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Easy mountain walks



BARLOW WAYSIDE PARK Brightwood, Ore. "Paths wander through the forest and cross small creeks, providing a mini mountain experience," Pamela Ashland writes. "There's also an adjacent biking area." clackamas.us/parks/barlowtrail.html

DRY CREEK FALLS Cascade Locks, Ore. "Just a quarter mile off the Pacific Crest Trail comes a scenic surprise: a gorgeous gem of a waterfall that plunges 50 to 70 feet," says Rennea Collum. tinyurl.com/mvibnzh

MOUNT TABOR PARK Portland. "Several walks here are easy to do and easy to access," writes Martrese White. "All are well marked and begin and end at the visitor center, which offers printed trail maps. Brag that you hiked on an extinct volcano!" portlandoregon.gov/parks

NACHES PEAK LOOP Mount Rainier National Park, Wash. "One incredible sight after another," reports Anne Egli. "We had a marvelous view of Dewey Lakes, then Rainier peeked from the clouds." nps.gov/mora/planyourvisit/natches-peak-loop.htm

PETERSON RIDGE TRAIL Sisters, Ore. "The beginning of the hike is flat and takes you through picturesque scenery," says Dave Taube. "At the end, there's an easy climb with spectacular views of the Three Sisters." sisterstrails.com/trailmaps.html

MOUNT TAMALPAIS STATE PARK Mill Valley, Calif. "I bring visitors to the top," Patti Ferrera writes. "The view is breathtaking, and there are places to stop and take in everything around you. Easy for any age." www.parks.ca.gov

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