RECREATION OPPORTUNITY GUIDE

Olympic National Forest

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Mt. Walker Trail #894

Recommended Season

SPRING SUMMER FALL WINTER

Hood Canal District - Quilcene Office
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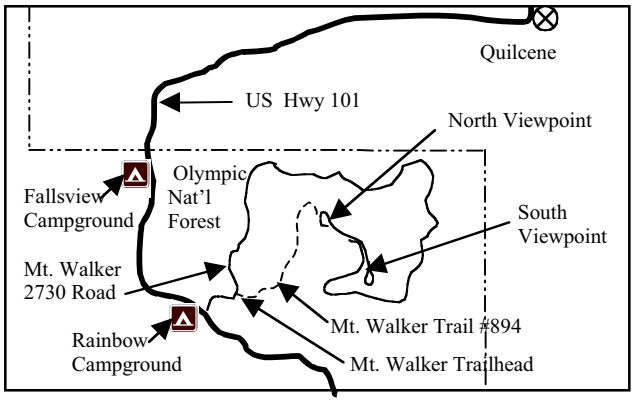
ACCESS: Mt. Walker is the only peak facing Puget Sound that has both a road and trail to its summit. Drive 5 miles south of Quilcene on US Highway 101. Turn east onto Mt. Walker Viewpoint Road. Drive a short .25 mile to the trailhead. Pullover parking is on the left side of the road. Trail begins on the right side of the road. Note: A Northwest Forest Pass is not required at this trailhead.



FACILITIES: Small parking area on FS Road #2730 (Mt. Walker Road). Restrooms are located at the parking areas at both summit viewpoints. There is no water available. Picnic tables are located at the north summit viewpoint.

SETTING: Forested hike through Douglas-fir, spring blooming pacific rhododendrons, salal, and Oregon Grape. Vistas at the north viewpoint include Mt. Jupiter, Mt. Constance, Buckhorn Mountain, Mt. Baker and the town of Quilcene. Vistas from the south viewpoint include the Hood Canal, Mt. Rainier, and Seattle.

TRAIL INFORMATION: The trail is 2.0 miles in length, fairly steep with 10% to 20% grades and 2,000 feet elevation gain. Trail ends at the north viewpoint. The south viewpoint can be reached by walking the road.

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The summit viewpoints can also be accessed by driving the Mt. Walker Road 4.0 miles to the summit from US Highway 101.

Destination	Miles	Elev.
Trailhead	0.0	800'
Mt. Walker North Viewpoint	2.0	2,805'
Mt. Walker South Viewpoint by walking summit road from end of trail at the North Viewpoint	2.5	2,805'

OPPORTUNITIES: Hiking, viewing scenery, and picnicking. Barrier-free accessible trail from south viewpoint parking to viewing area. Practice LEAVE NO TRACE techniques during your hike.

CLOSURES: Motor vehicles and mountain bikes are prohibited.

PASS NOT REQUIRED: *The Northwest Forest Pass is* ***NOT REQUIRED*** *at trailhead.*

Many visitors each year enjoy the panoramic views of Mt. Rainier, Puget Sound and Seattle from the summit of Mt. Walker.