

STOP #7

Multnomah Falls

This historic structure is an attraction of its own. The lodge features a beautiful dining room on the upper level with an excellent menu. The main level includes the Forest Service information center, a large gift shop and washroom facilities. The plaza grounds include kiosks for snacks and drinks for the casual visitor.

Option A - Benson Footbridge

This landmark bridge at the base of the upper falls is iconic and can be accessed by a gradual and paved trail from the lodge. This trail passes the viewpoint of the lower falls and is accessible to all. A shorter walk to the Benson Bridge at the foot of the upper portion of Multnomah Falls can be done in well under one hour. The trail is paved and the elevation gain is 70+ feet.

Option B—Top of Multnomah Falls

Rating: Moderate

Elevation Gain: 700+ feet

Distance: 2.2 miles round-trip

The longer ascent to the top of Multnomah Falls will take you through a series of switchbacks. The upper portion features sweeping views of the Gorge. A platform overhanging the top of the falls is accessible from this trail. You may also continue above the trail split to access the connecting trail to Wahkeena Falls.



STOP #8

Horsetail Falls

Option A—View of Falls

For guests traveling eastbound, we suggest getting off at Horsetail Falls for an 8 minute photo stop and then re-boarding the westbound trolley. A short photo layover at the falls is an option for guests not continuing to Ainsworth State Park or the turnaround. The stopover time is 8 minutes and you can catch the westbound trolley directly across the highway from the drop off site.

Option B—Pony Tail Falls

Rating: Easy

Elevation Gain: 200+ feet

Distance: 1 mile round-trip

The trail from Horsetail Falls to Ponytail Falls allows for many views of the Columbia River and Gorge. The trail enters a small box canyon and leads through a natural cave behind Ponytail Falls, a great experience. The trail originally continued on to the Oneonta trail and Triple Falls trail, but has been closed due to the Eagle Creek fire. Observe signage for current conditions.

STOP #9

Ainsworth State Park

This stop is to service the campground and RV park for overnight guests. There are no attractions for the day visitor. Our turnaround is just beyond Ainsworth State Park for our westbound trolleys. You may view Beacon Rock and Hamilton Mountain from the turnaround.

Gray Line

Waterfall Trolley Information & Trail Guide

The following falls may be seen or glimpsed from the trolley while en route—Latourell Falls, Sheppard's Dell (westbound only), Bridal Veil (westbound only), Wahkeena Falls, Multnomah Falls and Horsetail Falls.



STOP #2

Vista House and Crown Point

This stop features panoramic views of the Columbia River Gorge both east and west. The historic structure is a visitor center staffed by volunteers. The upper deck is open for viewing the Gorge when the weather is good. The main floor includes panels with information and photos about the historic highway. The lower level features a small but interesting museum, gift shop, concessions and washroom facilities.

This is a recommended layover option for guests starting their tour at Multnomah Falls. Instead of continuing to Corbett for the layover and turnaround, it provides for a 38 minute or 53 minute (Trip M2 or M3) visit to Vista House as an alternate to continuing on to Corbett.

STOP #3

Latourell Falls

Option A—Latourell Falls View Points

Guests may enjoy a short walk on a gradual gravel surface trail to the base of Latourell Falls. Allow 15 minutes round-trip. There is also a longer figure eight loop to the base of the Falls and continuing along Latourell Creek and then returning across the Latourell Bridge. Allow 25 minutes for this longer loop. Consult the trail map at the kiosk.

Option B—Upper Latourell Falls Full Loop

Rating: Easy
Elevation Gain: 300+ feet
Distance: 2+ miles round-trip

A loop trail that features upper Latourell Falls in addition to the lower falls. The upper falls is unique in the way it is split midway through its drop by basalt flows. Two viewpoints with benches feature panoramic Gorge views.

STOP #4

Bridal Veil Falls

Option A—Overlook Trail

A fairly level trail to the Pillars of Hercules is paved and features views of the basalt pillars that make up the formation. The rock formations can be enjoyed as an alternate or addition to the hike to Bridal Veil Falls. Allow 20-30 minutes.

Option B—Bridal Veil Falls Trail

Rating: Easy
Elevation Gain: 100+ feet
Distance: ½ mile for each trail

The trail to Bridal Veil Falls descends to the base of the falls where a viewing platform allows great views of the upper and lower portion of the falls.

STOP #5

Angel's Rest/ Coopey Falls

Option A—Coopey Falls

A short hike to a viewpoint of Coopey Falls is an alternate option to the much longer Angels Rest hike. The hike to Coopey Falls is on the Angels Rest trail but much lower in elevation. Rough talus slopes are encountered en route. The elevation gain is approximately 200 feet and the round-trip can be done in well under one hour.

Option B—Angel's Rest

Rating: Moderate to Difficult Depending on Individual Condition
Elevation Gain: 1250 feet
Distance: 4.5 miles round-trip

This trail is one the most popular Gorge hikes featuring access to Coopey Falls en route to the summit of Angel's Rest, a large plateau. The trail includes stretches over rock slides with irregular footing. The final ascent of about 10 feet requires climbing a rock wall that does not require special skills. The view from the top is outstanding and one of the best in the Gorge.

The connection to the Wahkeena and Multnomah Falls trail splits off just before the climb to the top. This trail has many stretches that are adjacent to drop-offs.

STOP #6

Wahkeena Falls

Option A—Bridge at Base of Wahkeena Falls

A short hike to the bridge at the base of Wahkeena Falls is an option that provides beautiful views. The elevation gain is 150 feet and the round-trip can be done in less than one hour.

Option B—Wahkeena Falls Trail

Rating: Moderate
Elevation Gain: 1000+
Distance: 5+ miles round-trip

This trail leads to a bridge at the base of Wahkeena Falls before it begins a steeper ascent to the first plateau. You will pass Fairy Falls en route. Connecting trails above Fairy Falls allow various options.

A loop with Gorge views can be accessed to the left at the first trail split. The trail to Angels Rest will split to the right further up. A split at the top of the loop provides connections to the Devils Rest trail and the Multnomah Falls trail.

Follow trail signs at each junction to keep track of where you are. The signs all show segment distances.

