



Bend / Cascades Lakes Highway Loop

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This drive will take you up Through the **Mt. Hood National Forest** and over to **Bend**. Then you will travel the scenic *Cascades Lakes Highway* by the **Three Sisters**. You can enjoy a picnic lunch at **Elk Lake** before continuing on through **The Cascades**. Then it is over **Willamette Pass** and down to **Eugene** before you head back to **Portland** on *I-5*.



Driving = 30% **1**, 20% **2**, 40% **3** and 10% **4**

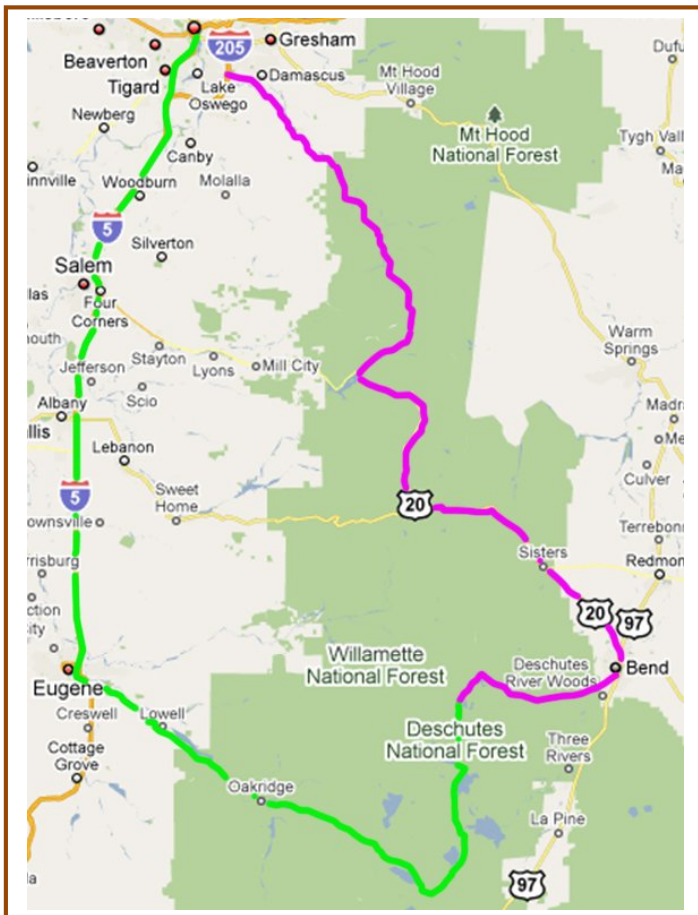


Scenery = **3**

Total Driving Time: 7 hrs. 30 mins. / 427 miles

Find your way to **Clackamas**. Take *I-205* to the **Clackamas Exit #12A (Clackamas / Estacada)**.

Clackamas to Elk Lake - Driving Time: 3 hrs. 45 minutes / 201 miles



Zero your odometer trip gauge as you leave or pass by the **I-205 / Hwy. 212/224 interchange** (the mileage points throughout the drive are based on this).

Head eastward on *Hwy. 212/224*. At **MILE 3.2** turn **right** on *Hwy. 224*. Passing through **Carver**, bear **right** on *South Springwater Road*, crossing the **Carver bridge (MILE 4.3)**.

Continue on *S. Springwater Road* for 11 miles to *S. Hayden road* where you will turn **left** to *Hwy 211 (MILE 14.9)* and then **left** again on *Hwy. 211* into **Estacada (MILE 16.1)**.

On this route there is no rest area until you get to **Detroit** – over an hour away. So, at the junction with *Hwy. 224*, turn **left**, passing through **Estacada** to a Rest Area just on the other side of town (**MILE 18.2**). Hop back onto *Hwy 224* (turning **right**) and head south into the **Cascade Mountains** through the lush **Mt. Hood** and **Willamette National Forest**.




At "Nowhere Meadow" turn right on *Forest Service Road 46* toward **Detroit Lake**, passing by **Breitenbush Hot Springs** along the way.

You may need a pit stop at **Detroit**. As you arrive in **Detroit (MILE 89.7)**, turn **left** on *Hwy. 22* for about ½ block and then angle **right** onto *Detroit Avenue*. About a block or two ahead on *Detroit Avenue* are some port-a-potties across from the **Detroit City Hall**. [GPS: *Detroit City Hall* address is 150 *Detroit Avenue*, *Detroit, OR*] There is also a coffee shop here.

Continue on *Detroit Avenue* for a block and turn **left** on *Forest Avenue* and then **right** on *Hwy. 22* South. At the *Hwy. 22 / Hwy. 20* junction follow *Hwy. 20 / Hwy. 126* toward **Sisters**. At **Sisters (MILE 146.7)** continue on *Hwy. 20* toward **Bend**.

(Now before you leave **Bend**, you might want to stop at a deli and pick up a picnic lunch if you didn't bring one with you) You should also refuel before heading up into the mountains.

At **Bend (MILE 166.3)** you will come to a *Chevron*  station on your **right**. Refuel here. Leaving the station, turn **left** to back-track to *Empire Street* (1/8 mile) and turn **right**. At the second **right** take the on-ramp to *Hwy. 97 / Bend Parkway*. Continue south to **Exit #138 / Colorado Avenue (MILE 169.1)**. At the base of the off-ramp, turn **right** on *Colorado Avenue*. Continue on *Colorado Avenue* through two round-a-bouts. In the second round-a-bout take the third exit – *The Cascade Lakes Highway – Hwy 46*.

As you head up into the Cascades you will pass by the **South Sister**.



At **Elk Lake (MILE 201.2)** stop and find an area for your picnic lunch.



Elk Lake to Portland - Driving Time: 3 hr. 45 mins. / 224 miles

Leaving **Elk Lake**, head south on *Hwy 46*. You will pass by some beautiful lakes and mountain scenery.



At **MILE 238.6** turn right onto *Crescent Cutoff Road*. At the intersection with *Hwy. 58* turn **right (MILE 241.8)**.



Stay on *Hwy. 58* westbound until you get to *I-5 (MILE 314.2)*. Take *I-5* north to **Portland (MILE 427)**.

This is merely a suggested drive. You can shorten it – lengthen it – reverse it – modify it – deviate from it or just stay home and detail your car.

Enjoy and Drive Safely!

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The fun starts here!

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