

Northeast Oregon



PRIMITIVE CAMPING

Hilgard Junction

Off I-84, 8 miles W of La Grande

Red Bridge

On Hwy 244, 16 miles SW of La Grande

Catherine Creek

On Hwy 203, 8 miles SE of Union

Minam

Just off Hwy 82, 15 miles NE of Elgin

Ukiah-Dale Forest

On US 395, 3 miles SW of Ukiah



What is primitive camping? Primitive campsites have no utility hookups, but most can accommodate self-contained RVs. One water source usually serves several sites. Hard surfaced parking may be available at some sites, or the sites may be arranged in a common, walk-in area. All sites have picnic tables and fire rings. Some campgrounds may have modern restrooms, but none have showers.

Looking for an out-of-the-way camping destination? Try any of these riverside parks from.

Camping Rates

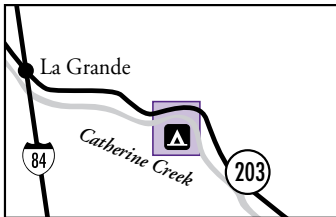
Rates are subject to change. Call 1-800-551-6949, or visit www.oregonstateparks.org for up-to-date information about rates and opening and closing dates. The length of the season for each campground is dependent on the weather.

Catherine Creek State Park

Latitude: 45.152676 N
Longitude: -117.743438 W

Pleasantly scenic Catherine Creek State Park, with the peaks of the Wallowa Mountains in the background, offers a refreshing, peaceful setting for fishing, or just relaxing. Even salmon are returning to sparkling Catherine Creek thanks to aggressive bank restoration efforts within the park. Native American inhabitants in the past visited the area to angle for steelhead and pick huckleberries.

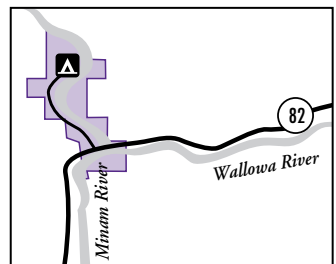
- 20 primitive sites with water nearby (1 ADA)
- Parking at all sites (can accommodate self-contained RVs)
- Restrooms with flush toilets
- 2 picnic areas (reservable: 1-800-452-5687)
- Firewood for sale
- Horseshoe pits (in day-use area)
- 1½-mile hiking trail



Minam State Recreation Area

Latitude: 45.621308 N
Longitude: -117.724854 W

Located along the steep, forested banks of the Wallowa River, Minam State Recreation Area offers a pristine environment for river rafters and anglers. The park includes two launching points for river



adventurers choosing either short trips on the easy stretch of the Wallowa, or longer excursions downstream to the Grande Ronde and beyond. The park is two miles north of Highway 82 below the confluence of the Minam and Wallowa rivers.

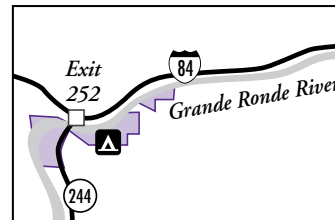
- 22 primitive sites with water
- Vault toilet facilities
- River rafting access
- Riverside trail for anglers

Hilgard Junction State Recreation Area

Latitude: 45.34027 N
Longitude: -118.238888 W

Covered wagons on the Oregon Trail were maneuvered down the hill facing Hilgard Junction State Recreation Area, a riverside park shaded by cottonwoods, willow trees and some ponderosa pine. Read about the adventures of the pioneer travelers in the park's Oregon Trail interpretive shelter.

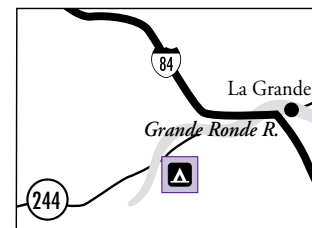
- 18 primitive sites with water nearby (1 ADA)
- Paved parking at all sites (can accommodate self-contained RVs)
- Restrooms with flush toilets
- Firewood for sale
- Grande Ronde River rafting access
- Horseshoe pits
- Oregon Trail interpretive shelter



Red Bridge State Wayside

Latitude: 45.324392 N
Longitude: -118.25663 W

Red Bridge State Wayside features another forested river setting upstream from Hilgard Junction. Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine and cottonwood stands make its



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day-use area a picnic haven. The river, flowing through the park, makes it a scenic and convenient fishing retreat. The park's location is about eight miles west of the junction of Oregon 244 and I-84.

- 10 primitive walk-in tent sites with water nearby
- 10 primitive sites that accommodate self-contained RVs
- Firewood for sale
- Restrooms with flush toilets
- Horseshoe pits

Ukiah-Dale Forest State Scenic Corridor

Latitude: 45.125555 N
Longitude: -118.970555 W

Camas Creek winds through 14 miles of ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir and western larch forest before emptying into the North Fork of the John Day River at the southern edge of the Ukiah-Dale scenic corridor along U.S. 395. Both streams offer excellent trout, steelhead and salmon fishing from late-May through mid-summer.

As it tumbles past the campground in the park's north end, the inviting Camas Creek also entices rafters and kayakers in the spring. The campground is a popular base for hunters in the fall.

- 27 primitive sites with water nearby
- Paved parking at all sites (can accommodate self-contained RVs)
- Restrooms with flush toilets
- Firewood for sale

