Potato Butte Trail #719A



Recreation Opportunity Guide



Trail Highlights: This trail lies in the Olallie Lake Scenic Area. This short hike to Potato Butte offers access to several lakes and great views from Potato Butte.

Trail Description: This trail begins at Red Lake Trail #719 (4,880') and ends at Potato Butte (5,280'). From the trailhead near Sheep Lake, 2.8 miles easterly of the Red Lake Trailhead at Forest Road 4220-380, the trail heads north towards Potato Butte through a level terrain of scrub pine. The trail reaches a seasonal pool/meadow after 0.3 mile. There is a nice "hidden" lake to the right about 200' at the seasonal pool/meadow. The trail continues through the meadow for 0.1 mile to the beginning of a very steep ascent with poor footing due to the volcanic soils. The grade eases after 0.15 mile. There is a side trail to the right which leads to the "potatoes" and a fabulous view of Mount Jefferson. The trail continues to the summit and a north view. The views make the climb well worth the effort.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

Leave No Trace

- > Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on *Leave No Trace*, go to <u>www.LNT.org</u> or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

Map and driving directions on next page

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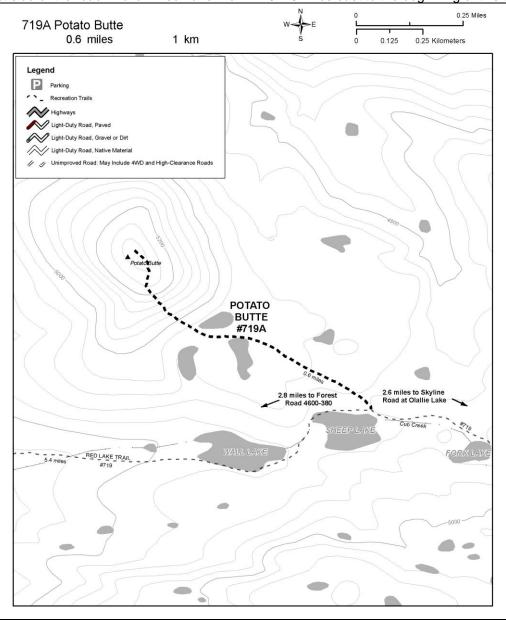
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Directions to Trailhead: From Detroit, go east on Forest Road 46 approximately 17 miles to Forest Road 4600-380. Turn right onto 4600-380 and travel 0.9 miles to the trailhead. There is no pullout or turnaround. Red Lake Trail #719 begins on the east side of the road. Follow Red Lake Trail #719 2.8 miles east to the beginning of this trail.

<u>From Portland</u>, travel east on US Hwy 26 to Sandy. Turn right (southwest) on OR Hwy 211 and travel 6.1 miles to OR Hwy 224. Turn left (southeast) on OR Hwy 224 and travel 30.6 miles to Forest Road 46. Take the right fork onto Forest Road 46 and travel 26.5 miles to Forest Road 4600-380. Turn left onto 380 and travel 0.9 miles to the trailhead. There is no pullout or turnaround. Red Lake Trail #719 begins on the east side of the road. Follow Red Lake Trail #719 2.8 miles east to the beginning of this trail.



Recommended maps: Clackamas Ranger District

