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How Does a <u>loop</u> Have a Starting Point?

It really doesn't! You can start your adventure anywhere on the Cascade Loop, or on one of our Side Trips. That being said, we like to present the information in an organized way, so we identify our nine regions beginning in Seattle NorthCountry, at the ferry dock in Mukilteo. The main highway systems flow more than 440-miles from the ocean in western Washington, over the mountains, across the desert of eastern Washington, and through the lush valleys in between.

Through shrub steppe and national forest lands crossing the mighty Cascades, not once but twice, the Cascade Loop is the definitive road trip and perfect encapsulation of all the best Washington State has to offer – scenic beauty, amazing recreation, and fabulous food and

**TREAD Map** is a one-stop, comprehensive, recreation mapping app for all trail users, for all seasons. Informed by land managers and local enthusiasts, TREAD Map offers up-to-date recreation maps, custom layers, trail conditions, current safety information, community events and volunteer opportunities. Download the App and stay informed about trails and conditions! The hyper-local content in the TREAD Map is provided by those who are out on the trails or managing the land. It's built for trail users by trail users.

### Will I have cell service throughout the entirety of the byway?

No - The majority of the byway has great service but there are spots where you might lose service and a few regions where service can be spotty. If you use your phone for GPS navigation, be sure to launch your apps before you leave town. beverages from farms and fields, rivers, and oceans!

For those planning to explore the Loop in its entirety, we recommend traveling counterclockwise through the nine distinct regions, to see the most scenic views of our iconic landmarks, including Liberty Bell on Highway 20. Some do it in a long weekend, but our recommendation is to savor the journey, be in the Loop! Allow a week or even better 10 days to two weeks! No need to rush, there's plenty to see, do, and experience.

Bear in mind, at some point after snow begins falling in the mountains, North Cascades Highway, near Washington Pass, will close. The Loop, becoming the Cascade "Crescent," is still worthy of being Washington's Ultimate Roadtrip!

### Download the TREAD Map App!



Real-time local trail information All users - All recreation Powered by community experts

## CASCADE Frequently Asked Questions



Look for a paw-print to identify pet-friendly activities and lodging. Be sure to make reservations with properties ahead of time, as some have limited availability to accommodate your pet.

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#### **Travel Advisories**

Get the latest news on conditions that could impact your travel plans on the Cascade Loop: <u>cascadeloop.com/roadway-advisories</u> and also <u>wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map</u>

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## Where can I fly in and rent a car to access the Loop?

Depending on where you're flying from, we have a few options: Sea-Tac International Airport near Seattle, Pangborn Memorial Airport in Wenatchee, and Paine Field Passenger Terminal in Everett.

## Can my RV or travel trailer handle the Cascade Loop?

Absolutely! Our scenic byway is comprised of well-maintained roadways courtesy of our friends at WSDOT and we have all manner of RV-equipped campgrounds on and near the byway.

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## What's the best way to travel the Loop?

You can travel either direction, but counterclockwise offers the easiest access to our most iconic views!

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#### Elevations around the byway?

| Everett              | 82 ft.    |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Stevens Pass         | 4,061 ft. |
| Leavenworth          | 1,171 ft. |
| Winthrop             | 1,768 ft. |
| WA Pass Overlook     | 5,477 ft. |
| Diablo Lake Overlook | 1,201 ft. |
| Sedro-Woolley        | 56 ft.    |
| Oak Harbor           | 92 ft.    |





Kick off your Cascade Loop vacation in <u>Seattle NorthCountry</u>, which boasts 2,000 square miles of mountains and rivers, cities and towns, farmlands and coastlines in Snohomish County. Look for three distinct environments in this part of the Loop: coastal communities, river valleys, and urban centers. This part of the Cascade Loop enjoys a temperate climate year-round, making it an ideal destination for family and outdoor adventures in every season. Explore the Snohomish Riverfront Trail or the Centennial Trail System running 29 miles from Arlington south to Snohomish.

Mukilleo

- A coastal community on the shore of the Salish Sea and the unofficial start of the Cascade Loop!
- Washington State Ferry located near Lighthouse Park, is the gateway to Whidbey Island (Clinton)
- Tails and Trails Japanese Gulch Dog Park, a ¾-acre, fully fenced, gated off-leash dog area featuring agility equipment. 1301 5th St, Mukilteo

Everett

- The Largest metropolitan community on the Loop
- Vibrant urban center known for its wealth of international cuisine, and growing waterfront district with outstanding seafood
- Funko Pop! Headquarters facility for these collectibles—awesome spot for selfies and souvenirs. 2802 Wetmore Ave.
- Everett Marina, largest public marina on the west coast perfect for walks on the dock to check out the aquatic life



The **Mountain Loop Highway** is a 52-mile Washington State scenic byway. It leads motorists, bicyclists, campers, and hikers through the Stillaguamish and Sauk River Valleys and deep into the North Cascades. Along the route, you'll find innumerable trailheads, camping spots, photogenic overlooks, and even fire lookouts and ghost towns. Pro tip: stop in the towns of **Arlington**, **Darrington** or **Granite Falls** for all your Mountain Loop supplies. See more at *cascadeloop.com/side-trips* 

Snohomish

- <u>River Front Trail</u>, follows the Snohomish River and is ideal for bird watching with benches, and tables perfect for a picnic lunch.
- **Delightful variety** of boutique shops, unique retailers, antique dealers, fabulous restaurants and craft beverage establishments.
- <u>Historic District</u> boasts many historic buildings, including the Blackman Museum, Waltz Building which houses the Snohomish Historical Society, the Walking History Tour of the Snohomish Alcazar Theatre, and the Oxford Saloon.

Picnic Spot

<u>Al Borlin Park</u>, Monroe. Enjoy this secluded natural area in an urban environment. Picnic tables, beach area on river frontage. *615 Simons Rd, Monroe* 

See Photos & Itinerary ideas on CascadeLoop.com and our Social Media



- Historic Downtown. Venture off US 2 to explore Historic Main Street. Grab a beer at one of our local breweries and shop for unique, locally made treasures.
- Evergreen State Fair Park and Evergreen Speedway featuring NASCAR and specialty events.
- Lake Tye. Walking, swim area, seasonal kayak or paddleboard rentals, and a street-style skateboard park.
- Wiggly Field Dog Park. 4-legged fun! 2.5 acres off-leash park, with various agility equipment, and a dog drinking fountain.
- Lewis Street Boat Launch and Al Borlin Park. Recreate along the river! Several access points to enjoy kayaking, rafting, and fishing.

Arlington

- Get off the Loop, enjoy a stroll along beautiful streets and visit quaint shops, antique stores, tasty diners and gourmet restaurants (*See side trip on page 7*).
- Enjoy over 30 pieces of public art on the Centennial Trail, rest at the downtown central park, and enjoy live music summer Saturday evenings.



Photo Op

The <u>Mukilteo Light Station</u> grounds are accessible year-round to visitors. The lighthouse, as well as the exhibits and gift shop, is open weekends and holidays, noon to five, April through September. For those unable to climb to the top of the lighthouse, there is an accessible interpretive center.

The 14-acre <u>Lighthouse Park</u> offers access to the beach with fire pits (bring clean, dry firewood or manufactured fire logs), picnic areas, boat launch, and playgrounds.

609 Front St, Mukilteo



Wiggle Stops

The playground at <u>Thornton A.</u> <u>Sullivan Park</u> is just one of many activities to get your wiggles out. Other activities include disc golf, table tennis in the sand, trails and a waterfront access for fishing, swimming (no lifeguard) and playing on the beach. Picnic shelter and restrooms. Open 6am to dusk. 11405 West Silver Lake Rd, Everett

Public parks are great places to toss a Frisbee, walk the dog (for our pet-friendly travelers), or simply enjoy a little picnic. Make time to explore the <u>Snohomish Riverfront</u> <u>Trail</u> or the <u>Centennial Trail System</u>, running 29 miles from Arlington south to Snohomish.

Insider Scoop

Sometimes traffic can get a little hairy when you're heading out of the city, especially if you're traveling when folks are getting off work or on weekends. If you find yourself in a rush hour pickle on Highway 2 by Monroe, take a quick detour downtown where you have your pick of 10 restaurants nearby. Grab a bite to eat and when you're finished, traffic will likely have cleared!





Altractions & Activities

Sinching, North View and South View Parks, – so many options! Along Everett's Marine View Drive, the intertidal mud flats and shallow bays, and neighboring Snohomish and Skykomish rivers. Osprey arrive in spring to nest on offshore pilings; purple martins nest in boxes on southern pilings. Eagles can be seen all year.

**Boeing Future of Flight**. Gallery, Sky Deck, Boeing Store and Paper Plane Café. Factory Tours are currently on hiatus. Check before you travel for current status. boeingfutureofflight.com

Centennial Trail System, Arlington south to Snohomish. A 30-mile paved walking, jogging, biking and horseback riding trail built on the old Burlington-Northern railroad line.

Historic Downtown Snohomish

<u>Association</u>. Listed on both the State and National Registries of Historic Places. Known as the "Antique Capital of the Northwest." Bustling shopping treasure trove with hundreds of antique dealers and boutique shops all within a six-block area. The historic district is also surrounded by stately Victorian and Craftsman-style homes built around the turn of the 20th century.

#### Imagine Children's Museum

(ad p. 9), Everett. Hands-on adventure including art, history and science that children love. Save on your admission with Cascade Loop Coupon (see their ad) (425) 258-1006, imaginecm.org

Jetty Island, Everett. Small island hosts nesting birds with wide sandy beaches and shallow warm water. A quick 10-minute ferry ride (seasonal), foot traffic only. (425) 257-8304, visiteverett.com/jetty

Whitehorse Trail intersects the Centennial Trail and spans 27 unpaved miles along an old railroad bed, linking Arlington to Darrington. The route winds through a series of farm, forest and river environments, and contains several fishing access points and river bridge crossings.



Visitor Info

<u>City of Everett</u> (ad p. 12), Everett (425) 257-7110, visiteverett.com

<u>City of Snohomish</u>, Snohomish (360) 568-2526 experiencesnohomish.com

**Discover Mukilteo**, Mukilteo discovermukilteo.org

<u>Historic Downtown Snohomish</u>, Snohomish. (425) 890-6143 historicdowntownsnohomish.org

Monroe Visitor Information and Welcome Center (ad pg 9 and pg 11) Monroe. 125 South Lewis St. (360) 794-5488, choosemonroe.com

<u>Seattle NorthCountry</u>, Snohomish seattlenorthcountry.com

<u>Stilly Valley Visitor Center</u>, Arlington 114 North Olympic Ave. (360) 403-3421, meetmeinarlington.com

lodging

<u>Snohomish Inn</u>, Snohomish (800) 548-9993, (360) 568-2208 snohomishinn.com

Find additional information about lodging in this region at seattlenorthcountry.com

Campgrounds

**Evergreen State Fairgrounds.** Monroe April-Oct. (except during fair) Big rigs, 30 amp, dump. No campfires. (360) 805-6727

Whitehorse Regional Park, Darrington Big rigs, 50 & 30 amp, horse corrals, dump. No showers. Closed Nov. 1- Feb. 28. (425) 388-6600





## We've got **Smiles** all in one place...



Find miles of trails, beach and downtown fun at: visiteverett.com









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Pass through chartreuse farmland as you head toward jagged peaks on the not-toodistant horizon! Follow the Skykomish River along the <u>Stevens Pass Greenway</u> as it winds through the western slopes of the Cascade mountains. The <u>Stevens Pass Greenway</u>, a National Scenic Byway in its own right, serves up wild, inspirational views and prodigious hikes. Ascend 4,061-foot Stevens Pass. The views are mind-blowing here year-round! The ski and snowboard resort operates during winter months. In the summer it transforms itself into a mountain bike park and scenic chairlift ride. Be prepared to encounter snow when traveling in the winter! Check conditions at wsdot.com/traffic/passes

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- <u>Sky Valley Visitor Information Center</u> (ad p. 15) is a great place to get the inside scoop on the Loop and local mustvisit locations!
- **Coprey Park**, walking trails to the river, and playground fun.

Gold Bar

- Wallace Falls State Park and worldrenowned waterfall offers a variety of walks and hikes.
- Gold Bar Off-Leash Dog Area, on the banks of the Skykomish River, provides a safe space where your 4-legged family members can enjoy their time leash-free!

Index

- Index Town Wall, a 500-foot vertical climb is considered to be one of the nation's premier rock-climbing spots.
- Mount Index towers over the valley, and views and photo ops are spectacular!
- Set Heybrook Ridge County Park 1.6-mile trail is of moderate difficulty through natural regrowth forest and culminates in stellar views of Skykomish Valley at the top of the ridge. Parking is available but there are no facilities. The rule is, "pack it in, pack it out" (no permit needed).

Follow Us!

Side Trip: Index

The old mining town of **Index** is just off the beaten path of State Route 2. The one-mile jaunt into Index is worth it. Stretch your legs at Doolittle Pioneer Park, or spend the night at the historic **Bush House** Inn – an old mining hotel from the late 1800s that was recently renovated with the utmost love. down to the smallest details. Hike Heybrook Ridge or rock climb the Town Wall. cascadeloop.com/side-trips



Skykomish

- This charming historic railroad town has a free miniature train ride depicting the 1898 Great Northern & Cascade Railway. 101 N 5th St. greatnortherncascaderailway.com
- <u>Cascadia Inn</u> (ad pg 15) Skykomish. A great home base for hiking or skiing adventures. Chat with locals and fill up on hearty all-American fare.

Picnic Spot

Osprey Park offers front-row seats to a pink salmon phenomenon when thousands of the fish fill the Sultan River to spawn in the fall (odd years). Accessible walking trails, baseball field, basketball court and playground. Join hundreds of other guests here at the Return of the Salmon Celebration in September.

#### Sultan-Sky Valley Information Center

#1 Cascade Loop Visitor Information Stop and Experts On All Things Sky Valley!

Pick up your US Forest Service Trailhead Pass Discover Pass Fishing/Hunting License



skyvalleychamber.com/visit 320 Main Street, Sultan - (360) 793-0983

Attractions & Activities

Dogs On First, Sultan. Off-leash dog park. First Street by Osprey Park

Espresso Chalet, milepost 36, Highway 2 near Index. Grab a snack and, of course, a coffee for the road. Don't forget your selfie with Sasquatch! Picnic tables and incredible view of Bridal Falls. (360) 793-7932

Iron Goat Trail, milepost 55. A wide gravel trail with wooden bridges across small creeks making the journey easy on wheelchairs. Interpretive panels tell the story of a horrific train accident that was the inspiration for the 9-mile tunnel through the Cascade Mountains that is still in use today!

**Old Cascade Highway**. A 7-mile stretch of narrow Old Highway 2 twists and turns along the riverbanks lined with ferns and cedars until it merges back onto Highway 2. Great fun for motorcycles!

**Skykomish River**. Fishermen line the riverbanks, and drift boats float the more tranquil waters that surround prized fishing holes. Also immensely popular for whitewater rafting.

#### Stevens Pass Recreation Area:

**Skiing and snowboarding**, Stevens Pass Mountain Resort. 1,125 acres of skiable terrain (206) 812-4510, stevenspass.com

**Cross-country skiing**, Stevens Pass Nordic Center (28k). (206) 812-4510 stevenspass.com



Insider Scoop

The Sky Valley area of the Loop is a popular destination which can mean traffic delays for travelers on Highway 2 over Stevens Pass to Leavenworth.

Give yourself space to roam with less people by planning your Loop vacation in the Sky Valley Monday through Thursday, especially during the summer months!

Photo Op

Stop for a pick-me-up at the iconic <u>Espresso Chalet</u>, home to Harry, the lovable sasquatch from the movie "Harry and the Henderson's" filmed in part right at this very spot. The museum of Dr. Wrightwood (Don Ameche) is located here! Also the site for filming of indie favorite "Captain Fantastic."

land of Waterfalls

Bridal Veil Falls, milepost 28, past Index. The falls begin in a narrow draw near Mount Index. They widen and fall down rocky cliffs, forming several distinct "veils" which are visible from Highway 2. For a closer look, hike the challenging Lake Serene Trail and spur trails to a viewing deck where you are close enough to feel the spray (see permit info).

Deception Falls, milepost 56. Half mile interpretive ADA-accessible trail to a bridge that spans the Upper Falls. Cross the footbridges to admire the rock formations carved by the force of the river as you descend into a moss-drenched forest and meander along rocky streams. Picnic area, nature loop, restrooms (no permit needed).

Wallace Falls (State Park), Gold Bar. Three tiers of water drop in nine falls from a height of 265 feet. Twelve miles of foot trails offer a variety of views (see permit info).



Visitor Info

<u>Seattle NorthCountry</u>, Snohomish seattlenorthcountry.com

Sky Valley Visitor Center (ad p. 15) Sultan. 320 Main St. (360) 793-0983, visitskyvalley.com

<u>Skykomish Visitor Center</u>, Skykomish 100 E Old Cascade Highway

lodging

Cascadia Inn (ad p. 15), Skykomish A great home base for hiking or skiing adventures. Chat with locals and fill up on hearty all-American fare.

(425) 293-1937, historiccascadia.com

Bush House, Index. Modern conveniences with vintage charm. Renovated mining-era 1898 structure. (425) 298-7642 bushhouseinn.com

Wiggle Stop

**Wellington Snowsheds (Iron Goat Trail)**. Head east on the trail from the parking lot to see old foundations and the west entrance to the original Cascade Tunnel. Walk west from the parking lot to enter the snow sheds and reach the site of the 1910 avalanche. Picnic area, nature loop, restrooms (*see permit info*). Just west of Stevens Pass Ski area turn north onto Tye Road, also known as the Old Cascade Highway.





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Having descended Stevens Pass, you reach the intersection of Highway 2 and Highway 207, known locally as Coles Corner. Continue along Highway 2 and wind through the magnificent Tumwater Canyon on your way to Bavarian **Leavenworth**. During spring, melting snow streams off granite spires overhead, filling the Wenatchee River as it tumbles through the canyon. In late September through mid-October, this canyon is awash with autumnal colors. Travelers and photographers from around the world trek to this part of the Loop to capture photos of the brilliant colors.

For an idyllic side-trip take a left at Coles Corner and head through Plain and the Lake Wenatchee area, before circling through the Chumstick Canyon to Leavenworth. Recreation opportunities abound – see Side Trip below.

<u>le</u>avenworth

- Nestled in a valley and reminiscent of a small village tucked into the highest peaks of Europe's Alps.
- **Pedestrian friendly Front Street** features festive outdoor dining, including beer-and-bratwurst gardens and a thriving wine and cider scene.
- During winter months, Leavenworth is transformed into the Village of Lights from December 1st through the last day of February—over a half-million colored bulbs light up the snowy town!
- "The Today Show" and Condé Nast Traveler described Leavenworth as a top destination for unique fall foliage.

<u>Side Trip: Take Wenatchee and Plain</u>

This remote area offers lakeside camping, boating, swimming, and golf. Head a little farther to the tiny town of Plain, home to locals' hangout, <u>Plain Hardware</u> – one could spend hours here! During winter, enjoy Plain Valley Ski Trails: rental equipment is available. During warmer months, check in with <u>Wild at Heart Horse Rides</u> and <u>Leavenworth Ziplines</u>. *cascadeloop.com/side-trips* 



Cashmere

- <u>Aplets & Cotlets Candy Kitchen</u> (ad inside front cover). Famous for their Apple-Walnut & Apricot-Walnut candies. Tours, free samples of confectionery delights! Channel your best Willy Wonka here!! See ad for tour hours. 117 Mission Avenue
- Cottage Avenue Historic District features early 1900s-era Craftsman bungalow homes and is designated a "Tree City USA."
- **Pinnacles State Park** features sandstone slabs and spires in a desert environment with views of the surrounding orchards, Enchantment Range, and Wenatchee Valley. *7201 N Dryden Rd.*

Art and Cutture

Leavenworth Summer Theater, Leavenworth. Critically acclaimed performances in July and August at Ski Hill Amphitheater and Hatchery Park. (509) 548-2000 leavenworthsummertheater.org

**Live Music at the Gazebo** on Front Street in Leavenworth showcases a variety of music throughout the year.

Sleeping Lady Art Walk, an inspiring landscape of art and nature. 7375 Icicle Road, sleepinglady.com

<u>Village Art in the Park</u> hosts an array of artists from near and far & amateur to professional, who display and sell their handcrafted artworks every May through mid-October. villageartinthepark.org

Picnic Spot

**&** Riverside Park in Cashmere. A relaxing park on the Wenatchee River with picnic tables, restrooms, playground equipment and pump track. Popular destination for rafters, and hosts a number of special events including the annual Wenatchee River Festival.

This park features the 9/11 Spirit of America Memorial with statues. Annual Remembrance Ceremony, September 11th from 11am-12:30pm. 201 Riverside Drive



Altractions & Activities

#### Cashmere Museum & Pioneer Village

Native American objects, pioneer artifacts, geological specimens, taxidermy, and ornithology. Pioneer Village cabins furnished with antiques from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Open March-October. (509) 782-3230 cashmeremuseum.org

#### Greater Leavenworth Museum (ad p. 23),

Leavenworth. Showcasing Leavenworth's rich past from the Wenatchi First Peoples to the present, learn about the community's unique history. 735 Front Street, above The Leavenworth Nutcracker Museum. (509)548-0728, leavenworthmuseum.org

#### 🖪 📽 Ġ Leavenworth Fish Hatchery.

Self-guided tours, exhibits identifying fish species, picnic area and a 1-mile, easy trail teaches about salmon, river ecology, and the role of fish hatcheries. (509) 548-7641 fws.gov/leavenworth/

Leavenworth Reindeer Farm, Leavenworth Meet, feed and learn about these endangered Woodland Caribou year-round at this family-run farm. (509) 885-3021 leavenworthreindeer.com

Leavenworth Ski Hill. Less than 2 miles from downtown, the Leavenworth Ski Hill offers two downhill ski runs, snowshoeing, tubing, Nordic skiing, a ski jump and more during the winter months, mountain biking and hiking trails during the summer! skileavenworth.com/locations/ski-hill

#### 🗓 Leavenworth Ziplines, Plain

Ride nine ziplines and cross two suspension bridges. (800) 858-2276 (509) 763-2713, leavenworthziplines.com

**Mountain bike riding**. Options range from beginner to extreme. Iconic Devil's Gulch in Cashmere and Freund Canyon in Leavenworth.





Plain Hardware, Plain. More than hardware, this little gem has great coffee, name brand fashions, giftware and everything you need to have fun all year long! (509) 763-3836, plainhardware.com

Plain Valley Ski Trails. Play outside on the best snow of the valley! Over 25 km of cross-country ski trails and 7 km of snowshoe trails, groomed daily. Rentals and Lessons are available. Proud home of Plain Valley Nordic Team. skiplain.com

#### Waterfront interpretive walk

and birding. A flat walk along the quiet riverbank. Natural and cultural history interpretation. Great habitat for a variety of species! Access near 8th and Commercial. (509) 548-0181 wenatcheeriverinstitute.org

Wild at Heart Horse Rides, Plain Guided mountain trail rides for all riders, experienced to beginner, young and old alike. See the beautiful Cascade Mountains from a different perspective: high in the saddle! wildathearthorserides.com

Chelan County Fair

The weekend after Labor Day, this 4-day event features PRCA Rodeo, concerts, Davis Carnival, Mutton Busting, Midway acts, livestock auction, exhibit barns, kid zone and Fair Food!!



Photo Op

As the road winds its way toward Leavenworth, it is abundantly clear you're somewhere truly special. Wayside pull-off spots dot the roadway throughout the Tumwater Canyon. *Pro-Tip:* Be watchful of folks crossing the highway for pictures throughout this region. Sometimes they don't make smart choices!!



Visitor Info

Cashmere Visitor Center and Chamber of Commerce. 103 Cottage Ave. (509) 782-7404, cashmerechamber.org

Leavenworth Visitor Center and

Chamber of Commerce, (ad p. 21) 940 Highway 2, Ste. B, (509) 548-5807 leavenworth.org

<u>Visit Chelan County</u> (*ad p. 25*) Recreate responsibly in Chelan County's communities and natural areas. visitchelancounty.com

Wiggle Stop

Enchantment Park, Leavenworth Playground equipment, pump track, skate park, hiking trail along the Wenatchee River. 300 Enchantment Park Way

Freater Leavenworth

eavenworthmuseum.org

-509.548.0728

Insider Scoop

If you can travel midweek in this region, we highly recommend it! Traffic flow in and out of Leavenworth can be very busy on weekends and parking can be a challenge, so please plan accordingly.

Our mountain trails and parking areas fill up quickly, so if trailhead parking is full, please find an alternative trail to explore. We have many other options!

Download the TREAD Map App for real-time local trail information and conditions.

Discover how Leavenworth transformed from a timber town to a Bavarian village

735 Front Street, 2nd Floor & Leavenworth Open Daily llam-4pm<sup>4</sup> Seasonal hours may vary

lodging

These accommodations are in Leavenworth.

Bavarian Lodge (ad this page) (509) 548-7878, (888) 717-7878 bavarianlodge.com

Enzian Inn (800) 223-8511 (509) 548-5269, enzianinn.com

Hiking Info & Forest Passes:

www.fs.usda.gov/okawen Leavenworth (509) 548-2550 Campgrounds

**Chelan County Expo Center RV Park**, Cashmere. Full hook-ups on 33 acres, April-Oct. (except during fair). Big rigs, 50/30 amp, (509) 782-3232 chelancountyexpocenter.com

Lake Wenatchee State Park, near Plain 492-acres on glacier-fed Lake Wenatchee and the Wenatchee River. Sixteen miles from Leavenworth. (888) 226-7688 parks.wa.gov/535/Lake-Wenatchee

Wenatchee River County RV Park Monitor. April-Oct. Big rigs, 50 amp, dump. (509) 667-7503, wenatcheeriverpark.org







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Follow the Wenatchee River as it winds through orchard-lined Sleepy Hollow and descend into the Wenatchee Valley, known as the **Apple Capital of the World**. Wenatchee is located at the confluence of the Wenatchee and Columbia rivers. Hot summer sun and abundant irrigation yield ideal produce-growing conditions. While the area has traditionally been known for the apples, pears, and cherries it grows, it also yields award winning wine grapes, wine makers, hand crafted beers and a growing number of hard cider makers.

## Wenatchee

- Downtown National Historic District. Chat with friendly artisans, curators, shopkeepers and boutique entrepreneurs, galleries, and Art on the Avenues' impressive collection of outdoor public art.
- Foothills Trail System. Wenatchee boasts an ever-expanding network of hiking and biking trails developed and maintained by a collaborative effort of government agencies, volunteer user groups and an overarching non-profit that serves to unite the mission and vision of the community at large. Download the TREAD app (see pg. 32)
- Mission Ridge Ski & Board Resort World-class skiing and snowboarding a short 12 miles out of town.
  (509) 663-6543, missionridge.com

## East Wenatchee

- **Pangborn Memorial Airport** with regular flights from Seattle. Car rental services.
- Home of **Miss Veedol** (replica) and landing site of the first trans-Pacific flight in 1931. missveedol.org



Side Trip: Entiat River Road

For a super-scenic drive just off the byway, head up **Entiat River Road**. If traveling toward Chelan from Wenatchee, turn left onto Highway 19 where the Entiat River converges with the Columbia River. Settle in for big valley views and watch for wildlife. Deer are abundant here! The road follows the Entiat River and offers numerous options for picnicking, hiking, and snapping photos—just be sure to have a Northwest Forest Pass if you choose to explore. <u>cascadeloop.com/side-trips</u>



Entiat

- & <u>Columbia Breaks Fire Interpretive</u> <u>Center</u>, Entiat (milepost 217) This free, self-guided walk explains the role wildfires play in local forests and foothills. Part of the interpretive trail is paved. columbiabreakswildfire.com
- **Silver Falls Trail**, 29 miles up Entiat River Road. Hike the National Recreation Trail, stroll the paved Interpretive Trail, or camp (*see permit info*).
- **Steliko Lookout**. Fire watch tower accommodations (*see permit info*). (509) 784-4700, fs.usda.gov

## Wiggle Stop

Malla Walla Point Park, just minutes from downtown Wenatchee, offers plenty of places to get the wiggles out with playground equipment, ADA fishing platform at the confluence of the Wenatchee and Columbia rivers, and a protected swimming area.

## Access to the 11-mile Apple Capital Loop Trail and the Horan Natural Area.

Horan Natural Area. One hundred acres of wetlands with 2 miles of gravel walking paths. Ideal bird-watching territory, accessible from Walla Walla Point Park and Confluence State Park.

Photo Op

Saddle Rock is a geologic landmark that overlooks Wenatchee. Shoot a selfie with the peak in the background or hike to the top for a sweeping view of the entire valley.

Saddle Rock Trail is the ideal overlook trail for Wenatchee. Winding up to a summit dotted with craggy, pointed rocks, the trail follows an old road most of the way to the top. Walking permitted on designated trails only. *1130 Circle St., Wenatchee*.



Picnic Spot

Entiat City Park, Entiat. On the shore of the Columbia River. Tables and shelter, boat launch, restrooms. Smoker Marchand Native Sculpture installation.



VISITWENATCHEE.ORG for a complete list of wineries, cideries & breweries

Altractions & Activities

Apple Capital Recreation Loop Trail. Eleven-mile paved loop skirting the shores of the Columbia River and crossing from Wenatchee to East Wenatchee and back. Many access points, including Walla Walla Point Park, Confluence State Park, and Pybus Public Market.

**Hale Dog Park**, Wenatchee. Two plus acres off-leash fenced park. 720 S. Worthen

Ice Age Floods Geological Trail Self-Drive Tour. A burst Ice Age ice dam released water across the state, down the Columbia River into Oregon before reaching the Pacific Ocean. See evidence of this natural event throughout the area. nps.gov/iafl

Ohme Gardens (ad p. 32), Wenatchee Open April-October. A mile of stone paths covers a 9-acre forested garden with 200-foot elevation gain. Allow an hour to explore the maze of trails at this oasis in the desert. Summer concert series. (509) 662-5785, ohmegardens.org

## Welcome back!

Dive into epic fun at the all-new Discovery Center at Rocky Reach Dam.



Details on Facebook.com/VisitRockyReach



Discovery Center at Rocky Reach Dam (ad this page) Wenatchee, Hwy 97A. Eighteen acres of landscaped grounds with picnic area, restrooms, and playground. Hands-on exhibits and edu-tainment, take a virtual flight, and crank a turbine. Learn the history of the Columbia river as you steer a steamboat. Fun for all ages! Open year-round, Tuesday through Saturday, 9:30-5. (509) 663-7522 facebook.com/visitrockyreach

Pybus Public Market, Wenatchee A public market housed in a renovated historic building on the riverfront. Home to the Wenatchee Valley Farmers market (in season), restaurants, boutique shops, local beers, wine, mead and more. (509) 888-3900, pybuspublicmarket.org

Swakane Canyon, Highway 97-A near Rocky Reach Dam. A 30-mile, double-track, scenic loop. This local canyon is good for working the dogs in the winter and shoulder seasons (while the rattlesnakes are dormant) and viewing wildlife anytime of the year. A short drive (3.3 miles) up the canyon leads to a double track road (NFD 5215) that is closed to cars and motorcycles.

Three Lakes Golf Course, Malaga. Award winning 18-hole, par 69 course near Wenatchee. (509) 663-5448. threelakesgolf.com



Doing the Loop? Get trip advice, up-to-date information and more at our fully staffed visitor centers.



**Leavenworth Visitor Center** Open daily: 9am-6pm 940 Highway 2 Suite B, Leavenworth 509-548-5807 | Leavenworth.org

#### Wenatchee Valley Visitor Center & Tasting Room

M-F: 8:30-5pm, Sat: 11-5pm, Closed Sun. 137 North Wenatchee Ave, Ste. 101, Wenatchee 509-662-2116 | VisitWenatchee.org

#### Lake Chelan Visitor Center

M-F: 9am-5pm & Sat/Sun: 10am-4pm 216 E Woodin Ave, Chelan 509-682-3503 | LakeChelan.com

Learn more at VisitChelanCounty.com

Visitor Info

Chelan County PUD Parks, Wenatchee and Entiat. (509) 661-4551 chelanpud.org/parks

Entiat Chamber (509) 784-1500 entiatwa.us

North Central Washington Economic Development District. Advancing the communities of Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties, and the Colville Confederated Tribes. ncwedd.com

#### Pangborn Memorial Airport,

East Wenatchee. Air service to and from Seattle. Rental cars onsite. (509) 884-2494, flywenatchee.com

<u>Visit Chelan County</u> (*ad p. 31*) Recreate responsibly in Chelan County's communities and natural areas. visitchelancounty.com

Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce, Visitor Center and Tasting Room (ad p. 29), Wenatchee (509) 662-2116, visitwenatchee.org

Insider Scoop

Wenatchee Foothills Trails are wildly popular for their amazing views, connectivity, and accessibility from town. That said, many of the Foothills Trails close during the winter to help support local wildlife and allow for peaceful winter migration habits. Spring and fall are our favorite times to hit these trails—they're not only open but the weather is cool, and the wildflower colors are beautiful.



Download the TREAD Map App for real-time trail conditions and alternative trails if areas are crowded.

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<u>Hilton Garden Inn</u>, Wenatchee (509) 662-0600, hilton.com/en/hotels/ eatyogi-hilton-garden-inn-wenatchee/

#### 🕅 Warm Springs Inn and Winery

Wenatchee. (509) 662-5683 warmspringsinn.com

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Confluence State Park, Wenatchee Big rigs, 30/20 amp, dump. (888) 226-7688, parks.state.wa.us/286/ Wenatchee-Confluence

\* Entiat Park, Entiat. On the shore of the mighty Columbia River, at the mouth of the Entiat River. Big rigs, 50/30 amp, dump. (509) 784-1500, entiatwa.us

#### Hiking Info & Forest Passes:

www.fs.usda.gov/okawen Wenatchee: (509) 664-9200



Wildlife Travel Alert

Many roadways of the Cascade Loop travel through areas abundant in wildlife, and we hope drivers will be extra vigilant and on the lookout for large and small animals who may cross the road.

Elk herds in the Skagit Valley are often seen near the road. The Wenatchee River Valley and the Methow Valley see large deer populations, especially during the winter. Highway 97-A between Wenatchee and Chelan is home to several herds of Bighorn Sheep, and rams occasionally stop traffic on the roadway, to get a better look at you!





Lake Chelan

Side Trip: Manson Manson Scenic Loop

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Highway 97A descends into the glacier-carved valley of **Lake Chelan**. Surrounded by rolling orchards and vineyards, this is one of the most stunning lakes in the world, drawing generations of families to its shores year after year. Water sports, beachside fun, numerous vineyards, and wine-tasting rooms combine to make the area an idyllic year-round getaway.

The **Lake Chelan AVA** is Washington State's 11th American Viticultural Area. The AVA area boasts 24,040 total acres located 7 miles along the lake's eastern end and the surrounding lands. Wineries and tasting rooms surround Lake Chelan among the 300+ acres of vineyards that provide exceptional wine-tasting experiences year-round.

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- **Resort community** with historic downtown and friendly, family-owned boutiques, wine-tasting rooms, galleries, restaurants, small-town charm, and a wonderful visitor information center.
- **St. Andrew's Log Church**, the oldest structure in Chelan, built in 1898 when Washington was still a territory.
- **Ruby Theatre**, built in 1914, still features much of its original architecture inside.
- <u>Winterfest</u> is the celebration of the season (in January) with fireworks, polar bear plunge and ice sculptures.

## Manson

- Wine Tasting at over 18 locations; many within walking distance from downtown.
- Manson Apple Blossom Festival held in May. Popular with locals and visitors alike, celebrating the beginning of apple producing season since the 1920's. Royalty, parade, street fair, art show. mansonappleblossom.com The 2022 event will take place May 13 & 14.
- **Parks**. Manson has 8 parks, many along the lakeshore with public beaches and playground equipment.

Side Trip: Manson Scenic Loop

Travel along this scenic roadway through orchards and vineyards. Visit numerous awardwinning wineries and shop and dine in the village of Manson on Lake Chelan (take Highway 150 from downtown Chelan). Spend time swimming and picnicking at many lakeside parks. <u>cascadeloop.com/side-trips</u>



Stehekin

- **Remote community** at the head of Lake Chelan, year-round population 75. No roads, accessible only by boat, helicopter or hiking.
- <u>Buckner Homestead and Orchard</u>, historic landmark, established in 1889. Managed by the parks service, it is now an interpretive center for early life in Stehekin.
- **Rainbow Falls**, a picturesque, 312-foot waterfall with two viewing areas that get you close to the splash pool.
- <u>Stehekin Valley</u> is the southern gateway to North Cascades National Park with hundreds of miles of trails to carry hikers into four adjoining wilderness areas.

Fishing near Manson

**Antilon Lake**: Just up the road from Wapato Lake. Great catches of German Brown Trout and Crappie keep anglers returning every year.

Dry Lake: Well known for ice fishing.

**Roses Lake**: This sought-after lake has Rainbow Trout, Bass and Catfish. It is a popular spot for ice fishing in the winter.

**Wapato Lake**: Catchable sized Rainbow Trout are typically stocked just before the lake opens.

For regulations: wdfw.wa.gov



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## Photo Op

Lady of the Lake Pilot House, Riverfront Park – the pilot house of the flagship Lady of the Lake is installed overlooking Chelan River. Stroll along the 1-mile paved loop trail.

Lake Chelan runs deep with maritime history, and you can take the trip to Stehekin at the head of the lake, on the <u>Lady of the Lake</u>. Several day trip options available. Reservations are recommended during summer. ladyofthelake.com






DISCOVER IT ALL AT



Manson Bay Park, close to town with protected swimming area, shady grass area and restrooms. Nearby at the "Old Swim Hole" you can take your dog to cool off in the lake! mansonparks.com



Manson Bay Park swimming area, Manson Chamber

Attractions & Activities

Campbell's Pub & Veranda, Chelan's flagship restaurant located at Campbell's Resort. (800) 553-8225, (509) 682-2561 campbellsresort.com

Chelan Museum. Housed in a 1907 building, originally the Miners & Merchants Bank. 204 E Woodin Ave. (509) 682-5644, chelanmuseum.com

Echo Ridge U.S. Forest Service Trails. Groomed Nordic trail system in winter. Hiking trails in warm months. Passes online or at Chelan Ranger Station. (509) 682-4900, lakechelannordic.org

**Echo Valley Ski Resort**. Eight miles from downtown Chelan. Kid friendly with rope tows, poma lift, tube hill, day/night skiing, ski shop, school, lodge. (509) 687-3167 skiechovalley.com

#### Historic Downtown Chelan Association.

Working to promote a vital and healthy downtown by enhancing and preserving downtown Chelan's historic features. (509) 682-4322, historicchelan.org

Lady of the Lake (ad p. 40), Chelan Year-round boat tours and passenger service from Chelan to Stehekin, Holden Village and upper Lake Chelan. Reservations recommended during peak season. (509) 682-4584, ladyofthelake.com

Lake Chelan Helicopters, Chelan Professional flights in and around Lake Chelan. Flying wine tours, one-hour rentals. (509) 201-4195 lakechelanhelicopters.com

Old Mill Park, Manson. Boat launch, picnic area, restrooms.



k Riverwalk Park, Chelan. One-mile paved scenic loop trail along the Chelan River. Easy access from downtown corridor. Restrooms, picnic areas and shelter, boat launch, boat trailer parking.

**South Lakeshore Road**. Follow the road to its end, the farthest drivable point up lake. This route shows the dramatic change between the lower lake basin and the forested hillsides of the upper lake.

Winegirl Wines, Manson. Awardwinning winery and tasting room known for its fun, friendly attitude. (509) 293-9679, winegirlwines.com

Picnic Spot

Lakeside Park, Chelan. Shady park on the southern end of the lake. Picnic tables, protected swim area, playground equipment, boat launch. Turn near Lakeside Lodge and Suites, on Hwy 97-A

Visitor Info

Lake Chelan Chamber & Visitor Center

(ad p. 37). 216 E. Woodin Ave (509) 682-3503, (800) 424-3526 lakechelan.com

#### Lake Chelan Wine Valley

Chelan and Manson. Discover numerous boutique wineries nestled among the rolling hills of Lake Chelan with events year-round. tastechelan.com

Manson Chamber of Commerce, Manson

(ad p. 38) 145 Wapato Way (509) 888-1553, moretomanson.com

<u>Visit Chelan County</u> (*ad p. 41*) Recreate responsibly in Chelan County's communities and natural areas. visitchelancounty.com

Hiking Info & Forest Passes:

www.fs.usda.gov/okawen Chelan (509) 682-4900





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All accommodations are in or near Chelan unless otherwise noted.

#### Campbell's Resort on Lake Chelan

(800) 553-8225, (509) 682-2561 campbellsresort.com

#### Darnell's Lake Resort

(800) 967-8149, (509) 682-2015 darnellsresort.com

Lakeside Lodge & Suites (ad p. 40) (800) 468-2781, (509) 682-4396 lakesidelodgeandsuites.com

Midtowner Motel. (800) 572-0943 (509) 682-4051, midtowner.com

Mountain View Lodge, (ad p. 39) Manson. (509) 687-9505, mvlresort.com



# Campgrounds

**Beebe Bridge Park**, Chelan Open March-Oct. Big rigs, pull-throughs, 30 amp, dump. (509) 661-4551 chelanpud.org

Lakeshore RV Park, Chelan All year. Big rigs, 50/30/20 amp, dump. No campfires. (509) 682-8023 cityofchelan.us

Lake Chelan State Park, Chelan All year. Big rigs, 50/30/20 amp, dump. Boat Launch. (888) 226-7688 (509) 687-3710 parks.state.wa.us/531/Lake-Chelan

Twenty-Five-Mile Creek State Park End of the road along Lake Chelan. Big rigs, 30/20 amp, dump. Boat Launch and moorage. (509) 682-8023, (509) 687-3610 parks.state.wa.us/293/ Twenty-Five-Mile-Creek





We have jaw-dropping vistas, pristine mountain lakes, raging rivers and all the trails to get you there. Here's some things to know before your visit.

#### TREAD Map App

Download the app for up-to-date recreation maps, trail conditions, custom layers & safety information.

#### **Be Safe** Be respectful of the wildlife, observe them from a distance and never feed them.

Pack In, Pack Out What you leave is what the next person sees, please take all your trash with you.

#### Park Smart

Store or remove your valuables and lock your car at trailheads.

#### Plan Ahead

In wilderness areas you will not have cell service, let loved ones know your plans. Stick to the Path Otherwise it can cause lasting damage and kill plants for years to come.

Learn more at

VisitChelanCounty.com

Off the beaten path!

There are no roads to the tiny, uplake, mountain village of Stehekin – It is accessible only by boat, helicopter, or hiking in. The <u>Lady of the Lake</u> passenger ferry leaves Chelan with regularly scheduled service to Stehekin and back. While in Stehekin, ride horses, kayak, bicycle, or fish.

To hike in, take the Lakeshore Trail north from Chelan, or from Highway 20, the North Cascades Highway. The trailhead is just east of Rainy Pass. This route takes you along part of the Pacific Crest Trail.

In Stehekin, visit the historic Buckner Orchard to see the tools and techniques early settlers used to make a living in this valley over a century ago. Cool off at Rainbow Falls, a picturesque, 312-foot waterfall.

The Stehekin Valley is the southern gateway to North Cascades National Park. Hundreds of miles of trails carry hikers into four adjoining wilderness areas.

Stehekin Hikes

**Lakeshore Trail**. Take this trail to Stehekin from Chelan, at the end of the lake. For the day hiker out of Stehekin, several areas provide fantastic photo opportunities.

Rainbow Loop Trail. Trailhead begins at the Stehekin Valley Road 3 miles from the Landing. At the first bluff you will have views of the Stehekin River winding downvalley past Buckner Orchard. Farther along you'll find panoramic views of Lake Chelan. 6.5 mile loop.

**Stehekin River Trail**. Beginning at Harlequin Campground and ending at Weaver Point, this level, cool, and tree shaded trail is great for a summer stroll. Four miles one way.

**McGregor Mountain Trail**. This hike can be a day or overnight hike, but it is only for those in good physical condition. The pay off is the Sahale Glacier, incredible views and landscape you thought only existed in National Geographic. Eight miles to the summit.





Methow River and Lost River Road, Pete Freund

Winter Closure Information

The North Cascades receive abundant snowfall each year, causing Highway 20 to close for the season in late fall/early winter, and reopen in spring, depending on conditions. The closure is from milepost 171 (west of Mazama) to milepost 134 (east of Diablo). This means our Loop becomes more of a crescent, and travelers should schedule accordingly.

Learn more at wsdot.com/travel/real-time/mountainpasses/North-Cascade-Hwy

N)inter Recreation

Interested in downhill skiing or snowboarding? Take your pick from Stevens Pass Mountain Resort, Mission Ridge Ski & Board Resort, Echo Valley Ski Area, Loup Loup Ski Bowl, and Mount Baker Ski Area, all easily accessible from the highway.

The Cascade Loop also offers miles of groomed Nordic ski trails! Choose from Plain Valley Nordic Ski Trails, Echo Ridge Nordic Ski Trails, and <u>Methow Trails</u>, as well as several locations in Leavenworth managed by Leavenworth Winter Sports Club.

And for a slower experience-- Plan for a family fun sleigh ride at <u>Sun Mountain Lodge</u>, or visit a <u>Reindeer Farm</u> in Leavenworth.





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Extending from Pateros to Liberty Bell Mountain in the North Cascades, the **Methow Valley** is Washington State's eclectic mix of Wild West and thriving art culture, and home to a whole lot of activities and lodging! As you head up the highway, the North Cascades can be seen far in the distance while rolling alpine desert hills form a backdrop for quaking aspen, log ranch homes and the meandering **Methow River.** Dry shrub-steppe hillsides give way to stands of ponderosa pine and Douglas fir as you gain elevation.

Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife! This region is a regular wildlife corridor. Watch the trees along the river for bald eagles during the winter, and the man-made posts for osprey during the summer. Mule and White-tailed deer are also abundant throughout the area, so slow down and be cautious, particularly during dawn and dusk hours.

Pateros

- **Fishermen** from around the world make the journey here to the confluence of the Methow and Columbia rivers.
- Lake Pateros. Fishing, boating, and personal watercraft-riding on the Columbia River. (509) 923-2571 pateros.com

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- As an official Creative District in WA, Twisp boasts the work of hundreds of local artists and makers, including a thriving music and theatrical arts scene.
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<u>Side Trip: Okanogan Trails Scenic Byway</u>

This scenic byway is 80 miles long, beginning in Pateros and following the Okanogan River, past neighboring **Brewster**, **Omak** and **Okanogan** —and north to the Canadian border. Visit roadside fruit stands as you travel through orchards, many owned by third- and fourth-generation farmers. Historical markers narrate a rich history along the route which travels through the Colville Confederated Tribal Reservation. The byway provides access to the Audubon Society's Great Washington Birding Trail, and several state parks and scenic and historic areas. <u>cascadeloop.com/side-trips</u>



Winthrop

- <u>Old West</u> town of Winthrop has wooden boardwalks with eclectic boutiques, sporting goods outfitters, restaurants, bakeries, and pubs.
- Pedestrian bridges span the **Chewuch** and **Methow rivers** with viewing platforms to watch salmon spawn, river rafting, and tubing.

Mazama

- World-renowned **rock-climbing** destination with some of the best single and multipitch sport climbing in Washington.
- Last opportunity to fuel up before you reach Marblemount on the other side of the pass.

Picnic Spot

Shack Lloyd Park, Winthrop. On the Methow River, this shady park features a covered picnic area, drinking fountain, playground, river access, and public restrooms. Ample parking for RV's and large vehicles.







Methow Trails

North America's largest Nordic ski trail system, <u>Methow Trails</u>, spans much of the Methow Valley, making it a winter mecca for skiers to enjoy more than 120 miles of groomed trails, with select trails specifically for fat tire biking, snowshoeing and even for skiing with your dogs!

The trails are great for hiking and biking, too! Stop by the Methow Trails office in downtown Winthrop to ensure you have the correct passes for the trails you plan to access. (509) 996-3287 methowtrails.org



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The Methow Valley is the eastern gateway to the North Cascades, and Liberty Bell is the iconic mountain defining this region. Visit the Washington Pass Overlook, located at the far western edge of the Methow Valley region, for a short stretch of the legs and epic views of Liberty Bell to the southwest and the Methow Valley to the northeast.

Insider Scoop

If you hope to do some shopping while you are in this neck of the woods, Twisp will be liveliest on Saturdays, while Tuesdays are NOT the best day to plan your Winthrop shopping as many of their boutiques are closed this day of the week. Plan ahead so you can have your best shopping experience in this stretch!

# Fine Dining

Methow Valley is home to many acclaimed restaurants, each presenting their take on locally sourced, meticulously prepared cuisine.

<u>Arrowleaf Bistro</u>, Winthrop. Fine dining that features seasonal, locally inspired cuisine. (509) 996-3919 arrowleafbistro.com

#### Sandy Butte Bistro & Bar/Jack's Hut

(ad p. 53), at Freestone Inn, Mazama. (800) 639-3809, (509) 996-3906 freestoneinn.com

#### Sun Mountain Lodge Restaurant

and Wolf Creek Bar & Grill (ad p. 49) Winthrop. (800) 572-0493 (509) 996-4707, sunmountainlodge.com

Art and Cutture

The Methow Valley is home to well over 100 artists and craftspeople, and their work encompasses a multitude of mediums.

#### Confluence Gallery and Art Center,

Twisp. Unique handmade gifts, lectures, world music, education and professional development for artists. (509) 997-2787 confluencegallery.org

Methow Arts, Twisp. Theater, music, dance, poetry performances, art festival, and film series. Free arts education programs for over 8,200 students in Okanogan County. (509) 997-4004 methowarts.org

#### Methow Valley Chamber Music Festival

Twisp. Showcasing world-class chamber music in the beautiful setting of the Methow Valley. June 16-25, 2022

Methow Valley Interpretive Center, Twisp Events and displays that highlight the cultural and natural history of the Methow Valley. Located across from TwispWorks at 210 5th Ave., (509) 997-0620 methowvalleyinterpretivecenter.com

# SUN MOUNTAIN LODGE















Washington State's Best Destination Resort is on the Cascade Loop!

Luxurious accommodations, delicious food, mountain fresh air, outdoor activities, and plenty of space for you to practice social distancing.

> 800.572.0493 sunmountainlodge.com

Wiggle Stop

Memorial Park in Pateros is the perfect place to stretch your legs and snag amazing Columbia River views. Enjoy life-size sculpture by award-winning artist Virgil "Smoker" Marchand that commemorates the Native Americans who originally lived here.



Alfractions & Activities

Blue Star Coffee Roasters, Twisp Award-winning blends, coffee bar, and roasting facility. (509) 997-2583 bluestarcoffeeroasters.com

**Fly-fishing**. Steelhead, smallmouth bass, rainbow trout, and salmon. (360) 902-2200, wdfw.wa.gov

Horseback riding with JD Outfitters at Sun Mountain Lodge. Guided rides, sleigh rides, and cowboy dinners. (509) 996-4735 sunmountainlodge.com

Lookout Mountain Trail, near Twisp Combines a modest warm-up hike, up a narrow access road, with a long crosscountry climb. This scenic hike, which can be done in under two hours offers panoramic views, lush forest, wildflowers, and a historic lookout tower (no permits needed).



<u>Loup Loup Ski Bowl</u> provides all of the fun of a private ski hill without the crowds! skitheloup.com

North Cascades Smokejumpers Base, Winthrop. Birthplace of smokejumping. Guided tours, kid friendly. (509) 997-9750 ncsbsmokejumpers.com

Pateros Museum (ad p. 51), Pateros. See what the Columbia River and local terrain was like before the hydroelectric dams were built. (509) 923-2571, pateros.com

**Twisp Ponds Discover Walk**, Twisp Restored historic waterways and habitat help endangered steelhead trout at the Twisp Rearing Ponds. Site includes interpretive walk, picnic area, and plenty of natural beauty. 53 Twisp River Rd.

#### View Ridge Interpretive Loop Trail

Sun Mountain Lodge. Expansive valley views from this easy 1-mile loop trail. Several other trails depart from here as well. (509) 996-2211, sunmountainlodge.com

<u>Winthrop Tubing</u>, Winthrop. Float the Methow River. (509) 996-3153 winthroptubing.com

Twisp River Recreation Area takes you deep into the wilderness and offers dozens of campgrounds and trails.

Winthrop Rink (seasonal), Winthrop 208 White Ave, 509-996-4199 winthroprink.org

# **City of Pateros** Gateway to the Methow and Okanogan Valleys

July - Apple Pie Jamboree & Jet Ski Races August - Hydroplane Races September - Hawk Migration Festival

City of Pateros Museum 113 Lakeshore Drive - Open 8am-4:30pm, Mon.-Fri. Year-round Pateros City Hall PO Box 8, Pateros, WA 98846

## 509-923-2571 www.pateros.com

Visitor Info

North Central Washington Economic Development District. Advancing the communities of Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties, and the Colville Confederated Tribes. ncwedd.com

Brewster Chamber, Brewster (509) 593-0771, brewsterwachamber.com

Okanogan County Tourism Council (ad p. 47), Omak. 320 Omak Ave. (888) 431-3080, okanogancountry.com

<u>Omak Visitor Center</u>, Omak 401 Omak Ave., (800) 225-6625 (509) 826-4218, omakvisitorcenter.org

Pateros Chamber and Visitor Center (ad p. 51), Pateros. 113 Lakeshore Drive. (509) 923-2571, pateros.com

Twisp Chamber and Visitor Center (*ad p. 46*), Twisp. 201 S. Highway 20. (509)-997-2020, twispwa.com

Winthrop Chamber and Visitor Center

*(ad back cover),* Winthrop 202 Riverside Ave. (509) 996-2125 winthropwashington.com Campgrounds

Alta Lake State Park, Pateros
 Swimming, fishing, boating, camping.
 Pull-throughs, 30 amp, dump.
 (888) 226-7688, (509) 923-2473
 parks.state.wa.us/239/alta-lake
 (see permit info)

Pearrygin Lake State Park, 4 miles from Winthrop. Full hook-ups, pull-throughs, 50/30. (509) 996-2370 parks.state.wa.us/563/pearrygin-lake (see permit info)

Riverbend RV Park, Twisp. All year. Pull-throughs, 50/30/20 amp, dump. (800) 686-4498, (509) 997-3500 riverbendrv.com

#### Silverline Resort RV Park &

<u>Campground</u>, Pearrygin Lake, Winthrop Closed winter. Big rigs, 50/30 amp, dump. (509) 996-2448, silverlineresort.com





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Abbycreek Inn, Winthrop (509) 996-3100 abbycreekinn.com

Best Western Peppertree Inn, Omak (509) 240-9281, bestwesternomak.com

<u>Chewuch Inn & Cabins</u> (ad p. 50)
 Winthrop. (800) 747-3107
 (509) 996-3107, chewuchinn.com

Freestone Inn (ad p. 53), Mazama (800) 639-3809, (509) 996-3906 freestoneinn.com

<u>Hotel Rio Vista</u>, Winthrop (800) 398-0911, (509) 996-3535 hotelriovista.com

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Idle-A-While Motel & Cabins, Twisp (509) 997-3222, idle-a-while-motel.com

Inn at Mazama (ad p. 48), Mazama (800) 843-7951, (509) 996-2681 innmazama.com

FREESTONE INN

Methow River Lodge & Cabins, Winthrop (509) 996-4348, methowriverlodge.com

Methow Suites Bed & Breakfast, Twisp. (509) 997-5970, methowsuites.com

Sun Mountain Lodge (ad p. 49)
 Winthrop. (800) 572-0493
 (509) 996-2211, sunmountainlodge.com

 Twisp River Suites
 (ad p. 46)

 Twisp. (855)
 784-8328, (509)
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Winthrop Inn, Winthrop 509-996-2217, winthropinn.net

Wolfridge Resort, Winthrop (800) 237-2388, (509) 996-2828 wolfridge-resort.com

Hiking Into & Forest Passes:

www.fs.usda.gov/okawen Winthrop - (509) 996-4000

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Marked by the massive bulk of Liberty Bell and Early Winters spires, Highway 20—also known as the **North Cascades Scenic Highway**—is a designated byway located on the Cascade Loop. It is surrounded by jagged peaks and valleys, waterfalls and more than 300 glaciers within the **North Cascades National Park**. Several peaks rise well above 9,000 feet in elevation! Not surprisingly, hiking, climbing, and camping are hugely popular here. (A nice perk about North Cascades National Park is that there is no entry fee, a rarity among national parks.) As you travel up and over the crest of Washington Pass (elevation 5477), you will reach the brilliant turquoise-colored Ross and Diablo lakes. Views from these glacier-fed lakes reach north to Canada and south into the most-glaciated valley in North America outside of Alaska.

Newhalem

- **Colonial Creek** and **Newhalem** campgrounds offer vehicle-accessible campsites with summer programs and ancient forest hikes.
- Stop in the North Cascades Visitor Center and chat with park rangers, check out maps, exhibits, audio-visual displays, trails and viewpoints.
- **Skagit Information Center** has exhibits on hydroelectric power and Skagit Project dams and communities.

Marblemount

- Cascade Pass. Travel the historic Mineto-Market Road (now Cascade River Road) for 23 scenic miles to Cascade Pass, the original route east to Stehekin and Lake Chelan for Native Americans, prospectors and miners. nps.gov/noca
- Wilderness Information Center. This center is the main backcountry permit office for North Cascades National Park and the adjacent Ross Lake and Lake Chelan National Recreation Areas. 7280 Ranger Station Rd.

<u>Side Trip: Bellingham</u>

At its northern-most point, the Cascade Loop passes through Whatcom County. To explore more of the region, including two State Scenic Byways and Bellingham (*ad p. 57*), take a scenic "loop off the Loop." In Sedro-Woolley, turn north on Highway 9. Enjoy the evergreen views for 22 miles, then enjoy Mt. Baker Scenic Byway (Hwy 542), Bellingham on the bay, and head back along water's edge on Chuckanut Drive Scenic Byway. *cascadeloop.com/side-trips* 



Rockport

- Rockport State Park offers numerous places to hike through forests with sweeping views of the Skagit River.
- Fisherman flock here to chase coho, kings, humpies, sockeye, steelhead, and trout on the Skagit River.

Concrete

- <u>5b's Bakery</u>. Start your day here with an epic cinnamon roll. *Pro-Tip:* For those who are gluten-free this is your Nirvana! (360) 853-8700, 5bsbakery.com
- <u>Annie's Pizza Station</u>. Award-winning pizza, calzone, and signature cal-subs. (360) 853-7227, anniespizzastation.net
- When building a dam or two, one needs concrete! Historic cement production center supplying concrete for neighboring Ross and Diablo dams.



Picnic Spot

Kainy Pass Picnic Area and Lake Ann Trail, milepost 158. Shady picnic areas and a paved, 1-mile accessible trail to Rainy Lake, 2 miles to Lake Ann or 7.5 miles around the Heather Maple Pass Loop (see permit info).

Photo Op

Nothing says North Cascades quite like the crystal clear, glacier-fed waters of Ross and Diablo lakes. Grab a selfie at the Diablo Lake Overlook for the quintessential North Cascades view, or take a dip at the campground.

Diablo Lake from Colonial Creek, Pete Freund

Altractions & Activities

Baker Lake and Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. Ten miles north of Concrete. A favorite recreation spot for fishing, swimming, hiking, and boating; camping facilities nearby (*see permit info*). (360) 856-5700 x515, fs.usda.gov/mbs

**Diablo Lake Trail**. Departs from the North Cascades Environmental Learning Center parking lot and offers brief views of the lake and mountains.

A Happy Creek Forest Walk, just east of milepost 134. Just over a quarter mile loop trail through a stand of old-growth forest, mostly on boardwalk. Parking, restroom, interpretive signage. nps.gov/noca

Heather Maple Pass Loop. This 7-mile round-trip hike wows year-round as it features ridgelines blanketed in riots of wildflowers in summer, and lakes ringed with brilliant golden larches in fall. Pack a picnic, binoculars, and, of course, your camera! Trail departs from the Rainy Pass trailhead. (see permit info). wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/maple-pass

North Cascades Environmental Learning Center (ad p. 59), milepost 127.5. Drive over Diablo Dam, park at the end of the road on right. Year-round, nature-based field trips and adventure learning, and youth programs, . Find the schedule at ncascades.org

**Sauk Mountain Road and Trail**. A scenic drive into the mountains ending at a trailhead with great views over the Sauk and Skagit river valleys. The road is 7.9 miles long, the trail is 4.2 miles round trip, with 1200 ft elevation gain. You don't have to hike to see great views, the drive to the top is worth it!

#### **Skagit Wild and Scenic River System**

includes the Cascade, Sauk and Suiattle rivers. Home to five species of Pacific salmon, two species of trout and nearly 300 species of wildlife, deer, elk, black bear, bald eagle, great blue heron, and osprey.



Looping You In... for Two "Don't Miss" Scenic Byways





Visitor Info

Bellingham/Whatcom Tourism Visitor Information Center (ad p. 57), Bellingham 904 Potter St. (360) 671-3990 bellingham.org

#### <u>Concrete Chamber of Commerce &</u>

Visitor Information Center, Concrete 45770 Main St., (360) 853-8784 concrete-wa.com

North Cascades National Park & Visitor Info. Mountainous region that features over 300 glaciers.

#### North Cascades Park Complex

Headquarters, Sedro-Woolley. Open seasonally. Check website for hours. 810 Highway 20. (360) 854-7200 nps.gov/noca. Campground reservations: recreation.gov

North Cascades Visitor Center, Newhalem Located across the Skagit River from North Cascades Highway (*milepost 120*), adjacent to Newhalem Creek Campground. nps. gov/noca/planyourvisit/visitorcenters.htm.

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#### North Cascades Institute Base Camp

*(ad p. 59),* milepost 127.5 across Diablo Dam. Learning and lodging. (360) 854-2599, ncascades.org/basecamp

#### Ovenell's Heritage Inn & Cabins

(ad p. 59), Concrete (360) 853-8494, ovenells-inn.com

### **INSIDER SCOOP**

Extend your trip with an epic culinary detour—Chuckanut Drive Scenic Byway. Not only is the name fun to say, but you will also find the uber-fresh, locally sourced foods you'll find on this route enjoyable.

The shellfish will knock your socks off!

Wiggle Stop

**Where an example 2** Howard Miller Steelhead Park. Home to the Skagit River Bald Eagle Natural Area & Interpretive Center. Located between Marblemount and Rockport, this 7,800-acre area is the winter home to the largest population of bald eagles in the lower 48. Annual events include the Bald Eagle Festival, guest speakers, guided walks, and educational programs. 52804 Rockport Park Road, (360) 853-7626, <u>skagiteagle.org</u>



# Campgrounds

#### For all parks, see <u>nps.gov/noca</u>

**Newhalem Campground**, Rockport Closed winter. Big rigs, pull-throughs, drinking water, restrooms, dump. No hookups, no shower.

**Colonial Creek Campground**: South Loop-93 sites. North Loop-42 sites. Camp in old growth forest at the base of the impressively glaciated Colonial Peak on the shore of Diablo Lake. Flush toilets, garbage, recycling service. Potable water available. No hook-ups or showers. Fully accessible campsites and walk-in campsites available.

**Goodell Creek Campground**: 19 sites for tents or smaller RV's. Situated in lush, old growth forest on the banks of the Skagit River. Drinking water, garbage service, and vault toilets provided. No hook-ups or showers. Covered picnic shelter.

**Gorge Lake Campground**: 8 sites for tents or smaller RV's. On the bank of Gorge Lake, next to the cascading Stetattle Creek. Primitive camp with no water, so be sure to pack plenty! Vault toilets, garbage, and recycling available.

**Reservations for above campgrounds:** Reserve sites 3 to 180 days in advance online at recreation.gov or by phone at (877) 444-6777





# LEARNING DODGING











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Highway 20 leaves the towering peaks of North Cascades National Park and follows along the **Skagit River** through foothills, a Valley of farmland, artistic communities, and coastal beaches. Fields are dotted with rustic farmhouses and farmstands with spectacular views of 10,781-foot Mount Baker and the North Cascades. The **Skagit Valley** is home to the largest commercial flower bulb industry outside of the Netherlands. Beginning in March and continuing through April, the entire Valley is a carpet of blooms. And, more than 80,000 snow geese spend their winters in the Valley!

Sedro-Woolley

- Known as the "Gateway to the North Cascades"
- Proud logging history, visible in the downtown's collection of life-size wood carvings
- Cascade Trail is a 22.5-mile long crushed rock trail, from Sedro-Woolley to Concrete, with benches and views of Skagit River and its wildlife.
- Historic Walking Tour with murals and historic buildings

Burlington

- Berry Dairy Days in June celebrating local berry harvests
- **Stock up** on supplies for the North Cascades National Park or cruising Chuckanut Drive.
- Skagit Speedway. Dirt track with open-air seating, sprint car races, and big rigs, karts, motorcycles and more.

Side Trip: San Juan Islands

A jaunt to explore the San Juan Islands is a perfect addition to your Cascade Loop adventure! The weather is beautiful on the islands (they average 247 days with sunshine and about half the rainfall of the Seattle area each year) and makes an ideal destination for outdoor activities. Plan to hike, bike, kayak, whale/wildlife watch here. The small communities on each island also offer unique shopping, as well as casual and fine dining. *cascadeloop.com/side-trips* 



# Mount Vernon

- Snow geese, tundra and trumpeter swans are drawn to the Skagit River and its sloughs and farmlands every winter
- **Tulip fields** attract guests from around the world each spring.
- Charming riverfront old-town, stunning natural environment and a strong sense of community

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• **Historic artistic village** nestled between the Swinomish Channel, the Skagit River Delta, and the Salish Sea.

- Daffodil Festival every March, over 450 acres of bulbs, fun events and exhibits
- Great place for **biking** on scenic stretches of country backroads

Anacortes

- The heart of **Fidalgo Island** featuring outstanding seafood
- Maritime community with historic downtown on the waterfront
- Whale watching from a sea kayak or tour boat
- The gateway to the **San Juan Islands** Lopez, Orcas, and San Juan/Friday Harbor (book your ferry space online before your trip!)

# Photo Op

The **Skagit Wildlife Area** is 16,700 acres of former Samish River estuary. It is home to a multitude of species, including bald eagles, peregrine falcons, short-eared owls and more! Witness the return of migratory birds during the Birds of Winter Experience (Nov-March). This is a hot-spot for snow geese and tundra and trumpeter swans during winter migration. Multiple paved and well-signed roads crisscross the area, providing easy access for automobile birding. Additionally, there are limited areas that can be reached on foot. <u>birdweb.org/</u>



Altractions & Activities

#### Andy Porter Photography,

Sedro-Woolley. Photo tours, souvenir art prints and photography classes. andyporterimages.com

<u>Bike Skagit</u>. As going off the grid gains popularity, biking trips are becoming the preferred mode to take in the sights and sunshine. Bike Skagit for the first time or like you have never done before! Find maps at visitskagitvalley.com/bike-skagit

**Bowman Bay**, part of Deception Pass State Park. Enjoy beachcombing, hiking, camping, and visiting the Civilian Conservation Corps Interpretive Center.

Heritage Barn Tour. Explore 58 structures designated as Heritage Barns. Some barns are more than 100 years old, some were used for cattle and dairy farming, and most are still in use. Free map: visitskagitvalley. com/historic-barn-tour

#### La Conner Daffodil Festival,

La Conner. Visit throughout the month of March to capture images of the acres of vibrant daffodils. lovelaconner.com

Insider Scoop

Seven species of whales and dolphins frequent the Puget Sound and Salish Sea (the waters that run up to the west of Vancouver Island): orcas, transient orcas, gray whales, humpback whales, minkes, fin whales, pacific white-sided dolphins, and pseudorcas.

While minke, humpback, and orcas are commonly seen between May and October, gray whales are common in March and April as they migrate north for the summer.



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<u>Mountain Bike Skills Park</u>, Mount Vernon New skills park at Little Mountain Park. The park has 10 miles of trails 5 minutes from downtown.

#### Pacific Northwest Quilt & Fiber Arts

<u>Museum</u>, La Conner. In the historic Gaches Mansion (1891). 703 S Second St. (360) 466-4288, qfamuseum.org

<u>San Juan Islands</u>, accessible via Washington State Ferries from Anacortes. (888) 468-3701, visitsanjuans.com

#### Sea kayaking with Anacortes Kayak

Tours. Search for porpoise, seals, sea lions, whales, eagles, and other birds. Family, wildlife, and multi-day tours. (800) 992-1801, (360) 588-1117 anacorteskayaktours.com

#### Skagit Farm to Pint Passport Tour/Ale

Trail: visitskagitvalley.com/savor-skagit/

#### Skagit Valley Museums Passport visitskagitvalley.com/museum-passport/

Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, April 1-30 Blooms carpet the valley floor each spring (tulip, daffodil, iris) in the largest U.S. display of tulips. Farm tours, events and displays all month. (360) 428-5959 tulipfestival.org

#### Tea and Tour at Willowbrook Manor,

Sedro-Woolley. Combine an English Tea experience with the joy of exploring country roads on comfy cruisers. (360) 218-4585, teaandtour.com

<u>Tulip Town</u>, Mount Vernon. Acres of vivid color during the Tulip Festival and seasonal events all year. 15002 Bradshaw Road (360) 424-8152, tuliptown.com

**<u>Tommy Thompson Parkway</u>**, Anacortes Waterfront scenery along level, paved trail from downtown, 3.3 miles.

Whale watching. The Puget Sound is home to over 70 resident orca whales and visiting California gray whales during the summer.





Anchored by a vibrant, friendly downtown, and surrounded by water, infinite adventures await.

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Visitor Info

Anacortes Chamber and Visitor Center (ad p. 64). 819 Commercial Avenue (360) 293-3832, anacortes.org

Burlington Visitor Center & Chamber (ad p. 66). 520 E. Fairhaven Ave.

(360) 757-0994, burlington-chamber.com **La Conner Chamber** (ad p.67) 413 Morris St., (888) 642-9284 (360) 466-4778, lovelaconner.com

Mount Vernon Chamber (ad p. 67) 301 W. Kincaid St., (360) 428-8547 visitmountvernon.net

#### North Cascades National Park HQ,

Sedro-Woolley. 810 Highway 20. (360) 854-7200, nps.gov/noca

San Juan Islands - Visitor Information Centers are located at each of the Chamber of Commerce offices: Lopez Village on Lopez Island, Eastsound on Orcas Island, and Friday Harbor on San Juan Island. (888) 468-3701 visitsanjuans.com

Sedro-Woolley Chamber (ad p. 63) 810 Metcalf St., (360) 855-1841 sedro-woolley.com

<u>Skagit Valley Tourism</u> (ad inside back cover), visitskagitvalley.com



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Cap Sante Inn, Anacortes (800) 852-0846, (360) 293-0602 capsanteinn.net

Cocusa Motel, Burlington (800) 628-2257, (360) 757-6044 cocusamotel.com

#### La Conner Country Inn,

La Conner. (888) 466-4113 (360) 466-1500 laconnercountryinn.com

Majestic Inn & Spa, Anacortes (360) 299-1400, (877) 370-0100 majesticinnandspa.com

Willowbrook Manor, Sedro-Woolley (360) 218-4585, teaandtour.com

Campgrounds

Riverfront Park, Sedro-Woolley Big rigs, pull-throughs, 30 amp. (360) 855-1661

**Washington Park**, Anacortes All year. Pull-throughs, 30/20 amp, dump. (360) 293-1918

Picnic Spot

**North State Recreation Area,** Sedro-Woolley. Picnic tables, restroom, Frisbee golf, and 6-mile easy walking trail system. Watch for wildlife! *25625 Helmick Rd*.











Start your <u>Whidbey Scenic Isle Way</u> adventure as you drive across the truly photogenic Deception Pass Bridge—this is a very popular photography spot for guests from all over the world! Travel south down the 55-mile scenic byway located on the Cascade Loop. Locals dub the island, "The Shortest Distance to Far Away®" because of its mellow pace, natural beauty, and easy proximity to Seattle.

Visitors to Whidbey Island enjoy a plethora of beaches and parks where you can beachcomb, picnic, enjoy sunrises and sunsets, and even surf!

Oak Harbor

- Patriotic community home to a top-rated U.S. Naval Air Station—you may see and hear jets on maneuvers!
- Windjammer Park has miles of waterfront walkways, basketball courts, a splash park, walking trail, playground, picnic areas, open space, beach access, and swimming lagoon.
- Pacific Northwest Naval Air <u>Museum</u>. Step back in history to see how a small island town embraced the idea of becoming home to a major naval air base.

Coupeville

- Second-oldest town in Washington State, with more than 100 buildings on the National Register of Historic Places – including the iconic Coupeville Wharf.
- Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve features some of the most iconic views and hikes on the island.
- <u>Price Sculpture Forest</u> offers a great walkabout for art and nature!
- The **Admiralty Head Lighthouse**, on the grounds of Fort Casey State Park The restored lighthouse, overlooking Admiralty Inlet, is a photographer's favorite at sunset!

Side Trip: Camano Island

Take a side trip to Whidbey's sister island. Both Cama Beach State Park and Camano Island State Park offer year-round cabin rentals. Cama Beach features a restored 1930s fishing resort with a café, old general store and the Center for Wooden Boats. It's a unique opportunity to step back in time. Both the kids and your canine companions will love the space to run and get the wiggles out! <u>cascadeloop.com/side-trips</u>



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- The narrowest point of the island offers views of the **Olympic Mountains** and **Cascade Range** in either direction.
- **Greenbank Farm** has walking trails, art galleries, shops, homemade pies, wine-tasting and is home to an off-leash dog park. portoc.org/greenbank-farm/

Freeland

- Main Street is the service and shopping center for south Whidbey.
- **Great restaurants** from Brew pubs, wineries and fine dining, to tacos and Vietnamese fusion.



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- "Village by the Sea" overlooks the Saratoga Passage and the Cascade Range
- **Clyde Theater**. All-digital, family-owned theater opened in 1937 and shows first-run movies. theclyde.net
- Langley Creates Creative District Galleries, studios and shops make up this official state-recognized creative district.

# Clinton

- **Unique Shops** from hand-turned goods for your home, to great eats and island-crafted libations in casual settings.
- Washington State Ferries. Coming or going, the Clinton-Mukilteo Route is the shortest route back to Seattle. Check schedule: wsdot.com/ferries/schedule

# Photo Op

Drive across the Deception Pass Bridge and enter the Deception Pass State Park. Because this is a state park, plan to have your Discover Pass on display. Walk through massive old growth forest to access the beach and snag photos of the Salish Sea, jagged rock formations and, of course, the massive, towering Deception Pass Bridge.



Beaches and Parks

Double Bluff Beach. 2 miles of off-leash dog-friendly sand, driftwood, tidal pools, unusual bluff erosions, and sweeping views.

#### Ebey's Landing National Historic

**<u>Reserve</u>**. The nation's first historic reserve is part of the National Park Service, which includes 17,400 acres with picturesque farmland, bluff trails, and beaches. nps.gov/ebla/

\* Fort Ebey State Park. Surfing is a popular beach activity, and Paragliders like to take off from the former parade lawn on the bluff. Twenty-five miles of trails, plus picnic sites at historic Gun Battery and the beach. parks.wa.gov/507/Fort-Ebey

Served military installation that once protected the entrance to Puget Sound. The Admiralty Head Lighthouse is also on park grounds and is a photographer's favorite at sunset! parks.wa.gov/505/Fort-Casey

**Grasser's Lagoon**. Extensive tidelands, great clamming, and Penn Cove mussels.

• Hoypus Point. This hike is a flat paved road with incredible views of Deception Pass. The parking and trailhead restrooms are ADA compliant. There is a 33 inch wide opening around a gate at the start of the trail (see permit info).

**& Trillium Forest**. Located about 3.5 miles north of Freeland on S.R. 225, the Trillium Forest features a recently constructed ADA loop trail accessed at the trailhead near Bounty Loop Road. Part of the trail is paved and the rest is very compact gravel. wclt.org/projects/trillium-community-forest

West Beach. Great views of sunsets, the San Juan Islands, and Olympic Mountains.


Altractions & Activities

**bayleaf**, Coupeville. Shop and dine with an enthusiastic gang of food and wine lovers who want to share their latest discoveries. Outdoor seating and to-go picnic purveyors. 101 NW Coveland St. (360) 678-6603, bayleaf.us

#### Bayview Farm & Garden and

Flowerhouse Café, Langley. Bursting with beautiful, bright house plants, to fulfill all of your garden dreams. Stunning selection of curated products for the home. Come and relax at the Flower House Cafe with an artisan coffee or homemade scone. 2780 Marshview Ave. (360) 321-7140 bayviewfarmandgarden.com

Blooms Winery and 5511 Bistro, Freeland A full service restaurant with fine hand crafted wines and fresh creative cuisine. 55121 Freeland Ave., (360) 321-0515 bloomswinery.com



The Camano Shop, Camano Island A special find, home decor shop with roots in a real home stylish inspiration and curated products to bring in the finishing touches, creating a space where you can truly be at ease – take the "Island Life" home with you. 913 WA-532. (360) 334-7855, thecamanoshop.com

#### Canopy Tours NW on Camano Island.

Thrilling zipline and canopy tours just a little off the Loop (see side trip). Bridge access to Camano Island—no ferries required. Six ziplines, log bridge, dramatic final descent. (360) 387-5807 canopytoursnw.com

Frasers Gourmet Hideaway, Oak Harbor Steak and seafood restaurant with seasonal menu of the freshest local Northwest ingredients. 1191 SE Dock St. #101, frasersgh.com

**Golf**. Whidbey Island is home to several golf courses, ranging from 18-hole country clubs and public courses to par 3 and mini-golf for family fun.



In the heart of Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve on Whidbey Island



#### **Island County Historical Museum**

Coupeville. Engaging exhibits designed to trigger the imagination and give visitors a glimpse into the lives of the people who were here before. 908 NW Alexander St. (360) 678-3310, islandhistory.org

### Kristoferson Farm on Camano Island

Farm to table dinners and farmstand featuring local products, seasonal special events! 332 NE Camano Dr. (360) 387-5807, kristofersonfarm.com

Little Red Hen Bakery, Coupeville. Small batch artisan breads, buns, rolls, and pastries are crafted from locally sourced ingredients. Great Breakfast Sandwiches to start your day right! 4 Front St. (360) 682-5809 littleredhenbakerywhidbey.com

#### Meerkerk Rhododendron Gardens

Greenbank. Ten acres of mature gardens and nature trails feature a renowned collection of species and hybrid rhododendrons and ornamental trees. (360) 678-1912, meerkerkgardens.org Oak Harbor Music Festival, Oak Harbor September 2-4, 2022 A free, end of summer music festival featuring folk, rock, R&B, country, blues, jazz and more on the north end of Whidbey Island. oakharborfestival.com

<u>Price Sculpture Forest</u>, Coupeville. Large scale, outdoor gallery where you get to wander peaceful trails and learn about unique art. 678 Parker Rd., sculptureforest.org

### Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum,

Oak Harbor. Step back in history to see how a small island town embraced the idea of becoming home to a major naval air base. Open Wed-Sun. 270 SE Pioneer Way, 360-240-9500 pnwnam.org

#### Penn Cove Brewing Co. Taproom

Locations in Oak Harbor, Coupeville and Freeland. Whidbey's largest craft brewery; voted Best of Whidbey for the past three years. Brewery & Taprooom on site featuring award winning beers, food and entertainment. (360) 682-2247



Seabiscuit Bakery and Coffee, Langley Walk through the front doors and be greeted by friendly staff, who will guide you through the display cases full of sweet and savory goodness. Choose from your favorite pastries, fresh baked loaves, lunch items, coffee drinks n/a and boozy beverages, packaged pantry items and more. There will be plenty of gluten-free, vegan and vegetarian options, too! 3228 Lake Leo Way, (360) 321-2290 seabiscuitbakery.com

#### Whale watching and wildlife boat

**excursions**. Puget Sound is home to over 70 resident orca and, in the spring, visiting California gray whales. Whales can be viewed from the shore or on the water by private boat or kayak. Guided tours are also available by jet boat.

Whidbey Island Kayaking, Langley Group kayak tours for beginning and intermediate explorers. Full-service kayak and paddleboard rentals on Puget Sound. Ask about the bioluminescence tour! (360) 221-0229 whidbeyislandkayaking.com

Visitor Info

Camano Chamber, Camano Island (360) 629-7136, camanoisland.org

<u>Coupeville Chamber</u>, (ad p. 73) 905 NW Alexander. (360) 678-5434 coupevillechamber.com

**Clinton Chamber**, (360) 341-3929 discoverclintonwa.com

Greater Freeland Chamber (360) 331-1980, freelandchamber.org

Langley Visitor Center (360) 221-6765, visitlangley.com

Oak Harbor Visitor Center, (ad p. 74) 32630 Highway 20, (360) 675-3755 oakharborchamber.com

#### Whidbey & Camano Islands Tourism

*(ad p. 70)*. Island County resource for all things traveler-centric. whidbeycamanoislands.com

Washington State Ferries. Whidbey and Fidalgo Island routes. Daily passenger and car ferry service. <u>wsdot.wa.gov/ferries</u>

Picnic Spot

**Dave Mackie Park**, Clinton. Plenty of picnic tables, room to roam and a view of the water! Located in the community of Maxwelton, just a few miles from the main highway and far from the crowds. *7490 Maxwelton Rd.* 



lodging

Anchorage Inn, Coupeville (360) 678-5581, anchorage-inn.com

Captain Whidbey Inn, Coupeville (360) 678-4097, captainwhidbey.com

The Coachman Inn. Oak Harbor (360) 675-0727, thecoachmaninn.com

Fort Casey Inn, Coupeville (360) 678-5050, fortcaseyinn.com

Inn at Langley, Langley (360) 221-3033, innatlangley.com

Treehouse Whidbey, Clinton (360) 929-1120, treehousewhidbey.com

Whidbey Island B&B Association (360) 221-8709, whidbeyislandbandb.com

Campgrounds

For all parks, see parks.wa.gov

Deception Pass State Park Oak Harbor. All year. Pull-throughs, 30/20 amp, dump. (888) 226-7688

Fort Casey State Park, Coupeville All year. Limited 40-foot spaces, pull-throughs. Power, one restroom and shower, dump. (360) 678-4519 Reservations: (888) 226-7688

Fort Ebey State Park, Coupeville. March-Oct. Limited big rig sites, 30 amp. No dump. (360) 678-4636

Wiggle Stop

**Castle Park**, Oak Harbor. A fantasy playground with safe, clean castles with towers, ramparts, swings, slides and more. Covered picnic areas. *SE Castle Park Ct.* 



Insider Scoop

Relax. Allow extra time to enjoy the scenery at Deception Pass Bridge and the slower island pace while driving the Whidbey Scenic Isle Way. There are few opportunities to pass and speed limits rarely exceed 50 mph.

A timeless getaway located in the heart of Whidbey Island



Book your stay today!





# **Hike Around the Loop!**

| Hike<br>Seattle NorthCountry   | Distance   | Elev. Gain                                 |
|--|--|--|
| र्क े Centennial Trail Syst., Arlington-Darrington<br>Spencer Island Boardwalk, Everett  | 27 miles<br>7.3 mile loop                                | 800 ft<br>39 ft                            |
| Stevens Pass Greenway<br>Wallace Falls, Gold Bar<br>Giron Goat Interpretive Trail, Skykomish<br>Bridal Veil Falls/Lake Serene, Index   | 5.6 miles RT<br>6 miles RT<br>8.2 miles RT               | 1,300 ft<br>700 ft<br>2,000 ft             |
| Leavenworth/Cascade Foothills<br>Licicle Ridge, Icicle River Valley<br>Icicle Gorge Trail, Icicle River Valley<br>Stuart Lake, Icicle River Valley<br>Colchuck Lake, Icicle River Valley | 6 miles RT<br>4.2 mile loop<br>9 miles RT<br>8 miles RT  | 1,800 ft<br>150 ft<br>1,665 ft<br>2,280 ft |
| Wenatchee/Columbia River Valley<br>Saddle Rock via Appleatchee, Wenatchee<br>Homestead Trail, Wenatchee<br>Silver Falls, Entiat<br>Myrtle Lake, Entiat                                   | 2 miles RT<br>4.5 miles RT<br>1.7 miles RT<br>8 miles RT | 920 ft<br>944 ft<br>600 ft<br>650 ft       |
| Lake Chelan Valley<br>♣ Chelan Butte Trail, Chelan<br>Chelan Lakeshore Trail, Chelan-Stehekin<br>♣ Rainbow Falls Mist Trail, Stehekin  | 7.46 miles RT<br>34 miles RT<br>.25 miles RT             | 2,500 ft<br>4,030 ft<br>30 ft              |
| Methow Valley<br>Goat Peak Lookout, Mazama<br>♥ Twisp Pass, Twisp<br>♥ & Washington Pass Overlook  | 5 miles RT<br>9 miles RT<br>.25 miles RT                 | 1,400 ft<br>2,460 ft<br>-                  |
| North Cascades<br>Blue Lake<br>Cascade Pass/Sahale Arm<br>Heather-Maple Pass Loop  | 4.4 miles RT<br>12 miles RT<br>7.2 miles RT              | 1,050 ft<br>4,000 ft<br>2,000 ft           |
| Skagit Valley/Fidalgo Island<br>East Bank Baker Lake, Sedro-Woolley<br>Sauk Mountain, Rockport<br>Mount Erie, Anacortes  | 9 miles RT<br>4.2 miles RT<br>5 miles RT                 | 500 ft<br>1,200 ft<br>1,000 ft             |
| Whidbey Scenic Isle Way<br>Ebey's Landing, Coupeville<br>Kettles Trail System, Coupeville-S. Island  | 5.6 miles<br>35 miles                                    | 260 ft<br>200 ft                           |

There are many scenic trail systems around the Loop that are paved, and perfect for travelers with limited mobility, wheelchairs, or strollers.

Check out cascadeloop.com/ada-accessible

Natchable Nildlife

All manner of animals live in the natural areas surrounding the Cascade Loop. What you see during your trip will depend on the season, time of day, weather, and how far from the roadway you explore. Animal behavior varies.

Enjoy looking for and photographing wildlife but be alert and safe! Keep a safe distance from all wildlife, do not attempt selfies with critters, and do not offer them your food.

### See more about resident wildlife at <u>cascadeloop.com/wildlife</u>

The Cascade Loop begins and ends along Washington State's Puget Sound. From the car, you may spot seabirds, shorebirds, and waterfowl. Get out of the car for a chance to see otter, sea lion, crab, orca, gray and humpback whales, sea urchins, and sea stars. Your best bet for seeing all of these is to book a trip with Anacortes Kayak Tours or Whidbey Island Kayaking.

Western river valleys are favorite spots for hundreds of species of birds and waterfowl. Look for snow geese, trumpeter swans, and tundra swans in winter.

While driving through the mountains, be on the lookout for deer, coyote, bald eagle, and osprey.

In the backcountry, you may encounter black bear, mountain goat, elk, cougar, raccoons, skunks, and whistling marmots.

Driving through eastern river valleys, you may see deer, rabbits, coyotes, bighorn sheep, blue heron, bald and golden eagles, osprey, wild turkey, and turkey vulture.

Away from the highway, you might encounter gray wolves, black bear, cougar, beaver, raccoon, skunk, whistling marmots, grouse, bobcats, badgers, moose, mountain goats, grouse, wild turkey, wolverine, lynx, bobcat, and pikas.

| ✓ Checklist        | Region             |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Feathered Friends  |                    |
| 🗆 bald eagle       | all                |
| 🗆 blue heron       | all                |
| Canada goose       | lowlands           |
| Common loon        | 1.8.9              |
| Cormorant          | 189                |
| □ golden eagle     | 231567             |
| grouse             | . 2, 3, 4, 3, 0, 7 |
|                    | 4,3,0              |
|                    |                    |
| osprey             |                    |
| snow goose         | 4,5,6,8            |
| L tufted puffin    | 1,9                |
| trumpeter swan     | lowlands           |
| 🗆 tundra swan      | 4,6,8              |
| □ turkey vulture   | . 3,4,5,6,8,9      |
| wild turkey        | . 3,4,5,6,8,9      |
| Aquatic            |                    |
| beaver             | 4,5                |
| Dungeness crab     | 1.8.9              |
| harbor seal        |                    |
| humpback whale     | 189                |
| orca whale         | 189                |
|                    | 122678             |
| $\Box$ sea lion    | . 1,2,3,0,7,0      |
| sea urchin         | 1,9                |
|                    | 1,9                |
| Cute Critters      |                    |
| D pika             | 2,3,4,6,7          |
| 🗆 rabbit           | all                |
| 🗆 raccoon          | all                |
| 🗆 skunk            | lowlands           |
| □ whistling marmot | 2,3,4,5            |
| Herbivores         |                    |
| □ bighorn sheep    | 4,5                |
| □ elk              | 2,3,7,8            |
| 🗆 moose            | 4.5.6.7            |
| 🗌 mountain goat    | 2356               |
| □ mule deer        | 34567              |
| □ white-tail deer  | 678                |
| Predators          |                    |
| D black bear       | 221567             |
|                    |                    |
| Cougar             | 2,3,4,5,6          |
| Coyote             | . 2,3,4,5,6,7      |
| gray wolf          |                    |
| □ lynx             | 6,7                |



Farmers Markets

Plan your trip around the Loop to enjoy the small community Farmers Markets (in season):

### **Region 1**

<u>Arlington</u>- Saturdays, 10am-2pm, May-Sept. Legion Memorial Park, 114 N Olympic

<u>Everett</u>- Sundays, 11am-3pm, May-Oct. Hewitt and Wetmore

<u>Snohomish</u>- Thursdays, 3pm, May-Sept. Union and Glen Ave.

<u>Monroe</u>- Wednesdays, 3-7pm, May-Sept. Galaxy Theater

## **Region 2**

Index - Saturday (Every other), Doolittle Park Sultan -Saturdays, 10am-2pm, May-Oct. 2nd & Main St.

### **Region 3**

<u>Leavenworth</u> - Thursdays, 4-7pm, June-Oct. 330 Evans St.

<u>Cashmere</u> - Sundays, 9am-1pm, May-Oct. 600 Cotlets Way

## **Region 4**

<u>Wenatchee</u> - Saturdays, 8am-1pm, May-Oct. Pybus Public Market (7 North Worthen)

## **Region 5**

<u>Chelan</u> - Saturdays, 8am-1pm, May-Oct. E Johnson Avenue

<u>Chelan</u> - Thursdays, 2-6pm, May-Oct. Riverwalk Park

<u>Manson</u> - Wednesdays, 8:30-11:30am, June-Sept. 157 E Wapato Way

<u>Manson</u> - Saturdays, 8:30-11:30am, June-Sept. 157 E Wapato Way

## **Region 6**

<u>Twisp</u> – Saturdays, 9am-Noon, Apr-Oct. Methow Valley Community Center

<u>Winthrop</u>- Sundays, 10am-2pm, May-Sept. Winthrop Park

## **Region 7**

Concrete - Saturdays, 10am-1pm, May-Sept. 45821 Railroad Ave

### **Region 8**

<u>Sedro-Woolley</u> - Wednesdays, 3-7pm, May-Oct. Hammer Heritage Square

<u>Mount Vernon</u> - Saturdays, 9am-2pm, May-Oct. 509 S Main St

<u>Mount Vernon</u> - Wednesdays, 11am-4pm (Summer) Skagit Valley Hospital

<u>Anacortes</u> - Saturdays, 9am-2pm, May-Oct. The Depot, 611 R Ave

## **Region 9**

<u>Oak Harbor</u> – Sundays, 11am-3pm, June-Sept. Windjammer Park

<u>Coupeville</u> - Saturdays, 10am- 2pm, Apr.-Oct. N Alexander St

<u>Bayview</u> - Saturdays, 10am-2pm, Apr-Oct. 5642 Bayview Rd

For more details about Farmers Markets around the Loop, and links to their websites, visit cascadeloop.com/farmers-markets

2022 Calendar of Events

For details about these and other events around the Cascade Loop, visit our website: cascadeloop.com/events (*Region noted in parenthesis*)

April

- 1-30.... Skagit Valley Tulip Festival (8)
- 9 ...... Anacortes Spring Wine Festival (8)
- 23-26.. Holland Happening (Oak Harbor-9)
- 23-24.. Sedro-Woolley Woodfest (8)
- 28-5/8 Washington State Apple Blossom Festival (*Wenatchee-4*)

# May

- 6-7 ..... Classy Chassis Parade & Car Show (East Wenatchee-4)
- 6-8 ..... '49er Days (Winthrop-6)
- 6-29 ... Leavenworth's Maifest (weekends-3)
- 13-14 . Manson Apple Blossom Festival (5)
- 14 ..... Penn Cove Water Festival (Coupeville-9)
- 14 ..... Twisp Spring Art Walk (6)
- 19-21 . Anacortes Boat & Yacht Show (8)
- 20-21 . Manson Rat Rod Car & Truck Show (5)
- 19-22 . Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest (3)
- 19-22.. Lake Chelan Wine and Jazz Festival *(5)*
- 28-29.. Everett Rock & Gem Show (1)
- 28-29.. Alpenhorn Celebration (Leavenworth-3)
- 28-29.. Methow Valley Rodeo (Winthrop-6)
- 29 ...... Ski to Sea Race and Fairhaven Festival (*Bellingham-8*)

## June

- 3-4 ..... Cruizin Chelan Car Show (5)
- 4-5..... Anacortes Waterfront Festival (8)
- 10-12.. Blast from the Past (Sedro-Woolley-8)
- 16-25.. Methow Valley Chamber Music Festival (weekends-6)
- 17-19.. Wenatchee River Bluegrass Festival (Cashmere-3)
- 17-19.. Berry Dairy Days (Burlington-8)
- 18 ...... Skykomish Tunnel Days (2)
- 24-25.. Founders' Days (Cashmere-3)
- 24-25.. Arts Festival (Lake Chelan-5)
- 25 ...... Century Challenge and Cycle di Vino (*Chelan-5*)
- 25 ...... Whidbey Island Garden Tour (9)

# July

- 1-4..... Loggerodeo (Sedro-Woolley-8)
- 2 ...... Bigfoot Art Festival (Index-2)
- 7-16.... Lake Chelan Bach Fest (5)
- 8-10.... Sultan Shindig (2)
- 9 ..... Highland Games (Mt.Vernon-8)
- 13-17.. Kla Ha Ya Days (Snohomish-1)
- 15-17.. Winthrop Rhythm & Blues Fest. (6)
- 16 ...... TriMonroe Triathlon (1)
- 16 ...... Shipwreck Fest (Anacortes-8)
- 16-17.. Apple Pie Jamboree (Pateros-6)
- 23 ...... Gold Dust Days (Gold Bar-2)
- 28-31.. Whidbey Island Area Fair (Langley-9)

Hot Air Balloon Roundup, Winthrop Pete Freund

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August

- 5-7 ..... Anacortes Arts Festival (8)
- 6 ..... Index Arts Festival (2)
- 6-7..... Classic Yacht & Auto Show (*La Conner-8*)
- 13-14.. Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival (9)
- 20 ...... Tour de Whidbey (Greenbank-9)
- 20 ...... Meerkerk Bluegrass in the Gardens (Greenbank-9)
- 25-9/5 Evergreen State Fair (Monroe-1)
- 26-28.. Pateros Hydro Races (6)

September

- 2-4..... Oak Harbor Music Festival (9)
- 3-4..... Methow Valley Rodeo (Winthrop-6)
- 4-5..... Wenatchee River Salmon Festival (Leavenworth-3)
- 8-11 ... Chelan County Fair (Cashmere-3)
- 9-11 ... Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival (1)
- 10 ...... Methow Cutthroat Classic (6)
- 17 ..... Vintage Wheels Show (Winthrop-6)
- 21-25.. Langley DjangoFest (9)
- 23-25.. Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival (*Leavenworth-3*)
- 24 ...... Return of the Salmon Celebration (Sultan-2)
- 24 ...... Fall Art Walk (Twisp-6)
- 25 ...... Anacortes Oyster Run (8)
- 31-10/15..Oktoberfest (weekends, Wenatchee-4)

(1)ctober

- 9/31-10/15..Oktoberfest (weekends, Wenatchee-4)
- 1-31.... Festival of Pumpkins (Snohomish-1)
- 1-31.... Scare-Crazy in Cashmere (3)
- 1-11/26 Harvest Festival (Chelan-5)
- 1-31.... Haunting of Coupeville (9)
- 2 ..... Brews on the Bridge (Chelan-5)
- 2-3.....Bier on the Pier (Anacortes -8)
- 7-9..... International Quilt & Fiber Arts Festival (*La Conner-8*)

30 ...... Bellingham SeaFeast (7)

November

- 11-14..Arts Alive (La Conner-8)
- 12-28..Winter Reindeer Experience (weekends-Leavenworth-3)
- 19 ......Skagit Wine & Beer Festival (*Mt Vernon-8*)
- 25-12/31Small Town Holidays (Lake Chelan-5)
- 25-26..Christmas at the End of the Road (Winthrop-6)

December

- 1-31....Small Town Holidays (Lake Chelan-5)
- 9 ......Mistletoe Madness (Twisp-6)
- 1-2/28 Leavenworth Village of Lights (3)
- 10 .....Lighted Boat Parade (La Conner-8)

## January 2023

- 1-31....Leavenworth Village of Lights (3)
- 1-31....Skagit Eagle Festival (8)
- 13-22 Winterfest (weekends, Chelan/ Manson-5)

## February 2023

- 1-28 Month of Love
  - (Lake Chelan Wine Valley-5)
- 18-19..Snowshoe Softball (Winthrop-6)
- 25-26..Langley Mystery Weekend (9)

## March 2023

- 1-31 ...La Conner Daffodil Festival (8)
- 1-31....Taste Chelan (5)
- 3-5.....Winthrop Balloon Festival (6)
- 3-5.....Penn Cove MusselFest (Coupeville-9)

For details about these events and others around the Loop, see cascadeloop.com/events

## If You Plan to Hike, Camp or Access Forest Lands or Parks ...

... chances are you'll need a pass of some kind. To determine which pass(es) you need, consider which agency manages the land where you want to explore, and whether it is managed by the federal government or the State of Washington.

Federal recreation sites include: national forests, national parks, national wildlife refuges, national historic sites, Bureau of Land Management lands, and places managed by the Bureau of Reclamation. An **Interagency Pass** allows named passholders into all of these sites. A **Northwest Forest Recreation Pass** allows trailhead parking on national forest land for \$5/car for one day or a \$30 annual pass. The pass is available at national forest offices and visitor centers, ranger districts, private vendors, or online at <u>fs.usda.gov/main/r6/passes-permits</u>

#### 2022 Forest Service Fee Free Days

On these days, standard amenity fees at federally operated sites will be waived. Participation for concessionoperated sites may vary. The Forest Service is waiving standard amenity recreation fees at sites nationwide to celebrate:

June 11 – National Get Outdoors Day September 24 – National Public Lands Day November 11 – Veterans Day

For 2023 Fee Free Dates, check fs.usda.gov/visit/passes-permits

**The Discover Pass** is required to park at Washington State parks, Department of Natural Resources lands and Department of Fish and Wildlife trailheads. Purchase your Discover Pass Day Pass for \$11.50/ car. For a full year's worth of use, purchase the Annual Discover Pass for \$35. Buy your pass online or in-person from nearly 600 recreational license vendors where state fishing and hunting licenses are sold (processing fees may apply).

#### State Parks Discover Pass Free Days

Washington State parks offers several "free days" when a Discover Pass is not required to visit a state park. Dates in 2022 are: June 11 - National Get Outdoors Day June 12 - Free Fishing Day June 19 - Juneteenth Sept. 24 - National Public Lands Day Oct. 10 - World Mental Health Day Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Nov. 25 - Native American Heritage Day

Order your Discover Pass online and check 2023 Free Days at discoverpass.wa.gov

Washington's Sno-Park Permits allow you to park at plowed lots accessible to groomed and backcountry trails. Day permits are \$20/day and are valid at any Sno-Park location, including Special Groomed Trail locations.

Day permits are valid until midnight of the purchase date, and can be purchased online at:

https://epermits.parks.wa.gov/Store/SNO/SnoChoice.aspx Some Sno-Park areas also require a Discover Pass.

## Ranger Districts

<u>Skykomish Ranger Station</u> 74920 NE Highway 2, Skykomish (360) 677-2414

Wenatchee River Ranger District 600 Sherbourne, Leavenworth (509) 548-2550 or (509) 548-2551

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee (509) 664-9200

Entiat Ranger District 2108 Entiat Way, Entiat (509) 784-4700 <u>Chelan Ranger District</u> 428 W. Woodin Avenue, Chelan (509) 682-4900

Methow Valley Ranger District 24 W. Chewuch Road, Winthrop (509) 996-4003

<u>Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National</u> <u>Forest</u>

North Cascades National Park info 810 Highway 20, Sedro-Woolley (360) 856-5700 x515

North Cascades National Park & Visitor Info. Mountainous region featuring over 300 glaciers is represented by three park units – North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area – managed collectively as one park complex. The Park Complex Headquarters is open seasonally. Check website for hours. 810 Highway 20, Sedro-Woolley. (360) 854-7200, nps.gov/noca Campground reservations: recreation.gov

Golden West National Park Visitor Center, Stehekin, (509) 699-2080 x14

National Park Wilderness Info Center, Marblemount, milepost 105, Ranger Station Road. May-Oct., backcountry permits, NW Forest Passes, camping info. (360) 854-7245

**North Cascades National Park Visitor Center,** Newhalem, milepost 120, Highway 20. Interpretive exhibits include natural, historical theater and geological displays, relief map, ranger talks and several short and long interpretive trails. Restroom, picnic area. Daily May-Oct., (206) 386-4495 x11, nps.gov/noca



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