

STEVENSON SEASONAL EVENT Y2261

START POINT: SKAMANIA LODGE, 1131 SW Skamania Lodge Way, Stevenson, WA 98648
45.6857° N, 121.9048° W

This event also has a physical start box at this location. Please use either the Online Start Box (OSB) or Physical Start Box (PSB) to register and complete the event. Do NOT mix and match, for example, by registering using the OSB then completing your event using the PSB nor signing the PSB log sheet. The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB.

From Highway 14, west of Stevenson, turn north onto SW Rock Creek Drive. Skamania Lodge is the first driveway on the left. Park in the guest parking lot. Restrooms are inside the lodge.

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Welcome to the Stevenson Columbia Gorge Views Walk!

There are 2 5Km loops. A level 5K is in town and a 5K on natural trails is at the Lodge, with an optional ½-kilometer distance between them to make 11 kilometers if you choose not to drive into town.

In addition to the trails around the Lodge grounds, the Lodge offers golf, ziplines and obstacle course in the trees, and a spa. They also have a fine dining restaurant, a cafe, and a cafe on their golf course. Please check their website to make sure these activities are available: www.skamania.com. There is plenty to see and do in this small town. The Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum is especially worth a visit.

The Town loop passes by parks, stores and restaurants and a great view of the Columbia River.



CHALLENGES

Both loops qualify for the ESVA Counties challenge: Skamania County.

The Trail loop qualifies for OTSVA Challenges H (Hotel), N (Nature), P (Pedestrian Bridges), S (Spa).

The Town loop qualifies for National Challenge: Ice Cream Parlors (Granny's Gedunk on 2nd St.); OTSVA Challenges: I (Italian, Andrew's Pizza on 2nd St), J (Justice—County Sheriff and Jail off Russell St), Nuts (Walnut Park), P (Parks—Rock Creek Park, Walnut Park, Teo Park & East Point Kite Beach), Playground (Rock Creek Park), R (Rivers), (Railroad), S (Salon—Reed's Salon/Gorge Salon on Rock Creek Dr.); and ESVA Challenge: Whiskey-Vino-Brew with Walking Man Brewery on 1st Avenue, Jester & Judge Cider Taproom and Skunk Brothers Spirits on Cascade Avenue.

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 date the event was biked, the distance biked, 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.)

COLUMBIA GORGE VIEWS - STEVENSON TOWN & COLUMBIA RIVER LOOP (INTENDED FOR 5 KM WALKERS)
Walk Event Y2261, **Town & Columbia River 5 km Loop** Rated 1B

NOTE: This loop is intended for 5 km walkers. It is also the 2nd loop for 10/11 km walkers.

POINT OF CONTACT for issues regarding route: *Janet Traweek* jltraweek@yahoo.com, 360-601-9534.
MEDICAL EMERGENCY: 911

NOTICE: These directions may be used only by persons duly registered for this IVV/AVA sanctioned event.

Driving Directions to beginning of 5 km Route: Drive back down Skamania Lodge Drive to Rock Creek Drive and turn **LEFT**. Continue down the hill for about ½ km and look for curbside parking spaces and a small parking lot on the right at the beginning of the fairgrounds and just before a community center. Use any available parking space.

1. **WALK STRAIGHT** toward town (East) on Rock Creek Drive. After crossing the Rock Creek Bridge, look for crosswalk to Vancouver Ave. on the left.
2. **LEFT** to **CROSS** Rock Creek Dr. Proceed on left side of Vancouver Ave., which **BENDS RIGHT** to Russell St. (**1 km**). (**Public Restrooms** in Skamania County Criminal Justice Building here)
3. **CROSS & RIGHT** on Russell Ave. one block to 2nd Street (SR 14) & **CROSS**.
4. **LEFT** on 2nd St. one-half block to small park (Walnut Park).
5. **RIGHT** to pass thru small park & continue down steps & between buildings to 1st St.
6. **LEFT** on 1st St. Stay on left side until 1st St. merges with 2nd St. (SR 14).
7. **RIGHT** on a small road (**2 km**) at the end of the traffic island where 1st St. merges into 2nd St. This is a one-lane road which becomes a gravel road & passes under a Railroad overpass.
8. **LEFT** just past the RR underpass (~ 20 meters) onto a narrow pedestrian bridge to the 2nd trail on right.
9. **RIGHT** on this trail, which is low & between the river bank & a small hill on right, to a parking area.
10. **LEFT** on road at parking area. Pass boat ramp & go straight onto paved path with 2 brown buildings on its right. (**Restrooms**)
11. **STRAIGHT** on asphalt paved path following it along the Columbia River. Continue as path turns right onto a short road leading to Cascade Ave.
12. **LEFT** on Cascade Ave. for about 3 blocks to the Columbia Gorge Riverside Lodge, a red log structure on the left.
13. Just past lodge, **LEFT** toward Bob's Beach kiosk passing it on the left side to a trail of flat stones in the grass. Follow this trail as it turns left along the river to a road leading to a boat loading pier (**Restrooms**).
14. **LEFT** on road (Russell Ave.), carefully cross RR Tracks & 1st St. to continue to 2nd St.
15. **LEFT** on 2nd St. to crosswalk at intersection with Rock Creek Dr. **CROSS** carefully to Rock Creek Dr.
16. **STRAIGHT** on Rock Creek Dr. about 2 blocks to the crosswalk to the fairgrounds & grange parking area.
17. **LEFT** to cross Rock Creek Dr.
18. **STRAIGHT AHEAD** toward fairgrounds on the paved asphalt trail. Cross a pedestrian bridge (**4 km**) to a fairgrounds road.
19. **LEFT** on the road & **STRAIGHT** on the path that goes clockwise between the fairgrounds & a water body.
20. **CONTINUE ON PATH** to Rock Creek Dr. and return to your vehicle. (If walking the optional distance between loops, **LEFT** on Rock Creek Dr. to the Skamania Lodge entrance road & return to lodge.)

Thank you. We hope you enjoyed Stevenson.
Special thanks to Skamania Lodge for hosting our Starting Point.

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Start Point

COLUMBIA GORGE VIEWS - STEVENSON GORGE TRAIL LOOP (1ST LOOP FOR 10/11 KM WALKERS)

Seasonal Event Y2261, **Gorge Trail 5 km Loop** Rated 2C (Add the Town & Columbia River Loop for 10 km)

This trail is on uneven surfaces with roots and rocks and can be muddy after recent rain.

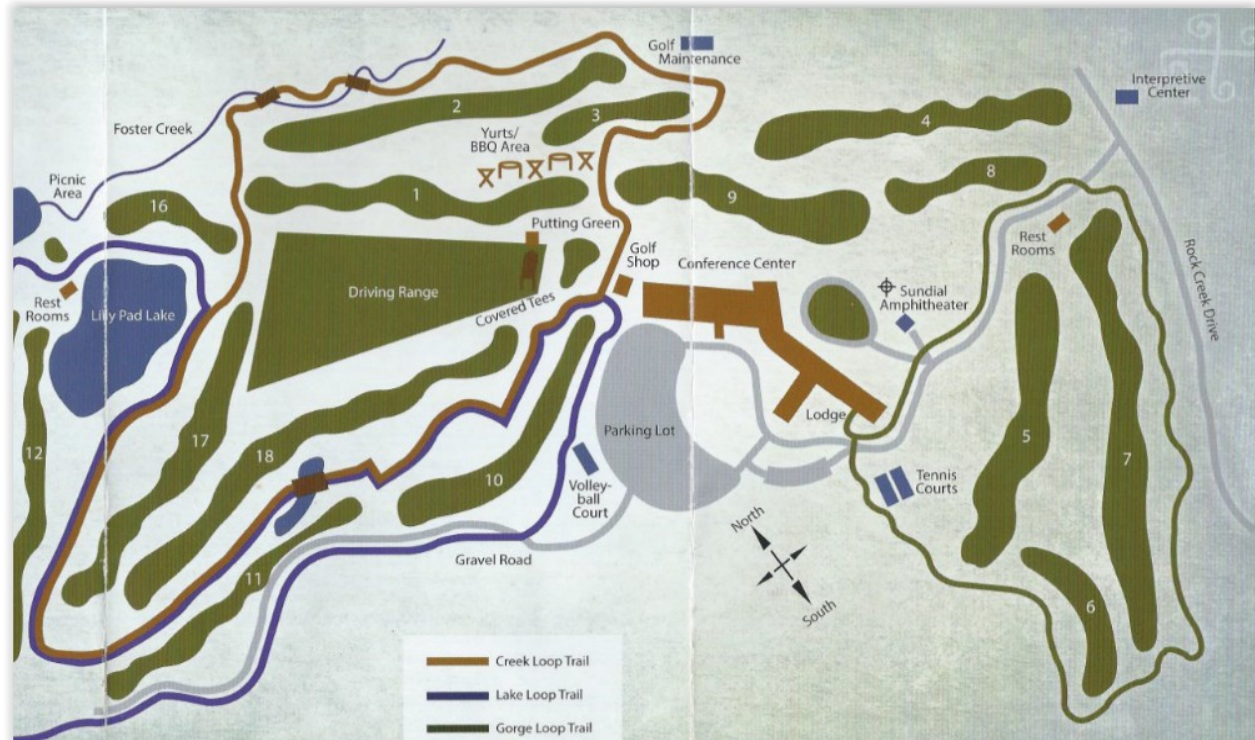
NOTE: This walk is two loops separated by ½ km. You may walk the extra 1 km between loops or drive to 2nd loop.

POINT OF CONTACT for issues regarding route: Janet Traweek Home: 360-833-2429; Cell: 360-601-9534

MEDICAL EMERGENCY: Call 911

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- RIGHT** after exiting Skamania Lodge front entrance & proceed on side walk to road at end of lodge.
- CROSS** road & go about 30 m to corner of building near Golf Shop entrance.
- RIGHT** on paved path with buildings on your right to first orange metal sign for Creek Loop Trail. You will follow these signs around part of the golf course. Please respect the golfers by being quiet when you are near them, especially at the greens & tee boxes.
- SLANT RIGHT** after about 100 m onto dirt trail as indicated by an orange sign. From this point you will be mostly on natural trail adjacent to the golf course. Halfway around this loop the blue trail intersects the orange trail & the signs become half of each color.
- CONTINUE** to follow the orange/blue signs back to the Golf Shop ending on paved trail (golf cart path).
- BEAR RIGHT then LEFT** around Golf Shop building & retrace your steps back to lodge entrance.
- CONTINUE** past lodge entrance to 2nd cross walk near the end of the lodge.
- RIGHT** to cross entrance road into end of small parking lot & to the green Gorge Loop Trail sign.
- LEFT** to enter this trail following the green signs.
- RIGHT** at green sign just before tennis courts.
- LEFT** at the gravel road & **LEFT** after 20 m at green sign. Follow signs to paved golf cart path.
- RIGHT** on paved path & **RIGHT** after 25 m to road.
- CROSS & RIGHT** on sidewalk along entrance road to crosswalk at Rock Creek Dr.
- CROSS & LEFT** on Rock Creek Dr. for 60 m to gravel path on the right.
- RIGHT** on path leading down to Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center & Museum (**worth a visit**).
- OPTION:** You may walk an additional 1 km by walking to & back from the start of the Town & Columbia River Loop. From door of Interpretive Center, walk exit road closest to the river out to Rock Creek Dr. **RIGHT** on Rock Creek Dr. for ½ km to small parking lot past lake & at beginning of the Skamania County Fairgrounds. Begin with Step 1 in Town & Columbia River Loop directions. Upon completing the loop, go straight up Rock Creek Dr. to crosswalk at Skamania Lodge entrance road & return to the lodge entrance.
- IF NOT DOING OPTION, TURN AROUND at Interpretive Center & retrace steps back to the lodge entrance road and walk up sidewalk to lodge entrance. Thanks to Skamania Lodge for hosting our walk.**

Special Programs—2021 Stevenson Seasonal Walk #2261

Town Loop 5K

National Programs:

50 States, 51 Capitals: Washington
Walking the USA A-Z: Stevenson

OTSVVA Challenges:

I
Ink—Painted Lady Tattoo at 198 2nd St.,
Images—Merlin Hawk Photo at 113 SW Russell,
Italian, Andrew's Pizza on 2nd St.;
J
Justice—Skamania County Courthouse, Jail off
Russell St.;
N
Nature--trail & river,
Nuts—Walnut Park;
P
Parks--Rock Creek Park, Walnut Park, Teo Park &
East Point Kite Beach,
Pedestrian Bridge,
Playground—Rock Creek Park;

Q
Quality—Quality Counseling 304, 2nd St;
R
Rivers—Columbia River,
Railroad—crossing railroad tracks;
S
Salon—Reed's Salon/Gorge Salon on Rock Creek
Dr.,
Skate Park—Rock Creek Park;
T
Trials—Skamania County Courthouse
U
Used—Gorge Thrift Store, North Bank Books.

ESVA Challenges:

ESVA Counties challenge: Skamania County.

Whiskey-Vino-Brew--Jester & Judge Cider Taproom and Skunk Brothers Spirits on Cascade Avenue.

Frontline Heroes

Medical Centers—North Shore Medical Group on Rock Creek Dr., Stevenson Dental Care, Wind River
Pharmacy, 280 2nd St.
Delivery Services—US Post Office on Russell Ave.
Sustenance Providers (A & J Market, Food Bank at 683 SW Rock Creek Dr., Restaurants—various)
Essential Services (Banks: Riverview Bank, gas station)

Trail Loop 5K

National Programs:

50 States, 51 Capitals: Washington
Walking the USA A-Z: Stevenson

OTSVVA Challenges:

N
Nature--trail
P
Pedestrian Bridge,
S
Spa—Skamania Lodge has a spa, you will pass its entrance on the east side of the lodge.
Swimming Pool—Skamania Lodge has a swimming pool indoors, you can see it when returning to the lodge on
the sidewalk, on the east side of the lodge.
T
Trail
Totem—there is a beautiful carved totem inside the lodge, in the business center, worth the short detour to see!

ESVA Challenges:

Frontline Heroes
Sustenance Providers—restaurants in the Lodge.

Challenges in Order of Appearance on Route:

Town Loop

1. **P**ark,
Playground,
Skate Park,
Frontline Heroes: Sustenance Providers—Food Bank on left.
3. **J**ustice—Jail and Skamania County Courthouse
Trials—Skamania County Courthouse
4. **I**nk—Painted Lady Tattoo, 198 2nd St.,
Nuts—Walnut Park with walnut tree
6. Frontline Heroes—Medical Centers: Stevenson Dental Care on left.
8. **R**ailroad, **P**edestrian Bridge, **N**ature, **R**ivers
11. On right: ESVA Whiskey-Vino-Brew—Jester & Judge Cider Taproom and Skunk Brothers Spirits on Cascade Avenue.
14. **I**mages—Hawk Merlin Studios at 113 SW Russell;
Frontline Heroes—Delivery Services—US Post Office on Russell Avenue,
Used—Gorge Thrift Store, North Bank Books on Russell Avenue.
15. Frontline Heroes: Essential Services: Banks—Riverview Bank at intersection of Russell & 2nd,
Frontline Heroes: Sustenance Providers—A & J Market on right,
Frontline Heroes—Medical Centers—Wind River Pharmacy on left,
Quality—Quality Counseling, 304, 2nd St
Italian--Andrews Pizza on left.
16. Frontline Heroes: Essential Services—West Chevron gas station on right
Salon--Reed's Salon/Gorge Salon on Rock Creek Dr.
20. Frontline Heroes: Medical Centers—North Shore Medical Group on Rock Creek Dr.

Trail Loop

1. Frontline Heroes: Sustenance Providers—in the Lodge
3. **T**rail
- 4., 5. **P**edestrian bridge
6. Detour inside the lodge at the business center entrance to view the **T**otem.
- 16., 17. **S**pa, **S**wimming Pool indoors on eastern end of Lodge.