

Mirror Lake Trail #664

Recreation Opportunity Guide



Northwest
Forest Pass
Required
May 15-Oct 1



Distance..... 1 mile to lake
.....2.9 miles to ridge
Elevation..... 3500-4900 feet
Snow Free July to October



More Difficult

Trail Highlights: This trail is 2.1 miles round-trip to the lake and has 700 feet of elevation change. Views of Mt Hood from a small backcountry lake are a big draw for this trail. Mirror Lake is a classic glacial cirque lake. The steep slopes south and southwest of Mirror Lake are the glacier cirque headwall. Hiking up to Tom Dick and Harry Ridge is a more challenging hike with a view of the Cascade Range. This trail is heavily visited and is kid-friendly for the adventurous family.

Trail Description: The 1 mile from the trailhead to the lake gains 700 feet at a steady, moderate climb. The trail surface is wider than average to the lake and once at the lake, hikers may enjoy a narrower, 0.5 mile lakeside trail. From the southwest corner of the lake the trail continues 1.8 miles across the slope and onto the ridge top of Tom Dick and Harry Mt. The upper section of the trail is much rougher and narrower, with the last 200 yards of trail being very steep and rocky to access a view point at the trail's end. While many visit the area in the winter, it is not built or maintained for winter travel.

Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:

- Because of safety concerns, US Highway 26 shoulder parking at the Mirror Lake Trailhead is between posted parking signs **only** - ODOT has it well signed. Violators will be ticketed and towed.
- Above mirror lake is wilderness no more than 12 people per group.

Leave No Trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on **Leave No Trace**, go to www.LNT.org or call 1-800-332-4100

For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood>

Map and driving directions on next page

Mt. Hood National Forest
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Sandy, OR 97055
503-668-1700

Zigzag Ranger District
70220 E. Highway 26
Zigzag, Oregon 97049
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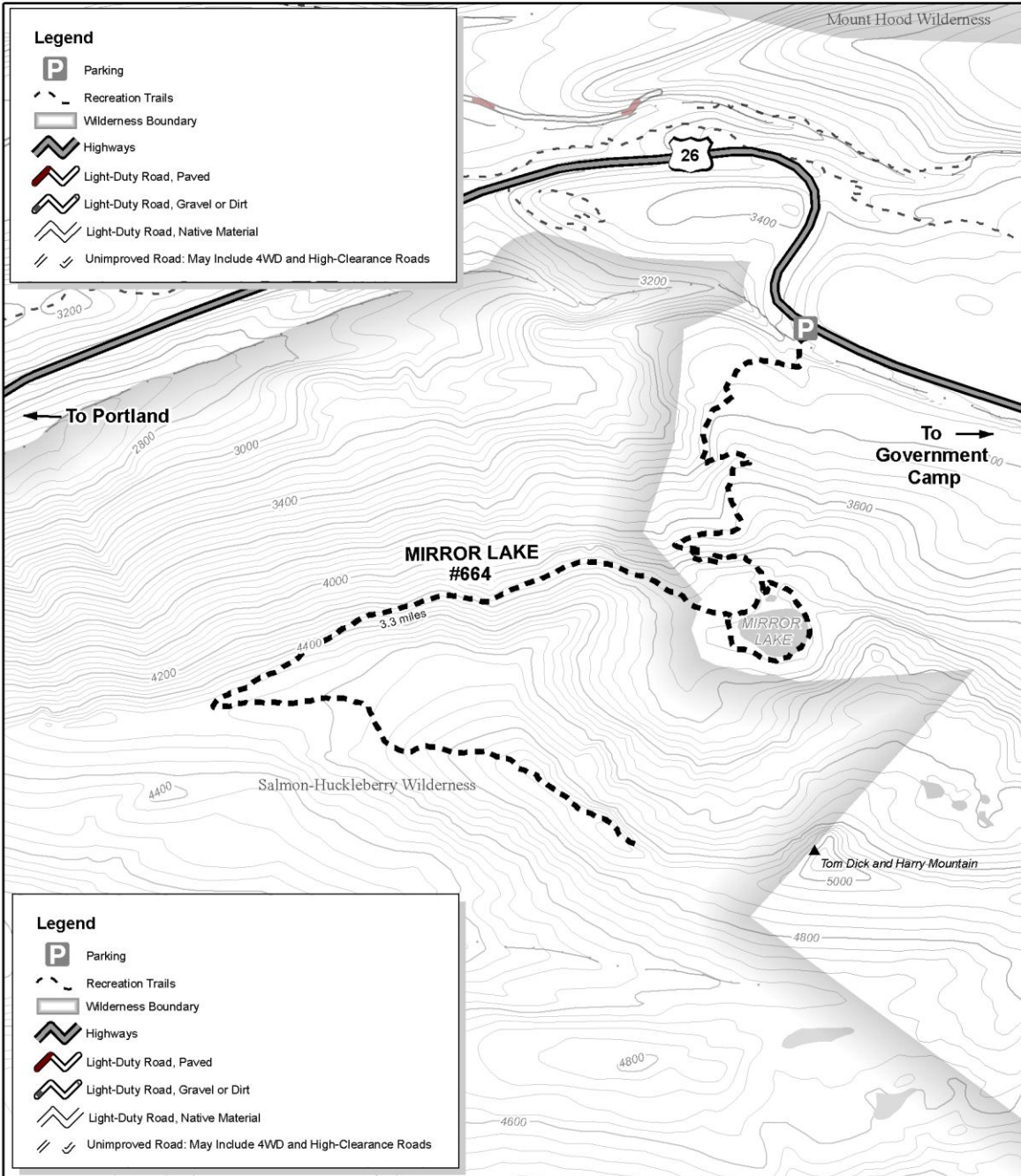
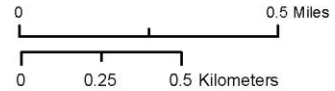


Directions to Trailhead: From Portland, travel 27 miles east of Sandy on US Hwy 26 and turn right (south) into the gravel parking area where a footbridge crosses Camp Creek (between mileposts 51 and 52).

From Government Camp, head west on US Hwy 26 for 1.6 miles. Turn left (south) into the gravel parking area where a footbridge crosses Camp Creek (between mileposts 51 and 52).

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1.0 mile to Mirror Lake 1.7 km
 2.9 miles to ridge 4.7 km



Recommended maps: Zigzag Ranger District

