

### **Cape Disappointment Trail**

**1.3 miles one-way, moderate**  
**Accessible from Waikiki Beach and Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center parking areas.**

*From Waikiki Beach:* offers commanding views of Baker Bay and the mouth of the Columbia as it wanders through coastal forests and headland grasslands.

*From Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center:* provides either a 0.7 mile route to the Cape Disappointment Lighthouse or a 0.6 mile down-hill route to Waikiki Beach.

### **Coastal Forest Loop**

**1.5 mile loop, moderate Accessible from the Park Hub parking area.**

Experience the life of a coastal fog forest while hiking through mature stands of Sitka spruce and Western Hemlock forest. Enjoy views of Baker Bay and the historic *Anchorage Site* visited by both Captains Lewis and Clark in November of 1805. The return loop offers a great view of McKenzie Head and O'Neil Lake.

### **McKenzie Head Summit Trail**

**0.5 mile one-way, moderate**  
**Accessible from McKenzie Head Parking area.**

On November 18, 1805, Captain Clark and his men climbed this headland to fully view the Pacific Ocean. Today, hikers can follow an old road built by the CCC to the 200 ft. summit. Located at the top of McKenzie Head is Battery 247, a former World War II gun emplacement.

### **North Head Trail**

**1.6 miles one-way, moderate**  
**Accessible from North Head Lighthouse and McKenzie Head parking areas.**

*From McKenzie Head:* retraces the approximate route taken by Captain Clark and his men as they explored the area on November 19, 1805. Hikers gain nearly 200 feet in elevation as they meander through Sitka spruce forests with vistas of the Pacific Ocean, Benson Beach, and McKenzie Head.

### **Westwind Trail**

**1.0 mile one-way, moderate**  
**Accessible from Beard's Hollow and North Head Lighthouse parking areas.**

*From North Head Lighthouse:* follows the approximate route of Captain Clark and his men to the ocean beach which is today mainly wetlands.

*From Beard's Hollow:* provides a peaceful yet challenging experience gaining over 250 feet in elevation through coastal rainforest.

### **The Discovery Trail at Beard's Hollow**

**0.7 mile one-way, moderate**  
**Accessible from the Beard's Hollow parking area.**

Experience a variety of unique wetland habitats and land-locked sea stacks while following a portion of the Lewis & Clark Trail.

Trail markers displaying a single upper-case letter have been installed along the hiking trails as an aid for emergency responders to locate lost or injured visitors. In the event of an injury in you party, the nearest marker can be used as a reference in your request for assistance.

## **Hiking Trails of Cape Disappointment State Park**



Welcome to Cape Disappointment State Park, where the Columbia River meets the Pacific Ocean. This confluence creates dramatic scenery and is home to a unique cultural heritage. Follow in the footsteps of the Chinook Indians, fur-traders, Lewis and Clark, and the U.S. military as you explore. This guide is designed to serve as a tool for selecting from many hiking opportunities. To select a hike, match the color of the trail's title with the color of the trailhead symbol on the map.



# Cape Disappointment State Park Hiking Trails

