Glacier

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September 2015 RANGER-LED ACTIVITY GUIDE

Pointing out interesting features at one of the park's InstaMeets at the foot of Lake McDonald PHOTO BY DONNA BASS

Due to the unpredictable nature of the current fires within in the park, activities and programs listed in this guide may need to be cancelled or altered on short notice. Please check in with staff at the St. Mary, Logan Pass or Apgar Visitor Centers for updates.

STAR PARTY

Logan Pass Star Party

▸ *Friday, September 4, 8:00 pm to midnight*
Take advantage of Glacier's unusually dark skies and join rangers and members of the Big Sky Astronomy Club to gaze through telescopes into the depths of the universe.

- *Logan Pass - Admission by ticket only. Pick up a free ticket (one per vehicle) at the Apgar or St. Mary Visitor Centers beginning on Thursday, September 3.*

Milky Way and Mt. Reynolds NPS / BILL HAYDEN

NATIVE AMERICA SPEAKS

Blackfeet, Salish, Kootenai, and Pend d'Oreille tribal members share their knowledge of Native American culture. Programs are offered in campgrounds, lodges, and at the St. Mary Visitor Center. The Native America Speaks presentations are generously supported by the Glacier National Park Conservancy.

Red squirrel NPS / JACOB FRANK

BE A JUNIOR RANGER

The Junior Ranger Program is an enjoyable way to learn how to help keep Glacier National Park wild and beautiful. Stop by the St. Mary, Logan Pass, or Apgar Visitor Centers or the Apgar Nature Center and pick up one of our free Junior Ranger Activity Booklets. There is also a pre-reader version for our youngest Junior Rangers. Children will be challenged to complete the activities in the booklets and earn an official Glacier Junior Ranger Badge.

Middle Fork of the Flathead NPS / BILL HAYDEN

Hey kids! Pick up a Junior Ranger book and earn your Junior Ranger Badge. SETH WOLFSHORNDL

GUIDED ACTIVITIES PROVIDED BY OUR PARTNERS AND CONCESSIONERS

THE GLACIER INSTITUTE

The Glacier Institute provides innovative outdoor education programs within and around Glacier National Park.

For more information, contact:
The Glacier Institute
(406) 755-1211
GlacierInstitute.org

**Find a complete course listing at GlacierInstitute.org.*

Selected September Courses Include:

- **Big Stories of Glacier National Park**
  September 4-6 $350.00
- **Glacial Recession at Grinnell Glacier**
  September 6 $75.00
- **Autumn in Glacier**
  September 11 $65.00

Fall color NPS / BILL HAYDEN

Grinnell Glacier COURTESY GLACIER INSTITUTE

GLACIER PARK BOAT COMPANY

Glacier Park Boat Company offers scenic boat cruises, as well as optional guided hiking treks. Tour lengths and prices vary. Purchase tickets at the boat dock or contact the Glacier Park Boat Company at (406) 257-2426 or GlacierParkBoats.com to plan your trip. Reservations are highly recommended.*

*Three days advance notice is required for tour reservations at Many Glacier and one day notice at Two Medicine.

Grinnell Valley Cruise and Hike

▸ *3½ to 4 hours, easy, 2-miles (3.2 km)*
Daily 9:00 am and 2:00 pm
Take a relaxing cruise on Swiftcurrent Lake and Lake Josephine followed by an optional walk to spectacular Grinnell Lake.

- *Many Glacier Hotel boat dock.*
  Programs end on September 18.

Two Medicine Lake Cruise and Hike

▸ *2½ to 3 hours, easy 1.8-miles (2.9 km)*
Daily 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm
Cruise on scenic Two Medicine Lake followed by an optional walk to beautiful Twin Falls.

- *Two Medicine boat dock.*
  Programs end on September 7.

Morning Eagle on Lake Josephine © S. PIEPER

Glacier National Park CONSERVANCY

This publication and all Native American interpretive programs offered in the park are made possible by the Glacier National Park Conservancy.

OTHER GUIDED SERVICES

Park concessioners offer a variety of other guided activities throughout the park. Reservations are required. Tour lengths and prices vary. Check page twelve of the Glacier Visitor Guide for information.

Glacier Guides, Inc
Day hikes and backpacking trips
800-521-7238

Glacier National Park Lodges
Park tours on the historic red buses
855-733-4522

Sun Tours
Bus tours highlighting Blackfeet culture
800-786-9220

Swan Mountain Outfitters
Horseback rides at Apgar, Lake McDonald Lodge, and Many Glacier
877-888-5557

Swainson's thrush NPS / ANDREW ENGLEHORN

Lake McDonald Valley

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8:00 am	Winged Wonders Bird Walk					•		•		•					•		•					•		•			•				
9:00 am	Avalanche Lake Hike	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•				•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•
9:00 am	Journey to Apgar Lookout																		•							•					
9:30 am	Under the Conifers Walk					•						•								•							•				
9:30 am	Creekside Stroll		•		•			•		•		•			•		•		•			•		•		•			•		•
9:30 am	Forests of Lilliput Walk				•									•											•				•		
10:00 am	Rocky Point Ramble	•		•					•		•		•			•		•					•		•					•	
10:00 am	Stories in Stone Stroll				•								•			•							•								
10:30 am	Wildlife Encounters Talk ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•					•
1:00 pm	Glacier's Solar Viewing (1:00 pm - 3:30 pm) ♿		•	•	•	•	•																								
1:30 pm	Amazing Animals Talk ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•				•		•	•					•	•	•			
1:30 pm	Lake McDonald Boat Tour ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
1:30 pm	Wildlife Encounters Talk ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•				•	•	•	•		•		•		•					•					•	
2:00 pm	Johns Lake Loop Hike			•		•	•	•		•			•		•										•	•	•		•		
2:00 pm	Story Behind the Scenery (2:00 pm - 3:30 pm) ♿		•								•	•							•			•			•	•			•		
2:30 pm	Autumn Amble				•						•			•		•					•		•					•		•	
2:30 pm	Sculpting the Landscape Walk		•									•								•											
3:00 pm	Lake McDonald Boat Tour ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
3:00 pm	Ranger's Choice Talk ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•				•		•	•				•		•				
3:00 pm	Sanctuary of Cedars (3:00 pm - 4:30 pm) ♿				•							•		•				•	•	•						•		•			
4:00 pm	Johns Lake Loop Hike	•			•							•				•			•			•	•								
4:00 pm	A Walk Through Time ♿		•						•										•					•			•				
6:00 pm	Apgar Campground Evening Talk ♿													•	•	•	•	•	•	•											
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8:00 pm	Fish Creek Campground Evening Program ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•																								
8:30 pm	Lake McDonald Lodge Evening Program ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			
9:30 pm	Glacier's Night Sky Viewing (9:30 pm - 11:30 pm) ♿		•	•			•																								

WALKS & HIKES

Autumn Amble
▸ *2 hours, easy, 1.75-miles (2.8 km)*
Fall is a time of change and preparation. Discover what is happening to the forest and its inhabitants during the changing season.
● *Lower McDonald Creek Bridge on Camas Road (0.25 miles west of the Apgar Village turnoff)*

Avalanche Lake Hike
▸ *3½ hours, moderate, 5-miles (8 km)*
Journey through a majestic old growth forest and relish in the splendors of scenic Avalanche Lake.
● *Avalanche Creek roadside parking area on the Going-to-the-Sun Road*

Creekside Stroll
▸ *2¼ hours, easy, 2-miles (3.2 km)*
Enjoy a casual stroll through diverse habitats along beautiful lower McDonald Creek.
● *Apgar Visitor Center flagpoles*

Forests of Lilliput Walk
▸ *2 hours, easy, 1.5-miles (2.4 km)*
Discover the fascinating world of mosses, ferns, lichens, and fungi.
● *Make reservations, in person, up to three days in advance at the Apgar Visitor Center.*

Johns Lake Loop Hike
▸ *2 hours, easy, 3-miles (4.8 km)*
Explore striking cedar-hemlock forests, quiet lakes, and roaring cascades on this leisurely hike.
● *Johns Lake trailhead (1.5 miles north of the Lake McDonald Lodge on the Going-to-the-Sun Road)*

Journey to Apgar Lookout
▸ *5 hours, strenuous, 6.6-miles (10.6 km)*
Ascend through an emerging forest to a mountain summit and find inspiration in the breathtaking views from a historic fire tower.
● *Apgar Lookout trailhead (Turn on Quarter Circle Bridge Road 0.5 mile north of the West Entrance and continue ~2.5 miles.)*

Rocky Point Ramble
▸ *2 hours, moderate 2.25-miles (3.6 km)*
Enjoy beautiful views and a diverse landscape as you journey to the shores of Lake McDonald.
● *Rocky Point trailhead (0.25 mile north of Fish Creek Campground Kiosk on the Inside North Fork Road)*

Sculpting the Landscape Walk
▸ *2 hours, easy, 2-miles (3.2 km)*
Unearth the dynamic forces that build and shape the dramatic scenery in the park.
● *Johns Lake trailhead (1.5 miles north of the Lake McDonald Lodge on the Going-to-the-Sun Road)*

Stories in Stone Stroll
▸ *1 hour, easy, .5-mile (.8 km)*
Enjoy a brief introduction to the area geology and then stroll the scenic lakeshore to delve deeper into the processes shaping the land.
● *Apgar Campground Amphitheater*

Under the Conifers Walk
▸ *2 hours, easy, 2-miles (3.2 km)*
Explore the dramatic forest bordering the stunning cascades of upper McDonald Creek.
● *Second pullout 0.7 miles north of North Lake McDonald Road on the Going-to-the-Sun Road (2 miles north of Lake McDonald Lodge)*

A Walk Through Time
▸ *1 hour, easy walking tour*
Enjoy a historical walking tour and unravel the unique history of the Lake McDonald Lodge and surrounding area.
● *Lake McDonald Lodge lakeside entrance*

Winged Wonders Bird Walk
▸ *2 hours, easy, 1.5-mile bird walk (2.4 km)*
Locate, identify, and learn about several of Glacier's fascinating residents—the birds. Bring binoculars.
● *Make reservations, in person, up to three days in advance at the Apgar Visitor Center.*

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

Park rangers will be available during the times listed. Stay for a minute or stay for an hour.

Glacier's Night Sky Viewing
▸ *Anytime between 9:30 pm and 11:30 pm*
Join an astronomer-in-the-park and peer into the mysteries of the night sky. Telescope viewing is available. Binoculars encouraged. Dependent on weather and sky conditions.
● *Apgar Visitor Center parking lot*

Glacier's Solar Viewing
▸ *Anytime between 1:00 pm and 3:30 pm*
Drop by and take a unique look at the Earth's closest star viewed safely through a special solar telescope. Dependent on weather and sky conditions. The Logan Pass Star Party is scheduled for September 4.
● *Apgar Village Green (located across from the hotels in Apgar Village)*

Story Behind the Scenery
▸ *Anytime between 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm*
Thrill at amazing views and learn about the natural and cultural history which has shaped the surrounding landscape.
● *Second pullout on the Going-to-the-Sun Road 0.4 miles north of Sprague Creek Campground*

Sanctuary of Cedars
▸ *Anytime between 3:00 pm and 4:30 pm*
Relish in the splendors and diversity of the park's iconic old growth forest.
● *Meet 0.25 mile up the Trail of the Cedars' southeast boardwalk. (Avalanche Creek area on the Going-to-the-Sun Road)*

TALKS & EVENING PROGRAMS

Amazing Animals Talk
▸ *30 minutes*
Uncover the natural history and adaptations of some of Glacier's famous inhabitants.
● *Apgar Nature Center seating area (Follow the pathway across from the campstore in Apgar Village.)*

Apgar Campground Evening Talk
▸ *45 minutes*
Explore Glacier's natural and cultural history along the shore of Lake McDonald. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.
● *Apgar Campground Amphitheater*

Fish Creek Campground Evening Program
▸ *45 minutes*
Sit back, relax, and learn about the natural and cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.
● *Fish Creek Campground Amphitheater*

Lake McDonald Lodge Evening Program
▸ *45 minutes*
Spend an evening discovering the many wonders of Glacier National Park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. All park visitors welcome.
● *Lake McDonald Lodge Auditorium*

Ranger's Choice Talk
▸ *30 minutes*
Discover unique aspects of the park. Join a ranger and explore a topic of his/her choice.
● *Apgar Nature Center seating area (Follow the pathway across from the campstore in Apgar Village.)*

Wildlife Encounters Talk
▸ *15-20 minutes*
Bear? Mountain lion? Learn how to enjoy the park safely. Includes a bear spray demonstration.
● *Apgar Visitor Center Plaza*

BOAT TOURS

Lake McDonald Boat Tour
▸ *1 hour*
Cruise on Lake McDonald and enjoy a sampling of Glacier's stories aboard the historic *DeSmet*. Arrive 15 minutes prior to departure.
● *Purchase tickets and meet at Lake McDonald Lodge boat dock.*

Fee: $16.75 adults, $8.50 children ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and younger.

Call (406) 257-2426 for reservations. Reservations are highly recommended.

Golden larch on the slopes of Mt. Brown NPS / BILL HAYDEN

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8:30 am	Heart of Glacier Hike		•		•			•				•			•			•	•	•											
8:30 am	Grinnell Glacier Boat Trip and Hike	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•												
9:30 am	Morning Nature Stroll		•	•	•	•	•																								
9:30 am	Red Rock Falls Hike	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•									
2:00 pm	Nature Walk	•		•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•		•			•												
4:00 pm	Historic Hotel Walking Tour	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
5:30 pm	Scope It Out ♿	•		•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•					•												
7:30 pm	Many Glacier Campground Evening Talk ♿			•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•	•																	
8:00 pm	Many Glacier Hotel Evening Program ♿	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
7:30 pm	Native America Speaks ♿	•																													

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Heart of Glacier Hike
▸ *6-7 hours, moderate, 10-miles (16 km)*
Discover the treasures of Glacier's interior on a hike to Iceberg Lake or one of the other unique areas in the heart of Glacier.
● *Swiftcurrent Motor Inn porch*

Morning Nature Stroll
▸ *2 hours, easy, 2-miles (3.2 km)*
Explore the trails of Many Glacier as you learn of the diversity of the area's plants and animals.
● *Grinnell Glacier trailhead (Many Glacier picnic area)*

Nature Walk
▸ *1 hour, easy, 1-mile (1.6 km)*
Explore the natural world along the way to Wilbur Falls and Fishercap Lake.
● *Swiftcurrent Motor Inn porch*

Red Rock Falls Hike
▸ *2½ hour, easy, 3.6-miles (5.8 km)*
The wonders of the Swiftcurrent Valley await you on this hike to Red Rock Falls. Look for moose in Fishercap Lake and enjoy the autumn splendor.
● *Swiftcurrent Motor Inn porch*

WILDLIFE WATCHING

Scope It Out
A Watchable Wildlife Activity
▸ *Drop by between 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm*
Use our spotting scopes to scan the slopes for wildlife as a park ranger answers questions about Glacier's animals.
● *Swiftcurrent Motor Inn parking lot*

TALKS & EVENING PROGRAMS

Many Glacier Campground Evening Talk
▸ *45 minutes*
Experience a national park tradition by joining a ranger for an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space.
● *Many Glacier Campground Amphitheater*

Many Glacier Hotel Evening Program
▸ *45 minutes*
Spend an evening discovering the many wonders of Glacier National Park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. All park visitors welcome.
● *Many Glacier Hotel Lucerne Room*

Native America Speaks
▸ *45 minutes*
Gain a new perspective as members of the Blackfeet tribe share their histories and traditions. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.
● *Many Glacier Campground Amphitheater*

Salamander Glacier NPS / TIM RAINS

BOAT TOURS & HIKES

Grinnell Glacier Boat Trip and Hike
▸ *8½ hours, strenuous, 8-miles (12.9 km)*
View spectacular scenery, including three of the park's receding glaciers.
● *Many Glacier Hotel boat dock*
Purchase tickets in advance at the dock.
Fee: $25.25 adults, $12.50 children ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and younger. Call (406) 257-2426 for reservations.
Reservations are highly recommended due to limited seating on boats.

HOTEL TOURS

Historic Hotel Walking Tour
▸ *1 hour, some walking with stairs*
Celebrate the 100th birthday of the Many Glacier Hotel and learn about its history and restoration.
● *Many Glacier Hotel lobby*

Many Glacier Hotel Lobby NPS / DAVID RESTIVO

Two Medicine		T 1	W 2	T 3	F 4	S 5	S 6	M 7	T 8	W 9	T 10	F 11	S 12	S 13	M 14	T 15	W 16	T 17	F 18	S 19	S 20	M 21	T 22	W 23	T 24	F 25	S 26	S 27	M 28	T 29	W 30
9:00 am	Boat Trip & Hike to Dawson Pass		•																												
9:00 am	Cobalt Lake Hike	•																													
9:00 am	Firebrand Pass Hike					•																									
10:30 am	Boat Trip & Hike to No Name Lake		•			•																									
11:30 am	Boat Trip & Hike to Upper Two Medicine Lake	•		•																											
12:30 pm	Aster Park Hike				•																										
7:30 pm	Native America Speaks		•			•																									
7:30 pm	Two Medicine Campground Evening Talk	•		•	•																										

WALKS & HIKES

Aster Park Hike
▸ *4 hours, moderate, 3.8-miles (6 km)*
Enjoy an easy hike to Aster Falls and then continue sharply upward 670 feet to Aster Park Overlook where you are rewarded with panoramic views of the Two Medicine Valley.
● *Two Medicine Campstore*

Cobalt Lake Hike
▸ *7 hours, strenuous, 11.4-miles (18.3 km)*
Walk past waterfalls and through flower-filled meadows to beautiful Cobalt Lake. You will climb 1,400 feet as you hike through a variety of habitats.
● *Two Medicine Campstore*

Firebrand Pass Hike
▸ *8 hour, strenuous, 9.6-miles (15.4 km)*
Learn about fire ecology as we explore the southeast corner of Glacier. The hike climbs 1,800 feet through 4 different life zones to rocky and rugged Firebrand Pass.
● *Mile marker 203, on Highway 2 (Pull out six miles west of East Glacier, on the north side of the road)*

TALKS & EVENING PROGRAMS

Native America Speaks
▸ *45 minutes*
Gain a new perspective as members of the Salish, Kootenai, Pend d'Oreille, and Blackfeet tribes share their histories and traditions. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.
● *Two Medicine Campground Amphitheater (Loop B, site 40)*

Two Medicine Campground Evening Talk
▸ *45 minutes*
Experience a national park tradition by joining a ranger for an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics.
● *Two Medicine Campground Amphitheater (Loop B, site 40)*

Grizzly sow and cubs NPS / ANDREW ENGLEHORN

Sinopah on Two Medicine Lake NPS / DAVID RESTIVO

BOAT TOURS & HIKES

Boat Trip & Hike to Dawson Pass
▸ *7 hours, strenuous, 10.4-miles (16.5 km)*
Cruise Two Medicine Lake and join the ranger on a steep and strenuous hike that climbs 2,500 feet through wind-swept alpine country to spectacular views from Dawson Pass.
● *Two Medicine boat dock*
Purchase boat tickets at the boat dock.
Fee: $12.50 adults, $6.25 children ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and younger.

Boat Trip & Hike to No Name Lake
▸ *6½ hours, moderate, 8.6-miles (13.8 km)*
Cruise Two Medicine Lake and join the ranger on a moderately steep, very scenic hike to No Name Lake, hidden deep in the Bighorn Basin. Enjoy the turquoise lake, flower-filled meadows, and pikas among the red rocks below Pumpelly Pillar wall. Return along the lake via the North Shore trail to the campground.
● *Two Medicine boat dock*
Purchase boat tickets at the boat dock.
Fee: $12.50 adults, $6.25 children ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and younger.

Boat Trip & Hike to Upper Two Medicine Lake
▸ *5 hours, easy, 4.4-miles (7 km)*
Cruise scenic Two Medicine Lake and join a ranger for a gentle hike to Upper Two Medicine Lake gaining 350 feet in elevation over 2.2 miles. Pause at Twin Falls and traverse flower-filled meadows on your way to the lake.
● *Two Medicine boat dock*
Purchase boat tickets at the boat dock.
Fee: $12.50 adults, $6.25 children ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and younger.

St. Mary Valley

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11:00 am	Here Comes the Sun	•					•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•			•	•	•										
2:00 pm	A Great Disturbance in the Forest Hike	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
7:00 pm	St. Mary Campground Evening Talk								•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•									
7:30 pm	St. Mary Campground Evening Talk	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
7:30 pm	Native America Speaks			•																											
8:00 pm	Half the Park Happens After Dark	•					•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•			•	•	•										

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Native America Speaks
▸ *45 minutes*
Gain a new perspective as members of the Salish, Kootenai, Pend d'Oreille, and Blackfeet tribes share their histories and traditions. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.
● *St. Mary Visitor Center auditorium*

St. Mary Campground Evening Talk
▸ *45 minutes*
Experience a national park tradition by joining a ranger for an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics.
● *St. Mary Campground Amphitheater (Loop C)*

SKY VIEWING PROGRAMS

Half the Park Happens After Dark
▸ *Dark until 12:30 am*
Join an astronomer-in-the-park for a tour of the heavens and learn why protecting dark skies is so important to all life on our planet.
● *St. Mary Visitor Center parking lot*
Set up begins at 8:00 pm, viewing begins at dark and will go until 12:30 am. Offered on clear nights only. To ensure best night sky viewing, please arrive before viewing time.

Here Comes the Sun
▸ *Anytime between 11:00 am - 2:00 pm*
Every day the source of all life on planet Earth crosses the sky. The Sun is a spectacular sight when viewed safely through special solar telescopes. Join us for a peek at the star that powers our planet and gives us life. Offered on sunny days only.
● *St. Mary Visitor Center parking lot*

Western anemone NPS / AMANDA McCUTCHEON

WALKS & HIKES

A Great Disturbance in the Forest Hike
▸ *3 hours, easy-moderate, 4-miles (6.4 km)*
In a forest, not so far away, this 4-mile loop trail will introduce you to autumn- colored meadows and sweeping mountain vistas. But there is also a dark side. Join a ranger to see examples of the destructive forces that help create balance and renew the land. May the forest be with you.
● *1913 Ranger Station parking lot*

Logan Pass

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9:15 am	Highline Trail Hike	•			•																										
10:00 am	Alpine Fever								•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
10:00 am	Alpine Rendezvous (10:00 am to 11:00 am)	•	•	•		•	•	•																							
12:00 pm	A Path Less Traveled (Noon to 1:00 pm)					•		•																							
1:00 pm	Alpine Rendezvous (1:00 pm to 2:00 pm)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
1:00 pm	Highline to Haystack Hike								•				•	•	•	•				•	•										
2:00 pm	Alpine Fever	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
2:00 pm	Alpine Touch Table								•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										
3:00 pm	Alpine Fever	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
5:00 pm	Alpine Fever	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							
6:00 pm	Alpine Fever	•	•	•	•	•	•	•																							

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Highline to Haystack Hike
▸ *4½ hours, moderate, 7 miles, (11.3 km)*
Explore the Highline Trail on a ranger-led hike packed with panoramas of alpine meadows, glacially-sculpted valleys, and soaring peaks. Wildlife thrives in this lofty locale, including bighorn sheep, mountain goats, and marmots. This hike traverses the mountainsides above the Going-to-The-Sun Road, gaining 500 feet of elevation to Haystack Butte. Return on your own or with the ranger to the Logan Pass parking area.
● *Meet at the flagpoles along the front sidewalk of Logan Pass Visitor Center.*

Highline Trail Hike
▸ *7-8 hours, strenuous, 11.6-miles, (18.6 km)*
Experience the beauty of the high country on an all-day hike along the Garden Wall. Hike the 7.6-mile trail to Granite Park Chalet followed by a steep 2,200-foot descent over the last four miles to end at The Loop. Due to limited parking space, use of the free park shuttle is highly recommended. Not recommended for young children.
● *Meet at the Continental Divide sign at Logan Pass.*

TALKS

Alpine Fever
▸ *20 minutes*
The evidence of our changing planet surrounds you at Logan Pass. Join a ranger for a short talk, and see for yourself the impact of climate change on Glacier's alpine landscape.
● *Meet by the upper level doors of the Logan Pass Visitor Center.*

On any hike, both short and long, remember to bring water, sunscreen, a hat, and a snack.

Especially in the Fall, be prepared for a change in the weather and bring extra clothes.

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

Alpine Touch Table
▸ *Anytime between 2:00 and 3:00 pm*
Stop by a touch table anytime between 2:00 and 3:00 to touch the pelts and horns of the animals that call Logan Pass home. Learn about how these animals struggle to adapt to the changing alpine.
● *Meet at the lower level of the Logan Pass Visitor Center.*

Alpine Rendezvous
▸ *Anytime 10:00 am–11:00 am, and 1:00 pm–2:00 pm*
Explore the beauty, diversity, and hardships found in the alpine environment.
● *Meet 0.25 mile up the Hidden Lake Trail.*

A Path Less Traveled
▸ *Anytime 12:00 pm-1:00 pm*
Explore the intricacies found along the park's world class trails in this majestic landscape.
● *Meet 0.25 mile down the Highline Trail from Logan Pass.*

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Mid-summer in the meadows around Logan Pass is a riot of color. Here pink monkey flowers and yellow groundsel carpet the hillside. NPS / ANDREW ENGLEHORN