

Sherman Loop Trail South, Y-0714
Republic, WA
10/15 Km, rated 2C & 19 Km, rated 3D

Walk Start Location: Kettle Crest Trailhead on Sherman Pass 17 miles east of Republic, WA on WA-20 in northeastern WA.

GPS Coords: 48.60749, -118.47815

Driving Directions: Take State Route 20-eastbound from US-97 or 20-westbound from US-395 to Sherman Pass.

Park: Trailhead parking lot on the north side of WA-20.

Restrooms: Pit toilet at trailhead.

Event Recommendations: While this event is on well-maintained trails, in the mountains, one must expect the unexpected. To make sure you are well prepared, please take ample water to avoid dehydration. Energy snacks are always a good idea when hiking out in isolated areas for long periods of time. Bug repellent and sunscreen are a must. A well-stocked emergency first aid kit (even a small one) is always a good idea. Good walking shoes, specifically high-top boots to give ankle support is good common sense. Walking sticks help to steady and stabilize your body in steep and/or loose rocky areas. In mountainous areas, always expect sudden changes in weather conditions and be prepared. Native animals are wild, be alert, be cautious and give them respect and a wide berth for your own safety. An area trail map, compass and GPS are highly recommended and be sure to let a friend or family member know your hiking itinerary.

This hike offers striking views of a landscape struck by the forces of nature. The loop is a full-circle tour around 7,011 ft Sherman Peak, revealing the mountain's two contrasting sides: a lush green old growth forest and one scorched by wildfire that resulted in a surrealistic landscape of silver snags.

Walk Completion and Credit: Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.)

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Walk Owner is Rose Marie Edmiston at 253-223-7554. **For emergencies contact 911.**

Access:

From Kettle Falls follow U.S. Highway 395 West to State route 20. Turn left toward Sherman Pass.. Continue on State route 20 for 26 miles to the trailhead parking lot.

From Republic drive north on Hwy 20/21 2.54 miles. Stay right at the junction with Hwy 21 North. Drive 17 miles to the trailhead parking area on the north side of the road.



Points of Interest



View #1: Junction with #13

Lake on North Side of Peak

History:

Although the pass is named after General Tecumseh Sherman who crossed the Kettle Range in 1883, Sherman actually crossed on what is now the Boulder Creek Road.

The White Mountain Fire burned 21,000 acres of Forest Land in 1988. A new interpretive site and rest stop a mile west of Sherman Pass Summit describes the fire.

Cautions:

Treat surface water before drinking. Prepare for all weather. Watch out for large animals. No facilities and limited parking.

Sherman Peak Loop Trail #72

Characteristics	#82	#16	#13	#12
Elevation at Trailhead				5475 ft
Highest Point				6440 ft
Elevation Change				1035 ft
Length				4.35 Miles (Loop)
Difficulty				More Difficult
Season				Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

Description:

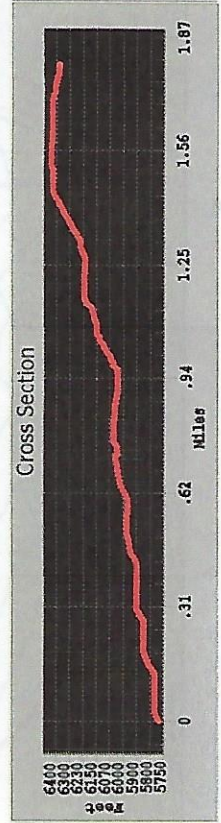
Sherman Peak Loop #72 takes off from the Kettle Crest Trail South #13, 3/4 of a mile from Highway 20 and loops around Sherman Peak to the west. It reconnects with Kettle Crest South after 1.9 miles. The trail offers views of the 1988 White Mt Fire complex, a visit to a small lake and views of Lake Roosevelt to the east on the return loop.



Emergency phone number: 911

For more information:

Three Rivers District
(509) 738-7700



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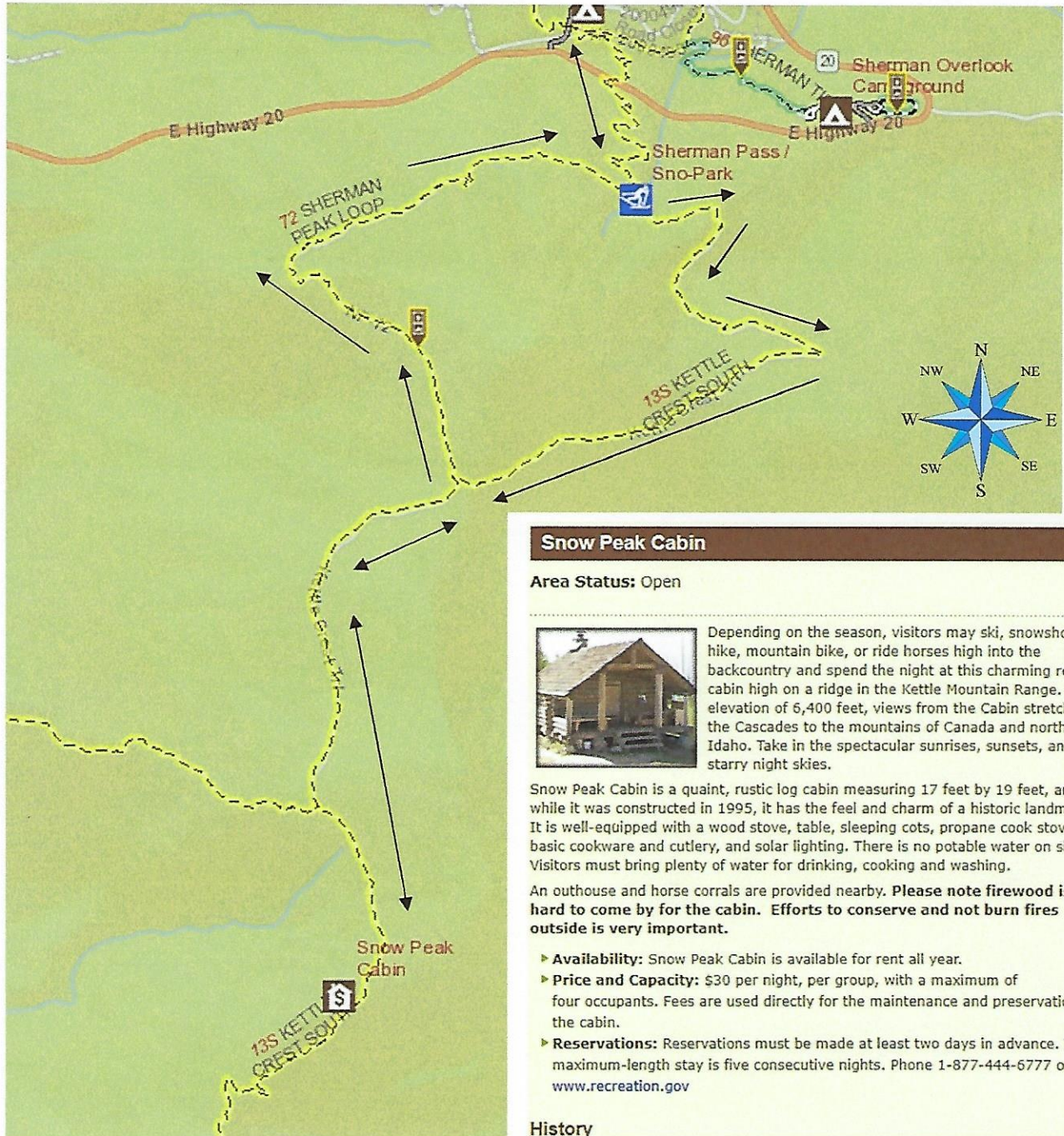
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1. Starting from the parking lot (elevation 5,575ft), head **SOUTH** on Kettle Falls Trail #13, located to the **LEFT** about 100 ft from the highway.
2. The trail will start ascending under a cool canopy of larches, fir, and pine to **CROSS** SR20 in appx 300 ft.
3. Once on the other side, the trail twists and turns out to Sherman Pass to the loop junction.
4. **BEAR LEFT**, skirting beneath a steep hillside of ledge and scree to an inspiring view of Sherman Creek Valley.
5. About a mile in, enter a radically different world, thanks to the White Mountain Fire of 1988, which seared over 20,000 acres of Kettle Crest greenery. Through the skeletal remains of what was once a verdant forest, **CONTINUE** the gentle climb until the trail begins to round the pyramidal summit of Sherman Peak. Here there are signs all around that the forest is coming back to life.
6. Reaching a junction at 4.8km, the optional Snow Peak Cabin Trail #10 splits off to the **LEFT (follow a-d)**.
****15km walkers, CONTINUE on the Kettle Crest Trail** and walk back to the parking lot trailhead.
 - a) The Snow Peak Cabin Trail **TRAVERSES DOWN** into a cut, then around and over a ridge to open up into a high valley and out to the cabin at 7.5km at 6,400 ft elevation.
 - b) After a respite at the cabin (an ideal place for a picnic), **RETURN** to the Sherman Peak Loop Trail junction and follow it to the **LEFT**.
 - c) **CONTINUE** around Sherman Peak through a landscape of mature forest with views of open rolling hills and wooded mountains below and off in the distance to the junction of the Kettle Crest Trail.
 - d) **LEFT** on Kettle Crest Trail and walk back to the parking lot trailhead.

Sherman Loop Trail (South)

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