

LIST OF LOCAL SIGHTS AND RECREATION

Pictures of Klamath Falls – <http://members.spree.com/sip/sunnidaze/me/kfalls.html>

One of the local members of Kingsley Field took some pictures of the local area in the springtime.

Cities Close By:

Ashland area: <http://www.ashland.or.us/ashl0003.htm> – 65 miles west on the other side of the Siskiyou Mountains, it is a "hippy kinda place," an excellent tourist attraction and home of Southern Oregon University. Every year there is a Shakespeare Festival lasting throughout the summer with street entertainment, multiple indoor and outdoor theatres, and related events. Take plenty of cash because the shopping is not run-of-the-mill, the dining is exquisite and the atmosphere is unparalleled.

Medford: <http://www.ci.medford.or.us/frontdesk/links.html> – 75 miles west on the other side of the Siskiyou Mountains, this city is fair sized with good shopping and eating.

Bend: <http://www.bendchamber.com/> – about a two hour drive due north, good dining, heartbeat of Central Oregon.

Bandon: <http://www.bandon.or.us/welcome.htm> – about a four hour drive on the southern Oregon coast. Activities include jet boat tours, beachcombing, fine dining, and bird watching.

Florence: <http://www.florencechamber.com/> – Visit the Sea Lion Caves, the Oregon Coast Aquarium, Oregon Dunes, Siltcoos Recreation Area and Dean Creek Elk Reserve, and the Siuslaw National Forest. Go dune bugging, fishing, hiking, kite flying, whale watching, shopping, camping, bird and wildlife watching, horseback riding, and sandboarding, enjoy sea plane rides and sternwheeler cruises and indulge in outstanding dining.

Oregon City Link: <http://www.oregoncitylink.com/> – guide to interesting cities statewide.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife – <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/>

All you could want to know about Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife Viewing in Oregon.

Oregon Department of Transportation – <http://www.odot.state.or.us/>

Go here for road conditions (very important with this crazy weather!), road construction and maintenance, Oregon laws on traction tires, studded tires and tire chains, answers to out-of-state auto registration, and more.

GORP (Great Outdoor Recreation Pages) for S. Central Oregon –

http://www.gorp.com/gorp/location/or/or_sc.htm If you're an outdoor person, this is the page to check out. Gives National Forests, Wildlife Refuges, National Monuments, Recreation Areas, Rivers, and Scenic Byways.

Mountain Odyssey – <http://www.mtn-guide.com/finder.cfm>

On the webpage, select the activity you are interested in and then select Oregon for "All States/Provinces." Activities on the site are found in the Mt. Hood area (about a four hour drive north from Klamath Falls), Ashland (a 65 mile drive West from Klamath Falls), and Bend (about a two hour drive due north from Klamath Falls). Those activities are: Adventure Tours, Boating, Camping, Fishing, Galleries, Golf, Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Museums, Night Life, Outdoor Activities, Performing Arts, Rafting, Scenic Tours, Spas, Swimming, Theaters, Tours, and Wineries.

Central Oregon Recreation Watch – <http://www.corw.com/>

Serious sporting and outdoor activities.

Southern Oregon Vacation Guide – <http://www.sova.org/>

Fun activities and the places to stay. "The Oregon Coast, Crater Lake National Park, Valleys of the Umpqua, Rogue River, Oregon Caves, High Desert Outback, and Shakespeare!"

Online Highways Oregon Homepage – <http://www.ohwy.com/or/homepage.htm>

Guide for what's happening and where to go in Oregon. Links to: Art, Education, Food & Drink, History, Lodging, Major Recreation Providers, Music & Theater, Natural Features, Oregon Events Calendar, Oregon Products, Outdoor Activities, Real Estate, Retirement, Science, Shopping, Tourist Services, and Search by Region (Klamath Falls is in the Southern Oregon region) or City/Town.

Klamath Forest National Wildlife Refuge (541-783-3380) – <http://refuges.fws.gov/> –
OR–<http://www.klamathnwr.org>

This Refuge is approximately 45 miles north of Klamath Falls, east off of Highway 97. There is boating, hiking, hunting, photographic opportunities and wildlife watching available within Park boundaries. No facilities.

Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge –

<http://www.recreation.gov/detail.cfm?ID=2160>

This Refuge is about 20 miles south of Klamath Falls, east off of Highway 97. Auto touring, educational programs, hunting, wildlife viewing are available for a nice quiet afternoon's enjoyment (or morning, if you are a day person). No facilities.

Crater Lake National Park – <http://www.nps.gov/crla/> –~~OR~~– <http://www.crater-lake.com/>

Crater Lake is located about an hour drive north from Klamath Falls off Highway 97. There is hiking on 50+ miles of trails – including part of the Pacific Crest Trail, cross-country skiing, scenic drives, interpretive walks, photographic opportunities, night programs, geology talks, boat trips on the lake, the Junior Ranger Program (6–12 year olds), winter programs, camping, rooms for rent at the Lake Lodge, plus a cafeteria and gift shop.

Lava Beds National Monument (Northern California) – <http://www.nps.gov/labe/>

The Lava Beds are about a 30–45 minute drive south of Klamath Falls, just across the California border along the route used to go to Reno, Nevada. This was the site of the Modoc wars where Captain Jack led his tribe against the U.S. Army during 1872–1873. There are several locations of historic interest open for exploration, hiking on 25+ miles of trails – including wilderness areas, spelunking (caving) from handicap accessible to difficult, photographic opportunities, camping, a Junior Ranger Program, petroglyphs viewing, wildlife and bird watching. There are no food/supplies available within Park boundaries, camping is primitive. A small bookstore is available at the Visitor Center where hard hats and flashlights can be rented.

Winema National Forest – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/winema/fnowelcome.htm>

The forest is located in Klamath County, flanks the eastern slope of the Cascade Range and borders the Klamath basin on three sides and Crater Lake National Park. The southern border is 10–20 miles north from Klamath Falls off Highways 97 and 140. Camping, boating, swimming, fishing, hiking, climbing, picnicking, winter trails, hunting, wildlife viewing, and photographic opportunities are available within Park boundaries. The range of environments within Park boundaries vary from desert to access to high mountain wilderness. The website has links to other areas of interest close by.

Rogue River National Forest – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/rogue/>

This forest is a 35 minute drive west of Klamath Falls. Scenic drives, photographic opportunities, camping, hunting, river rafting (from amateur to hardcore professional white water), hiking – including part of the Pacific Crest Trail and access to Sky Lakes Wilderness, backpacking, llama/horseback packing, downhill and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling, are all available within Park boundaries.

Klamath Wild and Scenic River in Oregon – <http://www.nps.gov/rivers/klamath2.html>

The river originates in Klamath Falls in the Upper Klamath Lake and runs 220 miles across Southern Oregon/Northern California to the Pacific Ocean. Fishing, hunting, hiking, wildlife and bird watching are available along/in the river.

Class IV and V whitewater rafting is a major attraction in both the upper and lower Klamath River regions and employing an outfitter is strongly recommended. Most outfitters can be found in the Ashland/Medford area.

Klamath National Forest (Northern California) – <http://www.r5.fs.fed.us/klamath/>

This forest is about 80–100 miles southwest of Klamath Falls off Interstate 5 in California. Hiking, mountain biking, backpacking, picnicking, river rafting (mild to whitewater!), camping, fishing, horseback riding, hunting, and photographic opportunities are available within Park boundaries.

Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw/odnra.htm>

About a four and a half hour drive from Klamath Falls to Florence on the central Oregon coast, the Park includes sand dunes, lakes, forested areas, and ocean beaches. Activities include fishing, swimming, wildlife watching, hiking, camping, boating, dune bugging, horseback riding, picnicking, beachcombing, and photographic opportunities.

Oregon Caves National Monument – <http://www.nps.gov/orca/v-intro.htm>

This Park is about a two and a half to three hour drive west of Klamath Falls. The focus of this park is the cave tour. The tour is considered strenuous and is not recommended for people with heart, breathing or walking difficulties. People with health problems should keep in mind the cave is located at 4,000 feet elevation and high carbon dioxide levels in the cave can make breathing even more difficult. Due to the nature of the tour route, canes are not allowed in the cave except for the first room which is also wheelchair accessible.

Fremont National Forest – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/fremont/>

This forest is located east of the Winema National Forest and the western border is about a 30–45 minute drive east from Klamath Falls. Camping, bicycling, hang gliding, picnicking, hiking, historic walking tours, cabin rentals, fishing, bird watching, wildlife viewing, horseback packing, boating, wading, wildflowers and photographic opportunities are all available within Park boundaries.

Recreation.GOV – <http://www.recreation.gov/>

Recreation.GOV is your one–stop resource for information about recreation on federal lands. Recreation.GOV offers information from all of the federal land management agencies and allows you to search for recreation sites by State, by agency, or by recreational activity. The agencies included in this system are: The Army Corps of Engineers, The Bureau of Land Management, The Bureau of Reclamation, The Fish and Wildlife Service, The Forest Service, The National Park Service.