

North Bend Historic/Rattlesnake Lake YR1008

6K and 10K, Rated 1B/5K and 10K rated 2B/20K rated 2B



Interlaken Trailblazers welcomes you to North Bend Town and Rattlesnake Lake

We now offer 2 loops! You may choose between walking Historic Downtown North Bend or walking Rattlesnake Lake

Loop 1: Historic Downtown: 6K.10K Rated 1B

Starting Point: 460 E North Bend Way, North Bend, WA

GPS Location: 47.49347974848383, -121.78049333866856

Restrooms at Start, Torguson Park, Roberts Park, Train Station, Visitor Center and business along the trail

Driving Directions: 460 E North Bend Way. I-90: Exit #31 (North Bend). EASTBOUND LEFT/WESTBOUND RIGHT on Bendigo Blvd to E North Bend Way. RIGHT 3/10 mile to QFC on LEFT.

Loop 2: Rattlesnake Lake and Palouse to Cascade Trail. 5K/10K Rated 2B/3B

Starting Point: Parking lot at Rattlesnake Lake Recreation Area, North Bend WA

GPS: 47°26'03.9"N 121°46'04.5"W

Restrooms at walk start, Education Center (1K) and pit toilets several other places along the route.

Driving Directions: From I-90E take exit 32 (436th Ave SE). Turn Right on 436th Ave SE continuing onto Cedar Falls Way. Turn Left into the Seattle City Light Rattlesnake Lake Recreation Area Parking lot at the sign on your left. (no fee).

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Loop 1: Special Programs: AVA – A-Z (N), City Hall, Rail to Trail, Veterans Memorial, Par for the Course,

ESVA: Strolling along the River, Tell me a story, That's Entertainment

Loop 2: AVA Special Programs: Rail to Trail, Par for the Course

ESVA Strolling along the River, That's Entertainment



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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 participants Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date 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 users 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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History: NORTH BEND FUN FACTS: North Bend was made famous by David Lynch's television series Twin Peaks, and the show immortalized Twede's Cafe and its cherry pie and "'damn fine cup o' coffee," which you can still enjoy today. Mt. Si is named for Josiah Merritt (Uncle Si), who died in 1882. Washington State, the Mount Si Trail, a strenuous 8-mile roundtrip hike with an elevation gain of over 4,000 feet. **Rattlesnake Lake** is part of the Cedar River Watershed that furnishes water to the city of Seattle. Historically the town of Moncton was here until a neighboring dam was built and the town was slowly flooded (1915). In the fall of the year many times the lake level is low, and you can see the foundations from the old town. Be sure to visit the Cedar River Watershed Education Center that is on your route. Note the musical rain drums on your right as you walk through the center.

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Loop #1 North Bend, Snoqualmie River and Downtown



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Start: QFC—460 E North Bend Way, North Bend, WA Rev 1/2025

Restrooms at Start, Torguson Park, Roberts Park, Train Station, Visitor Center and business along the trail.

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Leaving the QFC, walk straight through the parking lot to E. North Bend Way.

- 1) **LEFT** on E. North Bend Way for 1 block (just past Union 76 station), the orange "Torguson Park Public Access" sign will be on your left.
 - 2) **LEFT** entering Torguson Park. Walk the asphalt path veering **RIGHT** at the chain link fence.
 - 3) At the 4-way, **LEFT** keeping the picnic shelter on your right. (*note the restrooms to your right*).
 - 4) Continue ahead on the asphalt path crossing the field to the opening in the metal fence.
 - 5) **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** after passing through the fence on a short dirt path that leads up to the wide gravel Snoqualmie Valley Trail. (1K)
 - 6) **LEFT** on the Snoqualmie Valley Trail to Ballarat Ave N. (Stop Sign here and street sign to your far right)
 - 7) **RIGHT** on Ballarat Ave N to NE 6th St.
 - 8) **RIGHT** on NE 6th St to Roberts Park. When you reach the park continue ahead on roadside a short distance to the paved path.
 - 9) **RIGHT** to enter park trail continuing past restrooms. Keep **RIGHT** at the "Y" passing the children's play area on your right side.
 - 10) Follow the path passing by the tennis courts on your left to NE 4th St (no sign here).
 - 11) **LEFT** on NE 4th St noting the paved trail behind the homes on your right side.
 - 12) **CROSS** NE 4th St to enter the trail and following to the next street, Zemp Way NE (no sign)
 - 13) **RIGHT** on Zemp Way NE to Pickett Ave NE.(3K)
 - 14) **RIGHT** on Pickett Ave NE to 3rd St NE (*formerly 120th St NE*).
 - 15) **RIGHT** on 3rd St NE, walking on sidewalk. As the street crosses Snoqualmie Valley Trail (SVT) the 6K/10K split here.
- 6K Walkers: Continue along the road as it angles left and becomes Thrasher Ave NE. At the next crosswalk CROSS and RIGHT to walk on the left side of the road. CAREFULLY CROSS North Bend Way and TURN LEFT to North Bend City Hall then RIGHT to the front of the building. Continue with instruction #26****
- 10K Walkers LEFT and CROSS in crosswalk to enter SVT.**
- 16) Walk on SVT for 1 ½ k to Tanner Landing Park.
 - 17) **CAREFULLY CROSS** Mt Si Rd staying on the SVT.
 - 18) At the break in the rail fence on your left where the gravel access road angles away from the rail trail, **LEFT**, to cross the access road and pass by the garbage can and continue straight on the faint trail through the field to the timber and the river.
 - 19) When you arrive at the river, **RIGHT**, keeping left close to the river as you walk and enjoy the views of the Mid-Snoqualmie River.
 - 20) Stay on the trail for about 1K. When you arrive at a large open area on your right, **ANGLE RIGHT** on the small trail and head toward the **metal park gate**.
 - 21) Exit through the park gate then **RIGHT** to rejoin the SVT.
 - 22) **RIGHT** on the SVT to SE Mt Si Road (the next street not marked).
 - 23) **LEFT** on SE Mt Si Road to North Bend Way and very **CAREFULLY CROSS** North Bend Way.
 - 24) **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Stilson Ave.
 - 25) Walk on Tanner Trail (grassy here) to North Bend City Hall about 1K.
 - 26) **LEFT** at the City Hall Entrance sidewalk
 - 27) ****RIGHT** to front of the building to enjoy the Veterans Memorial.
 - 28) **RETURN** to the entrance sidewalk and **RIGHT** to use the gravel walkway (City Hall will be on your right) continuing around the building and follow the sidewalk toward the driveway.
 - 29) Veer **LEFT** following sidewalk to the crosswalk and cross.
 - 30) Just before the street, **RIGHT** to the asphalt path along the Cedar Falls Way to the next corner.
 - 31) **ANGLE LEFT** to diagonally **CAREFULLY CROSS** Cedar Falls Way to the sidewalk.
 - 32) **RIGHT** on sidewalk, wide road shoulder and paved trail to Mt View Blvd.
 - 33) **CROSS** and **LEFT** at Mt View Blvd to SE 5th St.
 - 34) **CROSS** 5th and **RIGHT**. Continue to the end of the cul-de-sac to the asphalt trail toward Orchard St.
 - 35) **CROSS**, using the crosswalk and enter the Mt View Park.
 - 36) When you reach the loop trail turn **RIGHT** and continue to the far corner of the park. (you will pass by apartments to your right)
 - 37) **RIGHT** to exit the park at the T, veer **RIGHT** to E. Park St (not marked).
 - 38) **LEFT** to Pedestrian crosswalk. Using the crosswalk, **CROSS** E. Park St. and continue ahead on asphalt trail to back of Historic Depot. (Restrooms here)
 - 39) **LEFT** on the Tanner Trail at the corner of the depot. Follow this path for 2 blocks to Bendigo Blvd (not marked here).
 - 40) **RIGHT** on Bendigo Blvd.
 - 41) **RIGHT** on North Bend Way viewing the shops.
 - 42) **CROSS** Ballarat Ave. S. and **LEFT**, carefully crossing E. North Bend Way using the crosswalk.
 - 43) **RIGHT** on E North Bend Way for 3 blocks back to QFC.



Dial 911

Loop #2 North Bend – Rattlesnake Lake

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Restrooms at Rattlesnake Lake Park, Cedar River Education Center and Palouse to Cascades State Park

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1. From the parking lot follow any trail downhill toward the lake. Start at the park information kiosk by the Porta-Potties.
2. Facing the information kiosk **LEFT** on paved lakeside trail and follow this trail to the end keeping the lake on your right. *(do not take gravel paths on your left)*
3. As the trail angles left, **LEFT** on the paved path (Snoqualmie Valley Trail) and walk toward the back of the Cedar River Education Center. (1.5K)
4. At the “T”, **RIGHT** and then immediately **LEFT** following the walkway to the front of the Education Center.
5. Check out the Education Center (especially the water drums). Restrooms available here.
6. Leaving the Education Center continue ahead on the paved path to the walkway beside the parking lot Parallel to Cedar Falls Rd.
7. At the end of the sidewalk continue ahead on Cedar Falls Rd for a short distance to a wide dirt and gravel trail on your right (Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail)
8. **RIGHT**, carefully cross the road, walk around the gate and follow this trail to the bridge over Boxley Creek (Sign on right before the bridge.)
9. **TURN AROUND on bridge ****(5k option)**
10. Immediately after re-crossing the bridge, look for a faint trail to the Right. (The sign is facing away from you)
11. **RIGHT** on this lightly traveled trail which can have vegetation encroaching at times. You may have to step over small, downed trees.
12. Take the **LEFT** option at the next two junctions.
13. When the lake comes into view, the trail appears to go steeply downhill, instead, look **RIGHT** and follow the trail keeping the lake to your left.
*** Christmas Lake was so named because it was formed during the Boxley Creek Blowout in December 1918. ***
14. **LEFT** at the “T” and **VEER LEFT** at the next junction. The trail follows the lake for a while, then curves right away from the shore.
15. At the next “Y” either trail is ok. Left walks along a creek. Right is shorter but steeper.
16. Shortly after the trails converge, **LEFT** at a “T” Follow this to a gravel service road.
17. **VEER RIGHT** onto the road. Pass to the left of the metal gate, cross a wide gravel path (Snoqualmie Valley Trail) and proceed to the stop sign at Cedar Falls Road.
18. Carefully **CROSS** Cedar Falls Road and continue on the service road passing to the left of a metal gate. The road goes uphill curving left passing 3 fenced structures on the right. (Views of Rattlesnake Ledge ahead)
19. Just before the road curves back to the right, **VEER LEFT** downhill. This trail narrows and comes to a “T” This is the popular Rattlesnake Ridge Trail
20. **LEFT** downhill to the large signboard. Views of Rattlesnake Lake. (RESTROOMS).
21. **LEFT** before the signboard onto a gravel road.
22. Walk around a metal gate to a paved path.
23. **RIGHT** to follow the paved path back to the start/finish. Where it is possible, use pedestrian paths to return to your vehicle.

We hope you enjoyed the walk!!!

**** 5K alternate in muddy conditions, Follow the track back to the Cedar Falls sign. Just beyond that **TURN RIGHT. CONTINUE** on the trail past the parking area, crossing the paved road to the lake parking and your car.

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Loop #2 YR1008 5K/6K Map





Loop 2 North Bend – Rattlesnake Lake

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- (2) Facing the information kiosk, **LEFT** on paved lakeside trail and follow this trail to the end keeping the lake on your right.(do not follow the gravel path on left)
- (3) As the trail angles left, **LEFT** on the path (Snoqualmie Valley Trail) and walk toward the back of the Cedar River Education Center. (1.5K)
- (4) At the “T”, **RIGHT** and then immediately **LEFT** following the walkway to the front of the Education Center. Check out the Education Center (especially the water drums). Restrooms available here.
- (5) Leaving the Education Center continue ahead on the paved path to the walkway beside the parking lot Parallel to Cedar Falls Rd. At the end of the sidewalk continue ahead on Cedar Falls Rd for a short distance to a wide dirt and gravel trail on your right (Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail)
- (6) **RIGHT**, carefully cross the road, walk around the gate and follow this trail to the bridge over Boxley Creek (Sign on right before the bridge.)
- (7) **CROSS** the bridge over Boxley Creek. About .2 km beyond the bridge find a trail sign for CEDAR BUTTE on a tree to the right. **RIGHT** on the trail uphill.
- (8) After about .5 k the trail forks, **VEER LEFT** (both trails lead to Cedar Butte, you will return on the other trail)
- (9) In 1.5k, the two branches reconnect at Saddle Junction (signed for Saddle/Summit/Blowout)
11K **CONTINUE STRAIGHT switchbacking uphill.
10k **TURN RIGHT toward Blowout, read notes after 11) and continue to 12)
- (10) On the final approach to the summit, the trail narrows there are a few feet of steep terrain. This levels out and follows a ridge. At the summit there is a USGS Benchmark from 1937 stamped "Ceder Butt." The summit is forested, but there are views northward of Mount Si, Mount Tenerife, and Mailbox Peak.
- (11) When you are ready to descend, retrace your route to Saddle Junction. **VEER LEFT**.
Before the vegetation obscured it, this trail overlooked the site of the Boxley Creek Blowout. Here a dam burst on Dec 23, 1918. The flood severely damaged the town of Edgewick below. There were no fatalities.
- (12) At the next junction **VEER LEFT** and continue downhill.5k to The Palouse to Cascades Trail.
- (13) **LEFT** on the trail for .2 km, crossing the bridge over Boxley Creek. Immediately after crossing the bridge, look for faint trail to the Right. (the sign is facing away from you)
- (14) **TURN RIGHT** on this lightly traveled trail which can have vegetation encroaching at times. You may have to step over small, downed trees.
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