Beacon Rock State Park

Beacon Rock Trailhead

Popular Hikes

Beacon Rock
1.8 miles, out and back,
easy to moderate, 578’ gain

River to Rock Trail
1.5 miles, out and back,
easy to moderate, 272’ gain

The Beacon Rock Trail ascends to the top of Beacon Rock (850’ elevation), one of the world’s largest monoliths. The trail was built directly onto the side of the rock with 52 switchbacks. This amazing trail was originally built between 1915-1918 by philanthropist Henry Biddle. Views include the Columbia River Gorge, Bonneville Dam, and Pierce Wildlife Refuge. Interpretive panels along the trail explain history and geology.

River to Rock Trail is the newest trail in the park, it begins at the west end of Beacon Rock trailhead. The trail climbs then descends to a wetland area and Riddell Lake. Enjoy views of Beacon Rock from the west side of the lake then hike through a century old filbert orchard. Quickly descend to a foot bridge across Woodward Creek at Moorage Road. Turn left here to access the Columbia River waterfront. The River to Rock Trail can also be accessed from the boat launch area parking lot.

Trails open 8AM-Dusk

Foot traffic only

Backcountry camping prohibited