

DESCHUTES LAND TRUST WALKS + HIKES

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From birds, to wildflowers, to water bugs for kids, there are endless ways to get outside and explore your Land Trust protected lands! Join us today . . .

WALKS + HIKES

GET TO KNOW YOUR PROTECTED LANDS

Get outside this season on a Deschutes Land Trust walk or hike! From birds to butterflies, naturalist-led outings take you to nearly all Land Trust protected lands and allow you to explore the many sides of nature. Browse our walks and hikes by topic here. Then, go online for full descriptions, difficulty ratings, online registration, and hikes listed by date: www.deschuteslandtrust.org

ABOUT OUR WALKS + HIKES

Registration: All walks and hikes are free. Group size is small (8-10 attendees) to limit impact on our Preserves and give you the best experience possible. **Registration for each outing opens 30 days prior** to the outing and can be done online any time of day or night. Once you register, detailed directions for the outing will be provided.

Wait lists: Each outing offers a wait list for is use in case of cancellations. We highly recommend that you add yourself to a wait list if the hike you want to join is full. We regularly fill hikes from these lists. If you need to cancel your reservation, please cancel as early as you can. This allows us to fill your spot with another eager attendee. Since we often have more people than spaces, we appreciate your willingness to share these outings with others!



BIRD WALKS + HIKES

Bird walks explore meadows, canyons and forests at a slower pace to watch songbirds and raptors alike. Our beginning birding walk is a great way to get into the world of birding.

BEGINNING BIRDING

Camp Polk Meadow
April 5, 8:30-10:30am, Carol Wall

RIMROCK RANCH

April 28, 8:30-11:30am,
Bill Mitchell

CAMP POLK MEADOW

May 5, 8:30-11:30am, Carol Wall

INDIAN FORD MEADOW

May 12, 8:30-10:30am,
Carol Wall

BULL SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
May 25, 8am-12pm, Steve McMasters

CAMP POLK MEADOW

May 26, 8:30-11:30am, Eva Eagle

SPRING CREEK

June 2, 8:30-10:30am, Bill Mitchell

INDIAN FORD MEADOW

June 18, 8:30-10:30am, Eva Eagle

SPRING CREEK

FEATURED BIRD HIKE:

WHYCHUS CANYON BIRDING
May 20, 8:30-12:30pm,
Steve McMasters

Enjoy a morning bird walk around Whychus Canyon Preserve with Steve McMasters. Bird the open sage meadows and juniper woodlands of the canyon rim; then hike into the canyon of Whychus Creek with its willow and alder-lined banks. Watch for soaring raptors on your return hike.



MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES

See what mountain biking was like before Phil's Trail became the mecca it is. Skyline Forest rides include a mix of single track and old roads, but are considered challenging because of loose sandy soils and obstacles such as rocks and logs.

SKYLINE FOREST

June 23, 9:30am-12:30pm,
Bob Woodward

SKYLINE FOREST

August 23, 4:30-7:30pm, Tania Piper

SKYLINE FOREST

September 8, 9:30am-12:30pm,
Tania Piper

SKYLINE FOREST

October 10, 3-6pm, Brad Chalfant



BUTTERFLY WALKS

Join local butterfly experts for a meandering, warm summer walk to explore the delicate world of butterflies who puddle and swirl and need a variety of plants for hosts and nectars.

METOLIUS PRESERVE

June 29, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egerton

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July 20, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egerton

FAMILY BUTTERFLY WALK

Whychus Canyon Preserve
July 21, 10am-12pm, Sue Anderson

FAMILY BUTTERFLY WALK

Metolius Preserve
July 28, 10am-12pm, Sue Anderson



WILDFLOWER WALKS + HIKES

From early spring sandlilies to mid-summer penstemons, hike your way through wildflower season and see the diverse array of wildflowers that Central Oregon has to offer.

ALDER SPRINGS

April 21, 10am-1pm, David Miller

FEATURED WILDFLOWER

HIKE: MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Rimrock Ranch

May 13, 10am-1pm, Karen Parker

Treat your mom to a Mother's Day Hike and Brunch at stunning Rimrock Ranch! Join naturalist Karen Parker for a wildflower hike featuring early spring blooms with a focus on the wonders of pollination. Learn what makes flowers more than just pretty faces! Then, enjoy a Brunch next to Whychus Creek prepared by Rimrock hosts Bob and Gayle Baker. This is one Mom's Day Brunch not to miss!

RIMROCK RANCH

May 26, 10am-1pm, David Miller

COFFER RANCH

June 1, 8:30am-1:30pm, Mary Crow

WHYCHUS CANYON

June 13, 9am-12pm, Mary Crow

METOLIUS PRESERVE

June 22, 9am-1pm, David Miller

CAMP POLK MEADOW

June 23, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

SPRING CREEK

July 14, 8:30-10:30am, Mary Crow

BULL SPRINGS

Skyline Forest

July 28, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

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CONSERVATION HIKES + A PADDLE

Dig deeper into the conservation and ecology of Land Trust protected lands. Walk a recent restoration project, hike with an ecologist, see first-hand how conservation works in the field.

WHYCHUS CREEK

RESTORATION TOUR

Camp Polk Meadow Preserve

May 17, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egertson & Ryan Houston

FORESTS + TRAILS: NEW

PRESERVE PROJECTS

Whychus Canyon Preserve

May 23, 10am-12pm

Amanda Egertson

FOREST ECOLOGY HIKE

Metolius Preserve

May 31, 10am-1pm, Paul Edgerton

WHYCHUS CREEK

RESTORATION TOUR

Camp Polk Meadow Preserve

June 14, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egertson & Ryan Houston

FIRE ECOLOGY HIKE

Skyline Forest

July 13, 9am-1pm, Paul Edgerton

FOREST RESTORATION HIKE

Metolius Preserve

August 10, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

WHYCHUS CREEK

RESTORATION WALK

Camp Polk Meadow Preserve

August 31, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

THOMAS PRESERVE PADDLE

September 6, 9am-2pm,

Sherry Berrin



GARY MILLER

JUST FOR KIDS + FAMILIES

Round up your kids and join the Land Trust to explore the world of birds, bugs, and butterflies! Hands-on activities and kid-length hikes make these outings perfect for kids ages 5-10 with a grownup in tow.

EVENING BIRD WALK

Camp Polk Meadow

May 4, 6-8pm, Mary Yanalcanlin

BIRD SONGS

Camp Polk Meadow

June 9, 9-11am, Norma Funai

BIRD WALK

Camp Polk Meadow

June 16, 9-11am, Mary Yanalcanlin

ANIMAL TRACKS

Indian Ford Meadow

June 23, 9-11am, Norma Funai

ECO-ADVENTURE HIKE

Skyline Forest

June 30, 9-11am, Karen Parker

INSECT INVESTIGATION

Metolius Preserve

July 7, 9-11am, Norma Funai

FEATURED KID'S OUTING:

WATER WONDERS

Camp Polk Meadow Preserve

July 14, 9-11am, Karen Parker

Get your feet wet during on this summer exploration of the world of water. Compare pond and stream habitats and discover the hardy critters that call these places home.

BUTTERFLY WALK

Whychus Canyon Preserve

July 21, 10am-12pm, Sue Anderson

BUTTERFLY WALK

Metolius Preserve

July 28, 10am-12pm, Sue Anderson

BIRD WALK

Metolius Preserve

August 4, 9-11am, Mary Yanalcanlin

FAMILY WATER BUGS

Metolius Preserve

August 11, 1-2:30pm, Sherry Berrin

CAMO CRAZE

Metolius Preserve

August 18, 9-11am, Karen Parker



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EXPLORATORY HIKES

Interested in digging into a new place on a longer hike? Explore the canyons, creeks, and crags of these scenic lands.

WHYCHUS CANYON

April 9, 10am-2pm, Mary Crow

WHYCHUS CANYON MEDITATION

April 21, 10am-1pm, Maret Pajutee

EARTH DAY

Whychus Canyon Preserve
April 22, 10am-12pm, Karen Parker

WHYCHUS CANYON

April 27, 10am-2pm, Jane Meissner

ALDER SPRINGS TO THE CONFLUENCE

May 26, 9am-3pm, Jane Meissner

RIMROCK RANCH

May 29, 9am-1pm, Mary Crow

WHYCHUS CANYON

June 9, 10am-2pm, Eva Eagle

LAKE CREEK TRAIL

Metolius Preserve
June 16, 10am-1:30pm, Carol Wall

FEATURED HIKE: JUNIPER POINT AND SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
June 29, 9am-2pm,
Jane Meissner

Explore another side of Skyline Forest on a longer hike to scenic Juniper Point and burbling Snag Springs. Enjoy excellent views of the Sisters and Ochocos and a challenging hike that gets you up above the green forest.

THREE CREEK BUTTE

Skyline Forest
July 6, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

JUNIPER POINT AND SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
July 7, 9am-2pm, Leslie Olson

METOLIUS PRESERVE

July 21, 9am-1pm, Carol Wall

JUNIPER POINT AND SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
August 11, 9am-2pm,
Bill Mitchell

SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
September 1, 9am-1pm,
Steve McMasters

SKYLINE FOREST

September 14, 9am-12pm,
Leslie Olson

JUNIPER POINT AND SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
September 22, 9am-2pm,
Jane Meissner

WHYCHUS CANYON

September 23, 9am-2pm,
Karen Parker

METOLIUS PRESERVE

October 22, 9am-2pm,
Paul Edgerton

CARY MILLER

FALL COLOR WALKS + HIKES

Revel in the yellows of aspen and the reds of maple and willow on these fall hikes at colorful Land Trust protected lands.

WHYCHUS CANYON PRESERVE

October 13, 9am-1pm, Steve McMasters

BULL SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
October 21, 9am-12pm, Carol Wall

RIMROCK RANCH

October 25, 10am-2pm, Mary Crow

INDIAN FORD MEADOW

October 27, 10am-12pm,
Carol Wall

BULL AND SNAG SPRINGS

Skyline Forest
October 27, 9am-12pm, Karen Parker

CAMP POLK MEADOW

October 31, 10am-12pm, Carol Wall



MA WILSON

GEOLOGY HIKES

Hike canyons and creeks in search of the basalts, grabens, and pyroclastic features that make Central Oregon unique.

WHYCHUS CANYON

April 19, 10am-1pm, Janet Brown

RIMROCK RANCH

June 15, 9am-1pm, Janet Brown

THREE CREEK BUTTE VOLCANO

Skyline Forest
August 17, 5-8pm, Daniele Mckay

WHYCHUS CANYON

September 15, 10am-2pm,
Daniele Mckay

ALDER SPRINGS

September 29, 9am-1pm,
Janet Brown

CAMP POLK'S POND ADDITION

Take a walk around the new addition to Camp Polk Meadow Preserve! Explore its wetlands and wildlife, then walk the rest of the meadow to catch up on the Whychus Creek restoration.

CAMP POLK MEADOW

May 12, 10am-12pm, Bill Mitchell

CAMP POLK MEADOW

June 8, 10am-12pm, David Miller

CAMP POLK MEADOW

October 20, 10am-12pm, Eva Eagle



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NIGHT ADVENTURES

Enjoy warm summer evenings out in nature! From bats and owls to full moons and stars, get outside and soak in the darkness.

BAT AND OWL NIGHT

Metolius Preserve

July 3, 8-10pm, Tom Rodhouse
& Jim Anderson

RIMROCK RANCH

STAR PARTY

August 11, 7:30-10:30pm,
Jim Hammond

FEATURED NIGHT ADVENTURE:

FULL MOON HIKE

Metolius Preserve

August 1, 8-10:30pm, Larry Berrin

Challenge your senses on a moonlight walk at the Metolius Preserve. Discover the secret lives of owls, bats, and other animals who begin their 'day' at dusk.

RIMROCK RANCH

STAR PARTY

September 8, 7-10pm,
Jim Hammond

RIMROCK RANCH

STAR PARTY

October 6, 6-9pm,
Jim Hammond

HISTORY WALKS

History is alive and well in Central Oregon! Learn stories of long forgotten places while you walk in the footsteps of those before us.

CAMP POLK MEADOW

April 14, 10am-12pm, Leslie Olson

SANTIAM WAGON ROAD

Whychus Canyon Preserve

May 22, 10am-12pm, Carol Wall

CAMP POLK MEADOW TIMELINE

June 2, 10am-12pm, Maret Pajutee

HISTORIC LUMBER MILLS

Skyline Forest

June 16, 9am-12pm, Leslie Olson

HISTORY HIKE

Skyline Forest

August 18, 9am-2pm,
Leslie Olson

WHYCHUS CANYON HISTORY

September 14, 9am-12pm,
Jane Meissner



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