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RV Traveler's
Roadmap to

Mt. Hood: Columbia River Gorge Loop

Mt. Hood and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area provide some of the most stunning vistas on Earth. Whether you're looking up the Columbia from Vista House or Rowena Crest, taking in Mt. Hood from Timberline Lodge or gliding past old-growth Douglas firs on the Sandy or Clackamas rivers, your eyes will never stop feasting.

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Highlights & Facts For The Ideal Experience



Vista House, built in 1916, on Crown Point in the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. (Photo credit: Larry Geddis).

- Trip Length:** Roughly 200 miles
- Best Time To Go:** Year Round
- What To Watch Out For:** Due to fallen trees, ice and occasional snow storms roads may be closed in winter.
- Must See Nearby Attractions:**
 - 1** Hood River & Flerchinger Vineyards & Pheasant Valley Winery (Hood River)
 - 2** Washington Garden, Rose & Japanese Gardens (Portland)

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Traveler's Notes

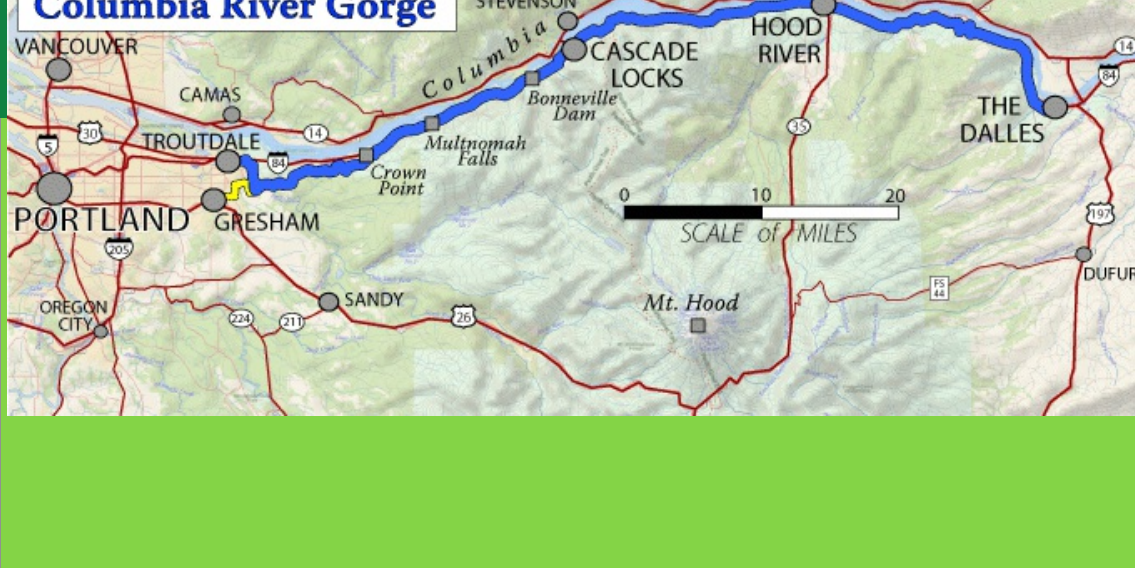


Mt. Hood National Forest

- "The gateway to the Gorge," Troutdale boasts a historic downtown with restaurants, antiques, art galleries, two historic museums and specialty shops. Grab ice cream at the Troutdale General Store before you continue east to Crown Point, eleven waterfalls including the famous Multnomah Falls and the Oneonta Gorge.
- Visit The Dalles, a slice of the Wild West and gateway to Oregon's high desert country. Once an important gathering area for Native American tribes and later for Oregon Trail pioneers, it now attracts visitors with its sunshine - 300-plus days a year.
- The Mt. Hood Loop Day Trip is an excellent way to experience the rugged wilderness, verdant farmland and charming small towns that lie just outside of the vibrant metropolis of Portland.

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What To See Along the Way



- Sandy
- Wildwood Recreation Area
- Mt. Hood National Forest
- Laurel Hill
- Timberline Lodge
- Trillium Lake
- Bennett Pass
- Panorama Point
- Hood River
- The Dalles
- Historic Columbia River Highway
- Cascade Locks
- Bonneville Dam
- Ainsworth State Park
- Oneonta Gorge
- Multnomah Falls
- Crown Point State Park

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Facts & More Information To Plan Your Trip!



Oneonta Gorge

- Sandy:** Take this historic walking tour to see how Sandy, Oregon began. There is a fascinating cast of characters and a rich history to look back on.
- Wildwood Recreation Area:** The Wildwood Recreation Site is a natural recreation area surrounded by the Mount Hood National Forest in northern Oregon, United States. It encompasses 580 acres of old growth forest and five miles of interpretive trail along the Salmon River.
- Mt. Hood National Forest:** Located twenty miles east of the city of Portland, Oregon and the northern Willamette River valley, the Mt. Hood National Forest extends south from the strikingly beautiful Columbia River Gorge across more than sixty miles of forested mountains, lakes and streams to Olallie Scenic Area, a high lake basin under the slopes of Mt. Jefferson.
- Laurel Hill:** Was once the site of the most difficult descent on the Oregon Trail. Laurel Hill Chute descends off the southern slopes of Mount Hood and the hill was a series of three steep declines.
- Trillium Lake:** Trillium Lake is a lake situated 7.5 miles south-southwest of Mount Hood in the U.S. state of Oregon. It is formed by a dam at the headwaters of Mud Creek, tributary to the Salmon River.
- Hood River:** Located at the panoramic crossroads of the Columbia River Gorge and the Cascade Mountain Range, Hood River Valley's 15,000 acres of orchards produce approximately 45 percent of the nation's winter pear crop. Menus at local restaurants are dotted with homegrown specialties.

Ready, set, go!