

# The Olympic Peninsula Explorers Volkssport Club Welcomes You to the Port Angeles – Marymere Falls Walk

The walk is 5k and 10k (2C) and are on somewhat difficult terrain with some moderate hill and stair climbing. Strollers: difficult, Wheelchairs: No, Pets: No, Restroom: Yes.

<https://www.nps.gov/olymp/planyourvisit/visiting-lake-crescent.htm>

A walk to Marymere Falls through old growth forest up to a 90-foot waterfall, returning along beautiful Lake Crescent with views of the Olympic Mountains from this valley. The Moments in Time Trail offers unusual artwork to enjoy.

The walks start and end at the Lake Crescent Lodge, 416 Lake Cres Rd, Olympic National Park, WA.

## **Walk Registration:**

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box, on <http://my.ava.org>. Follow the instructions

provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

## **Walk Completion and Walk Credit:**

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the “My Start Box” tab, then the “Finish Table” tab, then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped “virtual” insert cards that you may choose to print out.

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WELCOME TO OUR YEAR-ROUND VOLKSSPORT EVENT  
**LAKE CRESCENT – MARYMERE FALLS WALK**  
**OLYMPIC PENINSULA EXPLORERS VOLKSSPORT CLUB**  
**5/10km Rated 2B** **YRE 0525**  
**Not suitable for strollers or wheelchairs – NO PETS**

**ESVA Challenges:** 39 Counties - Clallam

**AVA Challenges:** Walk the USA A-Z

You must drive to the Lake Crescent Lodge to begin this walk. From US101 continue to the Storm King Ranger Station and Lake Crescent Lodge. Turn **RIGHT** and then **LEFT** at the stop sign and follow signs to the Lake Crescent Lodge parking lot. If the lot is full there is other parking nearby. The trail begins at the far end (west) of the parking lot in front of the cabins which are in front of the Lodge. These trails may have “windfalls” (fallen trees) and a lot of windblown debris in the winter, and they may be **slippery** at any time, so “watch your step!”

Restroom facilities available at Bovee’s Meadow picnic area and the (ADA) Storm King Ranger Station.

1. Follow the gravel path to the end of the parking lot where you will see a trail sign: “**Bovee’s Meadow**,” follow the trail across the bridge over Barnes Creek. After crossing the creek, keep to the **RIGHT**, continue on the trail until you come to a gap sawed into a fallen log and take the trail to the **RIGHT**, continue on the trail to the edge of the lake, near the mouth of Barnes Creek. Reverse course and return to the main trail and turn **RIGHT**. Continue on this trail until you come to Bovee’s Meadow. Go **LEFT** across the meadow until you come to the parking area and turn **LEFT** on the paved road. Continue on the paved road across the old bridge until you come to a sign for the **Marymere Falls Trail**.  
  
2. Turn **RIGHT** and walk along this trail with Barnes Creek on your right, passing under US 101 to the to a T-intersection (**Low clearance! Watch your head!**). Turn **RIGHT** onto the **Marymere Falls Trail** and keep to the **RIGHT**, passing the Barnes Creek Trail. Continue along, crossing Barnes Creek and another creek (careful on the second bridge, it may be slippery). The trail steepens and then follows a series of switchbacks to an overlook of the 90 foot Marymere Falls. There is an “easy” first trail and a more challenging second trail up to the Falls, take your pick! Return down the way you came up (or the other way) and cross the two bridges again.
3. Continue on the trail past the Barnes Creek Trail and past the trail you came out on from the Lodge. Continue on in the direction of the Storm King Ranger Station. The trail winds through an old growth forest reminiscent of the rainforest, with nurse logs, hanging epiphytes (“moss”) and huge Douglas Firs. You pass under US 101 again through a tunnel. Stay to the **left**, with Lake Crescent on your right until you get to the **Storm King Ranger Station**.
4. Follow the road all the way to the loop down and around the to the dock and the boat ramp. Continue back up from the dock keeping to the **RIGHT** along the parking areas and road. When you come to a **marked pedestrian crossing**, turn **RIGHT** onto the trail. Continue until you come to a road. Turn **RIGHT** on the road and continue to the end of the road, then reverse course

In case of emergency: Dial 9-1-1 - Event related assistance: Todd Oberlander: 360-620-0810

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and walk back to the trail junction. Turn **RIGHT** back on the trail. At the T-intersection and the: “**Lake Crescent Lodge, Moments in Time Trail**” sign, turn **RIGHT**. Follow this trail around the loop, staying **LEFT** at the “Y” intersection. When you come to the intersection with another “**Marymere Falls**” trail sign, turn **RIGHT**. Continue straight at the next intersection.

5. Follow the trail to the paved road and turn **RIGHT**. Keep to the **RIGHT** toward Lake Crescent Lodge. Continue straight at the next intersection. Stay on this road until you come to a large parking lot near the lake’s edge. At the end of the parking lot, by the sign “**Welcome to Lake Crescent Lodge**” and “**Singer Tavern Cottages,**” turn **LEFT** on the paved path and continue straight, past the field on your **RIGHT** (your car is parked over on the right). Continue all the way to the road (past the sign for Marymere Falls and Bovee’s Meadow). Turn **RIGHT** on the paved road; across the road on the **LEFT** you’ll see the entrance to the “Marymere Falls” Trail (where you went out earlier). Continue on this road past Bovee’s Meadow

parking area to where the road ends at some private houses. **Reverse course** and continue back to Bovee’s meadow and turn **LEFT** and continue down to the lake. Turn **RIGHT** on the trail and continue on the trail (essentially following the same trail you came out on) crossing Barnes Creek on the bridge and back to your car.

6. Be sure to log back into the OSB system (my.ava.org) to “finish/complete” your online registration after doing the walk. The OSB system does not deduct any walking fee from a walker’s Event Bank until they have submitted walk completion info including the date the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that walker 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 walker’s Event Bank when he/she submits the walk completion info as a paying for credit walker.) Note however that the \$2 “coupon” for the downloaded PDF expires in 60 days.

### **5 Km Option, Rated 2B**

Follow the 10 Km directions through the end of **Step 2**. Pass by the Barnes Creek Trail on the right and turn **LEFT** on the next trail (the one you came out on) and follow the trail, passing under US 101 again, back to the parking lot and the Lake Crescent Lodge.

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Marymere Falls Map



