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Da-Ku-Be-Te-De Trail #940

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LENGTH: 4.8 miles (one way)

SEASON: All Seasons

LEVEL OF USE: High

ELEVATION: 2000 feet

CONNECTING TRAILS: Collings Mountain Trail #943

Grouse Loop Trail #941

Trail Information: For a time, anthropologists spelled the Tribal namesake of this trail Ta'khoo-pee-te-di, pronounced Daw-Kew-Bee-Tee-Dee. Named for a small band of Native Americans who inhabited the Applegate Valley, the Da-Ku-Be-Te-De Trail is a beautiful and easy day-hike that traverses the western shore of Applegate Lake.

This trail gently contours above the high water mark of Applegate Lake, from Swayne Viewpoint to Watkins Campground, passing multiple access points along the way, including Hart-Tish Day Use Area, Leaping Frog Viewpoint, and Copper Boat Ramp.

Seasonal Usage: The trail is open to stock from Hart-Tish to Watkins Campground from November through April, providing a rare winter horseback-riding opportunity. Riders must use the short connector trail to Collings Mountain Trail, bypassing Hart-Tish, where stock is prohibited.

Getting There

Access #1: From Ruch, OR, drive south on Upper Applegate Road for 15 miles to the Swayne Viewpoint, located on the left. The trailhead is located at the south end of the parking lot near the restrooms.

Access #2: Continue south approximately ½ mile past Swayne Viewpoint on Upper Applegate Road to Hart-tish Park, on the left. The trailhead is located below the parking area, at the lake's edge. Hart-Tish Day Use Area requires a \$5 fee during the summer months, and is closed November-March.

Access #3: Continue 3 miles south of Hart-tish Park on Upper Applegate Road to Watkins Campground on the left. This is the best staging area for horses.

Considerations: Use caution on blind corners. Hikers and bikers should yield the right-of-way to pack or saddle animals.

Prepare for your hike! Carry plenty of water. Camping and picnicking facilities are often closed during the winter and spring months.

Potential hazards on this trail include poison oak, ticks, and rattlesnakes.







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