

Casey's Riverside RV Park, Westfir, OR

This is a great park. Out in the hinterlands, next to where 3 rivers come together. Great amenities, only downside is it use Tengenet for wi-fi and that usually is not too good. Lots are nicely spaced, we had a pull thru on the river. Nice club house and an outdoor shelter that is huge and has tv, refrig, bbq, and soft server ice cream. Well maintained. It is rated 10/10 by Trailer Life and deserves the rating.

Good fishing area, small golf course in town, scenic drive up Forest Road 19 which connects right at the park.

<http://caseysrvpark.com/>

Columbia River RV Park, Portland, OR

My word for this park is "noisy". Nice park with good amenities, best wi-fi I have ever had in an RV park. A little close, room to maneuver, but lots are lose together. But its on the flight path for Portland Airport, and they let people put their dogs out on a leash and leave them, so barking dogs a lot. We'll stay somewhere else when we visit Portland.

<http://www.columbiariverrv.com/>

Silver Falls State Park, Oregon

Silver Falls is located 25 miles from Salem and 15 miles from Silverton. Like most other Oregon State Parks, in the summer it is usually full, so plan ahead. Also like other Oregon State Parks in the summer, it can be crowded and noisy. But during our stay, things were fine. We were very close to the playground, so during the day, it could be noisy, but as night fell and got closer to quiet hour, things were very peaceful. Since we stay on the go a lot, it was not an issue.

Silver falls has over 8 miles of hiking trails (no bikes) and 25 miles of bicycle trails within the 9,000 acre park, this includes 4 miles of paved bike trail. Along the 8 mile hiking trail are 10 waterfalls. There are numerous trailheads, so you don't have to hike the entire 8 miles to view the falls, but park at an appropriate location and a hike to .5 to 1 mile will get you to 2 or 3 waterfalls.



We hiked the North Falls Trail the first day. Its .4 miles up to the Upper North Waterfall, then 1 mile to the Lower North Falls Waterfall. You then go behind the waterfall to a trail on the other side and another mile to the Twin Falls waterfall. Problem is, its all downhill going and all uphill coming back. This includes a long climb of about a hundred concrete steps up the mountain side. Beautiful scenery, but it was a hard couple of miles coming back.

The park has a swimming area, although I bet its cold, it's a spring feed mountain stream, an historic lodge built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s, a large day use area with a snack shack, and small cabins to rent.

Took the bicycle trail this morning. It is a 4 mile paved path running through the park. From our campsite around the loop and return was 6.0 miles. While it is paved, its not in the greatest of shape, lots of frost heaves, root bumps, and potholes, so you need to go slow and watch your path. It's what I would consider moderate to hard, lots of small hills to climb, great coming down, except its curvy and with all the bumps, caution is key. But it was a good ride on the trike and I enjoyed it.



Above is a collage of the South Falls, Lodge, and Swimming Hole. All are located near the Day Use area of the park. You can also catch the Ten Falls Trail here. The Lodge has a small Café (Snack Bar), and there is a Nature Store with gifts for sale.

I have been riding the bike trail each morning, but coming back via the road. Road is much smoother and allows me to go faster, averaging 10 mph with top speed of 16-17 mph. Very little traffic and its moving slow...

Olde Stone Village, McMinnville, OR

This is a really nice RV Park, located next to the Evergreen Air and Space Museum. It has all the facilities, pool, restrooms, wash room, club house, etc. Most lots are pull throughs and not too close together. At \$31 a night it's a really good deal.

http://www.woodalls.com/a/02465_oldestonevlg.html

[The Evergreen Air and Space Museum](#)

Plus McMinnville is located in the middle of Oregon wine country. Plenty to do in McMinnville and the other towns in the area. For bike riding, take the trail to the Museum and around the large parking area, plus they have a nature trail around the museum, through the vineyards.

Armitage County Park, Eugene, Oregon

This park is part of the Lance County Oregon park system and is located north of Eugene (Coburg) Oregon along the I-5 corridor. It is located at the junction of the McKenzie River and I-5.

Park Location & Description:

90064 Coburg Road
Eugene, OR 97408

Armitage Park includes 57 acres located 5 miles north of

Eugene, Oregon, on the banks of the beautiful McKenzie River.

We had a full hookup site, most sites are large (58'X15') with paved drives and full hookups. There are some pull through sites, but most are back-ins. Was a nice park, especially if you like to fish, the river is right there and fishing can be good, depending on river levels.

[Armitage Park](#)



The McKenzie River adjacent to the park.



Cape Lookout State Park, Tillamook, OR

Cape Lookout State Park, Tillamook, OR – Summer 1999

This was one of our favorite parks, especially before the winter storms in 2000. We could get a campsite right on the beach, but the winter storms washed that away. But its still a beautiful park, off the beaten path, with a relaxing view and not too crowded.



Cape Lookout is located on a sand spit between Netarts Bay and the ocean, giving you a terrific view of the ocean with easy access to the beach. Beachcombing is popular here, and the park is reputedly a good place to find glass floats. More than eight miles of hiking and walking trails wind through a lush old-growth forest. The Cape Lookout trail follows the headland for more than 2 miles. A bench is located at the end of the trail. Enjoy the view! You might see a whale or two along with other wildlife.

Two walking trails – a nature trail and the Jackson Creek trail – are perfect for a shorter jaunt. The nature trail gives you a close-up view of native trees and other plants.

Numbered markers are keyed to a trail guide. The Jackson Creek trail starts with an interpretive panel describing the local salmon restoration project.

Be sure to look up when you visit this park ... hang gliders and paragliders fill the air with colorful wings as they catch thermals and rise to dizzying heights. Along with Cape Kiwanda and Cape Meares, Lookout is part of the Three Capes Scenic Route.

[State Parks Web Site](#)

NAME: Cape Lookout State Park-

Where: Tillamook, OR

Admission: \$3 day use – \$\$-\$25 camping

Camping: 38 full hookup, 1 electric, 173 tent (maximum site 60 feet); 13 yurts; group tent (2 areas); hiker/biker camp; 3 deluxe cabins (with bathrooms, kitchen, tv/vcr), hiker/biker camp.

URL: http://www.oregonstateparks.org/park_186.php

Month/Year visited: Summer 1999

Comments: For information only, call (503)842-4981 or (800) 551-6949. To make reservations, call 1-800-452-5687.

Sea Perch RV Resort, Yachats, OR

Sea Perch RV Resort is located south of Yachats, OR, on Highway 101. All the sites have a view of the ocean with some sites being on, y about 10 yards from the beach. The amenities are great, the cost is a little pricey, but not too bad for the quality of the park.

[Sea Perch Web Site](#)

We stayed here as part of our 45th Anniversary trip and it was a great choice. The prices run from \$40 – \$60 per night depending on site location. We got on right on the beach for 4 nights, but I don't think there is a bad site, all have ocean views.

Fort Flagler State Park, Port Hadlock, WA

Fort Flagler State Park is located on an old Coastal Artillery site. We visited in May 2009 and they had just re-opened after a major remodel. They have installed full hookup sites in two of the primary loops. We had a site just off the beach, with a great view of the water. We mostly like to go up in this area to visit Port Townsend, so we spent Saturday driving around checking out Thrift Stores and Yard Sales. Port Townsend was having a parade and festivities, which we didn't care to fight the crowd for, so we didn't spend much time downtown. Port Townsend is a great place to visit, good restaurants and plenty of shopping.



Had great weather, so we got to sit out and enjoy the view. I went flyfishing for Searun Cutthroat Trout on the other side of the park. Got one in about 10" in length, had a few more strikes. Lots of people were out clamming on the beach. We took a couple of beach walks, got some driftwood, and had a great time.



Wonderful bakery (The Village Bakery) at the turn-off to the park. They are only open on Saturday from 8:00 AM until sold out (usually 2:00 PM or so). There are also some wineries in the area. They do mostly reds, so the wife opted not to go to any for tasting, but if you're a red fan, check them out and let us know. We drove up 101 and stopped in Hamma Hamma for seafood. Fresh oysters, clams, mussels, and crab are hard to beat. Get the seafood, the bread locally, bring your own wine, or get some locally, makes for a great weekend, regardless of weather.

South Beach State Park, Newport, OR

South Beach State Park and the surrounding areas offer a variety of recreational opportunities.

One of the most exciting additions to the program at South Beach: kayak tours. Folks who register for the activity will launch from nearby Ona Beach (5 miles south) and spend two hours exploring the fascinating Beaver Creek area with a guide.

Other activities around the park include fishing, crabbing, boating, windsurfing and beachcombing. Attractions nearby include the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, marine life exhibits at the Hatfield Marine Science Center and the Oregon Coast Aquarium.

These are just a few of the opportunities you will encounter when you visit and explore the central Oregon coast.

Kayak Tours

Kayak tours are offered during the summer. No experience necessary. South Beach State Park supplies the

kayaks, paddles and lifejackets, and interpretive host guides. Minimum age is 6. Paddlers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. \$15 per person (subject to change). All trips start at the Hospitality Center at South Beach State Park. All trips include about 2 hours of paddling.

Reservations strongly recommended. The reservation number is 541-867-6590.

Beachside State Recreation Site, Yachats, OR

A few miles south of Waldport and north of Yachats on the central coast, this small, exquisite destination campground is right along side miles of broad, sandy beach that makes the park perfect for kite flying and watching. Tent and electric sites accommodate one vehicle per site. Every site is mere seconds from the beach, which makes the park perfect for watching storms, sunsets and whales.

Recent erosion at the park has prompted us to change some trails and start an erosion control program. Beachside is an excellent mid-point stop as you take a jaunt on the coast. Within 30 miles in either direction, you'll find visitor centers, tide pools, hiking and driving tours, three lighthouses, crabbing, clamming, fishing, aquarium and science centers.