



# RECREATION OPPORTUNITY GUIDE

## Olympic National Forest

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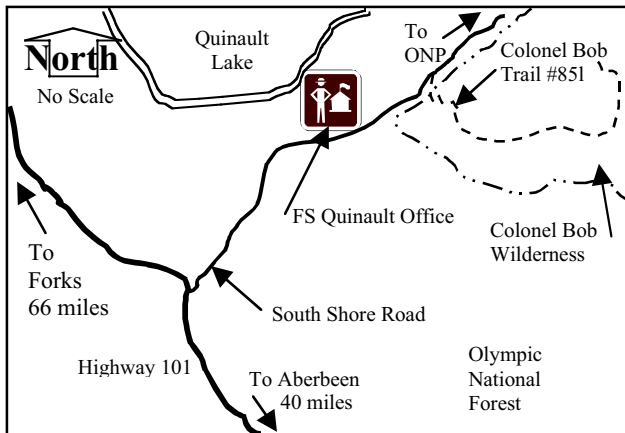
### Colonel Bob Trail #851

Pacific Ranger District – Quinault Office  
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**Recommended Season**  
SPRING SUMMER FALL WINTER



**ACCESS:** Travel US Highway 101 to junction with South Shore Road, 40 miles north of Aberdeen or 66 miles south of Forks. Turn east and drive 6.0 miles to Colonel Bob Trailhead on right side of South Shore Road.



**OPPORTUNITIES:** Excellent opportunity to view the Olympic temperate rain forest including old-growth stands of Douglas-fir, Sitka spruce, western hemlock and western red cedar. Panoramic views of Olympic Mountains and Quinault Lake. Limited camping space at Mulkey Shelter and Moonshine Flats. Treat all drinking water. Pack out what you pack in. Practice LEAVE NO TRACE techniques during your trip.

**CLOSURES:** Motorized vehicles and mountain bikes are prohibited. Stock are prohibited beyond Moonshine Flats. No open campfires allowed above 3,500 feet inside Colonel Bob Wilderness. Obey all Wilderness regulations.

**FACILITIES:** A small trailhead on the right side of the South Shore Road. No toilet or water available at trailhead.

**SETTING:** Dense old-growth conifer forest with lush understory of rain forest vegetation. Panoramic view of Quinault Lake from summit of Colonel Bob.

**TRAIL INFORMATION:** The Colonel Bob Trail gains over 4,200 feet in 7.2 miles to the summit of Colonel Bob. The Mulkey Trail Shelter is reached in 4.0 miles. The junction with the Pete’s Creek Trail #858 is at 5.5 miles. The trail ends at the summit of Colonel Bob.

**TOPO MAP:** Quinault-Colonel Bob Custom Correct Map or Quinault Lake USGS Quad.



*Panoramic views of Olympic’s from Moonshine Flats.*

Destination	Miles	Elev.
Trailhead	0.0	230’
Mulkey Trail Shelter	4.0	2,160’
Jct. with Pete’s Cr. Trail	5.5	3,300’
Moonshine Flats camp	6.3	3,500’
Colonel Bob summit	7.2	4,510’

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