

The Hiking Group

Hike Schedule for August 2004

Meet in Safeway parking lot in Ashland at 9:00 am; we will leave for trailhead around 9:05 am. Bring lunch, lots of water, hat, and sunscreen; be prepared for cool and/or damp weather.

TH = trailhead; EDT = Estimated Drive Time; PCT = Pacific Crest Trail

DIM = Dead Indian Memorial

Coordinator: Alex Maksymowicz (541) 482-1964

Aug 4, 2004: PCT between Jackson Gap and Siskiyou Gap

TH: From Talent take Rapp Rd and Wagner Creek Rd 7.6 mi to junction with FS 22; follow FS 22 to junction with FS 20; follow FS 20 ½ mile west to PCT crossing at Siskiyou Gap. Leave shuttle car and continue some 6 miles to Jackson Gap, passing Wrangle Gap. (This last section of the drive has some rough sections.) EDT: 90 min
Description: the Jackson Gap to Wrangle Gap stretch of the PCT is new territory for me; the contour around Red Mountain between Wrangle Gap and Siskiyou Gap has great flowers and views.

Distance: 7 miles; elevation gain: around 1000 ft

Aug 11, 2004: Squaw Meadow Loop and Gray Butte (Mt Shasta)

TH: Take I-5 72 mi south to Central Mt Shasta exit 738; drive thru town 1 mi, then go left on Everitt Memorial Hwy 12.7 mi to Panther Meadows parking lot; EDT: 90 min
Description: This is a lovely hike. The Squaw Meadow loop starts at 7440 ft and reaches a high point of 8100 ft; loop distance is 3.6 mi; the side trip to Gray Butte adds an additional 1.8 mi. Another short side trip to our lunch spot adds 1 mi more. Ascent to the summit of Mt Shasta is optional.

Distance: 6.4 mi; elev gain: about 1500 ft

Aug 18, 2004: PCT along the West Flank of Brown Mountain

TH: Follow DIM Rd to FS 3720 (1/4 mi west of PCT crossing) and follow it 2 mi to PCT at the Brown Mt shelter; leave shuttle car and follow FS 700 about 6 mi to Hwy 140; make left and drive west 2 ½ mi to Snow Park just north of highway. EDT: 90 min
Description: follow PCT south, crossing Hwy 140 after ½ mi; climb east flank of Brown Mt on lava rock, then descend to Brown Mt cabin through woods.

Distance: 8 miles; elev gain: 1500 – 2000 ft

Aug 25, 2004: Mount Bailey (second warm up for Mt McLoughlin)—**leave Safeway 7:30 am**

TH: Very close to the south shore of Diamond Lake; take Hwy 62 to Union Creek, then branch left on Hwy 230 to Diamond Lake. For detailed directions, see Hike 21 in “100 Hikes in Southern Oregon”, first edition; EDT: 2 hr
Description: see “100 Hikes in Southern Oregon”; I expect to spend 3 to 4 hours climbing to the top, and 2 to 3 hours coming down.

Distance: 9.8 mi RT; elev gain: 3130 ft