

SAWTOOTH MOUNTAINS TRAILS

1. Fishhook Creek Trail *

4.4 miles round trip • 250' elev. gain • Easy

A great family hike for all ages, through pine forests on a gently rolling trail – the Sawtooths overshadow a meadow at the end.

2. Sawtooth Lake *

10 miles round trip • 1700' elev. gain • Moderate

The largest lake in the Sawtooth Wilderness, with Mt. Regan at its south end, this is a classic hike and a photographer's delight.

3. Bridal Veil Falls

7 miles round trip • 350' elev. gain • Easy

This trail offers scenic views of McGown peak, meadows ablaze with wildflowers and, of course, the waterfall at the end.

4. Elk Mountain Loop

11.5 miles round trip • 450' elev. gain • Moderate

A challenging mountain bike ride in lodgepole pine forests accentuated by grassy meadows and early season wildflowers.

5. South Fork Payette River * (to Taylor Springs)

12 miles round trip • 50' elev. gain • Moderate

Wander through a ponderosa pine forest past clear, sparkling pools in the river. A chance to see the effects of forest fires.

6. Alice Lake *

12 miles round trip • 1600' elev. gain • Mod. to difficult

This lovely lake provides a glimpse of grandeur of the Sawtooth Wilderness. With Toxaway Lake it is a popular backpacking loop.

WHITE CLOUD MOUNTAINS TRAILS

7. Fourth of July Lake/Washington Lake

Fourth July Lk: 3.6 miles round trip • 580' elev. gain • Easy

Washington Lk: 5.6 miles round trip • 800' elev. gain • Easy

Experience the backcountry and dramatic views of the 10,000' White Cloud Mountains with a short and relatively easy hike.

8. Boundary Creek (to ridge or to Casino Lakes)

5.6 miles round trip to ridge • 10.6 miles round trip to Casino Lakes • 2150' elev. gain to ridge • Difficult

Long and steep, but rewarding with views across the valley of Redfish Lake and the Sawtooth Mountains.

9. Big Casino Creek

15 miles round trip • 2760' elev. gain • Difficult

Trail improvements have made this a great hike up to Casino Lakes, with views of the White Clouds. Open to motorcycles.

* indicates trails within a Wilderness Area where mountain bikes and motorized vehicles are not allowed.

10. Horton Peak

5 miles round trip • 2750' elev. gain • Difficult

A steep climb with no water to a Forest Service lookout (now closed) pays off with breathtaking views.

11. Big Boulder Creek (to top of Red Ridge)

11.6 miles round trip • 2600' elev. gain • Difficult

An adventure into the heart of the White Clouds with views of Castle Peak, and of 10,000' peaks as you climb the ridge.

12. Fisher Creek Loop

17.5 miles total loop • 1500' elev. gain • Moderate

The signature mountain bike trip in the SNRA, this ride now shows the ecosystem recovery from the 2006 Valley Road Fire.

SMOKY MOUNTAINS TRAILS

13. The Harriman Trail

18 miles • 1500' elev. difference • Easy to moderate

A popular mountain biking outing, this trail can be done in sections, or from Galena to North Fork for a mostly downhill ride.

14. Titus Lake

3 miles round trip from summit • 500' elev. gain • Easy

At 8,900' this emerald pool is nestled among high peaks, ancient white bark pines and a palette of early summer wildflowers.

15. Baker Lake (not in the SNRA)

4 miles round trip • 850' elev. gain • Easy

A local favorite with a delightful alpine lake under a granite peak.

16. Norton Lakes (not in the SNRA)

4.4 miles round trip • 1500' elev. gain • Moderate

Alpine lakes and possible mountain goat sightings await the hiker, under the backdrop of dramatic two-toned mountains.

17. Prairie Lake and Miner Lake Loop

10.3 miles round trip • 1600' elev. gain • Moderate

Experience the splendor of the Smoky Mountains and maybe spot a mountain goat. Prairie Lakes offer a scenic lunch site.

BOULDER MOUNTAINS TRAILS

18. Murdock Creek *

7 miles round trip • 1060' elev. gain • Easy-1st mi.-Mod.

Wheelchair accessible for first mile, this trail features wildflowers, rock outcroppings and several nice picnic areas along the trail.

19. Boulder Basin

11.5 miles from Hwy 75 • 1800' elev. gain • Moderate

Visit the scenery and ghost town of Clint Eastwood's "Pale Rider." This is a popular trail with dirt bikers and ATV users; hikers can park and start 1.2 miles up the Boulder Creek Road.

TRAILS FOR HIKERS & BIKERS

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