

North Umpqua River Waterfalls



Deadline Falls



Type of Falls: Block

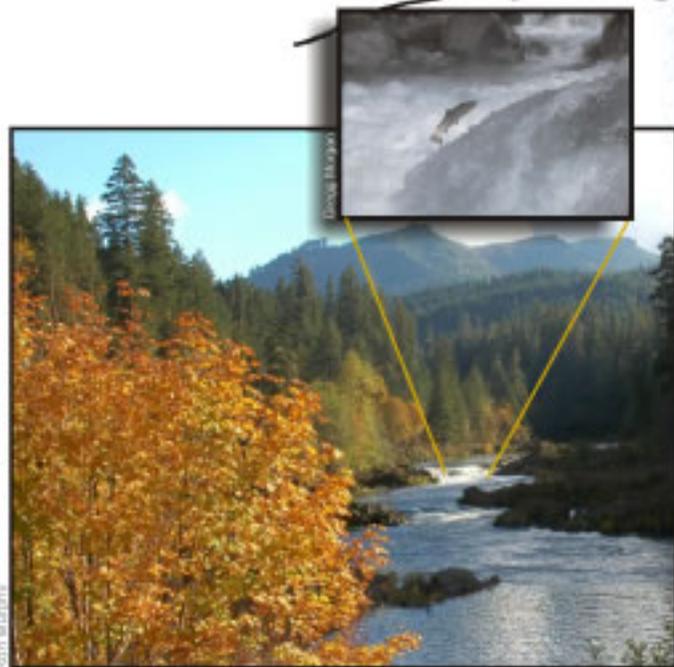
Trail Length: 0.25 mile **Rating:** Easy

Deadline Falls is a short but massive falls on the North Umpqua Wild and Scenic River. Between May and October, anadromous (sea-run) steelhead and salmon may be observed jumping up the powerful falls on their journey from the ocean to spawn in the tributary waters of the Cascade Mountains. A 100-foot side trail to the Deadline Falls Watchable Wildlife Site is located a quarter-mile up the North Umpqua Trail from the beginning of the Tioga Segment at the Swiftwater Trailhead. It is accessible to people with disabilities, and popular with seniors and families with young children.

Directions: At milepost 22.1 on Hwy. 138, turn south crossing Swiftwater bridge, then immediately turn left into trailhead parking area. This area is the western-most end of the 79-mile North Umpqua Trail.

Nearby Attractions: Swiftwater Day-Use Area, Swiftwater County Park, Rock Creek Fish Hatchery, Susan Creek Campground.

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Deadline Falls, North Umpqua River



Susan Creek Falls



Type of Falls: Fan

Trail Length: 0.8 mile (Accessible)

Rating: Easy Moderate

This spectacular waterfall drops 50 feet over moss-lined rock cliffs. The 0.8 mile trail is moderately accessible to people with disabilities. After reaching the falls, hikers can continue on a difficult trail (not disabled accessible), 0.4 mile to the Susan Creek Indian Mounds. Here, Indian boys approaching manhood built stone piles, then spent the night in search of a vision from a guardian spirit.

Directions: At milepost 28.2 on Hwy. 138.

Nearby Attractions: Susan Creek Day-Use Area, Susan Creek Campground, Fall Creek Falls.

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Photos taken under high contrasts of light and dark (sun and shadows) result in lower quality waterfall photos. Look for light overcast days to minimize the contrast, or shoot in early morning or later afternoon when the sun angle is low for higher quality photos.

Susan Creek Falls



Fall Creek Falls



Type of Falls: Tiered/Fan

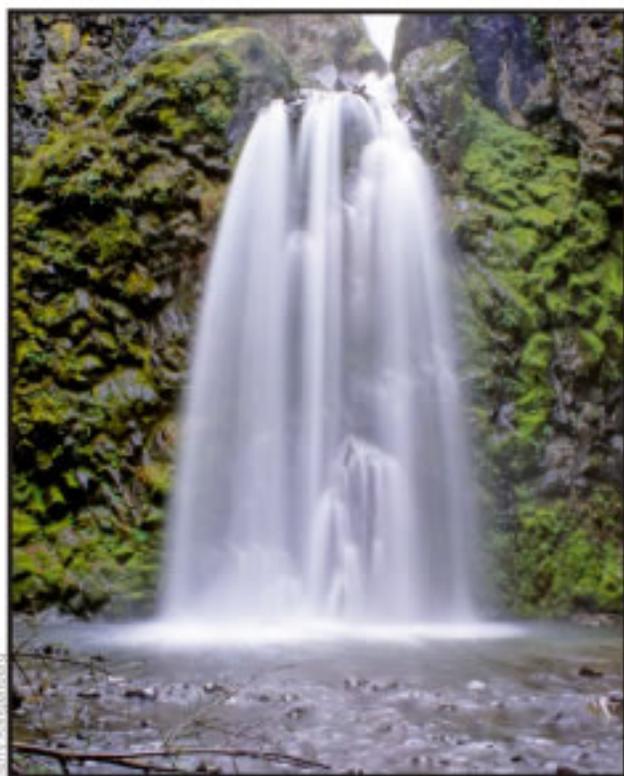
Trail Length: 1 mile **Rating:**  Moderate

A one-mile trail passes through a narrow bedrock crevice and lush vegetation to a double falls with tiers of 35 and 50-feet. It is a good walk for families with a few moderately steep climbs. Job's Garden Trail takes off at the 0.5 mile point, leading to the base of a basalt columnar rock outcropping.

Directions: At milepost 32.2 on Hwy. 138. Trailhead parking is on north side of the highway.

Nearby Attractions: Susan Creek Falls, Susan Creek Campground, Bogus Creek Campground, Wright Creek Trailhead.

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Fall Creek Falls



Gregg Mergan

Little Falls



Little Falls

Type of Falls: Segmented

Falls located next to unpaved parking along road

Rating:  Easy

Located on Steamboat Creek, this small but powerful waterfall pours over large basalt boulders and cliffs. Parking at the site is limited, additional parking space is available up-stream along Road 38.

Directions: At milepost 38.3 on Hwy. 138, turn north on Steamboat Road #38. Proceed 1.3 miles up Road 38. Falls are visible along the right side of the road.

Nearby Attractions: Canton Creek Campground, Island Campground, Steamboat Falls, Steamboat Inn.

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Steamboat Falls

(No photograph)



Type of Falls: Block

Trail Length: 100 feet **Rating:** Easy

Located at the Steamboat Falls Campground (near campsites 5 and 6), early summer visitors (May through July) can see steelhead attempting to jump the 25-foot falls adjacent to the fish ladder.

Directions: At milepost 38.3 on Hwy. 138, turn north on Steamboat Road #38. Drive 5.3 miles to Road 3810, turn right and stay to the left 0.6 mile to Steamboat Falls Campground entrance.

Nearby Attractions: Steamboat Inn, Canton Creek Campground, Little Falls.

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Toketee Falls



Type of Falls: Tiered

Trail Length: 0.4 mile **Rating:** Moderate

A trail leads visitors through an old-growth forest along the North Umpqua River with views of cascading water through a narrow rock gorge. The trail has 200 steps leading to a sturdy deck overlooking the two-tiered falls. The upper descent drops 40-feet, and the lower falls plunge 80-feet over a sheer wall of volcanic basalt. In the Chinook language, the word "Toketee" means "pretty", or "graceful", an apt name for this inspiring waterfall. The trail is for hikers only.

Directions: At milepost 58.6 on Hwy. 138 turn north onto Road 34. Stay left at the Y and cross the bridge. Trailhead road is 200 feet on the left.

Nearby Attractions: Toketee Lake Campground, Toketee Ranger Station, Watson Falls.

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Toketee Falls



Watson Falls



Type of Falls: Plunge
Trail Length: 0.4 mile
Rating:  Moderate

This majestic waterfall is the highest in southwest Oregon, plunging 272 feet over the edge of a basalt lava flow. A wooden bridge crosses Watson Creek 0.3 mile from the trailhead, and offers an excellent view of the falls. The falls are also visible from the parking area.

Directions: At milepost 60.5 on Hwy. 138, turn south on to Road 37. Parking is on the right.

Nearby Attractions: Toketee Lake Campground, Toketee Falls.

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Whitehorse Falls



Type of Falls: Punchbowl

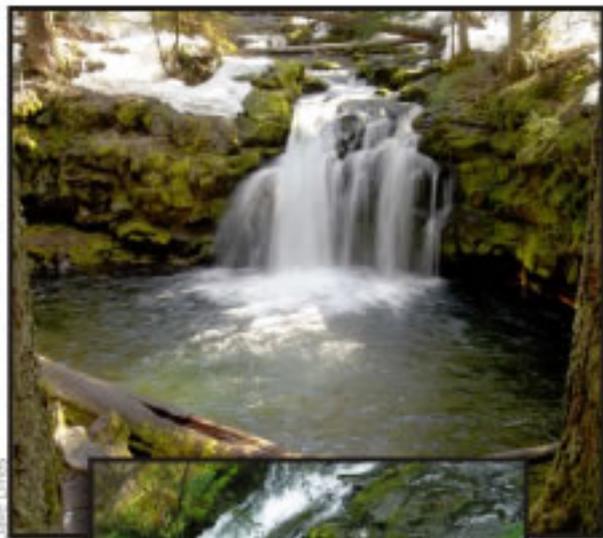
Rating: Easy

Located adjacent to Whitehorse Falls Campground, visitors have an immediate view of this 15-foot falls on the Clearwater River.

Directions: At milepost 65.9 on Hwy. 138, turn north at Whitehorse Falls Campground entrance.

Nearby Attractions: Toketee Falls, Toketee Lake Campground, Watson Falls.

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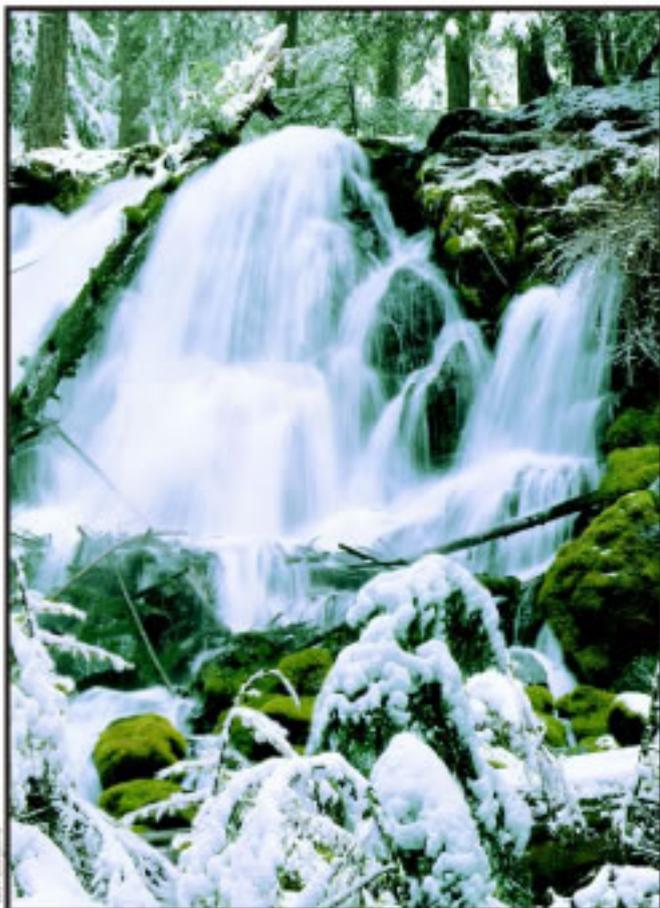


Whitehorse Falls



Hint

For a soft water effect, use a longer shutter speed and a tripod (see photos, this page).



Clearwater Falls



Clearwater Falls



Type of Falls: Segmented

Distance to Falls: 400 feet **Rating:** Easy

This 30-foot falls cascades over moss-covered rocks and logs and is only a short walk up the Clearwater River. The falls are adjacent to Clearwater Falls Campground.

Directions: At milepost 69.5 on Hwy. 138, turn south at the Clearwater Falls Campground entrance. Follow access road for 0.2 mile to the picnic area.

Nearby Attractions: Lemolo Lake, Whitehorse Falls Campground, Watson Falls, Toketee Falls.

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Type of Falls: Horsetail

Trail Length: 1.7 mile (Route 1) **Rating:** Difficult

The word "Lemolo" is a Chinook Indian term meaning "wild" or "untamed". The meaning comes to life as the North Umpqua River plunges 102 feet into a deep pool.

Directions: Route 1 (Best View): At milepost 72.8 on Hwy. 138, turn north on Road 2610, proceeding 4.2 miles. Turn left on Road 3401, Thorn Prairie Road. Go about 0.5 mile, turn right on Road 3401-800. Continue 1.75 miles, turn right at Road 3401-840. The trail is at the end of the road 0.25 mile. The trail works its way down the canyon to the base of the falls. **Route 2 (Limited Topside View):** At Milepost 72.8 on Hwy. 138, turn north on Road 2610, proceeding 5.2 miles, crossing the dam to the fork in the road. Take fork to the left, Road 2610-600. Proceed 0.5 mile, turn left across wooden bridge and park at the trailhead. This trail is 1.5 miles in length, following the North Umpqua Trail.

Nearby Attractions: Lemolo Lake Resort, Poole Creek Campground, Warm Springs Falls.

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Lemolo Falls, high flow

17 Warm Springs Falls



Type of Falls: Block

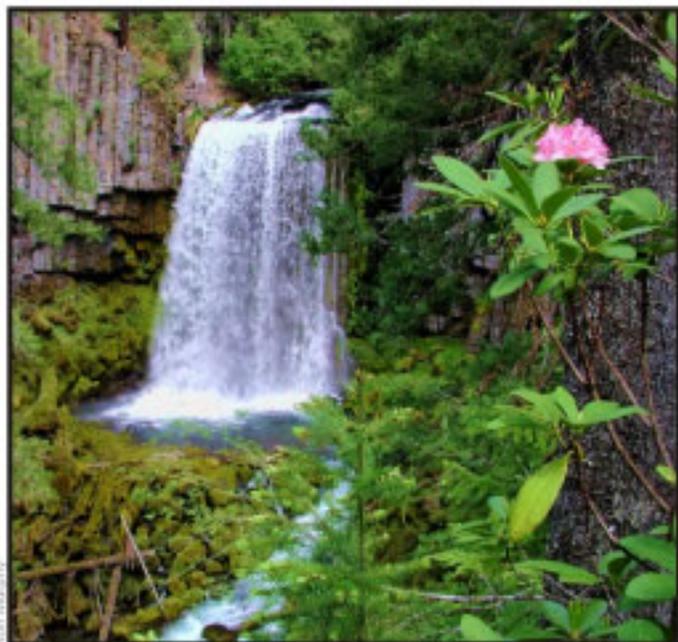
Trail Length: 0.3 mile **Rating:** Easy

Columns of basalt are continuously pounded as this waterfall thunders over the 70-foot drop into the pool below. The trail ends above the falls. There is no access to the base of the falls. **Use caution nearing the edge of the bluffs, there are no guardrails.**

Directions: At milepost 72.8 on Hwy. 138, turn north on to Road 2610, going approximately 6 miles. After the dam, stay left on Road 2610, proceeding approximately 3 miles to Road 680. Turn left and proceed 1.7 miles to the beginning of Warm Springs Trail #1499.

Nearby Attractions: Lemolo Falls, Lemolo Lake Resort, Poole Creek Campground.

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Warm Springs Falls