

Drift Creek Camp Trails



Forest Service Road #19

Drift Creek

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| A - Lodge | I - Alsea |
| B - Yamhill | J - Clackamas |
| C - Caretakers' Cabin | K - Nestucca |
| D - Sitka/Bathhouse | L - Santiam |
| E - Activities Building | M - Umpqua |
| F - Amphitheater | N - Swimming Hole |
| G - Campfire Circle | O - Ball Field |
| H - Yurt | P - Parking |

- 1 - Camp Loop
- 2 - The Narrows
- 3 - Ridge to Bridge
(descriptions on back)

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1. Camp Loop

Difficulty: Easy

Distance: 0.25 mile

Time: 20 minutes

This short walk follows Drift Creek as it flows around the outside of the camp boundary. The trail begins next to Sitka/Bathhouse (D). Keep an eye out on the right side of the trail for the nurse-log, a fallen tree with other living trees growing on the decaying trunk. After the swimming hole the trail will continue through the woods past the last three cabins in the loop and end at the campfire circle (G).

2. The Narrows

Difficulty: Moderate

Distance: 0.5 mile

Time: 30 minutes

This trail begins at the east end of the lodge (A). Look for the sign "Amphitheater, Narrows, Inspiration Point." Walk up the trail to the top of the small ridge where there is a bench. If you are hiking in late summer enjoy the huckleberries along this part of the trail. At the bench stay to the right and continue along into the Narrows. You will see the creek on both sides of the trail. Return on the same trail.

3. Ridge to Bridge

Difficulty: Moderate

Distance: 0.75 mile

Time: 40 minutes

This trail begins at the same trailhead as the Narrows trail (2). From the trailhead hike up to the top of the small ridge to a bench. At the bench continue on the trail to the left that follows the ridge line. Look for different species of conifers along the trail (hemlock, spruce, fir, and cedar). Watch your footing on the steep downhill steps as the trail descends to the camp road. You may return to the camp either along the entrance road (to the left) or back the way you came on the trail.