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Prairie City Oregon serves as the base camp for visitors at the far west section of the Blue Mountain Heritage Trail. The town is surrounded by public lands and is located at the base of the Strawberry Mountain Wilderness. It is here where you will want to re-supply for your back country journey...

**Come to Prairie...  
We look forward to seeing you!**



**Canyon City, Oregon**  
THE CANYON MOUNTAIN TRAIL

From Hwy 26, Head west of Prairie City to the intersection in John Day. Head South on Highway 395. Go approximately 2 miles. Take a left onto Marysville Rd. in Canyon City. Go up the hill on the paved road about 2 miles. Take a right onto Gardner Ranch Lane (CR 77). Go approximately a quarter of a mile. Take another right on Canyon Mountain Trail 218. Follow the road for 2 more miles to an unmarked spur in the road on the left. Within a hundred yards, the road will become The Canyon Mountain trailhead. If you miss the spur road, the road will Severely drop on the right side of the road.

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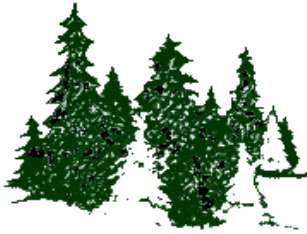
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**DIXIE CAMP**  
From Prairie City, take Hwy 26 eight miles East to Dixie Camp sign. Turn left. This will take you to the campground. Turn left after Site # 1 for more of the campground.

**DAVIS CREEK TRAILHEAD**  
From Prairie City, take Hwy 26 eight miles East to Dixie Camp sign. Trailhead is located between Dixie Summit and Austin Junction.

**LAKE CREEK TRAIL**  
From Canyon City, head South on S Hwy 395 approximately 8 miles. Turn left onto county rd # 65 and drive to junction rd # 65 and CR 16. Take a left on Cr # 16. Drive approximately 3 miles to FSR # 1640. Drive approximately 5 miles and turn right onto FSR # 1648. Drive about 3 miles. Turn left at Murray Campground intersection. Drive a mile and unload your stock there. The trailhead is at the end of the road but is not suitable for trailers.

**TABLE ROCK TRAILHEAD**  
From Unity go one mile west on the South Fork Burnt River Rd. Turn south on to Bull run Rd. Go Approximately 4 miles to Bull run Creek on to Table Rock TH.

**ELK FLAT SPRINGS**  
Four miles from the Table Rock Lookout is Elk Flat Springs. It is alongside NFD # 1370. This campsite is primitive. It is the only designated campsite within ten miles of the Monument Rock Wilderness trailhead. There is a spring that usually runs dry in the summer. The closest source of water is the N. Fork Malheur.

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(541) 432-9821 / 60060 Wallowa Lake Hwy Joseph OR



Wallowa Lake Resort serves as the base camp for visitors to the North East region of the Blue Mountain Heritage Trail. The town is surrounded by The Eagle Cap Wilderness. It is located near The Hells Canyon Recreation Area. You may replenish your supplies at the Glacier Grill General Store. Wallowa Lake Resort has everything that you may need and more. We look forward to seeing you here.

IMNAHA, OREGON

Imnaha Oregon serves as the base camp for visitors to the farthest North remote section of the Blue Mountain Heritage Trail. The town is surrounded by The Wallowa Whitman National Forest and the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. It is located in The Zumwalt-Crow section Near The Freezeout Trailhead and the Warnock Corrals. You may replenish your supplies at the Imnaha Store & Tavern. There is a post office in Imnaha where you may send your supplies ahead of time.



CATHERINE CREEK

From Hwy 203. Take a left onto County Rd # 141. This will take you to Forest Rd # 7785. The trailhead has water, hitch rails and a ramp.

WARNOCK CORRALS

Four miles north of Hat Point out of Imnaha Oregon – Pack Saddles

INDIAN CROSSING CAMP

From Joseph, take Rd. 350 approximately 8 miles to the Hells Canyon sign. Turn right and follow the rd to Wallowa Mt Rd. This road will turn into Forest Rd. 39. Go approximately 30 miles to the Imnaha River Campground. Take a right onto Forest Rd. 3960. It is 8 miles to the campground.

WALLOWA LAKE Trailhead

Seven miles South of Joseph.

HURRICANE CREEK

Five Miles From Joseph. Take County Rd #774, turn left onto County Rd #521. 521 turns to Forest Rd #8205. Hitching rails and loading ramp is available. The trailhead is 1.5 mile from the Campground.

BOWMAN/FRANCES LAKE

Fourteen miles South from Lostine. From Hwy #82, Turn onto County Rd #551. This will lead to Forest Rd #821. The trailhead has stock water and hitch rails

BUCK CREEK

Follow State Hwy #203 from Union. Turn left onto Forest Rd #7785. Go 3 miles and turn right onto Forest Rd #7787. It will lead to Buck Creek Trailhead from there



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BEAR CREEK

Eight miles south of Wallowa, Oregon on Forest Rd. #8250. Then onto Forest Rd #040. Go Passed Boundary Camp to the trailhead. This TH has stock water, hitch rails and a loading ramp available.

BEAR-WALLOW

From State Hwy 82, The TH is 27 miles west of Enterprise. Turn left onto Big Canyon Road, Forest Rd #8270 and onto Forest Road #050, go approximately 16 miles where you will reach the trailhead. Loading ramp and hitch rails are available.

A COWBOYS DREAM

Last night as I lay on the prairie and looked at the stars in the sky. I wondered if ever a cowboy could drift to that sweet by and by. The road to that bright happy region, they say it's a dim and narrow trail, But the broad one will lead to perdition, Is posted and blazed all the way. They say there will be a great roundup, and cowboys like doggies will stand, To be cut by the riders of judgment, who are posted and know every brand. I wonder if ever a cowboy, stood ready for that Judgment day, could say to the boss of the riders, I'm ready -- come drive me away.

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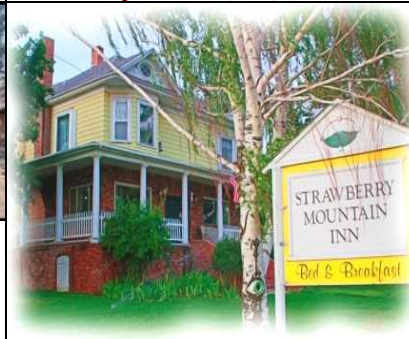


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- Forks Trail** - SE of Ukiah on Forest Road # 52. Go 24 miles. Turn right on FSR # 5225. Go 3.5 to Forks Guard Station.
- North Fork John Day** - From Ukiah, head SE on Forest Rd # 52. Forty miles to campground. Corrals and water available.
- Silver Butte Trail** - From Ukiah, go 24 miles SE on Forest Rd # 52 to the Big Creek Meadows. Turn right on FSR # 5225.
- Saddle Camp** - From Hwy 395 near Dale, go 29 miles East on Forest Road # 10 to the trailhead.
- Crane Creek Trail** - Travel forty five miles SE of Ukiah on Forest Rd # 52. Turn on Forest Rd. # 73 to Crane Creek Flat

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**Trailheads**

**ROCK SPRINGS**

Is 20 miles SE of Highway # 82, Take FSR # 62 between Elgin and Minam Summit.

**SUMMIT POINT**

From LaGrande, Take Hwy # 203 to FSR # 77. It will be 10 miles to McBride Campground. Turn north on FSR # 7715 This will lead you to the trailhead.

**MT. EMILY HORSE TRAILS**

Two miles north of La Grande.

**COUGAR RIDGE**

Take Hwy # 82. Turn left on to Forest Road # 8270 to the trail.

**MAIN EAGLE TRAILHEAD**

From Union ... Take Hwy # 203 to Medical Springs. Turn left onto FSR # 70 and go two miles to junction FSR # 70 & # 67. Follow FSR # 67 for 16 miles until you reach the junction of # 7750. Take a left, and drive approximately 3.5 more miles to the trailhead. It is two miles beyond the Two Color Camp.

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**Just An Ol` Cowboy - By Cile Beer**

He's just an ol' cowboy with a heart big as the whole out of doors. But time has exchanged his home on the range, for a garden and five acres to mow.

He still rides the range, each day at three, with John Wayne, Gabby or Tex, When he closes his eyes he's there by their side, somewhere out in the west.

He's there in spring, at the rendezvous site, when the mountain men all converge, He'll share their whiskey, adventures and lies till they give into that wandering urge.

He spent one winter in the mountains way high, his cabin the size of a den. He was cozy and warm tucked safe from the storm, until a commercial cut in.

He was there when Jessie, Frank and the gang, hit the bank in a small Kansas town, He ran for the sheriff, drew his six guns and waited, expecting to mow them all down.

On trails he did ride with Goodnight and Chism, his job, to bring in the strays, Like a coyote he'd croon by the light of the moon, to the cattle at the end of the day.

He froze in Alaska as he panned for gold, burned brown as the prairies he trod, Fell along side Jim Bowie at the Old Alamo and buried deep 'neath the Lone Star sod.

He tried to avoid the Indian wars, but rode with Reno at the Little Big Horn, The chaos he saw made his skin crawl and wasn't ashamed, as he knelt there and bawled.

His days they were great, and granted still are, for he met a new friend today. He walked by a bookstore, saw Louie Lamour, now new adventures are coming his way.

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**NORTH FORK CATHERINE CREEK**

Location: 29 miles SE of La Grande, off OR Hwy. 203, Forest Rd. 7785, last 6 miles are gravel. Elevation 4400 ft. 6 tent/trailer sites. Fish, hike, picnic; trailhead accesses Eagle Cap Wilderness. Horse camp and loading ramp.

**MOSS SPRINGS**

Location: 24 miles E of La Grande, Hwy 82, Hwy 237, Forest Rd. 6220 last 10 miles gravel and steep. Elevation 5400 ft. 11 tent/trailer sites. Hike or ride into wilderness. Horse camp corrals, trailhead and loading ramp.

**BOULDER PARK**

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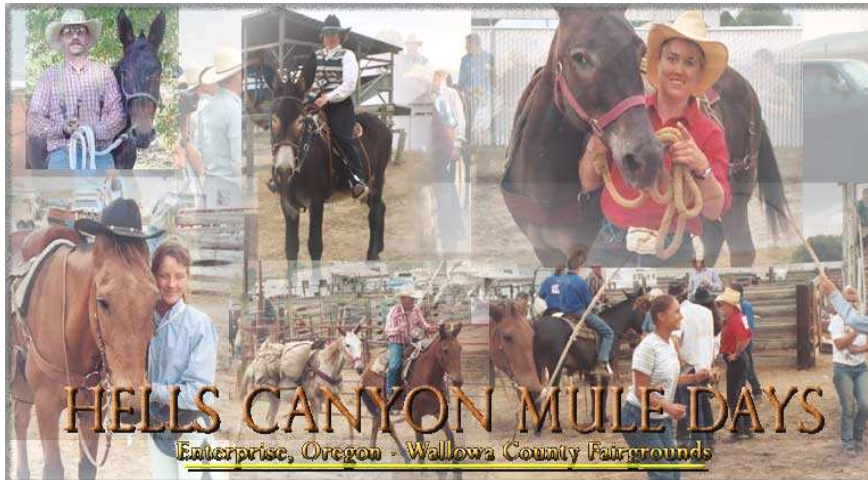
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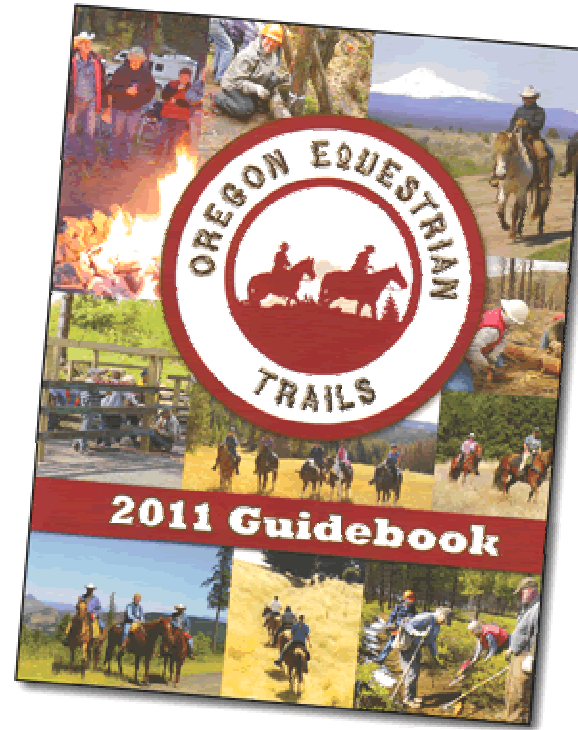


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**Crossing Streams With Soft Bottoms** Some creeks have soft bottoms that will cause a horse's legs to sink in a foot or more. Even a good water horse will lunge and start jumping when the soft bottom is encountered. It is best to have one person lead the horse to the stream and start it across while another person is on the other side to catch the lead rope as the horse crosses the stream. Trying to lead the horse while it is lunging and jumping across the stream can be very dangerous because these soft bottom streams are normally in very steep and rugged terrain.

**Tying Horses** DO NOT TIE A HORSE BY THE REIGNS. Take the bridle off and use the halter and a leadrope. Ride with a halter first and then add the bridle over it. Have your lead rope handy at all times.

**Pecking order** Usually the horses will let you know who should lead or follow. If the order doesn't feel right, let the horses fall in to line.

**Bees and Horses** If you encounter bees near a hive the only solution is to try and keep going *quickly* forward until you are out of the area.

**Horse Conditioning** If your horse has not had conditioning prior to your long journey, it is possible that they will tire and lay down on the trail. Pay attention to exhausted horses. Take a break every now and then.

**Give your horse favors** The pack horse is doing the heaviest work. Give them favors and show your gratitude throughout the trip. Look back occasionally to see if they are okay. Give the horse time to pick its way around the corners. Have a bottle of water handy to moisten its mouth once in awhile. Treat them good!

**Feed and Water** Many people incorrectly assume there will be grass and water basically anywhere in the back country or Wilderness areas. Unfortunately, many Wilderness areas have little grass and water sources are mainly in lower areas. Contact the Forest Service for info on grass and water in the area you plan on packing in. Always take alfalfa cubes on pack trips to insure sufficient food/nutrition. If using alfalfa cubes, *always* start feeding alfalfa cubes 4-5 days prior to pack trip in small amounts and gradually increase amount each day. A working pack horse requires 15-20 pounds of alfalfa cubes per day, less is okay if you supplement with available grass. Feeding a horse a full ration of alfalfa cubes with no transition could cause your horse to colic and die. Water horses as often as possible. Always have water available when corralled or tied.

**Exhausted riding horses and pack animals are very dangerous.** An exhausted animal will stumble often, lunge and are prone to stepping off the trail. Rest your animals often to avoid your riding horse or pack animal stepping off a trail and causing serious injury to you and them. Exhausted horses are more prone to make mental mistakes just like exhausted people.

**Crossing Water** You will invariably cross many small streams on the trail, creeks and possibly rivers. If you cross a large stream or river, be sure that there are no unseen or large boulders at your fording site.

**Meeting other pack strings on narrow trails** is a hazard to you and your horses. Trail courtesy requires the smaller string to get off the trail or turn around. Insure you always keep the head of your horse and pack animals pointed downhill when turning around. As long as your horse can see the trail it significantly reduces the probability of it going over the side of a narrow trail. Dismount and untie the first pack animal. Turn it around and proceed working your way down the pack string until you reach the last animal in the pack string, which is now the front.

**Keep horses on the inside of the trail** There are narrow trails that will possibly give way if the horse steps near the edge. The narrower a dirt trail in steep terrain, the more likely the trail will give way possibly causing a tremendous wreck. If there is any question on trail safety, get off and walk. If the trail gives way, a riding horse has a much better chance of getting back on the trail if you are not riding him. If you jump off to the uphill side when the horse is struggling to get back on the trail - your weight pushing him downhill could make the difference of him going over or his survival. If the trail is steep and narrow, dismount and walk.

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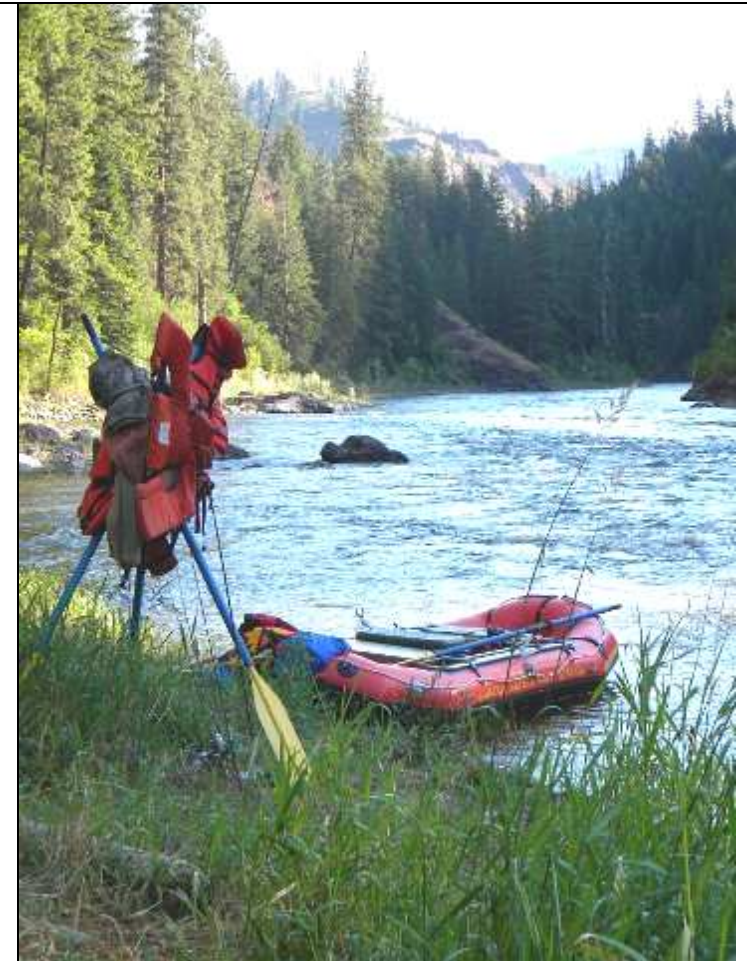
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From Mt. Vernon - Take Hwy 26 East Go approximately one mile passed Clyde Holliday State Park. Turn right onto CR# 49 (Laycock rd.) approximately 12 miles and turn left onto FSR # 4920. Go about a half a mile and turn right onto FSR # 333. The Trailhead is across from the Star Ridge Campground on SHwy 26.

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