North Fork Lone Pine Creek Trail

The North Fork Lone Pine Creek Trail provides access to more technically demanding climbing routes in the Mt. Whitney area, including the Mountaineers Route, East Face, East Ridge, Fishhook arête and others. The trail is steep, rugged and difficult to follow. It requires some 3rd class climbing. It is infrequently maintained, and should not be attempted by inexperienced wilderness travelers. Hikers should be skilled in techniques required to move safely over, rock, snow and ice.

Access:
From U.S. Highway 395 in Lone Pine, CA, turn west on Whitney Portal Road. The trailhead is located approximately 13 miles west of Lone Pine near the end of the road.

From the trailhead, walk approximately .8 miles up the Mt. Whitney Trail to the Nork Fork of Lone Pine Creek. The North Fork Lone Pine Creek Trail begins on the north side of the creek.

Season:
The trail is relatively snow free from approximately June through October.

The last six miles of Whitney Portal Road are not maintained in winter and may be closed.

Trailhead Facilities:
Water: Yes (May –September)

Bear Resistant Food Storage Lockers: Yes
Campgrounds: Whitney Portal, Trailhead and Ravine campgrounds are located within walking distance of the trailhead.

On The Trail:
Food Storage: Bear-resistant containers are required. At Lower Boy Scout Lake food may be counter balanced from a tree at least 15 feet above the ground and 10 horizontally from the trunk.

Camping: Use existing campsites. Camping is prohibited within 25 feet of the trail, within 100 feet of water.


Campfires: Campfires are prohibited.

Additional Regulations: Additional information is available at www.fs.usda.gov/inyo.

Permit & Quota Information:
Permits are required for:
• All overnight trips
• Day-trips in the Mt. Whitney Zone.

Obtain permits at the Eastern Sierra Visitor Center, located 1 mile south of Lone Pine, CA.

Between May 1 and Nov 1 use is limited by daily entry quotas.

Permits for the quota season may be reserved up to six months in advance at www.recreation.gov.

Mt. Whitney Zone Day Use permits may be reserved in the Mt. Whitney Lottery. Apply for the lottery between Feb. 1 and Mar. 15 at www.recreation.gov.

Additional information is available at 760-876-6200 or http://www.fs.usda.gov/inyo.
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**Note**: This trail is steep and rugged. Hiking this trail is much more difficult than the distances suggest.

Maps:

Tom Harrison: Mt. Whitney Zone; Mt. Whitney High Country
Doug Thompson: Mt. Whitney Area Map
USGS Quad: Mount Whitney; Mount Langley

Leave No Trace Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Minimize use and impact of fires.
5. Respect wildlife.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.