



White Pass Scenic Byway Loop

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This drive will take you up to **Washington** for lunch in **Yakima** before heading on over the *White Pass Scenic Byway* by **Rimrock Lake** and over **White Pass**. Then it is on to **Randle** and back to **Portland** around the back side of **Mt. St. Helens** and through **Cougar**. Only 25 miles of this drive are on the freeways!



Driving = 5% 1, 75% 3 and 20% 4

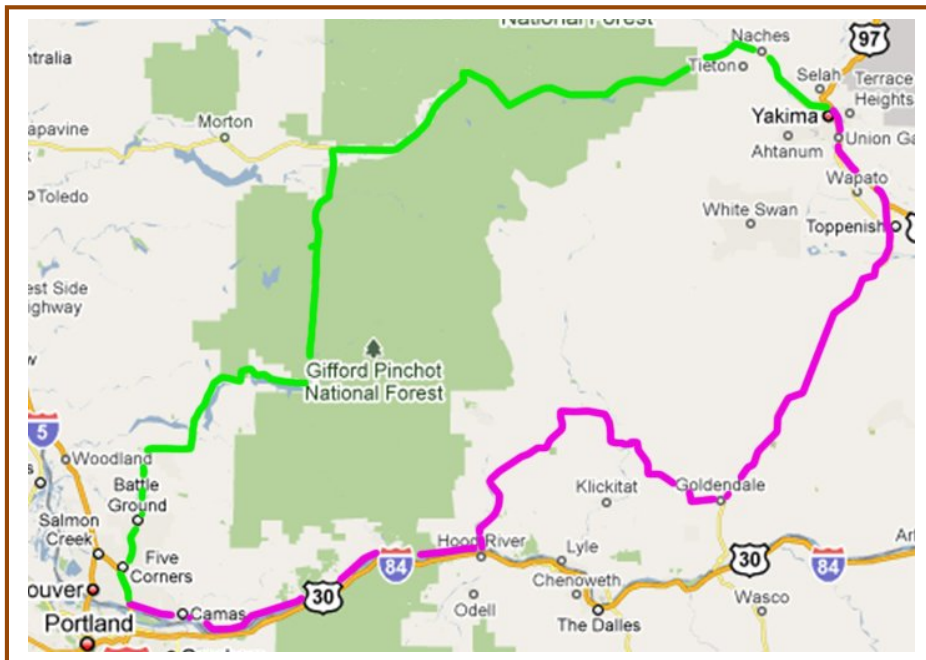


Scenery = 4

Total Driving Time: 7 hrs. 45 mins. / 391 miles

Find your way to *Washington Hwy. 14* eastbound.

Portland to Yakima - Driving Time: 3 hrs. 45 mins. / 192 miles



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

Proceed east on **Washington Hwy. 14** through **Camas, Washougal** and **Stevenson**.

At **mile 51.8** 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 58.2**). 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 68.2**). At (**MILE 87.6**) you will enter **Glenwood** and turn **right** on *Glenwood-Goldendale Hwy.* [You will be in for some great climbing twisties on this section!]



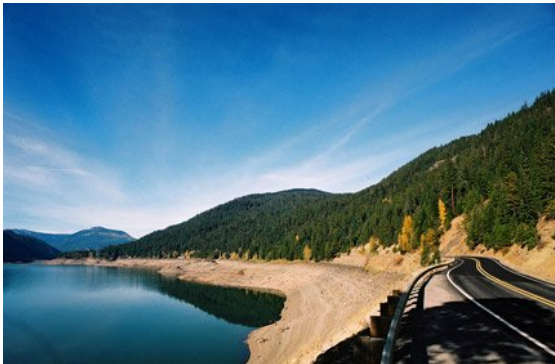
As you approach *Hwy. 142*, you will turn **left** / east (**MILE 111.8**). Proceed on to **Goldendale** and turn **left** / north on *Hwy. 97* (**MILE 123.5**). At **Toppenish** follow *Hwy. 22* and the signs to *I-82 North*. Head north on *I-82* to **Yakima**. Take **Exit #33** (**MILE 191.8**). Find a place for lunch in **Yakima** or a deli to make you a picnic lunch for later. You will want to refuel here.

Yakima to Portland - **Driving Time: 4 hrs. / 199 miles**



Zero your odometer trip gauge as you leave **Yakima** (the mileage points are based on this).

Follow the signs to *Hwy. 12* west. Enjoy your drive through the **Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest**. You will pass by beautiful **Rimrock Lake** on your **left** before heading over **White Pass**.



Stop at the **White Pass Lodge** for a pit-stop (**MILE 52.7**).



Continuing on west, you will enter the **Gifford Pinchot National Forest**. At **Randle** (**MILE 282.5**) turn **left** / south on *Hwy. 131*. *Hwy. 131* becomes *FS 25*. Continue south on *FS 25* to the **Wakepish Rest Area** (**MILE 302.2**). Then continue south on *FS 25* by the east side of **Mt. St. Helens**. At **MILE 327.6** turn **right** / west on *FS 90*.



FS 90 follows above **Swift Reservoir** for miles. Near **Cougar** FS 90 becomes Hwy. 503 (**MILE 343**). Make a pit-stop at **Yale Lake (MILE 348.1)**.



At **MILE 351.4** turn **left** / south on Hwy. 503 south. Continue on through **Amboy, Lewisville, Battle Ground** and **Brush Prairie**.

At *N.E. 4th Plain Blvd.* Hwy. 503 becomes Hwy. 500. Follow the signs to *I-205 south* (**MILE 384**). Continue on to **Portland (MILE 391)**.

Note: The route from **Randle** to **Cougar** is only reliably open from July through October. Winter snows typically create havoc with the roads and the **Forest Service** needs time to repair them, replace bridges, etc. It is ALWAYS a good idea to contact the **Forest Service** before heading up there. Their number is: (360) 497-1100. You can also check their website for up-to-date information: <http://www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/recreation/current-conditions/>

If this route is closed, then continue on Hwy. 12 to I-5. Follow the signs to *I-5 south*.

White Pass Scenic Byway: <http://whitepassbyway.com/>

Washington State Road and Pass information: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/TRAFFIC/>

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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