


Butte Bar

Feather River Ranger District



General Information

Mileage	1.5 miles one way
Elevation Change	3800 feet to 2800 feet
Difficulty	 (difficult)
Use Level	Light
Quad Map	Dogwood Peak
Location	NW1/4Sec1 T22N R8E MDBM

Access

Depart: From Oroville at Oro-Dam Blvd. / Hwy 70

Turn:	Road Name/Description:	Miles:	Notes/Sights
RIGHT	Oro-Quincy Hwy (162)	7.3	
RIGHT	Forbestown Road	16.6	Called Challenge
LEFT	La Porte Road	32.4	Cut-off
RIGHT	Road # 94	2.0	Gravel - last 2.6 mi.
RIGHT	Road # 27	2.7	Left 0.3 mi. past dam
LEFT	Road # 23N65Y	2.8	Wide gravel road
LEFT	Road # 23N65YB	4.4	Dirt road
RIGHT	Parking loop		Narrow, brushy, dirt road
	Walk to trailhead	0.1	

Left side of road

Trail Description

Escape to Butte Bar for a peaceful getaway. This remote hike through the forest is lavishly lined with dogwoods and ferns. A mile from the trailhead is the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). You will continue on the PCT for a half-mile before splitting off to Butte Bar. At the base, Butte Bar offers good camping areas dotted along the Middle Fork of the Feather River with a series of moderately deep swimming holes. As a note of warning, the trailhead is located at the end of a very brushy roadway. Take your time traveling down this road. There is no avoiding the scratching brush, so take an appropriate vehicle. *(The trail is generally open from mid-June to mid-October, snow and road conditions permitting.)*

Be Aware:

Remote area (Bring a first aid kit)
River is fast and cold in early season
High clearance vehicle recommended
4-wheel drive vehicle may be necessary



Note:

Open water sources are easily contaminated by human or animal waste. Water from springs, lakes, ponds, and streams should be properly treated before drinking. One recommended method of treatment is to bring clear water to a rolling boil for five minutes.



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