists.org

25–DECEMBER 13 CHRISTMAS IN THE GORGE

Celebrate the season in Skamania County with parades, Santa visits, tree lightings, craft bazaars, concerts, and festive downtown activities. skamania.org

25 VILLAGE FAIR – SKAMANIA LODGE

4–7pm / Shop local at the annual Village Fair featuring regional artisans and merchants. Enjoy live music, cookies, coffee, and cocoa while you browse. Stevenson, WA / skamania.com

25 CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING – SKAMANIA LODGE

6–8:30pm / Experience the magic of the season with dazzling twinkling lights! Stay for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony with Santa after the parade at The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce. thedalleschamber.com

25 WALKING MAN'S ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Live music, food and drink specials and more. Always the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving. Walking Man Brewing, Stevenson, WA walkingmanbeer.com

26 TURKEY TROT

Thanksgiving morning 5K/1-mile run/walk at Lewis & Clark Festival Park for family fun, costumes, music, and community giving back to local causes. Downtown The Dalles, OR / thedalleschamber.com

26–JAN 2027 DATES TBD POLAR EXPRESS TRAIN RUN

Immersive holiday train experience with Santa, hot cocoa, and seasonal storytelling on select winter dates. Mount Hood Railroad, Hood River, OR mthoodrr.com

27 STARLIGHT PARADE

Kick off the holidays with The Dalles' Starlight Parade, featuring illuminated floats, community groups, festive music, and cheerful hometown spirit lighting up downtown. The Dalles, OR thedalleschamber.com

27 PLAID FRIDAY

A local alternative to Black Friday & supporting small and local businesses. Wear plaid! Love local! Stevenson, WA / stevensonmainstreet.org

DECEMBER

DECEMBER WEEKENDS: HOLIDAY IN THE HILLS

5:30–10pm / One mile drive-through loop takes you through a 150 acre park with lighted displays along the way. Washougal MX Park / washougalmxpk.com

4 ANNUAL HOOD RIVER TREE LIGHTING & FESTIVAL

5–7pm / Head downtown for an evening of lights, music, food, shopping, and more! Walk through the streets and visit our local shops during the festival to get some of your holiday shopping done. Hood River, OR / visithoodriver.com

4 HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS

Tree Lighting outside Liberty Theatre; Snow Falls! Photos with Santa; Entertainment, Free hot cocoa. Caroling and family friendly holiday activities all through town. / downtowncamas.com/event

4–6 CHRISTMAS IN CARSON

Celebrate the season in Carson with festive activities, giveaways, treats, and a community tree lighting celebration at 6:30pm. facebook.com/people/Christmas-in-Carson/61582442935258/

5 CHRISTMAS AT THE MUSEUM

Trim a museum tree with a volunteer or donation pledge, visit Santa, make lace ornaments and woven gifts, and enjoy special holiday discounts in the museum store. Stevenson, WA columbiagorgemuseum.org

5 WHITE SALMON VILLAGE LIGHTS

Sip and savor, enjoy sweets and crafts at the library, shop for gifts at the holiday pop-ups, and enjoy hands-on creativity at the Gorge Maker Space's Festival of Making. The evening wraps up with a lively 21+ dance party to celebrate the season. Downtown White Salmon, WA explorewhitesalmon.com

5 CHRISTMAS SHIPS PARADE ON THE COLUMBIA

6pm / Celebrate the holidays in Washougal for this spectacular seasonal event! Outdoor viewing is available at all Port waterfront park properties. christmasships.org

5–6 WINDY WONDERLAND & TREE LIGHTING

7pm with tree lighting / 5pm on Sunday
Celebrate the holiday season at Windy Wonderland in downtown Troutdale—a festive holiday event featuring a cozy indoor market, selfies with Santa, a downtown scavenger hunt, and the annual tree lighting in Mayors Square to cap off the weekend. Troutdale, OR / troutdaleoregon.gov

5–6 WREATH-MAKING WITH NATIVE PLANTS

We provide a beautiful and fragrant array of native greenery and you craft a special wreath to take home that captures the joy of the local landscapes. FREE / The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum, The Dalles, OR / gorgediscovery.org

6 MAUPIN HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Celebrate the season with lamp post decorating contest, visits with Santa, tree lighting ceremony, snacks, beverages, family crafts, and more! Maupin Civic Center & Kaiser Park, Maupin, OR maupinoregon.com

12 CEDAR CREEK ALPACAS CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM

12–2pm / Open 11am–5pm / Celebrate Christmas on the Farm at Cedar Creek Alpacas! Visit with Santa and the alpacas. Shop in the gift store and enjoy some goodies. Cook, WA cedarcreekalpacas.com

MID-DECEMBER SIP & SHOP

Enjoy festive shopping in downtown The Dalles with holiday drinks, special promotions, and seasonal cheer while supporting local businesses during this December tradition. The Dalles, OR thedalleschamber.com

2027 ONGOING EVENTS

WA'PAAS BASKET WEAVING WORKSHOP

March–Dec / 10am–12pm / Practice or learn how to make a Wa'paas, or utilitarian basket, with Chestina Dominguez (Yakama Nation) using contemporary materials. Free. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

FOOSBALL TOURNAMENTS

Every other Wednesday starting Jan–May 12th 6–9pm / Friendly competition, good times and delicious beer. Thunder Island Brewing Co., Cascade Locks, OR www.facebook.com/ThunderIslandBrewing/events

MUSEUM ORIENTATION TOURS YEAR ROUND

Discover Maryhill's collections or learn something new with our friendly and knowledgeable volunteer docents. Included with admission. Maryhill Museum of Art in Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

THUNDER ISLAND BREWING BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME ACOUSTIC JAM

First Monday of every month / 5–8pm / Come enjoy and share acoustic bluegrass and old-time music with friends the 1st Monday of every month. Thunder Island Brewing, Cascade Locks, OR thunderislandbrewing.com

TRIVIA NIGHT

6–8pm / Second Thursday every month 2026
Thunder Island Brewing, Cascade Locks, OR thunderislandbrewing.com

COMMUNITY NIGHT

6–8pm / Every Wednesday, January–December
Supporting local non-profits! Thunder Island Brewing, Cascade Locks, OR / facebook.com/ThunderIslandBrewing/events

2027 EVENTS

JANUARY

8 "CLUE" IN DOWNTOWN CAMAS

Come solve the mystery in Downtown Camas and be entered to win! Come as a CLUE character for extra chances. Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

FEBRUARY

5 ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE (AND CHOCOLATE!)

Enjoy chocolate treats throughout town, crafts, activities and a candy jar guessing game throughout participating businesses. Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

MARCH

5 WELCOME TO JURASSIC CAMAS!

Stomp, chomp and ROAR your way through Downtown Camas during this BIG & BOLD interactive, informative and most of all FUN First Friday. Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

6 SKI THE GLADE

Harken to days past and ski 3.5 miles of unbroken terrain from Timberline Lodge down to Government Camp. Vintage ski clothing encouraged! mthoodmuseum.org

14 OPENING DAY MARYHILL MUSEUM 2027

10am–5pm / Celebrate Opening Day at Maryhill Museum of Art with new exhibitions, a youth concert, and all-ages activities. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA / maryhillmuseum.org

19–20 LITTLE ART CAMAS

Friday, 5–8pm / Saturday, 12–4pm
2-day community exhibition and sale of original small-scale artworks created by local artists. Each piece of art sells for \$20! 314 NE Birch, Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

APRIL

2 SPRING INTO CAMAS HISTORY

A family friendly celebration of our Camas history and the coming of Spring! Learn why Camas is cool, make paper, do fun games and crafts and be proud of our history! Camas, WA / downtowncamas.com

10 SLOW ART DAY TOUR

1–2pm / Detox from information overload and practice guided slow looking at extraordinary art from the museum's collection with a curator. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA maryhillmuseum.org

10 FUNDRAISER TEA

2:30–5pm / Don your favorite hat or headdress, learn about museum collections from a curator, and enjoy afternoon tea + bubbles to raise funds for museum collections. Maryhill Museum of Art, Goldendale, WA maryhillmuseum.org

25 SPRING CLEAN-UP & PLANTING DAY

1–4pm / Community-powered floral beautification day! Come help spruce up and plant flowers in Downtown Camas! Lunch provided by Journey Church at 12:30pm. Meet at 4th and Birch. downtowncamas.com

30–MAY 2 2027 GORGE ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS TOUR

10 am–5om / Self-guided tour of artist studios and workspaces, located throughout the magnificent Mid Columbia Region. / gorgeartists.org

MAY

7 GNOME & FAIRY BACKYARD ADVENTURE

See what the gnomes, fairies and other backyard creatures are up to in participating businesses and be entered to win! Camas, WA downtowncamas.com

8 CAMAS PLANT & GARDEN FAIR

9am–4pm / Over 100 local vendors fill historic Downtown Camas with everything for your yard and garden! Live music, petting zoo, kids' zone, fresh food, local shops, and historic charm add to the festivities. Camas, WA / cwplantfair.org

14–16 UPPER CLACKAMAS WHITEWATER FESTIVAL

The Upper Clackamas Whitewater Festival was started in 1984 by the Northwest Rafter's Association. It's a weekend of fun and exciting whitewater activities. Located at the Carter Bridge, 17 miles upriver from Estacada on the Clackamas River. / upperclackamasfestival.org

15 6TH ANNUAL SKAMANIA SIP N' STROLL

12–5pm / Discover regional craft beverages while strolling between unique local shops and tasting stops. Sip, shop, and explore during this lively afternoon celebrating Skamania County flavor and community. Stevenson, WA / skamania.org

29 BUDDY'S ARCADE 4TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Celebrate the 4th anniversary of Buddy's Arcade. Drink specials, cake, games, and as always all ages! buddysarcade.com

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- › River to Rock Trail
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- › Ramona Falls, OR
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- Carson, WA: Wind River Market
- Cascade Locks, OR: Columbia Market
- Estacada, OR:
 - Clackamas River Ranger Station
 - Get & Go Store
- Goldendale, WA: Sinclair Market
- Government Camp, OR:
 - Mt. Hood Cultural Center Museum & Visitor Center
 - Summit Chevron
- Hood River, OR:
 - 76 Gas Station • Pine Grove Pit Stop
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- Mt. Adams Ranger Station, WA
- Mt. Hood, OR:
 - Cooper Spur Mountain Resort
 - Mt. Hood Meadows
- North Bonneville, WA: Chevron Food Mart
- Parkdale, OR: Hood River Ranger Station
- Skamania, WA: Skamania General Store
- Stevenson, WA:
 - Main Street Convenience Store
 - Skamania County Chamber of Commerce
- The Dalles, OR:
 - BiMart • Hatts Fuel
- Trout Lake, WA: BZ Corners Grocery Store
- Troutdale, OR: Plaid Pantry
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 - Bi Mart • Port of Camas/Washougal
- Zigzag, OR:
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- › Bridal Veil Falls State Scenic Viewpoint
- › Dabney State Recreation Area
- › Deschutes River State Recreation Area
- › Historic Columbia River Hwy State Trail
 - Mark Hatfield Trailhead West, Hood River
- › Latourell Falls at Guy Talbot
- › Lewis & Clark State Recreation Site
- › Vista House at Crown Point
- › Mayer State Park
- › Milo McIver State Park
- › Rooster Rock State Park
- › Viento State Park

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- Troutdale: Plaid Pantry

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oregon.gov, on-site kiosks or vendors listed below
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- Government Camp:
 - Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum
 - Collins Lake Resort • Govy General
 - Huckleberry Inn • Mt. Hood Skibowl
 - Best Western Mt. Hood Inn
 - Mt. Hood Outfitters
- Hood River:
 - Best Western Hood River Inn: *Day-use only*
 - Doug's Hood River • Pure Stoke
 - Szeremi's 76 • Windance Sports
- Mt. Hood: Hood River Ranger Station
- Pine Grove: Boys Pine Grove Grocery
- Rhododendron: Mt. Hood Village Market
- Sandy: Sandy Historical Museum & Visitor Center
- The Dalles: Bi Mart • Fun Country Inc.
- Troutdale: Plaid Pantry
- Welches: Mt. Hood Oregon Resort
 - Mt. Hood Vacation Rentals
- Zigzag: Zigzag Ranger Station

WHERE TO PURCHASE WASHINGTON SNO-PARK PERMITS IN WASHINGTON

parks.wa.gov or vendors listed below

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