



# RECREATION OPPORTUNITY GUIDE

## Olympic National Forest

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### Short Trails near Quilcene

**Recommended Season**  
SPRING SUMMER FALL WINTER



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**The following Short Hikes are located on the northern portion of the Hood Canal Ranger District. These trails are less than 3 miles in length and they provide opportunities for short day hikes.**

A NORTHWEST FOREST PASS or Golden Passport (Eagle, Age or Access) is required for parking at some of these trailheads. Passes are available at all FS offices and at some businesses. The NW Forest DAY Pass is \$5 and the ANNUAL Pass is \$30. The Annual Pass is good for one year from date of purchase. Golden Passports are available at FS offices and may be placed on vehicle's dashboard or hung from rearview mirror.

**TRAIL CLOSURES:** Motorized vehicles, mountain bicycles and horses are prohibited on the following trails except for Mt. Zion Trail #800. Treat all water before using. Pack-It-In & Pack-It-Out.

#### **FALLSVIEW CANYON TRAIL #868 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** 3.5 miles south of Quilcene on US Highway 101 at Fallsview Campground. Drive to the back of the left (south) campground loop. Small parking area.

**LENGTH:** 0.6 mile. **GRADE:** 10-20%. **ELEVATION:** 400 -200 .

**FACILITIES:** Campground, picnic area, parking, water and restrooms.

**SETTING:** Fallsview Campground, forested river canyon trail. Second-growth forest with an understory of salal, ferns and rhododendrons (bloom mid-May to early June).

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Hiking, picnicking, camping and stream fishing.

#### **FALLSVIEW LOOP TRAIL #848 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** 3.5 miles south of Quilcene on US Highway 101 at Fallsview Campground. Drive to the back of the left (south) campground loop. Small parking area.

**LENGTH:** 0.1 mile. **GRADE:** level loop trail. **ELEVATION:** 400 .

**FACILITIES:** Campground, picnic area, parking, water and restrooms.

**SETTING:** Fallsview Campground. Second-growth forest with understory of salal and rhododendrons (bloom mid-May to early June). View of waterfalls from overlook near picnic area.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Very short walk to view of falls. Picnicking and camping.

**MT. WALKER TRAIL #894 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** 5 miles south of Quilcene on US Highway 101 to the Mt. Walker Road. Turn onto Mt. Walker Road and drive a short \_ mile distance to the trailhead. Parking on left side and trailhead on right side of Mt. Walker Road.

**LENGTH:** 2 miles.                   **GRADE:** Up to 25%.                   **ELEVATION:** 800 to 2,805 .

**SETTING:** Pleasant but steep hike through a second-growth forest to the summit of Mt. Walker. Pacific rhododendrons bloom mid-May to early June.

**FACILITIES:** Trailhead parking but no toilet or water available. At the summit (also accessible by vehicle) there are picnic tables and restrooms. Water is not available so carry extra water.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Day hiking and viewing scenery. Spectacular views of the Olympic and Cascade Mountain Ranges, Puget Sound and Mt. Rainier from the summit.

**NED HILL TRAIL #837 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** South of Sequim turn onto Taylor Cutoff Road. Then turn onto FS Road #2870. Next turn right onto FS Road #2875 and then left on FS Road #2878.

**LENGTH:** 1.1 miles.                   **GRADE:** Steep.                   **ELEVATION:** 2,600 to 3,400 .

**SETTING:** Short hike through second-growth forest. Partial views of Blue Mountain, Mt. Baldy, Tyler Peak and Maynard Peak.

**FACILITIES:** Small parking area. No toilet or water. Carry water.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Day hiking, viewing scenery and wildlife.

**NOTCH PASS TRAIL #831 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** 3.5 miles from Quilcene off Penny Creek Road, on FS Road #010.

**LENGTH:** 2 miles.                   **GRADE:** 15-20%.                   **ELEVATION:** 500 to 2,500 .

**SETTING:** Second-growth forest to notch in ridge where trail ends. Nice view of mountains from the road.

**FACILITIES:** Small parking area. No toilet or water. Carry water.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Day hiking and viewing scenery.

**RAINBOW TRAIL #892 (Pass is NOT REQUIRED at trailhead)**

**ACCESS:** 5 miles south of Quilcene at Rainbow Campground. Trailhead is at the back of the campground loop.

**LENGTH:** 0.5 mile.                   **GRADE:** Up to 20%.                   **ELEVATION:** 600 to 440 .

**SETTING:** Forested trail descending down to the Big Quilcene River.

**FACILITIES:** Reservation group campground with locked gate. To access the trail, park across US Highway 101.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Day hiking, fishing and group camping.

Contact the Hood Canal District, Quilcene Office at (360) 765-2200 for current road and trail conditions.