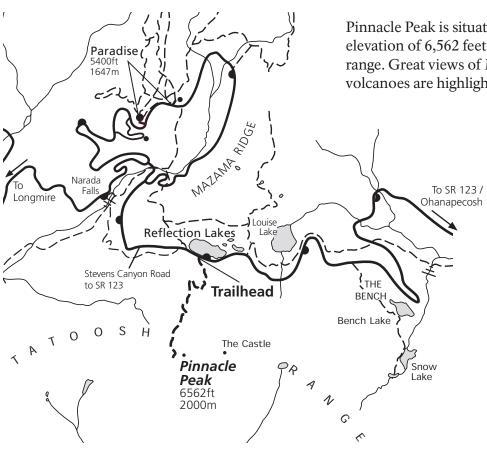


Pinnacle Peak Saddle



Pinnacle Peak is situated in the middle of the Tatoosh Range at an elevation of 6,562 feet (2000 m), the second highest peak in the range. Great views of Mount Rainier and other southern Cascade volcanoes are highlights of this steep hike.



Do not feed or approach wildlife. Pets and bicycles are not allowed on park trails.

Do not pick flowers or collect other park resources (rocks, wood, etc.).
Carry the "10 Essentials" and Leave No Trace of your visit.
Use a topographical map.
Permit required for wilderness camping.

Trail Description

Round-trip Distance:

2.6 miles (4.2 km)

Elevation Gain:

1,050 feet (320 m)

Hiking Time Round-trip:

2 hours

Difficulty Level: Moderate

Trailhead: Follow the Stevens Canyon Road to the parking area at Reflection Lakes. The trailhead is on the south side of the road.

Along the Trail

As the trail climbs, subalpine forest and huckleberry thickets give way to open, rocky slopes. The maintained trail ends at a saddle on the ridgeline of the Tatoosh Range, just west of Pinnacle Peak. On a clear day, the spectacular view from the saddle makes this hike well worth the effort! To the north is a dramatic view of Mount Rainier and Paradise. To the south, one sees Mount Adams and Mount St. Helens in the foreground and

Oregon's Mount Hood on the horizon. This is an excellent trail on which to see pikas, marmots, and the occasional herd of mountain goats.

If traveling beyond the end of the maintained trail, please use caution on the loose, rocky slopes and minimize your impact to the fragile vegetation by staying on previously-traveled routes.

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