Jamison Creek Trail







And Jamison Lake, Rock Lake & Wades Lake Trails

Plumas National Forest Beckwourth Ranger District

Trail Description

This 3.7 mile in and back trail climbs from inside Plumas Eureka State Park to the Pacific Crest Trail. Its beautiful alpine lakes, Red Fir forests, water crossings, summer wildflowers and gold of autumn aspens make this hike one to remember.

Following Little Jamison Creek, the trail begins in Plumas Eureka State Park near the ruins of Jamison Mine. Large rock steps in the first half mile are oftentimes called 'The Stairway to Heaven'. The trail climbs past an intersection with Smith Lake Trail. Smith Lake Trail begins near Gray Eagle Lodge in Lakes Basin Recreation Area.

At about the 1 mile point Jamison Creek Trail exits the state park and enters Lakes Basin Recreation Area. Soon there is a short trail to the right that to Little Jamison Falls.

Jamison Creek Trail then skirts Grass Lake where wildflowers can be found throughout the summer. Just after a footbridge crossing, is the intersection with the Jamison Lake Trail.

The .8 mile Jamison Lake Trail is used to access the .2 mile Rock Lake Trail. It also leads to a connector trail to Wades Lake. A second trail leading to Wades Lake is only .25 mile further on Jamison Creek Trail. There are several water crossings in this complex of trails.

The intersection with the Mt. Washington Trail is only .4 mile away. And, the Pacific Crest Trail .2 mile further.



Notes

- Open to foot, biking and equestrian traffic
- Wheeled vehicles including bikes are not allowed on the Pacific Crest Trail
- Backpackers are welcome to camp here
- Pack out all trash
- Campers should be aware of Back Country Safety Tips including getting prepared, water treatment, sanitation and bear awareness
- Dogs must be under control at all times

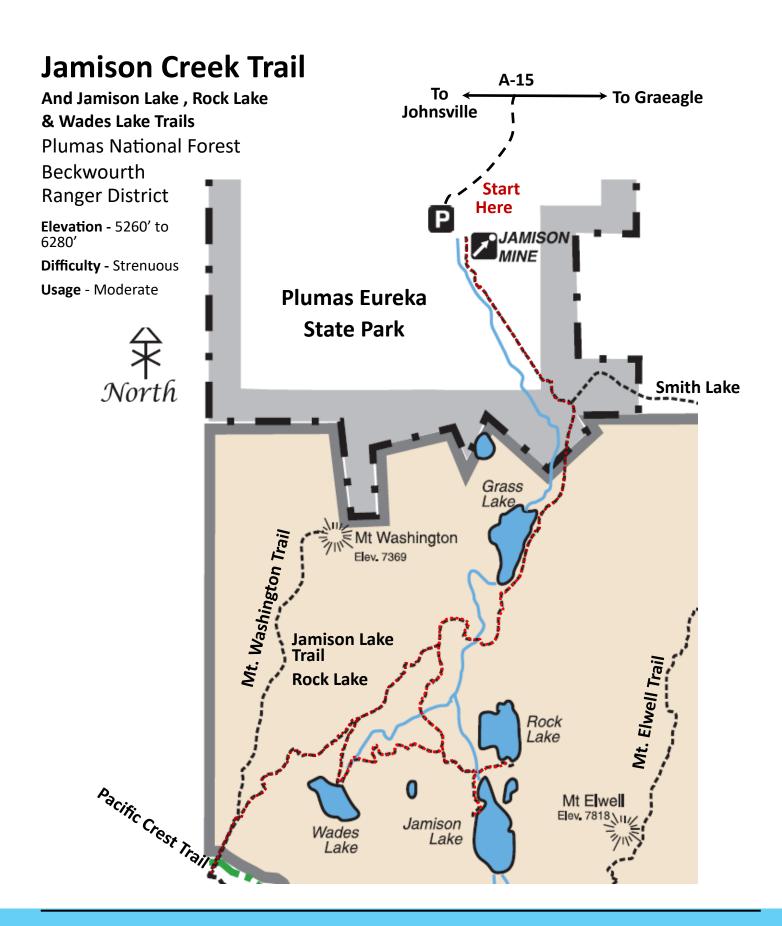
Related Activities

- Hike the Mt. Washington Trail
- Observe wildlife
- Photography
- Visit Plumas Eureka State Park

Driving Directions

At Highway 89 in Graeagle take County Road A 14 the Graeagle-Johnsville Road west toward Plumas Eureka State Park and Johnsville. From Highway 70 in Blairsden take Mohawk Road past the ranger station to County Road A14

From here proceed on Highway A14 about 3.8 miles to the state park and a sign indicating 'Jamison Mine' and turn left onto this dirt road. Continue 1.25 miles to the trailhead. Inside the state park the trail is called Grass Lake Trail.



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