A Sample of Northern Oregon Hiking.



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The closest hiking to the greater Portland area is that found in the Columbia River Gorge. A typical trail is shown above. But it's the creeks that offer the most spectacular scenery. Shown below are falls on Upper Multnomah Creek.



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Although this merges into the well know Multnomah Falls within a couple of miles or so, I find this section much more charming than the classic.



Mt. Hood offers a wide variety of winter activities. Snowshoeing is the one that we have enjoyed for the past 40 years or so. Here we are exploring a ridge south of Mt. Hood.



Snowshoers enjoy an afternoon after a heavy snow.



Climbing and Mountaineering is popular on Mt. Hood. Here's a shot from the summit looking north at several of the peaks in Washington. This late May day in 1982 was one of the best we have seen. It was also crowded, even then.



This is a typical summer scene of hiking around the mountain. This 1980 view above shows the Sandy Glacier on the west side of Mt. Hood with McNeil Point on the ridge on the left skyline. That was our eventual destination.



1981.

It's enjoyable to run the ridges above the trails, exploring the bases of the glaciers. Here's a view of the ridge above McNeil Point.



1986.

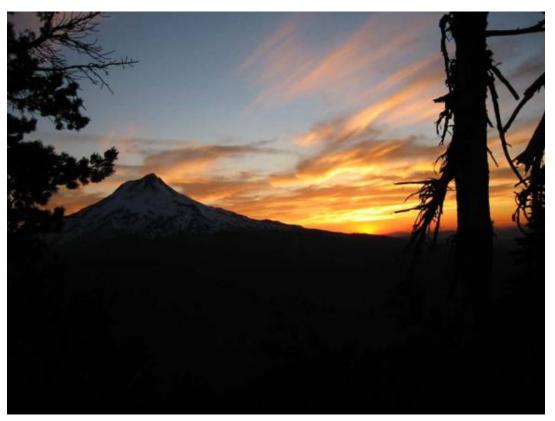
Paradise Park on a SW ridge from the mountain is a popular hiking destination, reachable by several routes. This view shows the meadows in July.



Exploration shows large groups of avalanche lilies. A wait will usually allow the clouds to blow away to reveal the mountain.



It's interesting to return after the first snows have fallen and melted. The meadows have then changed color to produce a completely different flavor.





One of our favorite activities is to camp on at high elevation. One of the benefits is a wonderful sample of great sunsets.