



Columbia Gorge Loop

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This drive will take you up *Hwy. 14* on the **Washington** side of the **Columbia** for some scenic and fun roads. It will end at "**Stonehenge**" before returning you to way of **The Dalles** and *I-84 / Historic Scenic Highway* to the **Portland** area.



Driving = 40% 1, 50% 3 and 10% 4



Scenery = 4

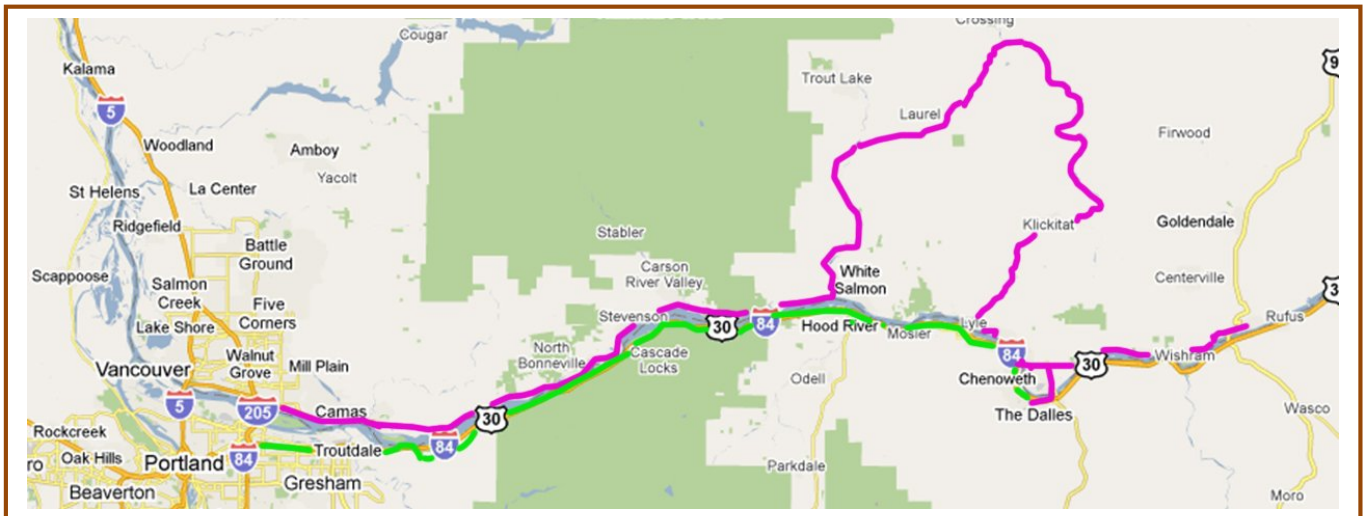
Total Driving Time: 5 hrs. 45 mins. / 272 miles

Find your way to the **Washington** side of the **Columbia River**. From the **Portland** area take either *I-5* or *I-205* North across the river. Then take **Washington Hwy. 14** eastbound.

Vancouver to "Stonehenge" - Driving Time: 4 hrs. / 163 miles



Zero your odometer trip gauge as you leave or pass by the **I-205 / Hwy. 14 interchange** (the mileage points throughout the drive are based on this).



Continue eastward on *Hwy. 14* through **Camas**, **Washougal** and **Stevenson**. At **mile 51.6** is **Drano Lake** on your left. It is highly recommended that you stop here for a pit-stop as there just isn't anything further on. This rest stop is a "Day-Use" fee area for fishermen. However, we have never been bothered to just stop and use the facilities.



Just before entering **Bingen**, you will cross the **White Salmon River** and turn **left** / north on *Hwy. 141 Alternate* (**MILE 57.8**). This winding road takes you up out of the **Gorge** to the top of the plain.

At **B Z Corner** [**GPS**: 1255 Highway 141, White Salmon] you will turn **right** on *BZ-Glenwood Highway* toward **Glenwood** (**MILE 67.9**). At (**MILE 88.3**) you will enter **Glenwood** and turn **right** on *Glenwood-Goldendale Hwy.* [*You will be in for some great climbing twisties on this section!*]



As you approach *Hwy. 142*, you will turn **right** (**MILE 112.6**). Then it is down through some twisties to **Klickitat** and then on to **Lyle** (**MILE 136.4**). At **Lyle** and *Hwy. 14*, if you are in need of another pit-stop, turn **right**/west on *Hwy. 14* for a couple of miles to the **Chamberlain Rest Area** (**MILE 138.6**). If you are OK, then turn **left**/east on *Hwy. 14* and continue on up to "**Stonehenge**" (**MILE 163**).

Stonehenge (more appropriately – **Concretehenge**) is a WWI memorial that overlooks the **Columbia River**. There is a small gift shop here where you can buy soft drinks. Around back there is a port-a-potty. [**GPS**: 35 Maryhill Museum Drive, Goldendale, WA 98620]



Just west of **Stonehenge** is the **Maryhill Museum**. This is a massive building built by Sam Hill (the contractor for the Historic Columbia Gorge Highway) for his daughter. You might want to check it out.

"Stonehenge" to The Dalles - Driving Time: 30 mins. / 23 miles

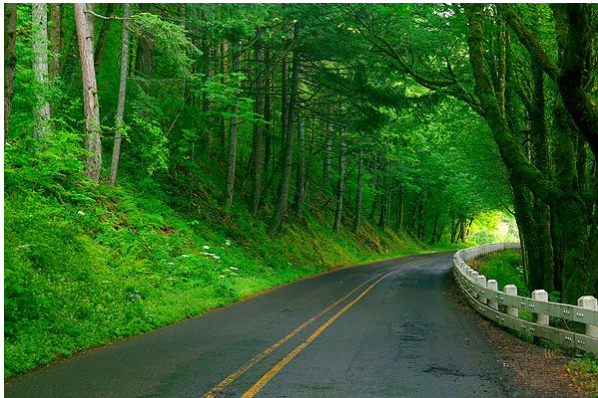
Heading west on *Hwy. 14*, you will turn **left**/south on *Hwy 197* (**MILE 182.2**) and pass by the front of **The Dalles Dam**. Pass over *I-84* and turn **right** on *Hwy. 30 / East 2nd Street* (**MILE 188.1**) which takes you along the railroad tracks and into downtown. Two highly-recommended lunch locations are on **Court Street** – **Romul's Italian Restaurant** and **The Baldwin Saloon**. Stay on *East 2nd Street* through the downtown area and turn **left** on *Court Street* a half block to **Romul's** on your **left**. [**GPS:** 312 Court St., The Dalles, OR] Or, turn **right** on *Court Street* for one block to **The Baldwin Saloon** on your **left**. [**GPS:** 205 Court St., The Dalles, OR] (**MILE 192.7**)



The Dalles is an odd town and both of these establishments are closed on Sunday.

The Dalles to Portland - Driving Time: 1 hrs. 15 mins. / 84 miles

Leaving **The Dalles**, head west on *I-84* toward **Portland**. Leave *I-84* at **Exit 35** to take the *Historic Columbia Gorge Highway* past **Multnomah Falls** and up past **Crown Point**.



If there is no parking at **Crown Point**, you can continue on and turn **right** at the **Portland Women's Forum State Park** to enjoy the nice overlook at the **Gorge and Crown**. Then continue on west to **Corbett** where you will turn **right** to head down and rejoin *I-84* for your return back into **Portland**.

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! S2Ki Oregon -  The fun starts here!

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