



Olympic Peninsula Explorers
South Deception Pass State Park Y1681
7k Rating 2C and 10k Rating 3C
Emergency Dial 911



WA State Park Discovery Pass required - \$10 per day or \$30 per year. There is plenty of parking at walk start point.

Awards & Fees: IVV Credit Only

Start point Longitude & Latitude coordinates: 48.39285, -122.64622

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Event:

Deception Pass State Park, Oak Harbor, WA

Seasonal, (April through September), Y1681

Distance - Trail Ratings: 7K – 2C, 10k – 3C

Description: Walk the south side of Deception Pass State Park. Walks are entirely within the park. Views include Puget Sound, San Juan Islands, Olympic Mountains and Deception Pass Bridge. Both walks have gradual hills and the 10k has steeper hills. Deception Pass spans two islands and you will see rugged ocean views and walk in old growth forested areas. Restrooms at start and finish and along the route. Picnic Spots. Photo opportunities at every turn. Take water.

Amenities: Strollers: no | **Wheelchairs:** no
 | **Pets:** Yes | **Restrooms:** Yes

Start Times: dawn to dusk

Start Point / Driving Directions: Deception Pass State Park (East Cranberry Lake Parking Lot). From I-5 north and south, exit #230, follow Route 20 for 11 miles towards Anacortes. Turn left and continue on Route 20 West at the Oak Harbor/Pt. Townsend Ferry sign and drive an additional 6 miles to Deception Pass Bridge. After you cross Deception pass Bridge, turn right into Deception State Park at the first stoplight (signed Cornet Bay Rd to the left and Dec Pass Pk to the right). This entry leads to East Cranberry Lake parking lot. (Parking lot is first left past the entry kiosks).

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Start Point : Deception Pass State Park (East Cranberry Lake Parking Lot).

7K & 10K Walk Instructions

1. Walk **uphill** away from the water and picnic area.
2. **CROSS** the parking lot to stairs going toward the park entrance booths.
3. **CROSS** the multiple entry roads passing the entrance booths on your left.
4. **RIGHT** walking along edge of entry road facing traffic.
5. **CROSS** State Route 20 at the light.
6. **STRAIGHT** walking on the left side of Cornet Bay Road, facing traffic.
7. **LEFT** at entrance to park and Quarry Pond camping area.
8. **STRAIGHT/LEFT** at intersection at One Way Sign and eventually walk past Quarry Pond on your left.
9. **LEFT** on the campground road at Y just past site #361.
10. **LEFT** on the campground road at Y by campsite #347.
11. **LEFT** onto trail just past camp site #343 following the trail when it turns right onto Goose Rock Trail.
12. **LEFT** at Y intersection onto Discovery Trail (not marked, at a rocky area) and follow the trail into the woods. This path is quite wide. Ignore any side trails and proceed until (on the right) you reach a fence and the Coronet Bay Youth Camp sign.
13. **LEFT** following the Discovery Trail.
14. **STRAIGHT** on Discovery Trail at all intersections. Do not take Summit Trail.
15. **RIGHT** at T-intersection at the sign for North Beach soon after passing through the tunnel under State Route 20. This trail leads you through a more open area.
16. **RIGHT** at the next T-intersection (can see water and shoreline beyond a fence along the trail) walking up hill.
17. **RIGHT** up the stairs just before the bridge. Visitor booth, vendors, and restrooms in parking lot.
18. **TURN AROUND** and return back down the stairs.

1k option to walk over bridge

- A. From Step 18, **RIGHT** under bridge.
- B. **RIGHT** up the stairs to bridge level.
- C. **RIGHT** and follow sidewalk as it crosses over Deception Pass Bridge.
- D. **RIGHT** at the end of the bridge to observation area on Pass Island.
- E. **TURN AROUND** and return toward the bridge.
- F. **LEFT** down the stairs just before the bridge, following trail under the bridge and up the stairs on the other side of the bridge.
- G. **RIGHT** on sidewalk crossing back over the bridge (on the opposite side from step C above).
- H. **RIGHT** at the end of the bridge.
- I. **RIGHT** down the stairs.
- J. **6K: LEFT** at the bottom of the stairs;
10K: RIGHT at the bottom of the stairs.

7K Instructions

19. (19A) **LEFT** at the bottom of the stairs and return down the way you came up, away from the bridge. **Continue at Step #29**

10K Instructions:

19. (19B) **RIGHT** at the bottom of the stairs and pass under the bridge.
20. **RIGHT** up on NW Goose Rock Summit Trail shortly after passing under the bridge. At the next signed intersection you are ½ way there.
21. **STRAIGHT** on NW Goose Rock Summit Trail at Y-intersection. (Note this intersection as you pass it. You will take this branch on your way back down.) Continue to the summit on NW Goose Rock Summit Trail.
22. When you near the summit, the trail T's at a wide intersection with exposed bedrock at your feet and power lines in front of you. This is your first view southward over Whidbey Island. When you reach the bedrock, turn around and look at the path on which you arrived because you will return down the same path.
23. **LEFT** following trail with low split-rail fence and continue to the viewpoint at the highpoint of the rock. Goose Rock



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is the highest point on Whidbey Island and has a great view of Mount Rainier on a clear day. This is the turn-around point for this trail. Do not go past the summit area with its looped split rail fenced trail.

24. **RETURN** back down the hill on the same trail you came up.
25. **RIGHT** at the T-intersection in a wide area of bedrock and (again) go back down the hill on the same trail you came up.
26. **SHARP RIGHT** just after a tree at the signed intersection you noted on your way up, (sign is just **past** the intersection and reads: NW Summit Trail, Goose Rock Perimeter Trail .2 mi; Summit via NW Goose Rock Trail 1 mi). Right onto the unnamed trail, which takes you down the hill.
27. **LEFT** when the trail ends at a T-intersection with the Goose Rock Perimeter Trail (sign is uphill/behind you at the T-intersection) keeping the water on your right.
28. **STRAIGHT** on Goose Rock Perimeter Trail, returning to the bridge, walking under the bridge (stopping to use the restrooms up the stairs on the left if desired), and continuing away from the bridge.

7K & 10K Walk Directions

29. **STRAIGHT** keeping first a rock wall and then a wood fence on your right as you continue straight past the T-intersection you came down earlier.
30. **CONTINUE** on the trail until it reaches a parking area (North Beach parking area). Note restroom building ahead on the right.
31. **OPTIONS** for this step:
 - a. Beach path route: Turn **right** anywhere before or at the restroom building and take the trail down to the beach. **Left** either on the beach itself or on the upland trail just before reaching the beach. Walk about 400 feet and **left** away from the beach at the large rustic picnic shelter. If you reach the smaller, hiding picnic shelter you have gone too far. Turn **right** at first trail intersection, continuing with the shoreline on your right.
 - b. Upland route: Walk straight through the

parking lot, passing the restrooms on your right. **CONTINUE** at end of parking lot to an additional parking lot. **STRAIGHT** onto trail at end of parking lot continuing with the shoreline on your right.

32. **CONTINUE** on this trail for a while, keeping the shoreline on your right. Follow signs to Amphitheater.
33. After a long stretch of walking, individual campsites will be visible on your left. After this, you will look ahead and see that the trail ends at a parking lot with a large rock in the trail. **OPTIONS** for this step:
 - a. Beach path route: As you notice the rock at the end of the trail, **right** at a wide, sandy spot with a clear view of the water through the trees. **Left** on the beach. Walk about 200 feet to a small picnic area clearing and then **left** away from the beach to the Amphitheater.
 - b. Upland route: Walk **straight** past the rock and through the parking lot on the right hand side. Veer **right** to Amphitheater.
34. **UP** on the trail up the hill immediately right of the amphitheater seating area. Walk by amphitheater seating on your left. Follow sign to West Beach.
35. **THROUGH** the fence stile at the top of the hill.
36. **RIGHT** after passing through the stile.
37. **CONTINUE** on the path through the woods towards the water and eventually a parking lot (restrooms are to the left).

7K Instructions

38. **(38A) LEFT** at the parking lot with the water on your right. Walk the parking lot or beach to the other end of the long parking lot. **Left** to cross parking lot to sign kiosk. **Left** again and walk along grass edge of entry road on the lake side of the road. Follow grass edge of road as it curves right. **Continue at Step #49**

10K Instructions:

38. **RIGHT** at the parking lot, and walk past the end of the parking lot, (picnic tables and undergrowth on the left) to another view point.
39. **RETURN** and walk the length of the parking lot, paralleling the beach (you may walk on the beach, returning to the parking lot or concessions paved path when the driftwood makes it impassable).
40. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** at the end of the parking lot on the paved path as it starts near the kiosk, noticing



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- the concessions building ahead on the right.
41. **STRAIGHT** on the paved path towards the large concession building, passing Cranberry Lake swimming area on your left.
 42. **RIGHT** at the concessions building wall and then **left**, shifting to walking immediately on the concrete path alongside the building on the shoreline side.
 43. **RIGHT** at the bench about halfway down the building and walk on a path towards the water.
 44. **LEFT** at the T-intersection with a paved path, now walking with the water on your right.
 45. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** on this path. On your left you will pass a several hundred-year-old tree.
 46. **LEFT** at the trail T-intersection, staying on the paved path and turning away from the water, and walking into the woods. The trail (Sand Dunes Interpretive Trail) curves to take you back towards the parking lot.
 47. **CONTINUE** on the path keeping the concessions building on your left until the paved trail returns to the parking lot (same trail you walked in on).
 48. **STRAIGHT** to the parking lot, veering **RIGHT** onto the grass at the right hand edge of the parking lot. Follow grass edge of asphalt as it curves right.
- crosswalk and bench are visible with the lake beyond.
53. **RIGHT** at this intersection down to the crosswalk on the paved road.
 54. **CROSS** the paved road to the trailhead on the other side of the road beside Cranberry Lake. At an upcoming Y-intersection, take either path.
 55. Follow trail toward Cranberry Lake Dock in the distance.
 56. **STRAIGHT** until the trail curves left and ends at the Cranberry Lake picnic area just past the large rock and wood shelter, returning to the parking lot and your car.

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49. **LEFT** at the crosswalk and walk uphill away from the water on a park road.
50. **RIGHT** onto Administration Area Trail (0.9m) shortly after starting up the road.
51. **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** keeping Cranberry Lake on your right. Continue across the paved road (the entrance to the camping areas) on the path toward the Administration Area.
52. **STRAIGHT** following signs to the Administrative Area at all minor (campground) trail intersections until reaching a larger T-intersection where down on the park road on the right a

SOUTH DECEPTION PASS STATE PARK 10K VOLKSMARCH MAP

Restrooms

Restrooms

Optional Walk Across Bridge

Restrooms

Restrooms

Start/Finish

Restrooms

Restrooms



SOUTH DECEPTION PASS STATE PARK 7K VOLKSMARCH MAP

