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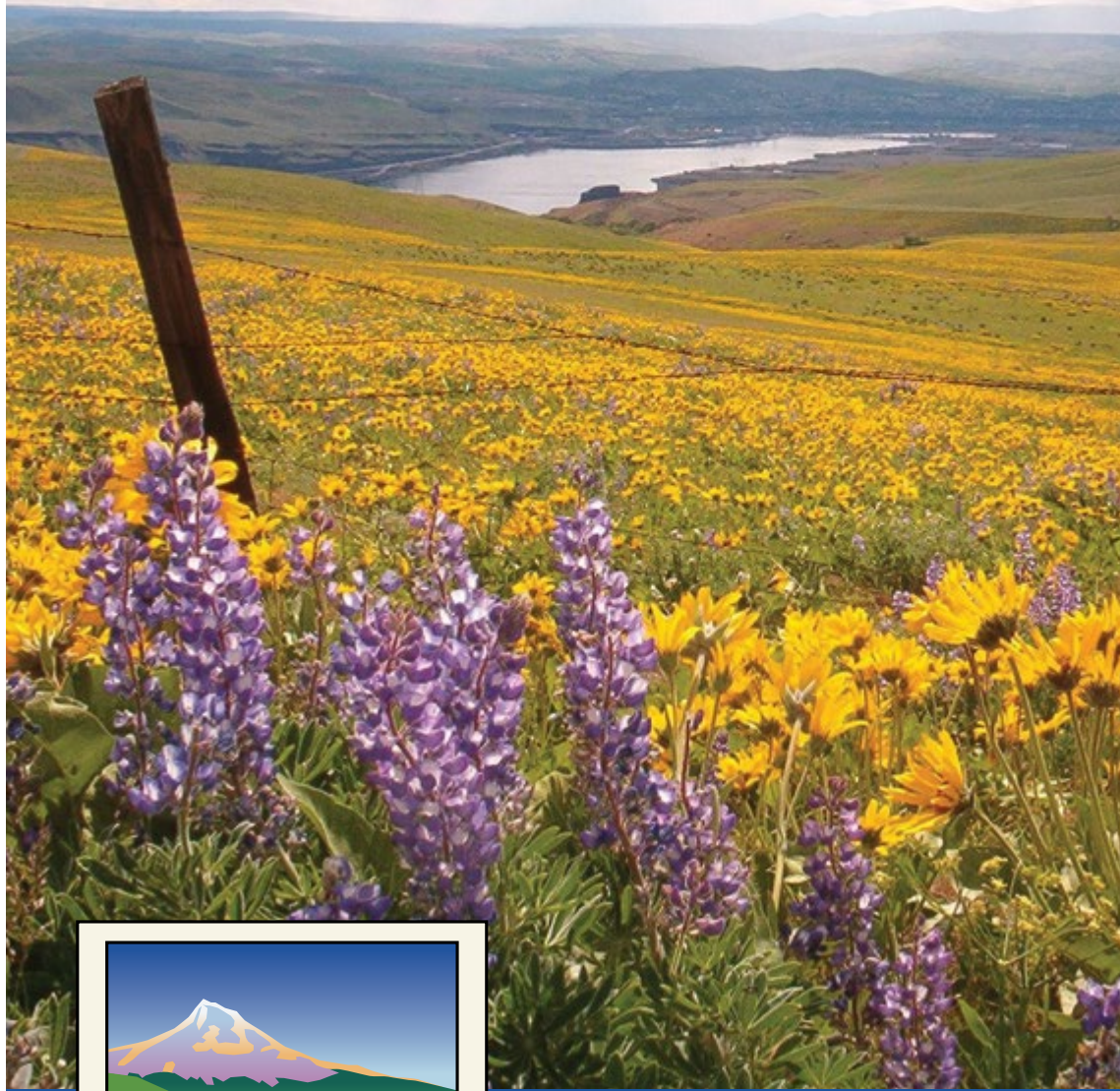
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I have lived here for 24 years and am so fortunate to call this spectacular area my home. It is my pleasure to provide you with the following pages that will guide you in discovering this paradise.

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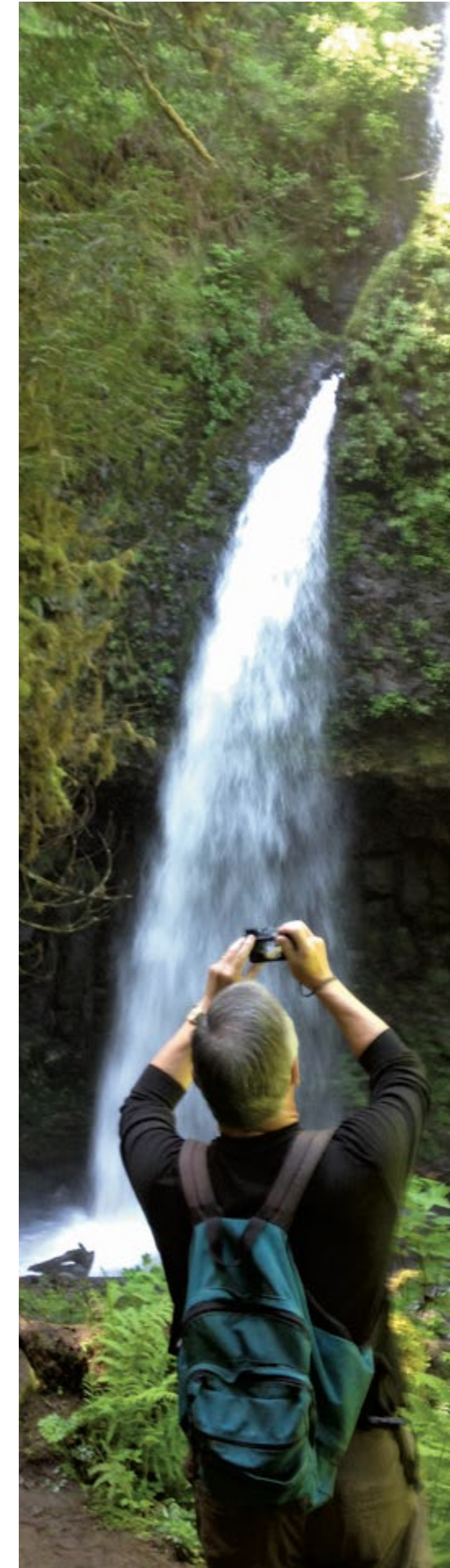


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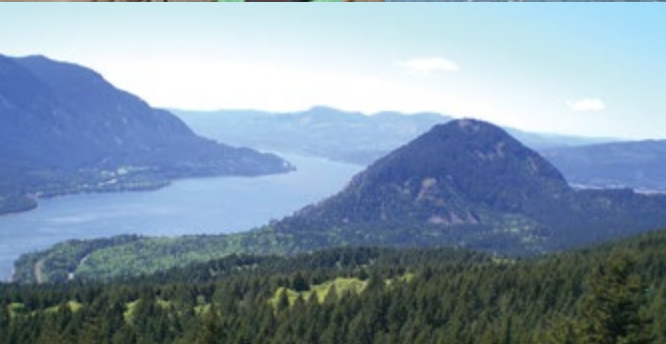
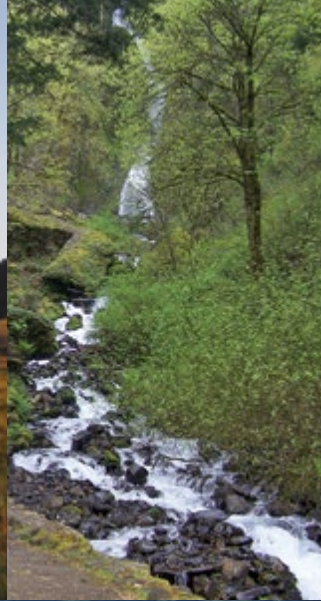
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EXPLORE THE GORGE

The wild and beautiful Columbia River Gorge is like no place on earth

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

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Fairview marks the western most city of the Mt. Hood Gorge Region, conveniently located 15 minutes from the Portland International Airport, at Exit 14 on Interstate 84. A family-friendly, water-recreationalist paradise, Fairview is home to the 101 acre Blue Lake Regional Park and 67 acre Chinook Landing Marine Park.

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TROUTDALE

Troutdale is truly the gateway to the scenic Columbia River Gorge and is a crown jewel in the Pacific Northwest. The area supports a thriving downtown with one-of-a-kind stores, art galleries, fine restaurants and a premium outlet mall. Easy access to the recreational opportunities in the Gorge, along with close proximity to Portland, makes Troutdale a perfect landing pad for those wanting the best of both worlds.

SPRINGDALE/CORBETT/BRIDAL VEIL

The rural communities of Corbett and Springdale are located amongst the foothills and mountains between the Sandy River and Crown Point which is known for its worldwide spectacular views. The small ghost town of Bridal Veil still exists due to its quaint post office and proximity to the waterfall recreational area.

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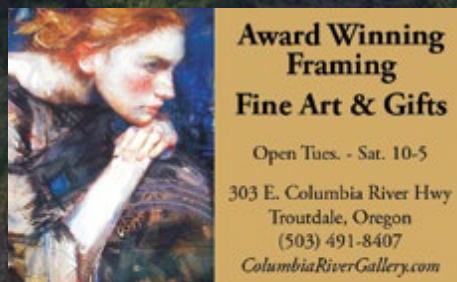
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VISTA HOUSE AT CROWN POINT

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MULTNOMAH FALLS

At 620 feet high, Multnomah Falls is Oregon's top tourist attraction. A steep paved trail leads visitors to hiking paths and a platform above the falls interpretive center, restaurant, restrooms and gift shop, making this a favorite stop in the Columbia River Gorge.

BONNEVILLE DAM

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BEACON ROCK IN DISTANCE
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Conveniently located at the entrance to the Gorge, historic downtown Camas is the perfect place to spend a day or night. Enjoy the fine shops, salons, galleries and eateries. Outdoor enthusiasts will have fun hiking, biking, kayaking, fishing, watching wildlife, and exploring the beautiful Camas Lily fields at nearby Lacamas Lake— as well as two award-winning golf courses.

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. Hunting, 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 Heritage Trail system that includes almost 12 miles of paved pathways perfect for biking and walking.

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, art galleries, fine restaurants, along with distinctive clothing and jewelry stores, one can only delight in discovering this welcome respite from the big city.

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. After a day of hiking or sight-seeing, you'll want to sit back and relax with a cold beer and a pizza at Backwoods Brewing Company.

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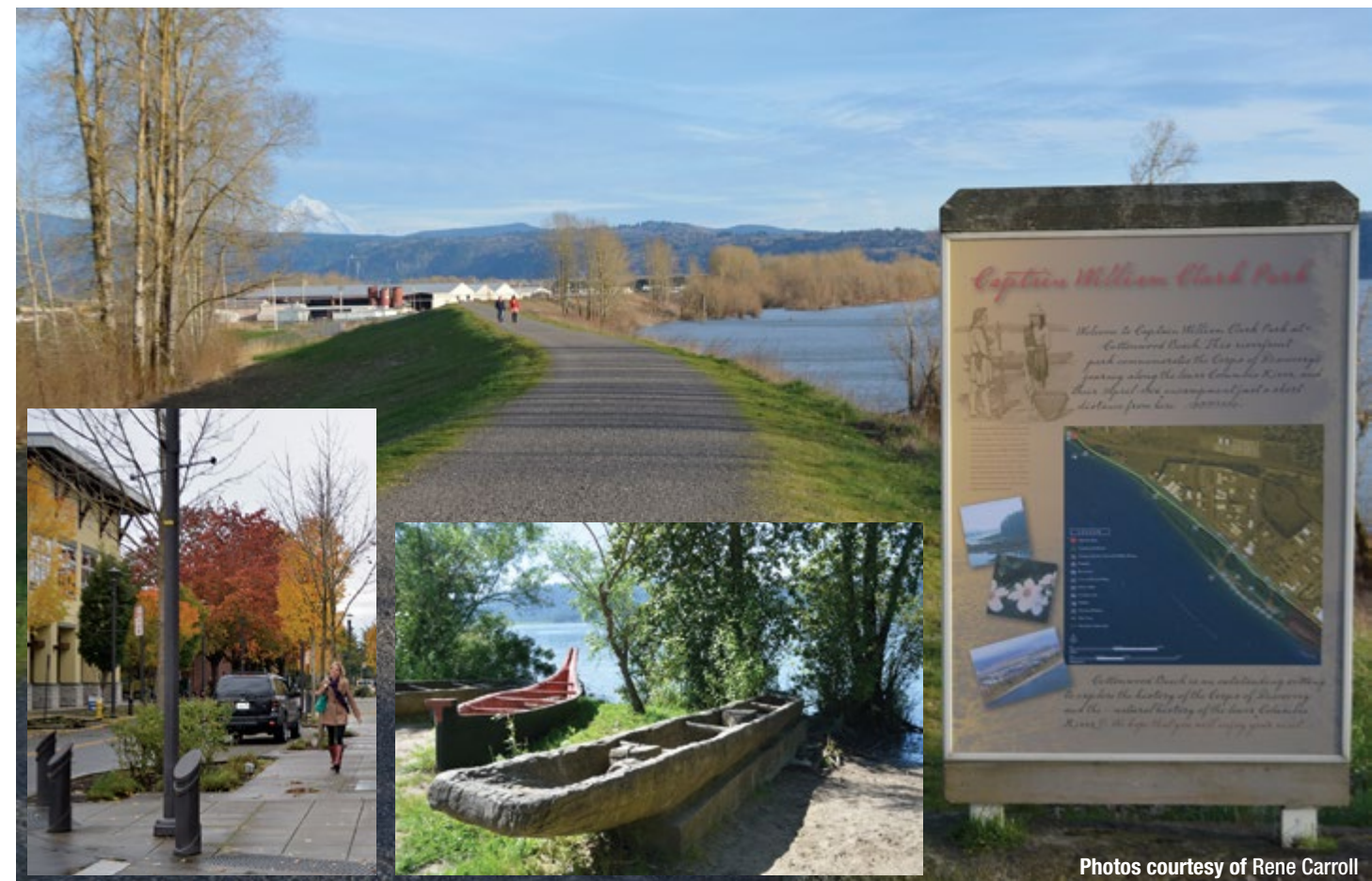
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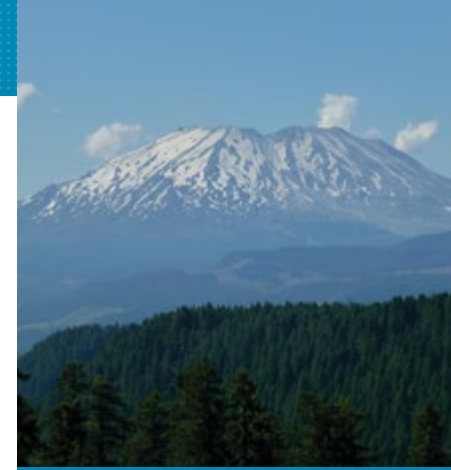
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Beacon Rock is a well known landmark that is recommended for the first time visitor to the Columbia River Gorge. You can hike safely to the top of this 848 foot extinct volcano core, which offers a stunning vista of the Columbia River Gorge.

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HOOD RIVER

Tucked between the basalt cliffs of the Columbia River Gorge, with Mt. Adams to the north and Mt. Hood to the south, you will discover the town of Hood River which is known as the outdoor capital of Oregon. Hood River has become the destination of choice for windsurfers and kiteboarders from around the world. The winds from the Columbia River Gorge create ultimate conditions for playing on the water. After a day of fun on the river, take a break and check out downtown Hood River, where you will discover trendy art galleries, boutiques, coffee shops, brew pubs, wine tasting rooms, along with fine restaurants offering local cuisine. Not only is Hood River a great tourist destination, it is also a great place to live!

HOOD RIVER VALLEY

South of Hood River is the Hood River Valley, known for its production of apples, pears, and cherries, not to mention incredible views of Mt. Hood.

ODELL

The small community of Odell lies in the Hood River Valley surrounded by fruit orchards and fruit stands.

PARKDALE

A popular stop on the Hood River Fruit Loop, Parkdale is known for its apples, pears, blueberries and cherries.



Attractions

HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY

Experience this beautiful multi-purpose paved trail from Hood River to the Twin Tunnels in Mosier. No cars are allowed on this trail.

RUTHTON PARK

The Ruthton Park picnic area offers scenic views of the Columbia River Gorge. Located on Westcliff Drive in Hood River.

HOOD RIVER WATERFRONT

The Hood River Waterfront Park is located on Portway Avenue on the banks of the Columbia River. There are walking paths, a sandy beach and swimming area (no lifeguards), picnic shelters, restrooms, grassy areas and play equipment.

THE EVENT SITE

Kiteboarders, windsurfers and stand-up paddlers come from all over the world to play on the Columbia River. The Event Site is a great spot for watching the activity on the river. There is \$5 day use fee.

COLUMBIA GORGE HOTEL

The Columbia Gorge Hotel is a historic landmark in the Columbia River Gorge. Take a stroll through the manicured gardens where the flowers and foliage reflect the seasons. Make sure to visit the Wah Gwin Gwin Falls behind the hotel and watch it cascade 208 feet down to the river below.

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. The City of Hood River publishes a free self-guided walking tour that will take you on a tour of the downtown area. Maps are available at the chamber of commerce office.



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Communities

SANDY

Sandy is a small community on Highway 26 with spectacular views of Mt. Hood and the Sandy River. This gateway town will take you to several outdoor recreational activities in the Mt. Hood National Forest.

VILLAGES OF MT. HOOD

Starting about nine miles east of Sandy on Highway 26, you will pass by the several villages of Alder Creek, Brightwood, Wemme, Welches, Zigzag and Rhododendron.

GOVERNMENT CAMP

Located on the south side of Mt. Hood, Government Camp is a charming alpine village. At an elevation of 4,000 feet, it is the entry to several ski resorts: Timberline Lodge, Mt. Hood Skibowl and Mt. Hood Meadows. Government Camp also has its own smaller ski resort, Summit Ski Area.



Attractions

MT. HOOD

Mt. Hood is one of the crown jewels of the Columbia River Gorge standing at 11,239 feet. This ancient volcano is the tallest mountain in Oregon and popular with skiers, hikers and climbers.

CLOUD CAP

Built in 1889, The Cloud Cap Inn stands 6,000 feet and is located on the eastern slope of Mt. Hood. Cloud Cap Inn originated as an elite mountain retreat and is now a search and rescue base for the Hood River Crag Rats, the oldest search and rescue organization in the United States. Cloud Cap Inn is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Free interpretive tours of the historic Cloud Cap Inn are available. Contact Mt. Hood National Forest for more details.

TIMBERLINE LODGE

Timberline Lodge is a National Historic Landmark and one of Oregon's most popular tourist attractions. Famous for serving as the Overlook Hotel in the well known movie, *The Shining*, featuring Jack Nicholson.

LOST LAKE

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

SKI AREAS ON MT. HOOD

Mt. Hood has six ski areas: Timberline, Mt. Hood Meadows, Ski Bowl, Cooper Spur, Snow Bunny and Summit. They total over 4,600 miles of skiable terrain. Timberline offers the only year-round lift-served skiing in North America.

WILDWOOD RECREATION SITE

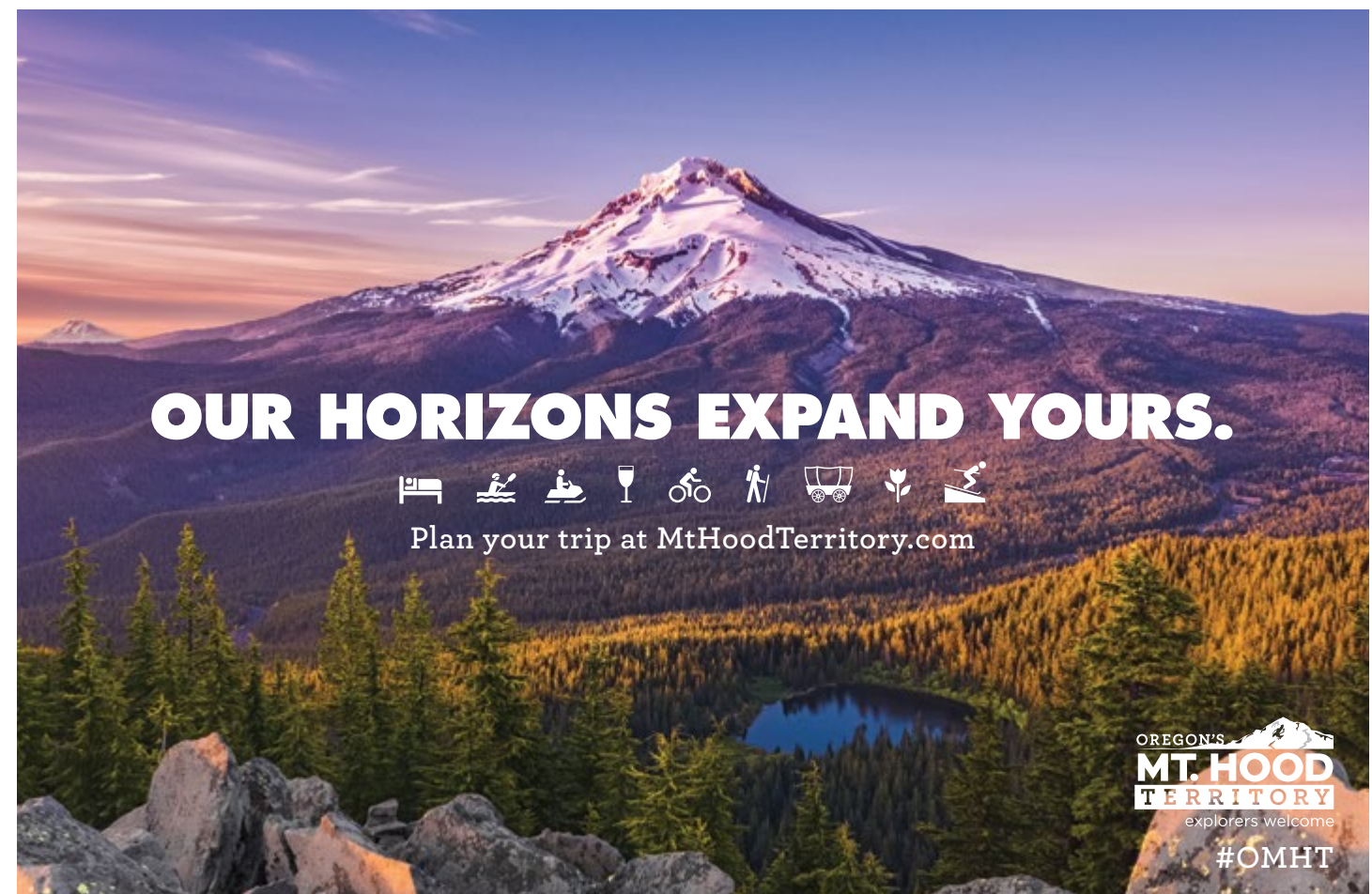
The Wildwood Recreation Site is a unique 580-acre day use site with over five miles of interpretive trails meandering through woods along the Salmon River. Located one mile west of Welches, Oregon, the site boasts five miles of hiking and walking paths.

TRILLIUM LAKE

The view of Mt. Hood from Trillium Lake in the Cascade Range is definitely a photographer's dream. Boating, swimming, camping and fishing are popular on the 63-acre lake. The two mile Trillium Shoreline Trail circles the lake offering hiking and Nordic skiing opportunities.

MT. HOOD SCENIC LOOP

This is a day trip that is absolutely worth your time! Loop around 11,239 foot Mt. Hood and take in the countless panoramic viewpoints and natural wonders along the way. 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.





Communities

HUSUM & BZ CORNERS

Husum and BZ Corners are located along Hwy 141 in the White Salmon River Valley. Whitewater rafting is a major local recreational sport, with access points to the White Salmon River in both communities.

TROUT LAKE

Enjoy the Gifford Pinchot National Forest and Mt. Adams while visiting the small town of Trout Lake. Cross-country skiing, hiking, bicycling and whitewater rafting are major attractions easily accessed from the gateway community known for its fun and beauty.

GLENWOOD

Glenwood is an historic community located in the Glenwood Valley at the base of Mt. Adams and is known for its annual rodeo.

Attractions

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 renown 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 river, it's an experience of nature's beauty.

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-feet 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. The 20-square-mile flow of basalt that flowed out of a source vent found in the north-central part of the lava bed is located just south of Goose Lake.

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.

Communities

BINGEN

Known for its agriculture and recreation, Bingen is also home to the high tech company, Insitu, which is a leader in the unmanned aircraft industry. Explore the tiny town of Bingen where you will find antiques shops, fruit stands, a pizza parlor and coffee shops.

WHITE SALMON

The town of White Salmon is situated on a bluff overlooking the Columbia River, offering splendid views of Mt. Hood. As you explore the quaint downtown, you will feel the German influence as you notice the 14-bell Glockenspiel tower and the alpine chalet architecture. An art gallery, brew pub, coffee shop and fine restaurants line the sidewalks, welcoming you to relax and enjoy the view.

MILL A, WILLARD & COOK

Mill A and the neighboring communities of Willard and Cook, Washington are located on the eastern side of Skamania County. The small community 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

Underwood is located on the eastern slope of the Cascades, with less rain accumulation than the western side of the Gorge. The combination of good soil and climate allows the Underwood vineyards to produce premium wine grapes. Underwood is home to Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery, which raises over 15 million Tule Fall Chinook salmon each year. From the hatchery, visitors can view fish and watch large numbers of windsurfers enjoying the brisk winds at this world-class windsurfing site.

Attractions

SPRING CREEK NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY

The Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery raises more than 10.5 million Tule Fall Chinook salmon annually. Adult Tule Fall Chinook salmon return in September and visitors can watch the fish being spawned in mid- to late September.

LITTLE WHITE SALMON FISH HATCHERY

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Communities

MOSIER

Mosier is a good base camp for outdoor enthusiasts. This small town is the starting point for hiking and biking the Mosier Twin Tunnels on the Historic Columbia River Highway. Stop by the local ice cream and coffee shop for a delicious treat on your way to or from your day's adventure in the Gorge.

ROWENA

Mayer State Park, Rowena Crest and Tom McCall Nature Preserve are attractions found in the tiny community of Rowena.

THE DALLES

Known for its abundant sunshine and outdoor recreation, The Dalles is the eastern gateway to the Columbia River Gorge. Also known as one of the Gorge's new high tech hotspots, The Dalles is home to Columbia Gorge Community College, which offers the first wind power training program in the Pacific Northwest; the Mid-Columbia Medical Center with its world-class Celilo Cancer Care Center; and Internet company Google who opened their data center in 2006.

BIGGS

Biggs is a major crossroads where Hwy 97 intersects I-84 and Sam Hill Memorial Bridge crossing the Columbia River to Washington.



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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 is located at Rowena Plateau providing incredible views of the Columbia River. Wildflowers are abundant in the spring with over 200 plant species. No dogs allowed.

COLUMBIA GORGE DISCOVERY CENTER AND WASCO COUNTY MUSEUM

The 48,200 square-foot Columbia Gorge Discovery Center 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.

THE DALLES DAM

Learn about hydropower, navigation, recreation, fish passage and much more at The Dalles Lock 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 multi-functions of the dam and its pros and cons.

Attractions

BADGER CREEK WILDERNESS

Common recreational activities in Badger Creek Wilderness include hiking, camping, wildlife viewing, cross-country skiing and horseback riding. There are approximately 55 miles of developed trails and several primitive campsites in the wilderness.

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.

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.

MORO

Moro is a small, historical farming community and is home to the award-winning Sherman County Museum.

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.

DUFUR

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

THE DALLES IS THE EASTERN GATEWAY TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE.

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Attractions

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The Klickitat County Historical Society is located at The Presby Mansion and 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.

CHAMBERLAIN LAKE VIEWPOINT

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

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.

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 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 the Columbia Hills State Park.

KLICKITAT FISH HATCHERY

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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 rock art.

DALLES MOUNTAIN RANCH

The Dalles Mountain Ranch covers most of the Washington side, running from The Dalles Dam to past Wishram. The entire ranch was deeded to the state of Washington and is now a state park, accessed 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.

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 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

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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 or watch the windsurfers and kiteboarders at Doug's Beach State Park.

KLICKITAT

Fishing, rafting and kayaking are favorite activities found near this small timber community. The 31-mile Klickitat Trail passes through the small 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 east.

WISHRAM

Wishram is a small railroad community along the Columbia River serving Amtrak. The site of the historic Celilo Falls Monument and Viewpoint is also nearby.

CENTERVILLE

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MARYHILL

Many Gorge attractions are found in Maryhill including Maryhill Amphitheater and Winery, historic Stonehenge, Maryhill State Park and Maryhill Museum of Art.

GOLDENDALE

With Mt. Adams in the distance, the town of Goldendale is located at the heart of the Eastern Columbia River Gorge. It is your home base for outdoor adventure and cultural heritage. Home to popular area attractions such as Presby Mansion and Goldendale Observatory State Park.

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. A few miles south of town is the area's first large wind power electrical generating plant. It consists of 133 wind powered turbines.

ROOSEVELT

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



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Skunk Brothers Spirits is a brand new craft distillery on the waterfront in the small town of Stevenson, Washington. The crazy idea to make whiskey was a dream two brothers had while home-brewing beer and drinking whiskey together. So they decided to go for it. Besides the classic corn whiskey, Skunk Brothers also offers an apple pie flavored moonshine. They will soon be coming out with a delicious cinnamon moonshine, as well as bourbon, single malt, gin and various brandies and cordials throughout the seasonal months— all derived from various local fruits this area has to offer. Folks can visit the distillery and take tours or have a tasting. Take a drive to Stevenson and taste the special treats Skunk Brothers Spirits has on-hand.

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Camp 1805 Distillery and Bar opened their doors on July 4, 2014. (July 4th coincidentally is the same day Lewis and Clark ran out of whiskey.) The name Camp 1805 is derived from the Lewis and Clark expedition when in 1805 the explorers camped in the Columbia River Gorge. At Camp 1805, owners Chris Taylor and Roy Slayton do it all, from grinding down the two row malted barley for Downstream Whiskey from whole husk to fermenting, distilling and aging in a combination of toasted and charred barrels. Along with their own in-house whiskey, rum and vodka, Camp 1805 also has a full bar along with local beer and wine. A food menu has been added with further plans to expand in the summer as local produce comes in to season. The response from the local beer brewers has been fantastic as they are excited to age beer in the empty rum and whiskey barrels.

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It takes a special kind of person to acknowledge that lifestyle is a priority—and then to actually act on it is even more significant. Because of this natural filter, the Gorge is filled with ambitious and active people who love sharing their passions. Gorge winemakers especially love their jobs and they love sharing the fruits of their labor. As a small, budding wine region, the Columbia Gorge offers a very personal experience. Often, winemakers are pouring behind their own tasting bars and are anxious to tell about the process of making wine and from where their passion stems.

From Albariño to Zinfandel, more than 30 Wineries and 45+ Vineyards of the Columbia Gorge winegrowing region take full advantage of the amazingly diverse growing conditions which allow for a wide variety of grapes to be grown and produced into world-class wine. Enjoy traffic free touring, relaxed tasting rooms and the wild beauty of the Columbia Gorge.

A beautiful drive will lead you to one of the many picturesque wineries nestled on a vineyard with a view of Mt. Hood. Enjoy a tasting, grab a bottle and a picnic snack and go for a hike. (Hiking with wine is referred to as "Wiking" in the Gorge.)

Taking a tour with a service, such as Martin's Gorge Tours or Wine Dirt. It's an ideal way to maximize your exposure in a short amount of time. A tour guide knows all the best spots. For the true trailblazers who like to go it alone, you can't really go wrong. Just head east from Portland and stop when something looks interesting. If you happen to get off course you can count on a local to help you get back on track and they will undoubtedly point you toward something amazing.

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In February 2015, a group of local breweries united in promoting their craft beer and to help you discover some of the nation's finest beer in one the most beautiful places on earth. The alliance was formed and is called Breweries in the Gorge. The group has developed a website along with a map that includes a passport for brewery patrons to get a stamp for each brewery they visit. In time, after you have filled your map by visiting each brewery, you receive a Breweries in the Gorge mug. The map unites the different breweries and makes it fun to go on a "brew tour in the Gorge!"

Taking a brew pub tour in the Gorge is becoming very popular. You will meet the brewers and learn about the talent and discipline of crafting beer. Sit back, enjoy the scenery and leave the driving up to a guide. Martin's Gorge Tours has been serving the Gorge since 2008 and knows all the brewers, along with the best places for dinner or a snack. For one stop tasting, check out Growlerz Pub in Bingen which features 14 local beers on tap and gourmet hot dogs.

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EVERY YEAR PEOPLE ARE RELOCATING TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE TO EMBRACE THE AMAZING SCENERY AND BE A PART OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. The area has the most beautiful landscape varying from desert to forest, along with crown jewels Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams. And of course there is the mighty Columbia River. Drive east and you are in the desert, north or south and you're in the mountains. Head one hour west, you are in the city, and in three hours, the Pacific Ocean. It just doesn't get any better than this!

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

Thinking about moving to the Gorge? There are several communities to call home on both the Washington and Oregon sides. 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 time to unwind, knowing there is still time when they get home to enjoy their favorite hike or jump on the river for an evening paddle or a sailing session.

You can't go wrong living in a place like this as the magnificent beauty of the Columbia River Gorge is unsurpassed and the scenery changes every day.

WELCOME TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE NATIONAL SCENIC AREA

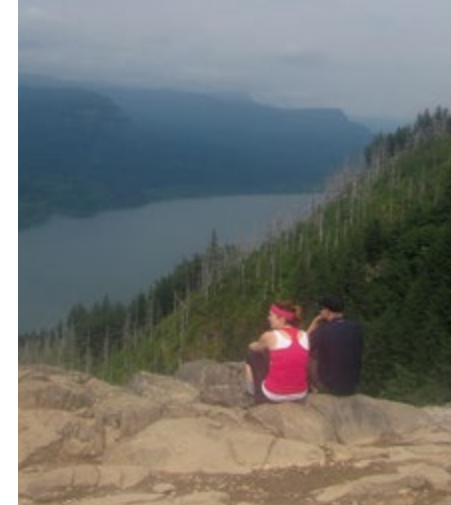
The entire Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area is truly a special place.

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 the 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 Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area is home to an incredible combination of spectacular landscapes, rare plants, wildlife, recreational opportunities, farmland, and other cultural and historic sites. The Scenic Area stretches 85 miles on both sides of the Columbia River from Troutdale, Oregon and Washougal, Washington in the west to the Deschutes River in the east.

The scenic area is also home to more than 55,000 people and a place to visit for more than two million people each year. Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood territories, Deschutes River Valley and Mt. St. Helens are all outside the Scenic Area boundaries but are considered huge tourist attractions when visiting the Columbia River Gorge.

For more information on the Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/columbia/forest/>



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OUTDOOR PLAY IS ABUNDANT IN THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE.

Ask any local why they love living here and I am sure they will tell you not only is it beautiful, but there is so much to do. Water recreation is at the top of the list, given the two states are bordered by the mighty Columbia River. The Cascade Mountains and plentiful forests are a hiker's paradise.

When you need a break from the outdoors, you can take a visit to one of the many art galleries or tour world class museums. Stroll through the vibrant downtown shopping districts and venture into boutiques and restaurants. Take a break at one of the numerous coffee shops to enjoy a latte or pastry. Taste wine or visit a brew pub. Festivals, fairs and outdoor concerts are on the line-up all summer long. This playground is a fun place and you will never run out of things to do!

WHITEWATER RAFTING

The Columbia River Gorge area is truly heaven for whitewater rafting. Trips can range from peaceful float trips to challenging rapids. Treat yourself to a fun day filled with rafting amongst the beautiful canyons of the White Salmon, Klickitat and Deschutes rivers.

KAYAKING

Whether you are a first timer or a class V kayaker, you'll find numerous opportunities to enjoy the many rivers that stem off the Columbia. If flatwater kayaking and touring is your passion, there are many lakes and rivers for you to relax and explore the surrounding beauty.

JET SKIING

Jet skiing is always fun on the river on calm or windy days. Rentals are available in Hood River.

GOLFING

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

DISC GOLF

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

ZIP LINE TOURS

Get out of your comfort zone and go on an adventure in the rain canopy forest of Skamania County. Ride down seven different lines, the longest being over 800 feet in length, and test your balance skills on suspension bridges with experienced and friendly guides.

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.

ROCK CLIMBING

There are several options for rock climbing in the Gorge, but the grand daddy is Beacon Rock in Washington. Make note that climbing is not allowed on the rock from February 1st to mid-July.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

The Columbia River Gorge is known for its stunning scenery and water sports, but is also known to attract visitors that come just for the mountain biking. High altitude riding, steep trails, and challenging descents are abundant. Flat trails and family rides are located throughout the Gorge as well. Local bike and sport shops can assist you with maps and information.

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U-PICK

Picking your own fruit is a fun experience and many orchards offer U-pick opportunities. The fertile Hood River Valley is home to numerous small family-run fruit orchards delighting visitors to samplings of sweet cherries, apples, pears, peaches, blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. For the more adventurous, talk to locals about hunting wild huckleberries and mushrooms that are abundant in late summer and fall.



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WATCH OUT for BIGFOOT!

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Reality or myth, the Bigfoot controversy adds a certain mystique while traveling in the Pacific Northwest.

CAMPING

The entire Columbia River Gorge and surrounding area is home to over 100 campgrounds to satisfy all levels of wilderness experience.

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- Lewis and Clark State Park
 - Rooster Park State Parks
 - Benson State Park
 - Ainsworth State Park
 - Dabney State Recreation Area
 - Bridal Veil State Scenic Viewpoint
 - Shepperds Dell State Natural Area
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WEST WASHINGTON

- Lacamas Lake and Park
- Prindle County Park
- Timberlake Campground and RV Park
- Lewis & Clark Campground
- Home Valley Campground
- Wind Mt RV Park
- The Resort at Skamania Coves
- Dougan Falls Campground
- St. Cloud Day Use Area
- Beacon Rock State Park

CENTRAL OREGON

- Ruthton Park
 - Tucker County Park
 - Wyeth Campground
 - Viento State Park
 - Starvation Creek Park
 - Mitchell Point Park
 - Wygant State Park
 - Tollbridge Park
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 - Devils Half Acre Campground
 - Frog Lake Campground
 - Frog Lake Butte Campground
 - Grindstone Campground
 - Kinnikinnick Campground (Laurance Lake)
 - Nottingham Campground
 - Rainy Lake Campground
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- Moss Creek Campground
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MT. ADAMS TERRITORY

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 - Cold Springs Indian Campground
 - County Park
 - Cultus Creek Campground
 - Elk Meadows RV Park
 - Falls Creek Horse Campground
 - Fornlorn Lakes Campground
 - Goose Lake Campground
 - Little Goose Lake Campground
 - Meadow Creek Campground
 - Morrison Creek Campground
 - Mt. Adams Guler Trout Lake
 - Mt. Adams Horse Campground
 - Peterson Prairie Campground
 - Saddle Gap Campground
 - Smokey Creek Campground
 - Surprise Lake Indian Campground
 - Trout Lake Creek Campground
 - Wicky Shelter Campground
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EAST OREGON

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- Memaloose State Park
- Celilo Park
- Deschutes River State Recreation Area

DESCHUTES RIVER VALLEY

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- Deschutes River State Recreation Area

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ROAD BIKING

Road biking in the Columbia River Gorge offers an incredible variety of experiences from spectacular views and long stretches of lightly traveled highway to quad-burning hill climbs and thrilling descents.

CASCADE LOCKS TO ELOWAH FALLS TRAILHEAD

LEVEL: Moderate Ride // **DISTANCE:** 13 mile trip

Across the Bridge of the Gods in Cascade Locks, Oregon you will find the first highway in America to be designated as a scenic highway. The Historic Columbia River Highway offers a 13 mile car-free path taking you by Eagle Creek Trailhead and Bonneville Dam. Make sure to take a break at the Dam and visit Herman the Sturgeon. The car-free path ends at the Elowah Falls Trailhead where you will turn around and head back to Cascade Locks. You can continue on the highway to Multnomah Falls but be aware there is heavy traffic. This is a great ride for a quick workout or a leisurely day on your bike.

GETTING THERE: In Cascade Locks, Oregon you will find the parking lot under the bridge west of the restaurant near the mural. The upper trailhead starts to the west of the parking lot.
NOTE: No pass required

OREGON - MOSIER TWIN TUNNELS

LEVEL: Easy // **DISTANCE:** 12 mile trip

Also part of the Historic Columbia River Highway trail, is a favorite ride for both locals and visitors to the area. This largely car-free route is great for a quick workout or a leisurely family outing on the weekend. The trail gently climbs upwards and soon offers stunning views of the Gorge with several pull-outs offering great photo opportunities. The highlight, of course, is riding through the Mosier Tunnels. This is an out and back route.

GETTING THERE: From Hood River, head east on State Street, cross Highway 35 and drive up the Historic Columbia River Highway to the parking area. // **NOTE:** Parking fee required



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. Since 1996, there have been 60 major sailing regattas along with clinics, trainings and youth regattas. Not only is the wind great but the water is warm and the views are spectacular. // www.cgrra.org

2015 COLUMBIA GORGE RACING ASSOCIATION EVENT SCHEDULE*

- Rainier Cup // April 18-19
- PSU Invite // May 16-17
- CGRA Opening Day // June 20
- Ripple Opti Clinic // June 23-25
- Gorge Laser Performance Clinic // June 23-26
- 2015 USODA Northwest Championship // June 27-28
- 2015 Laser Masters Pacific Coast Championship // June 27-28
- WIND Youth Laser Clinic // July 6-9
- WIND Youth Regatta // July 11-12
- 29er Pre-Regatta Racing Clinic // July 15-16
- 2015 29er North American Championship // July 17-19
- Gorge Dinghy Invitational // July 25-26
- Columbia Gorge One-Design Regatta (CGOD) // July 31-August 2
- 2015 CSR Marine Melges 24 US National Championship // August 6-9
- HRYC Double Damned // August 15
- Laser Gorge Blowout // August 15
- O'pen Bic Gorge Sailing Camp // August 28
- O'pen Bic UnRegatta // August 29-30

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WIND AND WATER



Between the Columbia River Gorge wind and currents, it is no surprise that this area is a dream for wind fanatics. Sailors come from all around the world to play in the perfect conditions.

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WINDSURFING: A surface water sport that combines elements of surfing and sailing. It consists of a board powered by wind on a sail. The rig is connected to the board by a free-rotating universal joint and consists of a mast, two-sided boom and sail. The sail area generally ranges in size dependent on the conditions, the skill of the sailor and the type of windsurfing being undertaken.

KITEBOARDING: A surface water sport combining aspects of wakeboarding, windsurfing, surfing, paragliding and gymnastics into one extreme sport. A kiteboarder harnesses the power of the wind with a large controllable power kite to be propelled across the water on a kiteboard similar to a wakeboard or a small surfboard, with or without footstraps or bindings.

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WHY IS IT SO WINDY IN THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE?

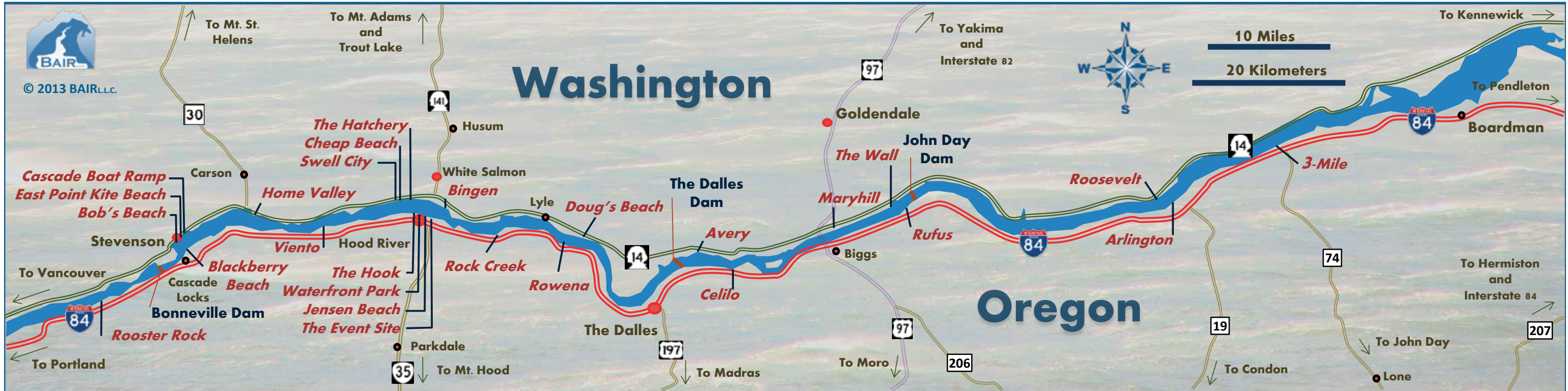
The Columbia River winds through the Cascade Mountains, bordering the states of Washington and Oregon from the Eastern deserts to the Pacific Ocean 200 miles to the west. The river's low-elevation channel moves through miles of mountains. The pressure difference across the Cascade Mountains makes air 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.

A BIT OF HISTORY

In 1948, Newman Darby, a 20 year old American, created a floating platform which looked more like a catamaran than a windsurfing board on which he mounted a sail. He did not patent his idea and in the mid-sixties Jim Drake and Hoyle Schweitzer brainstormed the idea of the sail and the boom, along with the invention of the uphauling rope. First they called the board, "the skate," then the "Baja board" and finally it was "the windsurfer."

In 1989, kiteboarding was discovered when Cory Roeseler strapped his feet to stock water skis and with three rectangular colorful kites, took off across the Columbia into a crowd of surprised windsurfers. Today kiteboarding is one of the fastest growing sports in the world.

WINDSURFING AND KITEBOARDING SITES



ROOSTER ROCK, OR **K W** **◆**

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: \$5/day -- \$30 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Picnic tables, boat ramp, sandy beach, flush toilets

BOBS BEACH, STEVENSON, WA **W** **■**

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 W** **■**

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** **◆**

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

BLACKBERRY BEACH, CASCADE LOCKS, OR **W** **■**

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: Free
 » AMENITIES: None

HOME VALLEY, WA **K W** **● ■**

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

VIENTO, OR **K W** **■ ◆**

[Located at the campground]
 One of the most scenic sites in the Gorge. Good spot to practice water starts. Beware of underwater logs close to shore.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 56
 » FEE: \$5/day -- \$30 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Pit toilet, picnic tables

SWELL CITY, WA **W** **◆**

Very large swells, for experienced sailors only. Not family or dog friendly, close to highway. Owned by CGWA.
 » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 56
 » FEE: \$6/day -- \$100 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, sail drying rack available

CHEAP BEACH, WA **W** **◆**

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

THE HATCHERY WA **W** **◆**

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: \$10/day -- \$30 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Pit toilets, picnic tables, grassy rigging area

THE HOOK, OR **W** **● ■**

The best place in the Gorge for beginners.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63, western most point on the waterfront in Hood River
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, changing rooms, NEW access ramp for intermediate sailors

WATERFRONT PARK, OR **W** **■**

New family-friendly community beach. Flat water, small chop and swells further out in river.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63, Hood River
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Flush toilets, kids' play area, grassy rigging, sandy beach and swim beach [no lifeguard]

WINDSURFING & KITEBOARDING KEY

W = WINDSURFING
K = KITEBOARDING

JENSEN BEACH, OR **W** **■**

Rustic launch conditions along Hood River Waterfront.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Use Waterfront Park amenities

EVENT SITE, OR **K W** **■**

Very user friendly, grassy rigging, rocky launch, booties recommended.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 63
 » FEE: \$5/day -- \$50 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Flush toilets, grassy rigging, cables to prevent sails from blowing away

BINGEN, WA **K W** **■**

Uncrowded, mellow site. Flat water, small chop.
 » LOCATION: SR 14, milepost 62
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: grassy rigging, porta-potties

ROCK CREEK, OR **K W** **■**

Mosier community members ask that you be respectful to native plant species.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 69
 » FEE: \$5/day -- \$35 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, picnic tables, grassy rigging area

ROWENA, OR **K W** **■ ◆**

Chopped water with small swells. Can get crowded during the summer.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 76
 » FEE: \$5/day -- \$30 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Paved parking, grassy rigging, pit toilets, picnic tables

DOUG'S BEACH, WA **W** **◆**

Big swells, shallow water near beach.
 » LOCATION: SR 14, milepost 74
 » FEE: \$10/day -- \$30 season pass
 » AMENITIES: Porta-potties, grassy rigging, picnic tables

AVERY, WA **W** **■**

Uncrowded, nice waves, choppy at times.
 » LOCATION: SR 14, near milepost 87
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Porta-potty

CELILO, OR **K W** **■**

Narrow river crossing, choppy. Beware of barges coming around corner from the east.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 97
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Best grassy rigging areas in the Gorge

MARYHILL, WA **K W** **■ ◆**

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: \$10/day -- \$30 season pass
 -- Overnight rates apply and vary
 » AMENITIES: Flush toilets, camping, changing rooms, grassy rigging, picnic tables, shelters, grills

THE WALL, WA **W** **◆**

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** **■ ◆**

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 W** **◆**

Wide reach, great swell, competent sailors only.
 » LOCATION: I-84, exit 137
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: None

ROOSEVELT, WA **K W** **■ ◆**

Nicest wind and water conditions in the Gorge when the wind moves to the east. Steady wind, no chop, rolling swells.
 » Location: SR 14, exit 133
 » FEE: Free
 » AMENITIES: Free camping, picnic area, porta-potties, grassy rigging [tent campers: beware of sprinklers going on in middle of the night]

3-MILE, OR **K W** **■ ◆**

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

SKILL LEVEL KEY

◆ = ADVANCED
■ = INTERMEDIATE
● = BEGINNER

SUP IS FOR KIDS!



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BY STEVE GATES

IT'S EASY TO SEE WHY STAND UP PADDLEBOARDING (SUP) IS THE FASTEST GROWING WATER SPORT WORLDWIDE THESE DAYS.

It is relatively easy for just about everybody, it is pretty unimimidating, you don't need waves, you don't need wind and it is great for fitness. The past few years the sport has exploded in popularity here in the Columbia River Gorge. It's the perfect complement to windsurfing, kiteboarding and surfing, which is why so many people are adding it to their list of water sports. Plus, all you need is a board and a paddle and you're good to go— no lift tickets or green fees to pay.

The real surprise to me, though, is how popular it has become with kids of all ages. Several years ago, after I had become completely hooked on SUP racing, when the Big Winds Jr. Windsurf Team was reconvening for the summer activities, I asked them if they might be interested in learning how to paddle. Frankly, I thought they would find it boring or too slow; after all, these were high adrenaline kids who enjoyed a 30 knot session on the Columbia, deep powder skiing, etc. To my surprise, they all said let's do it, and the rest is history. The Big Winds

Jr. SUP Race Team has truly exploded, with the kids training four mornings a week in the summer at 6:30am. They have become as addicted to the sport as the rest of us, and are expert racers, as well as highly skilled at downwinders and surfing. It's so fun to see all this youthful energy into this sport!

The fact that the kids are all excited about this sport has opened it up even more to families. Now we see more and more entire families coming into Big Winds and shopping not just for mom and/or dad, but including the kids in the conversation, as well. With boards and paddles available for even kids under 100 pounds, we can now make sure everyone in the family has the right setup. Kids need smaller paddles to avoid injury caused by using too large a blade. Likewise, a board that's too big (too long or too wide) simply won't work for them. The same applies for most women, which is why Big Winds stocks a wide range of board and paddle sizes.

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IT IS KNOWN THAT THE COLUMBIA RIVER Gorge contains one of the most diverse fisheries in the country. With the Columbia River serving as the main artery for migratory sea-run species by the thousands, coupled with resident warm-water 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 for the upper Columbia River and historically were known as the "June Haws" 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.

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.

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 up to 10 feet.

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.



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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.

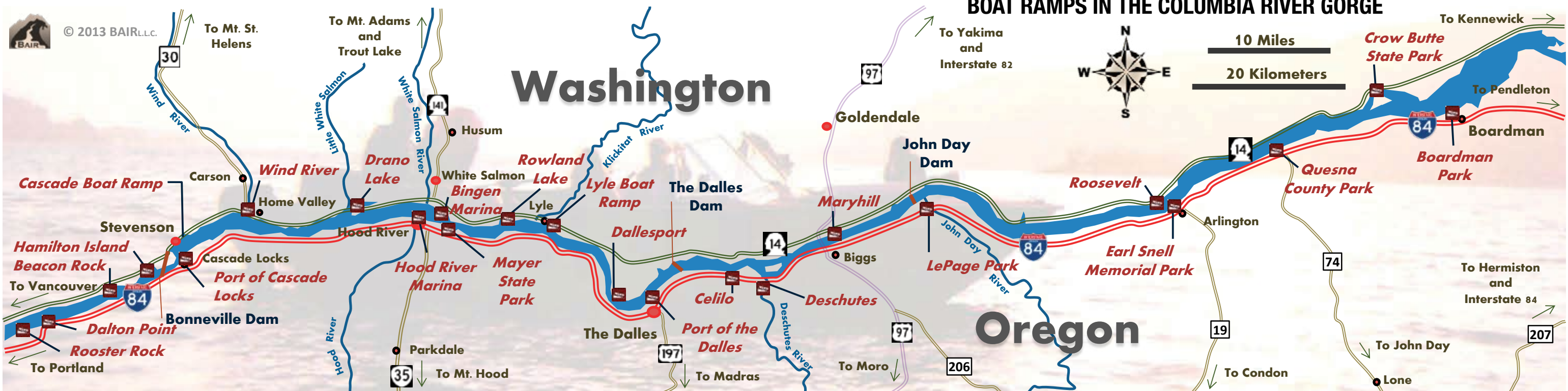
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Alpine skiing and snowboarding are thrilling and fast but Nordic skiing is a great and sometimes life changing alternative, offering a person one of the purest skiing experiences. Mt. Hood has options for all, whether you seek the speedy kick and glide of skate skiing along the corduroy smooth groomed runs of Teacup Lake and Mt. Hood Meadows Nordic Center, or you long for the silent schussing experience of ski touring on or off trail through the woods and open snowfields of White River Canyon, Bennett Pass or Pocket Creek.

Snowshoes allow you the ability to hike on trails that might normally not be accessible in the winter time due to snow coverage. The white winter layerings of snow can make for some spectacular and beautiful changes along some of these trails. A beautiful example is Tamanawas Fall Trail (along Hwy 35, 25 miles from Hood River). A misty waterfall in the summer transforms into an enormous white monolith of ice and snow during the winter. Snowshoeing is a truly simple and extremely accessible recreational activity.

Winter recreation on the Washington side of the Columbia River Gorge is one of the region's best kept secrets. Snowmobiling, sledding, Nordic skiing and snowshoeing can be readily accessed at the Wind River Sports Area north of Carson, Washington in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. Just 25 miles north of Hood River, the Mt. Adams recreation area offers a variety of trails at Atkisson Sno-Park. On a clear day, the view of Mt. Adams will stop you in your ski tracks with its majesty standing at 12, 276 feet.



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- * Cooper Spur Tubing Park
- * Old Man Pass

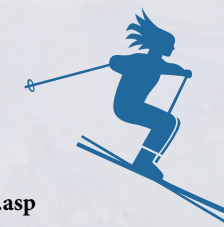
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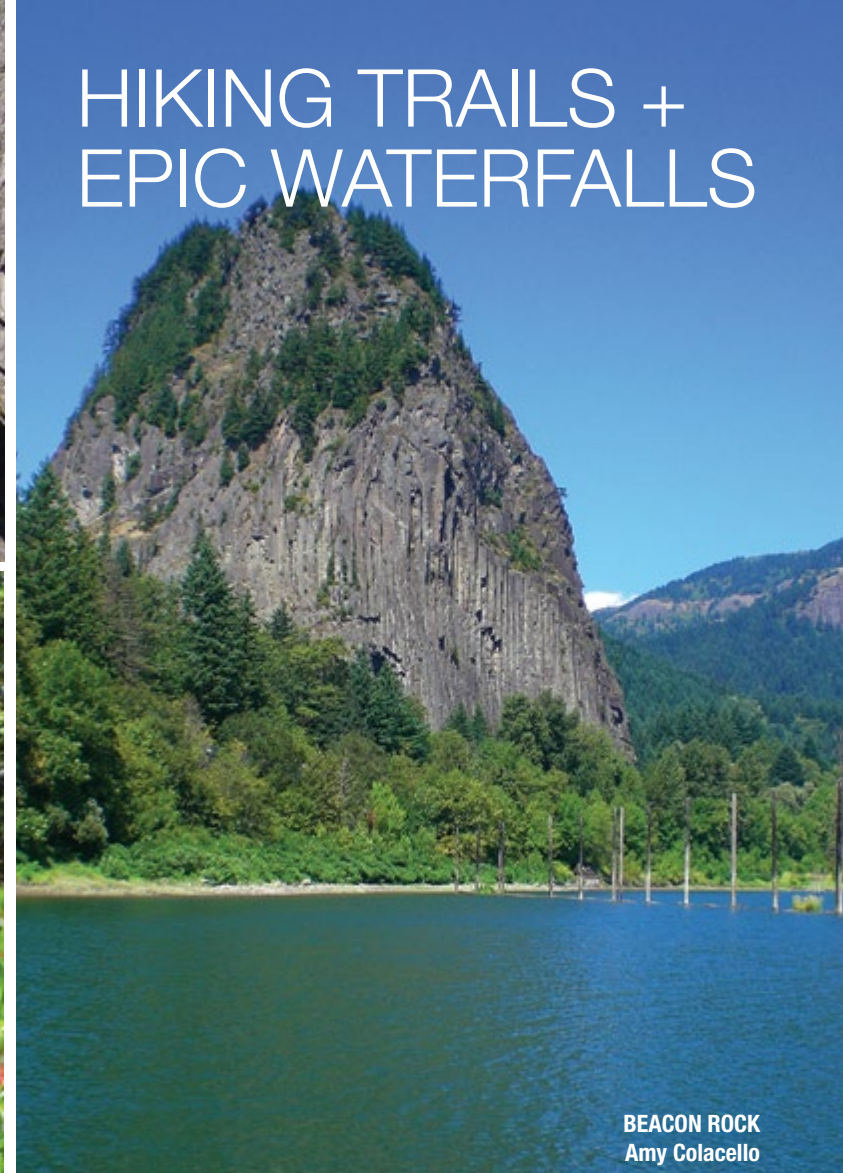
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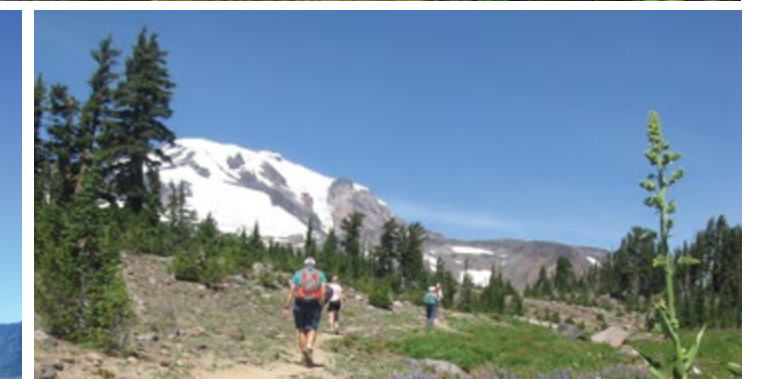
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Hiking Levels Guide

EASY: Level to gently rolling terrain and incline. Easy hiking. Requires limited skill and has minimal physical challenges.

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

MORE DIFFICULT: Vigorous hiking with moderate hills and slopes. Requires a moderate skill level and provides a moderate physical challenge.

NOTE: Changing weather conditions can affect hiking levels for trails.

DON'T FORGET: A Northwest Pass or Discover Pass is required at many of the trailheads, see specific details on page 66.

REFER TO: Map on page 34 to assist you in the location of the trailheads.

Beacon Rock - Washington

► 2.0 miles round trip :: Easy to Moderate :: 600 ft Elevation Gain

Beacon Rock is the core of an ancient volcano and is a well known landmark that is recommended for first time visitors to the Columbia River Gorge. Henry J. Biddle, an early owner of the rock, finished the original trail in 1918. The plug is 848 feet high with handrails lining most of the ascent. The trail is 4500 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. It is a quiet and yet exhilarating experience to stand on the summit with the ever-present Columbia Winds sweeping around you.

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

NOTE: Washington State Discover Pass required (available on site)

Cape Horn Trail - Washington

► 7.0 miles round trip :: More Difficult :: 1300 ft Elevation Gain

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.

GETTING THERE: Follow State Hwy 14 west from Stevenson about 18 miles, pass Beacon Rock State Park and continue to the intersection with Salmon Falls Road, near mile post 26. Turn right onto Salmon Falls Road, immediately turn right again and you'll see trailhead parking on your right in the Skamania County Park & Ride lot. <http://www.capehorntrail.org/trailmap.html>

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 icy conditions.

No pass required

Wahclella Falls - Oregon

► 2.0 miles round trip :: Easy :: 300 ft Elevation Gain

Wahclella Falls is one of the many outstanding waterfalls in the Columbia River Gorge. The easy, well graded trail climbs moderately along Tanner Creek for nine-tenths of a mile, splitting into a loop about three-quarters of the way in, and ending at the base of the falls. A 350-foot two tiered plunge, with the final 60-foot section, provides a powerful horsetail fall into an enormous splash pool.

GETTING THERE: Take exit #40 off I-84 for Bonneville Dam. Head south to a trailhead called Tanner Creek Trail (Wahclella Falls).

Northwest Forest Pass required

Hamilton Mt. - Washington

► 8.0 miles round trip :: More Difficult :: 2100 ft Elevation Gain

The trail to the top of Hamilton Mountain is a gradual climb (total gain of 2100 feet) 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.

Washington Discover Pass required



TAMANAWAS FALLS



White River Falls - Oregon

- ▶ 1.0 miles round trip :: Easy :: 200 ft Elevation Gain

The White River plunges 90 feet over the two tiers at White River Falls. The upper tier falls splits the river into three forks that pour over the wide basalt cliff. The lower tier falls squeezes through a narrow canyon with a shorter plunge. A great place for a picnic and a beautiful view.

GETTING THERE: Travel east on I-84 from The Dalles to exit 87. Head south on Hwy 197 for 28 miles until you reach Hwy 216. Drive east 4 miles to White River Falls State Park.

No permit required

Starvation Ridge Loop - Oregon

- ▶ 3.0 miles round trip :: Moderate to More Difficult
600 ft Elevation Gain

This is a decent workout for a short hike and a great view from the top! Start this hike on the same trail used to access Mt. Defiance, which runs along I-84 for about 1/10 mile. After hiking another 1/10 mile past the freeway, you will come to a junction with the Starvation Cutoff Trail (#414B). Turn left here, it's easy to miss so pay attention— make sure you hike the loop in this direction, it is safer to go uphill than downhill.

The trail begins a steep ascent. Once you reach the top, the trail intersects the Starvation Ridge Trail (#414). At the junction with the Mount Defiance Trail, turn left here and head up the Mount Defiance Trail a short distance to Lancaster Falls. Head back the way you came to the last trail junction. Soon you'll pass Hole-in-the-Wall Falls, then Cabin Creek Falls.

GETTING THERE: From Portland, drive east on I-84 to exit #55/ Starvation Creek State Park and rest area. There's no westbound exit to the Starvation Creek Rest Area, so drivers from the east (Hood River) will need to continue to Wyeth exit 51 and double back east to the trailhead.

No pass required



Lower Falls Creek - Washington

- ▶ 4.4 miles round trip :: Easy to Moderate :: 800 ft Elevation Gain

This waterfall is well worth the hike! Not only do you see a spectacular waterfall but you are also 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. A great spot for a picnic!

GETTING THERE: Take State Hwy 14 to Carson, Washington. Drive 15 miles north on Wind River Road (#30) to its junction with FS Rd 3062. Turn right and proceed 1½ miles to Lower Falls Creek Trail 152A.

NOTE: While this trailhead may be accessible during mild winters, a gate on the 3062 road indicates that it is closed from December 1 through April 1. The gate is located 1½ miles from the trailhead.

Northwest Forest Pass required

Tom McCall Nature Preserve - Oregon

- ▶ TRAIL ACROSS THE PLATEAU TO THE RIVER VIEWPOINT
2.2 miles round trip :: Easy
- ▶ TRAIL TO MCCALL POINT
3.4 miles round trip :: More Difficult
1100 ft Elevation Gain in 1.7 miles

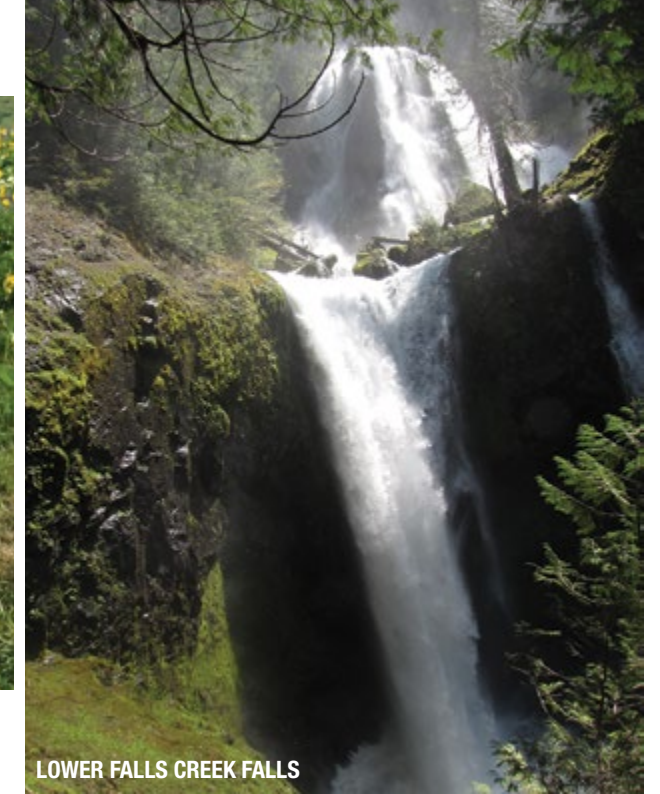
The Tom McCall Nature Preserve overlooks the Columbia River and provides gorgeous scenery and wildflower viewing. More than 200 plant species live here including grass widows, prairie stars, shooting stars, balsamroot, lupine and Indian paintbrush. Dogs, horses and bicycles are not allowed. Please do not pick the flowers and off trail hiking and camping are also not allowed.

Also remember to wear long pants if you're taking the upper trail, as it passes poison oak. Two hike options are listed above.

GETTING THERE: Drive I-84 east to Mosier exit 69, follow signs and travel 7 miles to the Rowena Crest Viewpoint. From The Dalles, take Rowena exit 76 and follow the old Columbia River Highway west to the viewpoint. Trailhead begins across from parking area.

NOTE: The Tom McCall Point trail is only open May-October 31.

No pass required



LOWER FALLS CREEK FALLS

Lyle Cherry Orchards - Washington

- ▶ 5.0 miles round trip :: Moderate :: 1160 ft Elevation Gain

This gem of a hike offers dazzling views of the Columbia River, amazing spring wildflowers and an oak forest full of gnarled old trees. Start the hike at the unmarked trailhead just east of the tunnels near the town of Lyle, Washington. You will see a parking area on the north. The first quarter mile of the trail is quite steep but well worth the view.

GETTING THERE: Drive I-84 east to exit 64 (Hood River). Cross the Hood River Bridge to WA SR-14 and turn right (east). Continue past the town of Lyle and look for the parking area just past the tunnel on your left (north side of the highway).

No pass required

Catherine Creek Arch Loop - Washington

- ▶ 3.5 miles round trip :: Easy :: 500 ft Elevation Gain

From the Catherine Creek Trailhead, hike on a closed road signed #020. This trail soon drops down to Catherine Creek and continues upstream then meets up with road #021. This trail passes the rock arch that looms over the corral high above a talus slope made of fallen rock.

NOTE: A fence is around the arch to discourage off-trail hiking, please respect this area.

As the road approaches a powerline, you'll see a single track footpath headed up to the right (south). This is your return route. You'll come to Old Hwy 8, about ¼ mile east of your car. Hike the highway shoulder back to your car.

GETTING THERE: Traveling 6 miles east from Bingen on Hwy 14, take an immediate left onto Old Hwy 8 (Country Road 1230). If you get to Lyle you've gone too far. Follow Old Hwy 8 for approximately 1.5 miles to the Catherine Creek parking lot on the north side of the road. The universal access trail takes off to the right (downhill from the road). The rock arch hike and others begin uphill to the left.

No permit required

Tamanawas Falls - Oregon

- ▶ 4.0 miles round trip :: Easy :: 500 ft Elevation Gain

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

Northwest Forest Pass required

Dog Mountain - Washington

- ▶ 7.0 miles round trip :: More Difficult :: 2948 ft Elevation Gain

A very popular trail, particularly from mid-April through early June, when the hills are filled with blooming wildflowers. Hikers will also see impressive views of Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood. The trail is somewhat challenging as it gains 2948 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 milepost 53. Dog Mountain is half way between Stevenson and Bingen. Look for a large parking lot on the north side of the highway.

Northwest Forest Pass required

WATERFALL ALLEY

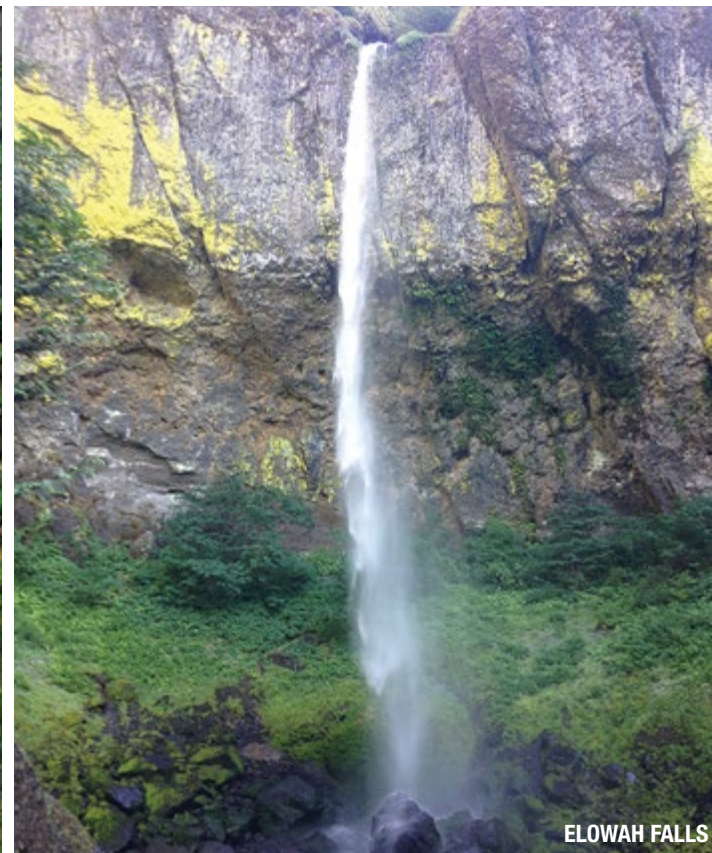
Photographers and outdoor enthusiasts flock to the Columbia River Gorge area to enjoy the many waterfalls along the 15-mile stretch of the Historic Columbia River Highway. There are so many spectacular waterfalls, it is not surprising that this area is known as *Waterfall Alley*. It is impossible to see them all in one day.



MULTNOMAH FALLS

Multnomah Falls is king

of the 77 waterfalls on the Oregon side of the Columbia River Gorge and is the tallest waterfall in the state of Oregon. At 620 feet, only three falls in the nation are taller, but none are as majestic as Multnomah Falls. A paved trail will take you to the Benson Bridge, where you have a perfect view of the top tiers and a great view over the second tier's 69-foot drop. To get the full experience, hike to the top of the falls— it's 1.2 miles and gains about 600 feet in elevation. Known as the most visited attraction in Oregon, it does have large crowds, so plan ahead. At the base of the falls the Historic Multnomah Falls Lodge offers a place of relaxation, fine meals, the perfect gift, hiking or visitor information, or possibly an espresso or tasty treat to accompany your hike or day trip.



ELOWAH FALLS

Elowah Falls and Upper McCord Creek Falls (Double Hike) - Oregon

▶ ELOWAH FALLS :: 1.6 miles round trip :: Moderate
140 ft Elevation Gain

▶ UPPER MCCORD CREEK FALLS :: 2.2 miles round trip
Moderate :: 540 ft Elevation Gain

SUGGESTION: Hike to Upper McCord Creek first and end the hike for a picnic at Elowah Falls. 3.8 miles total for both hikes.

At 290 feet high, Elowah Falls is one of the tallest waterfalls in the Gorge and puts off a tremendous amount of spray that refreshes your body on a hot day. The trail to Upper McCord Creek Falls takes you along a sheer rock face with switchbacks and views of steep basalt cliffs.

GETTING THERE: Traveling east on I-84, take exit #35/Ainsworth. Turn left at the stop sign, then immediately turn right onto Frontage Road. Drive east on Frontage Rd. for 2.1 miles.

Traveling west on I-84, take exit #37/Warrendale. Head west on Warrendale Rd. for about ¼ mile to a stop sign. Turn left, go under the freeway and turn left again onto Frontage Rd. Drive ¼ mile east to the trailhead parking lot.

No pass required



LATOURELL FALLS

Multnomah Falls + Wahkeena Falls Loop Trail - Oregon

▶ 5.0 miles round trip :: More Difficult :: 1500 ft Elevation Gain

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 a little steep at times and is paved near Wahkeena and Multnomah Falls. There are several side trails that are well marked that will lead you to overlooks or other locations such as Wahkeena Springs, Devil's Rest and Larch Mountain.

GETTING THERE: Traveling on I-84, take exit 28 or exit 35 to the Historic Highway and drive to begin hike at either Wahkeena Falls or Multnomah Falls.

No pass required

Latourell Falls - Oregon

▶ 2.4 miles round trip :: Moderate :: 500 ft Elevation Gain

Latourell 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 ¾ of a 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 better yet, cross the highway down the steps to Guy Talbot State Park which will then return you to your car. 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.

GETTING THERE: Traveling east from Portland on I-84, take exit 28/ Bridal Veil and travel west 3 miles on the Historic Hwy. Heading west on I-84, take exit 35 and travel 11 miles west.

No pass required



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



When it comes to family fun, the Columbia River Gorge is home to many activities and attractions that everyone will enjoy!



Kids will love the excellent displays and activities involving the history of the Columbia River Gorge while visiting the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center, Columbia Gorge Discovery Center and the History Museum of Hood River County.

Tours aboard the Mt. Hood Railroad and Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler offer special occasion events that the whole family can enjoy.

A must-see attraction at the Bonneville Fish Hatchery is Herman the Sturgeon. Herman is a 10 foot long, 425 pound humongous, prehistoric looking fish! Next door to the Fish Hatchery, Bonneville Dam offers Bradford Island Visitor Center with a fish viewing window where you can watch adult salmon swimming through the fish ladder.

Get out of your comfort zone and go on a zip line tour at the world class Skamania Lodge resort in Stevenson, Washington. Another fun option is berry picking at u-pick farms. It's a great family outing allowing kids the chance to participate in the summer harvest and sample healthy treats. And, of course in the winter, grab your sleds and head up to Little John Sno Park near Mt. Hood, or Old Man Pass in Washington near Carson, for good old fashioned winter fun.

The opportunities are endless in the Columbia River Gorge for all ages!



MUSEUM

The History Museum of Hood River County
thehistorymuseum.net
300 E. Port Marina Drive
Hood River, OR 97031
541-386-6772

U-PICK

The Gorge White House
thegorgewhitehouse.com

LIBRARY

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District
fvrl.org

TOURS

Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler
portlandspirit.com
Mt. Hood Railroad
mthoodrr.com

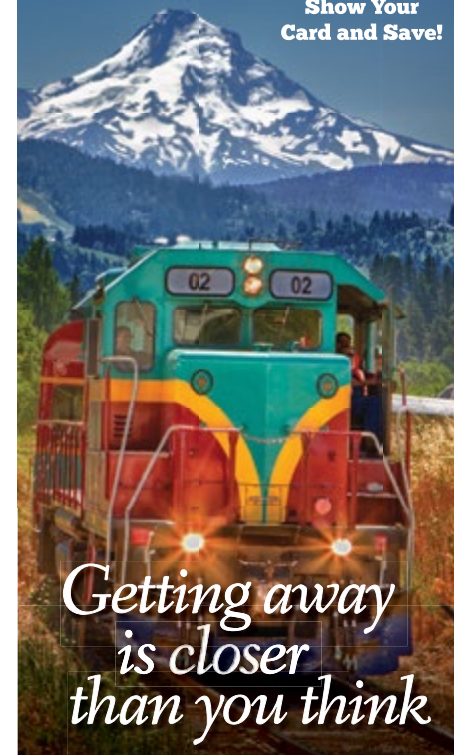
MUSEUMS

Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Wasco County Historical Museum
gorgediscovery.com
Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum
columbiagorge.org
Presby Museum
presbymuseum.com
Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum (WAAAM)
waaamuseum.org

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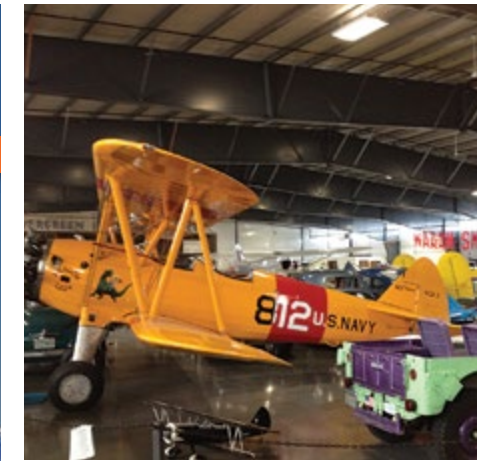
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www.portlandspirit.com

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Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
www.gorgediscovery.org

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Murder Mystery, Champagne Brunch, Excursions to Parkdale and Western Train Robbery // June–October // www.mthoodrr.com

WORLD CLASS SAILING EVENTS IN CASCADE LOCKS

www.cgra.org // See page 41

FIRST FRIDAYS

Downtown Hood River, OR
May–October // 5pm

GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Second Friday of the Month
Downtown Stevenson, WA // Year-round // 5pm

FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK

Historic Downtown Troutdale, OR
February–December

CAMAS FIRST FRIDAYS

Downtown Camas, WA // Year-round // 5pm

WAAAM AIR AND AUTO MUSEUM

Second Saturday at WAAAM
March–December // www.waaamuseum.org

COMMUNITY FARMERS' MARKETS

Camas Farmers Market
Downtown, Camas, WA
June 3–September 30
Wednesdays, 3pm–7pm

Goldendale Farmers Market

Ekone Park, Goldendale, WA
May 9–September 26 // Saturdays, 9am–2pm

Gorge Grown Farmers Market

Hood River Middle School, Hood River, OR
May 7–November 19 // Thursdays, 4pm–7pm

Hood River Saturday Market

New location: Full Sail Lot
5th & Columbia, Hood River, OR
May 2–September 26
Every Saturday 9am–1pm

Lyle Farmers Market

Old Lyle School Greenspace, Lyle, WA
June 6–September 19 // Saturdays, 9am–1pm

Maupin Farmers Market

Greenway Park, Downtown Maupin, OR
June 19–September 18 // Fridays, 3pm–7pm

Mosier Farmers Market

New location: The Dwelling Station
Downtown Mosier, OR
June 21–September 27 // Sundays, 4pm–7pm

Sherman County Farmers Market

City Park, Moro, OR
June 28–September 13 // Sundays, 9am–1pm

Stevenson Farmers Market

SR 14, Courthouse lawn, Stevenson, WA
June 20–October 10
Saturdays, 10am–1:30pm

The Dalles Farmers Market

Union and E 5th Street, The Dalles, OR
June 6–October 10 // Saturdays, 9am–1pm

Troutdale Farmers and Artist Market

Depot Park, Troutdale, OR
Year-round // Saturdays, 10am–2pm

Trout Lake Saturday Market

Trout Lake Grange, Trout Lake, WA
June 27–August 29 // Saturdays, 9am–3pm

Underwood Market

71 Little Buck Creek Road, Underwood, WA
March–September
Second Sunday, 11am–4pm

White Salmon Farmers Market

Feast Market, 320 E Jewett, White Salmon, WA
June 30–September 29 // Tuesdays, 4pm–7pm

APRIL

APRIL SKAMANIA COUNTY READS!

Stevenson Community Library // www.fvrl.org

APRIL 2015 - PASSPORT MONTH TO COLUMBIA GORGE WINE

Passport holders receive exclusive experiences and special discounts at 25 Gorge Wineries during the entire month of April.
www.columbiagorgewine.com

3 BICKLETON CAROUSEL MUSEUM OPENS

Bickleton, WA
509-896-2007 // www.bickleton.org

10 PORTLAND GRAND TASTING

Bring the Columbia Gorge tasting experience to Portland with 25+ Columbia Gorge wineries pouring under the same roof for one night only.
www.columbiagorgewine.com

10-12 GORGE ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS

Tour will feature artists in their studios demonstrating and selling their unique art.
Hood River, White Salmon, Stevenson, The Dalles and Cascade Locks will all be participating. 10am–6pm
www.gorgeartists.org

11 2ND ANNUAL HOOD RIVER HARD-PRESSED CIDER FEST

Seasoned and novice cider drinkers alike have the chance to sample cider from Hood River County's very own cider makers, as well as a variety of additional Northwest cideries.
3315 Stadelman Drive, Hood River, OR
Noon–7pm // 541-386-2000

11-12 PASSPORT FOOD & WINE WEEKEND

Celebrate the perfect marriage of food and wine. www.columbiagorgewine.com

11-26 BLOSSOM FEST

Visit Hood River County for a dose of Oregon's beautiful springtime. Hood River Valley
hoodriver.org/blossom-fest

16 RIDE THE COLUMBIA GORGE STERNWHEELER TO THE DALLES (ONE-WAY)

www.portlandspirit.com

16-19 PCT TRAIL CHALLENGE

Weekend Training focused on building trail maintenance skills. Cascade Locks Marine Park and Pacific Crest Trail.
www.pcta.org/volunteer/trail-skills-college/columbia-cascades

18 CULTURE A LA CARTE, FLORA IN FOCUS

Wildflower photography tour along the Riverfront Trail with Sandy Bisset. 12–1pm
Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

18-19 PASSPORT GORGE GRAPES WEEKEND

Explore the diversity of varietals grown in the Columbia Gorge.
www.columbiagorgewine.com

18-19 BLOSSOM CRAFT SHOW

Hood River County Fairground
www.hoodriverfair.org

19 WINDANCE OUTDOOR GEAR SWAP MEET

Windance Parking Lot, Hood River, OR // 7am

19 11TH ANNUAL CHERRY OF A RIDE!

Bike Ride starting at St. Mary's Academy
1112 Cherry Heights Rd., The Dalles, OR
www.smatd.org

23 POET LAUREATE ELIZABETH AUSTEN PRESENTS POETRY ALOUD

Goldendale Community Library
Goldendale, WA // www.fvrl.org

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Maryhill Museum // www.maryhillmuseum.org
509-773-3733, ext. 25

24-26 36TH ANNUAL NW CHERRY FESTIVAL

Parade, open-air market with craft & food vendors, carnival, Bicoastal Media Home & Lifestyle Show, sock hop dance on Saturday. 3, 5 & 10K run/walk and much more!
www.thedallescchamber.com // 800-225-3385

24-25 SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Skamania County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, Stevenson. parks@co.skamania.wa.us
509-427-3980

24-26 CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE DAYS

Maps available at local businesses
Cascade Locks, OR

24-26 GOLDENDALE HIGH SCHOOL RODEO

Goldendale High School
Klickitat County Fairgrounds // 509-773-3559

25 MARYHILL SPRING TRAIN

Join us for wine and lunch on the Historic Mt. Hood Railroad Train. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon riding through the scenic Hood River Valley with springtime flowers. Mt. Hood Railroad
Boards: 10:30am // Returns: 3:30pm

25-26 WOMEN IN MOTION

Art show with International female Artists from Korea and France along with 8 local artists who have International recognition. 10am–5pm
Lorang Fine Art, Cascade Locks, OR
www.lorangfineart.com // 541-374-8007

25-26 PASSPORT BARREL & RESERVE TASTING WEEKEND

Access special reserve wines and get a sneak peak into the wine cellar.
www.columbiagorgewine.com

26 SKAMANIA SCRAMBLE CHARITY TOURNAMENT

18-hole golf tournament benefits local charities including Skamania County Food Bank, Skamania/Klickitat United Way and Relay for Life. www.skamania.org // 800-293-0418

29 TEEN ART SLAM

Stevenson Community Library
Stevenson, WA // www.fvrl.org

30 POEM IN YOUR POCKET DAY

Maryhill Museum // 1–3pm
www.maryhillmuseum.org

MAY

1 CAMAS POKER TOUR

www.downtowncamas.com

1-3 ANNUAL LOCK ROBSTER DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT

www.discvango.com/lock_robster

1-3 GOLDENDALE HOME & GARDEN SHOW

Klickitat County Fairgrounds, Goldendale, WA
www.goldendalechamber.org // 509-773-3400

2-3 WINE, CHEESE AND MUSIC WEEKEND

Timberlake Campground, Stevenson, WA
www.timberlakecampgroundandrvpark.com

3 DOWNWIND SUP CLINIC

SUP Downwinder course includes five hours of coaching, shuttle transport and a Viento run with instruction. // bigwinds.com/sup

9 CAMAS PLANT & GARDEN FAIR

Downtown Camas, WA // 9am–4pm
www.downtowncamas.com

9 GOLDENDALE FARMERS MARKET OPENS

Ekone Park, NW Corner Broadway/Wilbur
Goldendale, WA
www.facebook.com/Goldendalefarmersmarket

9-10 MARYHILL WINERY MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14
www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

10 MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Ride the Sternwheeler in Cascade Locks
www.portlandspirit.com

12-16 MUSEUM OF GLASS MOBILE HOT SHOP

A full week of glassblowing demonstrations. 10am–5pm // www.maryhillmuseum.org

16 STEVENSON TO CARSON RIDGE RUN

Race begins at Skamania County Fairgrounds at 9am, and finishes with a celebration at Backwoods Brewing in Carson, WA.
www.skamaniacounty.org

16 CGICM ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION & ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Annual free admission day. Demonstrations of traditional handicrafts, music, etc.
www.columbiagorge.org // 800-991-2338

16 MEMBERS' APPRECIATION DAY

Drive the historic Maryhill Loops Road or explore a trunk show with local glass artists.
www.maryhillmuseum.org

16 UPPER CLACKAMAS WHITEWATER FESTIVAL

Races, boat demos, safety classes and Vendors Village. Carter Bridge Campground, Estacada. // www.upperclackamasfestival.org
877-444-6777

16 STUDENT STRIDE FOR EDUCATION

5K/10K Fun Run, Washougal, WA
www.visitwashougal.com

16 COLOR DASH – THE DALLES!

5K Fun Run/Walk for all ages on First Street in The Dalles. 8am pick up packets, 10am dash starts. Register at www.thecolordash5k.com

16 MT. ADAMS ENDURANCE RIDE – TROUT LAKE

The ride camp is located in a large grass meadow near the Mt. Adams Horse Camp.
www.mtadamsride.com

16-17 17TH COLUMBIA GORGE ART FESTIVAL

Corbett Grade School
www.corbetteducationfoundation.org/
columbia-gorge-art-festival

17 WINDANCE OUTDOOR GEAR SWAP MEET

Windance Parking Lot, Hood River, OR // 7am

23-24 ANNUAL RIVERFEST CELEBRATION IN MAUPIN, OR

Live music, great food, family-friendly activities on the Lower Deschutes River.
www.maupinriverfest.com

23-24 MARYHILL WINERY ANNIVERSARY

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14
www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

23-25 COLUMBIA GORGE GRAPE TO TABLE WEEKEND

Enjoy the rich abundance of Columbia Gorge wine and farm fresh food at gorge wineries during Memorial Day Weekend.
www.columbiagorgewine.com

30 GOLDENDALE YOUTH TRIATHLON

401 N King St., Goldendale // 509-773-0506
www.goldendalepool.com/goldenman-triathlon

30 HIKE THE DIKE

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30 HOOD2RIVER RELAY

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www.whitesalmonspringfestival.com

JUNE

2 CONCERT IN THE STREET

Annual performance by Stevenson High School Band on Hwy 14 in downtown Stevenson. 7pm // 800-989-9178

5 DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

Camas, WA // www.downtowncamas.com

5 SUMMER READING FOR ADULTS KICK-OFF

Gideon Freudmann plays electric cello. Washougal Community Library

5-6 BREW FEST WEEKEND

Live music. Potato salad and baked bean competition. Timberlake Campground
www.timberlakecampgroundandrvpark.com

5-7 GOLDENDALE BLUEGRASS PICKERFEST

Ekone Park, 411 N Wilbur
Info: Fred Coates, westcoates@junoi.com

6 NATIONAL TRAILS DAY AT BONNEVILLE DAM

Guided trail walk along the historic Fort Cascades Trail near Bonneville Dam's Washington Shore Visitor Center. // 541-374-8344

6-12 CULTURE A LA CARTE, "HENRY PERKINS: FORGOTTEN WASCOPIAN MISSIONARY"

Award-winning author Robert Boyd, on the 1838 Wascopam Mission. Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, The Dalles, OR.
www.gorgediscovery.org

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12-14 BICKLETON RODEO

Cleveland Park, Bickleton // www.bickleton.org

12-14 ALDERCREEK PIONEER PICNIC AND RODEO – CLEVELAND

www.aldercreekpioneerpicnicrodeo.com

13 EASTSIDE GARDEN TOUR – "SUN DROPS"

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13 BACKYARD ½ MARATHON/ SUMMER CONCERT IN THE PARK

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13 ANNUAL BEER FEST AT THE DALLES CIVIC AUDITORIUM

323 E 4th St., The Dalles, OR. Samples and steins! Over 21 event. civic@saw.net
www.thedallescivic.org // 541-298-8533

15 RACE FOR THE FUTURE MX BIKE RACE

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www.visitwashougal.com

19-20 COUNTY 13 MILE YARD SALE

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19-20 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

SUMMER BOOK SALE
Washougal Community Library

20 9TH ANNUAL HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY BIKE RIDE

Starts at the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center in The Dalles & features a 40-mile ride of unsurpassed scenic beauty.
info@hcrh.org // 503-227-5638

20 GOLDENMAN TRIATHLON

Swim/bike/run event for all ages and fitness levels. Goldendale, WA // 509-773-0506
www.goldendalepool.com/goldenman-triathlon

20-21 MARYHILL WINERY FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14
www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

20-21 GLENWOOD KETCHUM KALF RODEO

Glenwood, WA. 509-364-3363 // 509-364-3355
www.business.gorge.net/glenwoodrodeo

21 FATHER'S DAY

Free admission for Dads
Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

21 FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler
9:30-11:30am // www.portlandspirit.com

24-28 FESTIVAL OF SPEED

Watch 230 of the world's best downhill skateboarders/street lugers battle it out on the 2.2 mile, 22 corner historic Maryhill Loops Road. // www.maryhillfestivalofspeed.com

25 PRAY FOR WIND PARTY

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26-27 GORGE BLUES AND BREWS FESTIVAL

Microbrews and wines from the Pacific Northwest, food and great blues music.
Skamania County Fairgrounds, Stevenson, WA.
www.gorgebluesandbrews.com
509-427-8911

26-28 STERNWHEELER DAYS

Annual summer celebration including arts and crafts vendors, food, beverages, music, parade and Sternwheeler rides in Cascade Locks, OR.
541-374-8619

27 CULTURE A LA CARTE, MAMMOTH ENDEAVORS

Ice Age workshop, 1-5pm, with illustrator Steve Omninski. Dinner 6pm; presentation 7pm with archaeologist Gary Kleinknecht.
Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

27 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

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27 WHAT THE SAM HILL? THE MARYHILL GALA

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www.maryhillmuseum.org // 509-773-3733

27 MT. ADAMS COUNTRY BICYCLE TOUR

Tour runs through the idyllic Trout Lake valley, over the rolling hills of the Glenwood loop, and up and down the challenging flanks of beautiful Mt. Adams. // www.troutlakewashington.com

27 CGWA BEACH BASH

A fun day for all. Windsurfing and SUP demos, clinics, fun races and relays.
Hood River Event Site. Hood River, OR

28 FOURTH SUNDAY AT THE FORT

Fort Dalles Museum & Anderson Homestead,
The Dalles, OR // www.fortdallesmuseum.org

28 COWBOY BREAKFAST

Annual Cowboy Breakfast at Camp Howe in Hemlock. 8am-1pm
509-427-3930 // 509-427-5991

28 CGWA ALL SPORTS SWAP MEET

10am-3pm // Luhr Jensen Beach
Hood River, OR

JULY**2-3 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE**

Goldendale Library

3 SMALL TOWN COUNTRY FUN

Camas, WA // www.downtowncamas.com

3-4 ESTACADA TIMBER FESTIVAL

Timber games, log rolling, pole climbing, horse pulls, vendors, music and a Fun Zone for the kids. One of the largest fireworks shows in the area. Timber Park, Estacada.
estacadatimberfestival.com // 503-464-2433

3-5 GOLDENDALE COMMUNITY DAYS

Goldendale City Hall
www.goldendaleevents.com // 509-773-3771

4 CORBETT FUN FEST

A grand hometown celebration complete with parade, pancake breakfast, field games, contests, entertainment, vendors and fireworks. // www.corbettfunfest.com

4 ESTACADA 4TH OF JULY

Parade, floats, log trucks, vintage cars, equestrian units, emergency vehicles, military vehicles and more make this hour-long parade one of the best in the state. Downtown Estacada.
www.estacadachamber.org // 503-630-3483

4 MILL A COMMUNITY 4TH OF JULY PARADE

The best old-fashioned parade in Skamania County! Parade route is along Jessup Road in Mill A and begins at 10:30am. // 509-538-2643

4 GOLDENDALE JAYCEES DEMOLITION DERBY

Klickitat County Fairgrounds
www.goldendalejaycees.com

4 FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT SKAMANIA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Old fashioned 4th of July fireworks display and live music from Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson. // parks@co.skamania.wa.us
509-427-3980

4 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Marine Park, Cascade Locks, OR
www.cascadelocks.net

4 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION AND CONCERT

Marine Park, Washougal, WA
www.visitwashougal.com

4 WHITE SALMON 4TH OF JULY PARADE/ SUMMER CONCERT IN THE PARK

www.whitesalmonevents.com

4 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS CRUISE

Aboard the Sternwheeler in Cascade Locks, OR
www.portlandspirit.com

5 GOLDENDALE SHOW AND SHINE CAR SHOW

goldendalemotorsports@gmail.com
www.goldendaleevents.com

10-11 GORGE DAYS

Farm-to-table dinner and live music on Friday night. Saturday activities include community wide garage sales, car show, food, crafts, beer garden and live concert. City Park in North Bonneville, WA. // www.gorgedays.net
800-989-9178

11 CAMAS CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Downtown Camas // 5-8:30pm
www.downtowncamas.com

11 WAAAM TRAFFIC JAM

Join WAAAM for a car show, swap meet and museum all in one great place. Hood River, OR
www.waaamuseum.org // 541-308-1600

11-12 KITEBOARD 4 CANCER

All day // Hood River Event Site

11-12 SANDY MOUNTAIN FESTIVAL

43rd annual. Meinig Memorial Park, Sandy
www.sandymountainfestival.org
503-668-4006

11-12 TROUT LAKE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

In addition to the art, visitors enjoy continuous live music, an outstanding variety of foods, local brews and wine.
www.troutlakefestivalofthearts.com

15-16 GEM AND MINERAL SHOW

Rocks, gems, jewelry, fossils, minerals, beads, slabs, cabs and more. Marine Park, Cascade Locks. Cindy Allison: 541-554-2863
gemsareus2@yahoo.com

16-18 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FORT DALLES ROUGH & WILD PRO RODEO

Parade on Saturday, Steak Feed/Family night on Thursday, "Tough Enough to Wear Pink" on Friday. // www.thefortdallesrodeo.com
800-255-3385

17 BIKE PEACE MUSIC FESTIVAL

A week long cycling tour through the Gorge featuring live music and camping each night. Big finale takes place in Cascade Locks, OR.

17 WOOD VILLAGE 16TH ANNUAL CITY "NIGHT OUT"

A parade of Emergency vehicles, Life Flight helicopter, free food and beverages, music, demonstrations, activities for children.
Baptist Church, 23601 N.E. Arata Road
www.ci.wood-village.or.us

17-18 11TH ANNUAL OREGON LAVENDER DAZE

Festival at Hood River Lavender Farms

18 SHAKESPEARE-IN-THE-PARKS: TAMING OF THE SHREW

Bring your own blanket or chair to enjoy this free performance of Taming of the Shrew by Portland Actors Ensemble. FREE in the gardens. // www.maryhillmuseum.org

18 TROUTDALE SUMMERFEST 43RD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Fun-filled day beginning with a parade of 600 participants and continues into the afternoon with family entertainment, children activities in Glenn Otto Park. // 503-669-7473
www.westcolumbiagorgechamber.com

18 FORT DALLES FAMILY FUN DAY

Fort Dalles Museum & Anderson Homestead,
The Dalles, OR // www.fortdallesmuseum.org

18 WILD WOMAN MARATHON 50K AND RELAY

www.wildwomanmarathon.com

18 MARY CHARLOTTE'S GARDEN PARTY FASHION SHOW

Enjoy a historic garden tour and fashion show, tracing changing clothing styles through the 1800s. Live music and tasty treats.
Philip Foster Farm, Eagle Creek
www.philipfosterfarm.com // 503-637-6324

18-19 DOWNWIND DERBY

Practice your downwind SUP skills with the Big Winds team. Free entry, and great prep for the Columbia Gorge Paddle Challenge.
bigwinds.com/sup

18-19 CHERRY CELEBRATION

Cherry harvest should be at its peak with many varieties. // www.hoodriverfruitloop.com

18-19 GORGE OUTRIGGER RACES

Outrigger canoe racers paddle the Columbia River and compete for prizes.
www.nwoutrigger.com
Call Waterwalker at 509-427-2727

22-25 MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP NATIONAL

Known as America's most scenic raceway, Washougal MX Park's track design makes it one of the best national terrain raceways in America. // www.visitwashougal.com

23-26 COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

Annual bluegrass festival at Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson. Concerts, contests, workshops. // 509-427-3980
www.columbiagorgebluegrass.net

24-25 CAMAS DAYS

Crafts and food court: 10am-8pm
Wine, microbrew and music: 5pm-11pm
www.cwchamber.org

24-26 WILD SIDE RELAY RACES

OC-1 and Surfski relay races on the Columbia River from Stevenson to Bingen.
www.nwoutrigger.com // 509-427-2727

24-26 BRIDGE OF THE GODS KITEBOARDING FESTIVAL

Freestyle format kiteboarding competition, downwind race and food on the Stevenson waterfront. // www.botgkitefest.com

25 NIGHTS IN WHITE SALMON ART & WINE FUSION

www.artwinefusion.com // 509-493-3630

25 DAY IN DAMASCUS FAMILY FESTIVAL

30+ carnival booths, entertainment, food, games, Safety Fair, Craft and Farmers Market.
Damascus Centennial Park, Damascus, OR
http://dayindamascus.org // 503-658-8545

26 LACAMAS LAKE HALF MARATHON & 5K

www.LacamasLakeRunWalk.com

26 FOURTH SUNDAY AT THE FORT

Fort Dalles Museum & Anderson Homestead,
The Dalles, OR // www.fortdallesmuseum.org

July 31-August 2 TROUT LAKE FAIR

www.troutlakefair.org

AUGUST**1 TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Historic Columbia River Highway Exhibit opens at the Barn Museum.
http://troutdalehistory.com // 503-661-2164

1-2 GOLDENDALE WE ROCK ROCK CRAWLS

Broken Boulder Ranch, 290 Pipeline Rd.
www.werocklive.com

2 DOWNWIND SUP CLINIC

SUP Downwinder course includes five hours of coaching, shuttle transport and a Viento run with instruction. // bigwinds.com/sup

2 TROUTDALE CRUISE IN

Twelfth annual Cruise In, Historic Downtown Troutdale. \$15 entry fee per car.
Contact: jl_wilson@comcast.net
http://troutdalekiwanis.org

4 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Fun, family friendly event. Free food, demonstrations, entertainment, and more.
Community Park, across from Fairview City Hall. 1300 NE Village Street, Fairview, OR 97024 // www.fairvieworegon.gov/events

6-16 COLUMBIA GORGE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Connecting Community through films, festivals & farms during the COLUMBIA GORGE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL.
www.angaelica.com

7 PLEIN AIR ART EVENT

Camas, WA // www.downtowncamas.com

7-9 CRUISE THE GORGE

Classic Car Cruise-In on Friday night, downtown, The Dalles. Show in the Shade on Saturday at Sorosis Park, The Dalles.
www.crjuisethegorge.org
www.midcolumbiacarclub.org

8 TRIBUTE ARTIST DINNER TRAIN

Featuring Elvis, 4-course fine dining with full service lounge, 5pm. Mt Hood Railroad
www.mthoodr.com

8 STEINER CABINS TOUR

Self guided auto tour to visit 1930s era historic log cabins. Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum, Government Camp.
www.mthoodmuseum.org // 503-272-3301

8 KING OF THE HOOK

Fun, low key, family friendly, old school windsurfing competition. 5pm. The Hook, Hood River, OR // www.gorgewindsurfing.org

8 PACIFIC NORTHWEST SPARTAN RUN

A 5k event featuring mud and obstacles.
Washougal Motocross Park
www.visitwashougal.com

8-9 DUFUR THRESHING BEE

Celebrate the harvest; Parade vendors, car show, farming demos & antique tractors.
Dufur, OR // www.dufurthreshingbee.org

8-10 THE BIGFOOT ENDURANCE RUN

A multi-day 215 mile race that will essentially start around Mt. St. Helens, head toward Mt. Adams, then cut south and end with runners crossing the Bridge of the Gods and crossing the finish line on school grounds.
www.bigfoot200.com

10 BRIDGE OF THE GODS HALF MARATHON & 10K

Starts on the Washington side of the river taking runners across the exciting and scenic Bridge of the Gods. Cascade Locks, OR
www.bridgeofthegodsrun.com // 541-308-6738

12-16 SKAMANIA COUNTY FAIR

Free fair, entertainment, animals, parade, timber carnival and family fun for everyone.
Skamania County Fair Office: 509-427-3979
www.skamaniacountyfair.com

13-16 WASCO COUNTY FAIR AND TYGH VALLEY RODEO

4-H exhibits, livestock competition, carnival rides, entertainment and food. Old-time fun at your classic county fair! Tygh Valley, OR
www.wascocountyfairandrodeo.com
541-296-4818 // 800-255-3385

14-16 GOLDENDALE FESTIVAL OF WHEELS

Ekone Park, 411 Wilbur, Goldendale, WA
509-773-3771

15 PORT CONCERT

Marine Park, Port of Camas/Washougal
www.visitwashougal.com

15-16 CRAWDAD FESTIVAL

Live music from noon-10pm on the outdoor stage, face painting, Skyway Wheel of Fun with games and prizes, Louisiana style Crawdad boil and lots of BBQ. Skyway Bar and Grill, Zigzag. www.skywaybarandgrill.com
503-622-3775

19-23 KC FAIR AND RODEO

Klickitat County Fairgrounds
903 Fairgrounds Rd.
Contact President@klickitatcountyfair.com
www.klickitatcountyfair.com

22 SHINDIG WITH THE SQUARE RIG

A free afternoon and evening of music and pirate fun. At port will be Lady Washington and Hawaiian Chieftain ships for paid tours and excursions. Marine Park, Port of Camas/Washougal // www.visitwashougal.com

22-23 BIG RIVER FIBER FLING

Fiber art vendors, spinning wheel raffle, free demonstrations, classes and fun. Skamania County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall in Stevenson.
www.bigriverfiberfling.com // 509-427-8454

22-23 NAISH COLUMBIA GORGE PADDLE CHALLENGE

One of the world's top Stand Up Paddle Board racing events takes place in a festival-like setting at Hood River Waterfront Park.
gorgepaddlechallenge.com

23 FOURTH SUNDAY AT THE FORT

Fort Dalles Museum & Anderson Homestead, The Dalles, OR // www.fortdallesmuseum.org

26-30 RALLY IN THE GORGE

Focuses toward sport bike, dual sport and sport touring enthusiasts. www.soundrider.com/rally

28-30 PACIFIC CREST TRAIL DAYS

Check out the latest outdoor gear products from sponsors and exhibitors, participate in workshops, go for a hike, huge gear raffle, hiker fashion show, beer garden and food vendors. Thunder Island & Marine Park, Cascade Locks, OR. Free to the public! 503-705-6769 www.facebook.com/pctdays2014 www.oviewfinder.com/pct_days

29 CAMAS VINTAGE & ART FAIRE

Hosted by Camas Antiques and the DCA 9am-4pm // www.downtowncamas.com

30 SUP SALMON CLASSIC

Professional and recreational Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) athletes from around the region and world will take to the waters of the Columbia River for the SUP Salmon Classic. Capt. William Clark Park www.visitwashougal.com

SEPTEMBER**4-6 X-FEST**

Christian Rock Music Festival at Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson. www.xfestnw.org

5 ANNUAL COLUMBIA GORGE ALUMINUM MAN TRIATHLON

Swim, run and bike along the beautiful Columbia River, The Dalles, OR www.racecenter.com/aluminumman 541-296-9533

5 SHOW N' SHINE

Annual show at Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum in Stevenson. Cars/trucks cruise-in and swap meet. People's Choice awards, food vendors, music, raffles, door prizes. // www.columbiagorge.org 509-427-8211 // 800-991-2338

5 BICKLETON CAR SHOW

9am-4pm // www.bickleton.org 509-806-2062

5 STONEHENGE AUTUMNAL EQUINOX: THE SECRETS OF STONEHENGE

Maryhill Museum of Art www.maryhillmuseum.com

5-7 COLUMBIA GORGE CRUSH KICKOFF WEEKEND

Experience harvest season in the Columbia Gorge. // www.columbiagorgewine.com

6 OLD TIMERS PICNIC

Cascade Locks, OR

6-7 MARYHILL WINERY LABOR DAY WEEKEND CELEBRATION

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14 www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

7 ROY WEBSTER CROSS-CHANNEL SWIM

At dawn on Labor Day each year, 500+ hearty souls jump in the mighty Columbia River and swim the 1.1-mile stretch across to Hood River. 720 E Port Marina Drive, Hood River, OR hoodriver.org/cross-channel-swim 541-386-2000

11 SANDY OKTOBERFEST

7th annual. Traditional German Biergarten, car show, kindergarten, food and crafts, fine art show, canning, growing, arts and cooking contests, live music including Johnny Limbo & The Lugnuts. St. Michael's Church, Sandy. www.sandyoktoberfest.net

11-12 GOLDENDALE RELAY FOR LIFE

Goldendale High School www.relayforlife.org/klickitatcountywa debimakeshopenhappen@gmail.com 509-294-4383

11-13 HUCKLEBERRY FESTIVAL

Wild huckleberries, treats, beer gardens, food, music and more. Daubenspeck Park, Bingen, WA // www.huckleberry-fest.com

12 AN EVENING IN WHITE

Friends come together dressed in elegant white and host their own dinner party at An Evening in White at Marine Park, Port of Camas/Washougal. // www.visitwashougal.com

12 ANNUAL CARSON NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY KIDS FISHING DAY

8am-1pm // 509-427-5905

12 HOPTOBERFEST

Handcrafted brews, food, live music and games at Walking Man Brewing, Stevenson. www.walkingmanbeer.com/hoptoberfest 509-427-5520

12 BROKEN SPUR RODEO

www.goldendaleevents.com

12-13 ANNUAL HOOD RIVER FLY-IN

Enjoy hundreds of visiting airplanes, food and activities at the WAAAM Air and Auto Museum. 1600 Air Museum Road, Hood River, OR 97031 www.waaamuseum.org // 541-308-1600

12-19 CYCLE OREGON 2015 WEEK RIDE

www.cycleoregon.com

19 SPRING CREEK NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY OPEN HOUSE

9am-2pm // 509-493-1730

19 BRIDGE OF THE GODDESS HALF MARATHON

Route begins on the Bridge of the Gods, then onto the Historic Columbia River Highway State Trail. Finish line festivities in Cascade Locks Marine Park. // 503-524-7570 www.runwithpaula.com/bridge-of-the-goddesses

19 INTERNATIONAL MODEL A FORD DAY

Celebrate Model A Day at the WAAAM Air and Auto Museum. Bring your Model A out for a fall drive and share the joy of antique car ownership. 1600 Air Museum Road, Hood River, OR www.waaamuseum.org // 541-308-1600

19 4TH ANNUAL NORTHWEST HOMESTEADER'S FAIR

Free family event in the green space in Lyle. Workshops, children's activities, music, vendors. Lyle, WA. Visit the website to view scheduled workshops. <https://nwhomesteadingfair.WordPress.com>

19 BIGFOOT BASH AND BOUNTY

"Hunt" for Bigfoot, food vendors, live music, beer garden, Bigfoot booths, kids' activities and more. Home Valley Park in Home Valley, WA. // www.bigfootbashandbounty.com 800-989-9178

19 HERITAGE DAYS

Take a step back in time; visit demonstration booths of historic interest and tour the Two Rivers Heritage Museum for free. www.visitwashougal.com

19-20 CASCADING RIVERS RIDE

First inaugural ride of the 12th Oregon Scenic Bikeway along the wild and scenic Clackamas and Breitenbush rivers in the Oregon Cascades. Estacada. // www.eda1.org 503-630-8270

20 GORGEOUS RELAY

A one day running relay in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. Historic Columbia River Highway // www.gorgeousrelay.com 503-380-9389

24 CAMAS GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

facebook.com/camasGNO

25-26 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Fall Book Sale // Washougal

26 BEST DAM RUN & WALK

32nd annual. ORRC 10K run and walk along the wild and scenic Clackamas River. Estacada, OR // 503-630-8270 www.orrc.net/races/bestdam/bestdam.htm

26 SMITHSONIAN MUSEUM DAY LIVE!

An annual event created by Smithsonian magazine. Free admission at Maryhill Museum to anyone presenting a Museum Day Live! ticket. Get yours at www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday

26 CASCADE TO CROWN

A unique cycling event initiated by the Port that showcases the old highway and the Gorge Scenic Area. Ride from the beautiful community of Cascade Locks to the panoramic Crown Point & Vista House. www.cascadetocrownride.com

26 HOOD RIVER HOPS FEST

A beer lover's dream, serving up 62 beers with 57 fresh-hops, from 42 regional breweries. hoodriver.org/hops-fest // 541-386-2000

27 CULTURE A LA CARTE HARVEST MOON WALK

Trail Walk 6:30pm // Moonrise 6:50pm // Full Moon 7:52pm. Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, The Dalles, OR www.gorgediscovery.org

OCTOBER**OCTOBER FEST**

Trout Lake // www.troutlakewashington.com

Oct 1-Nov 11 PUMPKIN FUNLAND

Bowling, corn maze and U-pick pumpkins. Rasmussen Farms, OR www.rasmussenfarms.com

2-3 OKTOBERFEST

Enjoy German food and music at the Oktoberfest. Featuring local brews. Downtown Washougal. // www.visitwashougal.com

2-4 FALL FOLIAGE ART TOUR

View the works of leading West Gorge artists. www.fallfoliagestudiotour.com // 503-669-7473

3 A VINTAGE EVENING

Columbia Gorge Discovery Center The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

3 OKTOBERFEST

Celebrate Oktoberfest in Zigzag near Mt. Hood. Skyway Bar and Grill, Zigzag, OR www.skywaybarandgrill.com // 503-622-3775

3 CONCOURS DE MARYHILL CAR SHOW

www.goldendaleevents.com

3 CONCOURS DE MARYHILL LOOPS

Goldendale Motor Sports Association Maryhill Museum <http://goldendalemotorsports.org>

3 TAKE A KID MOUNTAIN BIKING DAY

easyCLIMB Trail, Cascade Locks, OR www.nw-trail.org // info@nw-trail.org

3-4 CAR IS KING + MARYHILL ARTS FESTIVAL

Celebrate Sam Hill's love of roads, the automobile and the arts during this day-long festival devoted to the auto and the arts. www.maryhillmuseum.org

3-4 MARYHILL WINERY HARVEST CELEBRATION

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14 www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

Oct 3-Nov 7 ARTISTS IN THE GORGE

Local art display at the Stevenson Community Library // 509-427-5471

10-11 MARYHILL WINERY HARVEST CELEBRATION

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14 www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

12 BROKEN SPUR JUNIOR (YOUTH/NOVICE) RODEO

Goldendale // 541-993-0695 // www.facebook.com/BrokenSpurRodeoAssociation?ref=br_rs

16-18 HOOD RIVER VALLEY HARVEST FEST

An old-fashioned harvest festival with local produce, food products, wine, beer, arts and crafts. Event Site, Hood River Waterfront, Hood River, OR // hoodriver.org/harvest-festival 541-386-2000

22 THE ART OF THE WELL TOLD STORY

Mostly Grimm: Stories from the Darker Side of the Classics with Will Hornyak. Just for adults, no one under 16, please. www.maryhillmuseum.org

23 CULTURE A LA CARTE, ABC'S OF BATS: AMERICAN BATS IN CRISIS

Columbia Gorge Discovery Center The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

24 GOLDENDALE TRUNK OR TREAT

City of Goldendale www.goldendaleevents.com // 509-773-3771

24-25 SKYLINE HOSPITAL BODY & SOUL HEALTH FAIR

www.skylinehospital.com

28 BOO BASH TRICK OR TREAT

Downtown Camas // 3-5 pm www.downtowncamas.com

31 COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

White Salmon, WA www.whitesalmonevents.com

NOVEMBER**Nov-Dec POLAR EXPRESS**

Mt. Hood Railroad // www.mthoodrr.com

6 HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS

Downtown Camas www.downtowncamas.com

11 VETERANS DAY AT MARYHILL MUSEUM

Saluting veterans and active military by offering free admission to both groups every Veterans Day. // www.maryhillmuseum.org

14 WASHOUGAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Washougal High School

20 ROCK COVE'S ANNUAL WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER

Rock Cove Assisted Living, Stevenson www.rockcove.org // 509-427-7272

21-29 MARYHILL WINERY OPEN HOUSE & WINE SALE

Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy 14 www.maryhillwinery.com // 1-877-MARYHILL

27 STARLIGHT PARADE

Lighted floats through downtown The Dalles, OR // 6pm

27 3RD ANNUAL COMMUNITY TREE

Lighting ceremony at The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce. Music and caroling.

27-29 COLUMBIA GORGE THANKSGIVING WINE WEEKEND

Join us as 30 Columbia Gorge wineries celebrate the conclusion of harvest and special donation events benefiting local charities. www.columbiagorgewine.com

28 CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

Downtown Washougal www.visitwashougal.com

DECEMBER**GIFT OF MUSIC**

Free holiday concert series at Skamania Lodge in Stevenson. // www.skamania.com 509-427-7700 or 800-221-7117

3 WASHOUGAL LIGHTED PARADE AND CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

www.visitwashougal.com

4 FESTIVAL OF TREES

Live Auction at The Dalles Civic Auditorium. 323 E. 4th Street, The Dalles, OR mchf@mcmmc.net // 541-296-7275

4 TROUTDALE TREE LIGHTING/ FIRST FRIDAY ARTWALK

Come to the City of Troutdale and experience the ambiance of a small town. www.ci.troutdale.or.us // 503-669-7473

4 PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Tree lighting // www.downtowncamas.com

4-5 FESTIVAL OF THE TREES

Beautifully decorated trees, wreaths and fun holiday baskets. Hathaway Elementary, 630 24th Street, Washougal, WA 98671 www.visitwashougal.com

4-6 CHRISTMAS IN THE GORGE

Starlight Parade, arts & crafts bazaar, community events, business open houses, Nativity displays, many more activities. Stevenson // www.cityofstevenson.com 800-989-9178

5 CHRISTMAS IN THE GORGE SING-A-LONG

Public sing-a-long, holiday refreshments, free program at Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum. www.columbiagorge.org 800-991-2338

5 BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Community Park and Fairview City Hall Fairview, OR // www.fairvieworegon.gov/events

5 COMMUNITY DAY FOR FESTIVAL OF TREES

The beautifully decorated trees are on display. 9am-noon at The Dalles Civic Auditorium. www.thedallescivic.org

5 HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Free admission Columbia Gorge Discovery Center The Dalles, OR // www.gorgediscovery.org

5 WOOD VILLAGE TREE LIGHTING

Festivities begin with the lighting of thousands of LEDs adorning a 85-foot living fir tree. Music, refreshments, gifts, Santa. Wood Village City Hall www.ci.wood-village.or.us

5 WASSAIL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

White Salmon Community Library

5 I'M DREAMING OF THE WHITE SALMON HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

www.whitesalmonevents.com

12 GOLDENDALE LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE

City of Goldendale // 4pm www.goldendaleevents.com // 509-773-3771

31 WINTER GALA NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

koconnerncnew@hoodriverinn.com

EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
PLEASE CHECK WEBSITES TO CONFIRM DATES.

COLUMBIA GORGE PERMITS // PASSES

WASHINGTON DISCOVER PERMIT // PASS

www.discoverpass.wa.gov
Washington State requires a Discover Pass at Washington State Parks, Washington State Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) lands, and Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) areas. One pass can be used for only two cars.

Convenient on-site kiosks are located at most sites. Payment is \$10 cash or credit card. You can also purchase a pass at the Ranger Station. Check website for pay stations on site.

A Washington Discover Pass is required at the following Gorge locations [west to east]
BEACON ROCK STATE PARK including:

- ▶ Hamilton Mountain Trail
- ▶ Beacon Rock Trail
- ▶ Hardy and Rodney (Pool of the Winds) Falls Trail
- ▶ Hardy Ridge Trail

SPRING CREEK HATCHERY STATE PARK

ROWLAND LAKE STATE PARK

(access to Catherine Creek and Coyote Wall trails)

- ▶ Doug's Beach State Park
- ▶ Dalles Mountain Ranch State Park (on Dalles Mountain Road)

MARYHILL STATE PARK

COLUMBIA HILLS STATE PARK

including:

- ▶ Horsethief Butte
- ▶ Horsethief Lake Petroglyph area

PURCHASE A WASHINGTON DISCOVER PASS

Purchase the Discover Pass online, by phone at 866-320-9933, or from a licensed vendor.

- \$11.50 for a DAY PERMIT
- \$35 for an ANNUAL PASS

WHERE TO PURCHASE THE DISCOVER PASS IN THE GORGE

- Bingen: Bridgemart
- Carson: Wind River Market
- Goldendale: Corner Chevron
- North Bonneville: North Bonneville Chevron Market
- Skamania: Skamania General Store
- Stevenson: Main Street Convenience Store

All passes are also available for purchase online. Please check websites for more information.

NW FOREST PASS

www.discovernw.org

A NW Forest Pass is required on the following U.S. Forest Service Lands at the following Gorge trailheads:

- ▶ Bridge of the Gods, OR
- ▶ Dog Mountain, WA
- ▶ Eagle Creek, OR
- ▶ Gorton Creek, OR
- ▶ Herman Creek, OR
- ▶ Larch Mountain, OR
- ▶ North Bonneville, WA
- ▶ Sam's Walker, WA
- ▶ St. Cloud, WA
- ▶ Wahclella Falls, OR

PURCHASE A NW FOREST PASS

A day pass can be purchased at any of the above trailheads with \$5 cash or check. The NW Forest Pass can be purchased online or at various outdoor retail shops or gas stations.

- \$5 for a DAY PASS
- \$30 for an ANNUAL PASS

WHERE TO PURCHASE THE NW FOREST PASS IN THE GORGE

- Cascade Locks: Lorang Fine Art
- Hood River: 2nd Wind Sports
- Stevenson: Skamania County Chamber of Commerce

NOTE: At age 62 and older, an Interagency Senior Pass can be used instead. This \$10 lifetime pass is honored nationwide at all Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and US Fish & Wildlife Service sites charging entrance or standard amenity fees. Call Outdoor Recreation Information Center at 1-800-270-7504.

OREGON STATE PARKS // COLUMBIA GORGE

www.oregonstateparks.org

There are 21 Oregon State Parks in the Columbia Gorge. Some parks charge a \$5 day-use fee that can be paid with cash at on-site kiosks. Season passes are \$30, however, some parks are free. The following trailheads are on state parklands.

- ▶ Historic Columbia River Hwy State Trail
 - Mark Hatfield Trailhead West in Hood River // \$5 day-use fee
 - Trailhead in Mosier // \$5 day-use fee
- ▶ John B Yeon State Scenic Corridor // free
- ▶ Mayer State Park
- ▶ Rooster Rock State Park
- ▶ Starvation Creek // free
- ▶ Viento // \$5 day-use fee
- ▶ Wygant // free

INFORMATION // RESOURCES

INFORMATION

Cascade Locks Visitor Center
Cascade Locks Marine Park
Cascade Locks, OR
541-374-8484, ext 111
www.cascadelocks.net

City of Washougal
1701 C Street
Washougal, WA 98671
360-835-8501
www.visitwashougal.com

Columbia River Gorge Visitors Association
www.crgva.org

Downtown Camas Association
PO Box 1034
Camas, WA 98607
www.downtowncamas.com

Mt. Hood's Alpine Village
www.mounthoodinfo.com

Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum/Information Center
88900 E Hwy 26
Government Camp, OR 97028
503-272-3301
www.mthoodterritory.com

Mt. St. Helens Information
www.fs.usda.gov/mountsthelens

Multnomah Falls Visitor Center
Multnomah Falls
Bridal Veil, OR
503-695-2372

Skamania Lodge Visitor Center
1131 Skamania Way
Stevenson, WA 98648
509-427-2528

Sherman County Tourism
200 Dewey Street
Moro, OR 97039
541-565-3232
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Dufur, Oregon 97021
541-467-2349
www.dufur.org

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Estacada, OR 97023
503-630-3483
www.estacadachamber.net

Goldendale Chamber of Commerce
903 E Broadway Street
Goldendale, WA 98620
509-773-3400
www.goldendalechamber.org

Hood River Chamber of Commerce
720 E Port Marina Drive
Hood River, OR 97031
541-386-2000
www.hoodriver.org

Maupin Chamber of Commerce
502 Highway 97
Maupin, OR 97037
541-993-1708
www.maupinoregon.com

Mt. Adams Chamber of Commerce
One Heritage Plaza, Highway 141
White Salmon, WA 98672
509-493-3630
www.mt-adams-chamber.com

Sandy Area Chamber of Commerce
38963 Pioneer Boulevard
Sandy, OR 97055
503-668-4006
www.sandyoregonchamber.org

Skamania County Chamber of Commerce
167 NW 2nd Street
Stevenson, WA 98648
509-427-8911
www.skamania.org

The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce
404 W 2nd Street
The Dalles, OR 97058
541-296-2231
www.thedalleschamber.com

West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce
226 W Historic Columbia River Hwy
Troutdale, OR 97060
503-669-7473
www.westcolumbiagorgechamber.com

WEATHER // ROAD CONDITIONS
Oregon
800-977-6368
www.tripcheck.com

Washington
800-695-7623
www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic



PAHTO // MT. ADAMS
12,276 FEET



WY'EAST // MT. HOOD
11,239 FEET

THE LEGEND OF THE MOUNTAINS

[Legend: an unverifiable story handed down by tradition from earlier times and popularly accepted as historical]

THE KLICKITAT TRIBE OF WASHINGTON AND OREGON HAS AN EXTRAORDINARY LEGEND ABOUT AN ANCIENT QUARREL BETWEEN TWO BROTHERS THAT WE NOW KNOW AS THE CASCADE VOLCANOES, MT. ADAMS AND MT. HOOD.

Long ago, Tyhee Saghalie, the chief of all the gods traveled down the Columbia River with his two sons in search of a place to stay. The sons, Pahto and Wy'east, had a complex relationship and so when they finally came to an area where they wanted to live, the sons began to argue. They wanted this beautiful land for themselves.

To settle this quarrel, the chief shot two arrows from his bow. He shot the first one to the north and the second to the south and then told the boys that they would have to live in the place where each of the arrows landed. Pahto followed the arrow to the north and Wy'east followed the arrow to the south.

Tyhee wanted his family to be content, so he built a bridge between the north and the south. This bridge became known as the Bridge of the Gods. And for many years the family used the bridge to meet.

But then— both of the sons fell in love with a beautiful woman named Loowit. She could not choose between Wy'east and Pahto.

So Pahto and Wy'east went to battle with one another. They threw fire at each other and destroyed the Bridge of the Gods. When the bridge fell the earth was ruined. The collapse of the bridge created a substantial crack between the north and the south which we now know as the Columbia River Gorge.

The destruction from this war was so great that Saghalie was insulted by his sons and their aggression. So for punishment he changed all three of the lovers into great mountains. Wy'east became Mt. Hood; Pahto became Mt. Adams; and the maiden Loowit became Mt. St. Helens.

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