

**ALDER BASIN TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1 mile (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 45 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Mill Creek Trail, across road from Mill Creek trailhead at Mill Creek Campground.  
**Features:** Alder forest, maple and willows, underbrush along streamside provides fall color. Small wildlife abound along stream.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**BOY SCOUT TREE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 3.7 miles to Fern Falls (5.92 km)  
**Time:** 4 hours, round trip  
**Trailhead:** Signed trailhead on Howland Hill Road.  
**Features:** Mature redwood forest. At fork 3 miles in, right fork leads to the Boy Scout Tree, left fork to Fern Falls. Winter wrens are ever present in this fern-laden area. The Chinese had gold mines in this area in the late 1800s.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

**COASTAL TRAIL**  
This trail runs the entire length of Redwood National Park. It is described below in sections, starting from Enderts Beach and continuing to the Coastal Drive.

**Crescent Beach Trail**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 2.2 miles (3.6 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Begins at the Crescent Beach Information Center.  
**Features:** This trail passes through formerly cultivated meadows which hug the base of the hill. Good ocean views. Excellent birding for raptors.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

**Last Chance Section**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park, Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 6 miles (9.6 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** South end of Enderts Beach Road. Follow trail around campground and take skid road (signed) east; Damnation Creek Trailhead: milepost 16.0, hike west to the junction with the Coastal Trail; or milepost 15.6, look for signs marked CT.  
**Features:** Walk through redwood, spruce and red alder forests to coastal bluffs. Bird watching and photography of sea coast is exceptional along this old highway route.  
**Difficulty:** Class 6

**DeMartin Section**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP, Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 5 miles (8 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** North: Milepost 15.6 on Highway 101, look for sign post marked CT. South: Just beyond milepost 12.8 on Highway 101, at north end of DeMartin Bridge at Wilson Creek, east side of highway.  
**Features:** Old growth redwoods, prairies, sweeping panoramas of the ocean; backcountry campsites (10) with water, toilets.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

**Hidden Beach Section**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 4 miles (6.4 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Lagoon Creek picnic area, or Klamath Overlook on Requa Road (downhill route).  
**Features:** On bluffs in spruce-alder forest, berry collecting, listening to sea lions offshore, whale watching, wildflowers, bird watching and access to beach at Hidden Beach (approximately one mile from northern trailhead). The north end of the trail is also part of Yurok Loop Trail.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**Flint Ridge Section**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 4.5 miles (7.2 km)  
**Time:** 6 hours, round trip  
**Trailhead:** (A) North end of Coastal Drive, Douglas Bridge parking area. Walk to far end (away from bridge), follow trail to old road, turn left; or (B) off "Mouth of Klamath Road" section of Coastal Drive at Coastal Trail (CT) sign (2.5 miles from bridge, or 1.2 miles from junction of Alder Camp Road and Coastal Drive). Primitive camping (10 sites), water, toilets.  
**Features:** Mature redwood forest, Marshall Pond (which contains beavers), Sitka spruce and alder forest and prairies.  
**Difficulty:** Class 6

**Crescent Beach**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 3.5 miles (5.6 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Crescent Beach picnic area.  
**Features:** A walk along the beach, surf fishing, driftwood collecting, sand castle building, clamming (in season), bird watching.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**Damnation Creek Trail**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.5 miles (4.0 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours round trip  
**Trailhead:** On Highway 101, north of False Klamath Cove is a wide turnout on the ocean side, near Highway 101 marker 16.0. Drops 1,000 feet.  
**Features:** Excellent views of old growth forest with a hidden sea cove at the bottom of a steep trail (plan trip to arrive at low tide). Trail travels through spruce forest close to ocean, also crosses a paved road which was once Highway 101.  
**Difficulty:** Class 6

**ENDERTS BEACH TRAIL**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 0.6 mile to beach (0.96 km)  
**Time:** 20 minutes to beach  
**Trailhead:** End of Enderts Beach Road.  
**Features:** Tidepools, beach walks, primitive camping (5 campsites), toilets (no water).  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

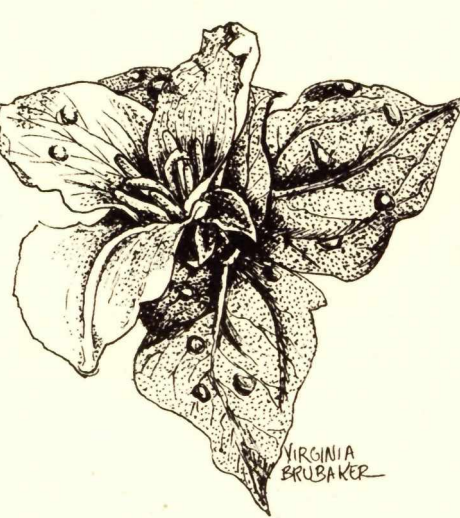
**FALSE KLAMATH COVE**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park and Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1 mile (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Wilson Creek picnic area, Lagoon Creek picnic area, or False Klamath Cove turnout.  
**Features:** A walk along the beach. Tidepools, surf fishing, driftwood, listening to waves upon the sand and bird watching.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**FOOTSTEPS ROCKS TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1 mile round trip (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour round trip  
**Trailhead:** North of Lagoon Creek picnic area, west side of Highway 101, first turnout north of vista point, m.p. 13.42.  
**Features:** A view of the coastline, whale watching and spring wildflowers highlight this trail which does not have access to the beach.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**HATTON TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.3 mile (0.48 km)  
**Time:** 15 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Highway 199 south of Hiouchi Bridge across from Simpson Reed Grove. Access to Hatton-Hiouchi Trail from loop trail.  
**Features:** Old growth redwoods can be viewed on this trail which is slippery even in summer.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

**HATTON-HIOUCHI TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods  
**Mileage:** 1.2 miles (2 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** South of Hiouchi Bridge. Trail forks 1/2 mile at crest of rise.  
**Features:** Pleasant walk through trees. Parallels highway, upslope, so there are highway sounds.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**HIDDEN BEACH TRAIL**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 2 miles (3.2 km)  
**Time:** 45 minutes to beach  
**Trailhead:** North side of motel at Trees of Mystery, just south of Lagoon Creek picnic area.  
**Features:** Crosses ancient riverbed of Klamath River, climbs ridge to pass through spruce forest before dropping to secluded, rocky cove.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2



**HIOUCHI TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2 miles (3.2 km)  
**Time:** 90 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Jedediah Smith Campground across footbridge (in summer); or Highway 199 turnout south of Hiouchi bridge. Trail starts east side of highway across from sign: "End of 40 mph speed limit"; also access from Jensen Loop Trail, Hatton Trail or Mill Creek Trail.  
**Features:** Poison oak greets you on the trail through this streamside community. Huckleberries are a delight in late summer, but not to be outdone by the trillium and rhododendron display in spring. The trail even takes you through a burned out redwood tree. There are many scenic views of the blue-green Smith River.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**HOBBS WALL TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 3.75 miles (6.08 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** Access from the Nature Loop Trail across from entrance station; or from campground just before gate used to close west campground in winter; or from Saddler Skyline Trail; or park entrance at Highway 101.  
**Features:** Named after Hobbs Wall Co., a primary company of the Del Norte timber industry in the late 1860s. Abandoned logging cables and machine parts are evident along the trail. This trail is through second growth redwood forest and alder. Bird watching is excellent.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**JENSEN LOOP TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.6 mile (0.96 km)  
**Time:** 20 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Stout Grove, across Mill Creek to Smith River footbridge (summer only); proceed uphill to Loop Trail, Hiouchi and Mill Creek Trails.  
**Features:** Alluvial flat redwood grove with trilliums blooming in the spring. This is an excellent evening walk from the campground during summer.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

**LEIFFER LOOP & ELLSWORTH LOOP TRAILS**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.6 mile to beach (0.96 km)  
**Time:** 45 minutes; 15 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Left side of Walker Road, 0.4 miles from Highway 199. Parking at unmarked trailhead. Three bumper posts indicate trailhead.  
**Features:** Moss-laden path through big leaf maple and old-growth redwood forest. Many benches are provided through this serene area. Ellsworth Loop approximately 0.2 miles down Leiffer Loop.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2; Class 4

**LITTLE BALD HILLS TRAIL**  
*(horses permitted)*  
**Location:** Redwood National Park and Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 4.5 miles (7.2 km)  
**Time:** 4 hours  
**Trailhead:** In Jedediah Smith SP, one-half mile from the end of the pavement, east of Stout Grove on Howland Hill Road.  
**Features:** Open prairies—which once were the site of an old ranch where an old spring still exists—are fringed by pines and fir trees. Bird watching for birds of prey is excellent. The trail is an old road which extends equal distance beyond the park boundary.  
**Difficulty:** Class 6

**MILL CREEK TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.6 miles (4.16 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Jedediah Smith campground across footbridge (June-Sept.). Take the left fork of the Jensen Loop Trail to Mill Creek Trail or Howland Hill Road at west side of Mill Creek bridge.  
**Features:** Many unmarked side trails for fishing access along old growth redwood stream community.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**MILL CREEK TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.7 mile (1.12 km)  
**Time:** 20 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Adjacent to entrance road to Mill Creek Campground.  
**Features:** Wading, fishing, bird watching and small wildlife.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**MILL CREEK HORSE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 7.75 miles (11.2 km)  
**Trailhead:** South end of Howland Hill Road at locked gate, approximately 0.2 miles after the pavement ends (going east). A short trail around the gate is available for equestrian use—no motorized vehicles. Follow road bed 0.6 miles until trail sign on east side of road.  
**Features:** A trail through second growth redwood and alder forest to Mill Creek.  
**Difficulty:** Class 6

**NATURE LOOP TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1 mile (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 20 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Across from Mill Creek campground entrance station.  
**Features:** A short loop through redwood forest vegetation. A madrone tree with its red bark is a highlight.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

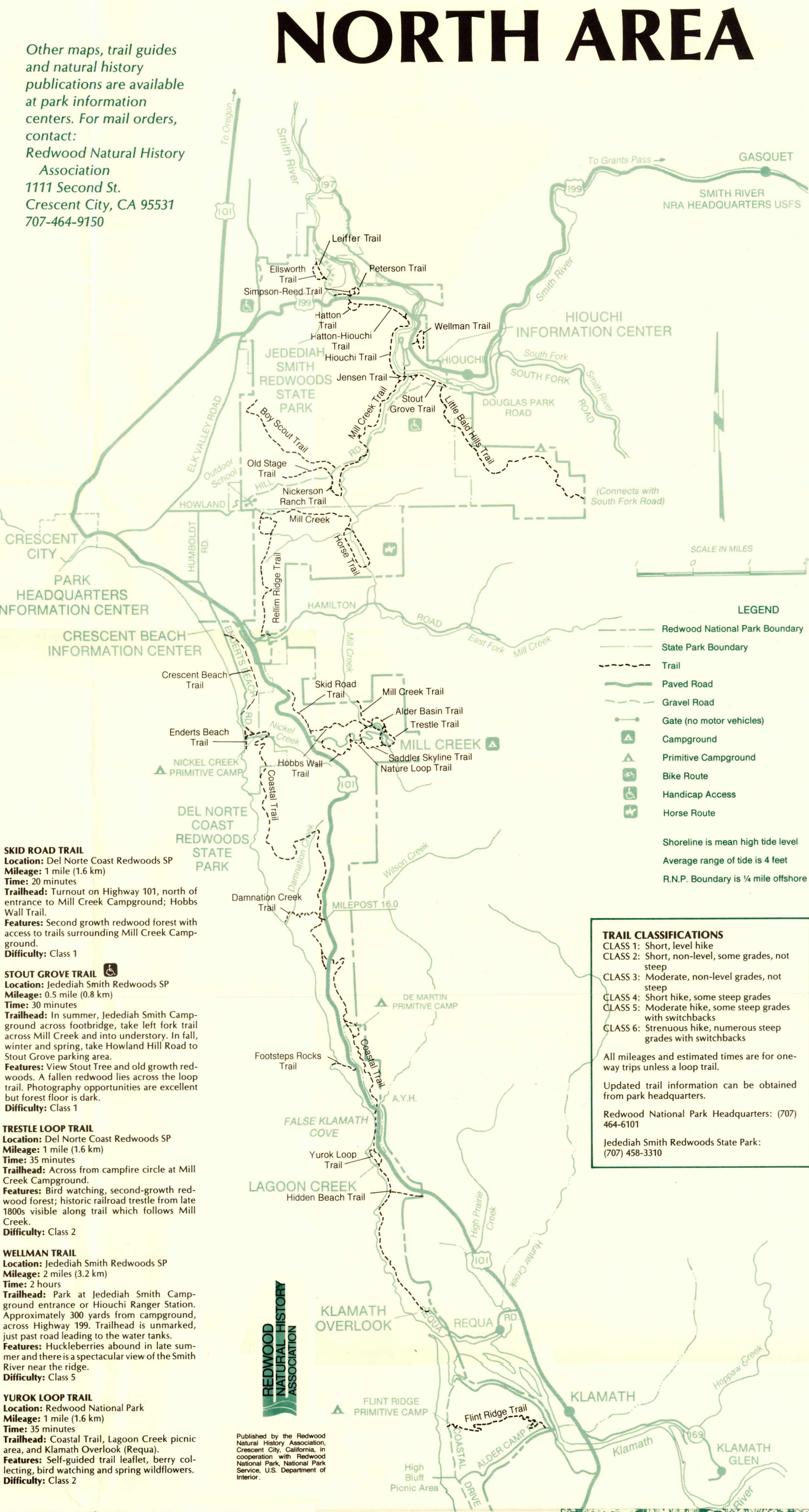
**NICKERSON RANCH MILL CREEK TRAIL LOOP**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 3 miles (4.8 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Boy Scout Tree Trail parking area or Mill Creek bridge. Suggested loop includes Howland Hill Road.  
**Features:** Diverse habitats include majestic old-growth redwood forest and streamside vegetation. No bridge across Mill Creek to site of old ranch where only the orchard remains.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

**OLD STAGE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.5 mile (0.8 km)  
**Time:** 15 minutes to fallen tree and back  
**Trailhead:** Located on Howland Hill Road across from the Nickerson Ranch trailhead.  
**Features:** Hikers walk on planks from the Old Stage Road which helped stabilize the road during the wet winters. This was once the main route between Crescent City and Grants Pass in the late 1800s. Most of the old road has been taken over by the fast-growing vegetation, especially the salmonberry bushes.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

**RELLIM RIDGE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP and Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 4.3 miles (6.9 km)  
**Time:** 2 1/2 hours  
**Trailhead:** South end of Howland Hill Road at locked gate, approximately 0.2 miles after the pavement ends (going east); Hamilton Road on left just before check station.  
**Features:** Second growth redwood forest, prairies, panoramic views of Crescent City.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

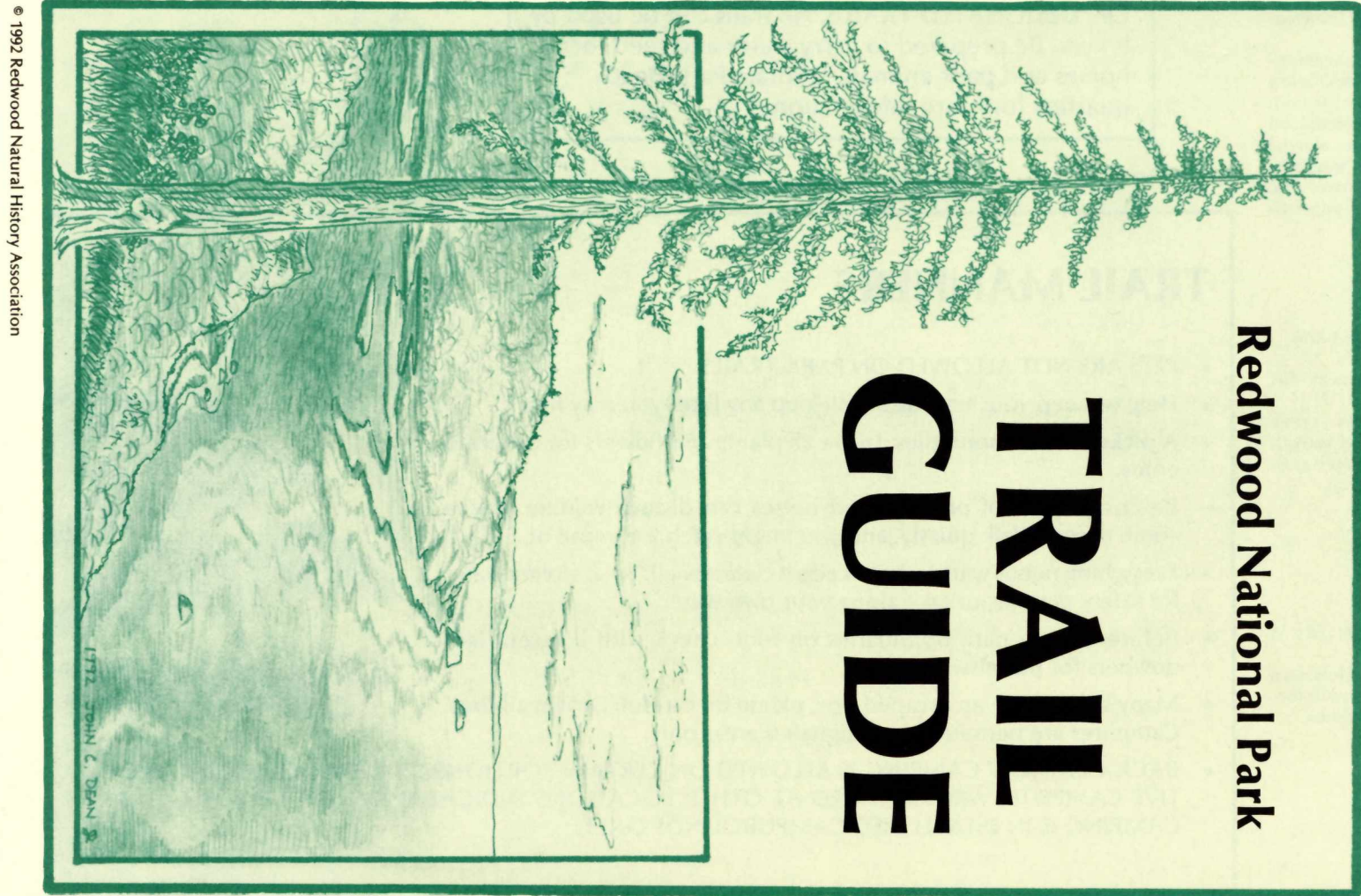
**SADDLER SKYLINE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Del Norte Coast Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.5 miles (2.4 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Between campsites 7 & 8 at Mill Creek Campground; or Nature Loop Trail.  
**Features:** Douglas fir and young redwood forest combine with huckleberries and bird life to make this an enjoyable walk.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

**SIMPSON-REED & PETERSON LOOP TRAILS**  
**Location:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.6 mile & 0.5 mile (0.96 km & 0.8 km)  
**Time:** 20 minutes each  
**Features:** Old growth redwood forest featuring large burls, fallen trees and small creeks with footbridges on Peterson Loop. Many fern species exist along the trail with skunk cabbage in creek drainages.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1



Other maps, trail guides and natural history publications are available at park information centers. For mail orders, contact:  
Redwood Natural History Association  
1111 Second St.  
Crescent City, CA 95531  
707-464-9150

**TRAIL CLASSIFICATIONS**  
CLASS 1: Short, level hike  
CLASS 2: Short, non-level, some grades, not steep  
CLASS 3: Moderate, non-level grades, not steep  
CLASS 4: Short hike, some steep grades  
CLASS 5: Moderate hike, some steep grades with switchbacks  
CLASS 6: Strenuous hike, numerous steep grades with switchbacks  
All mileages and estimated times are for one-way trips unless a loop trail.  
Updated trail information can be obtained from park headquarters.  
Redwood National Park Headquarters: (707) 464-6101  
Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park: (707) 458-3310



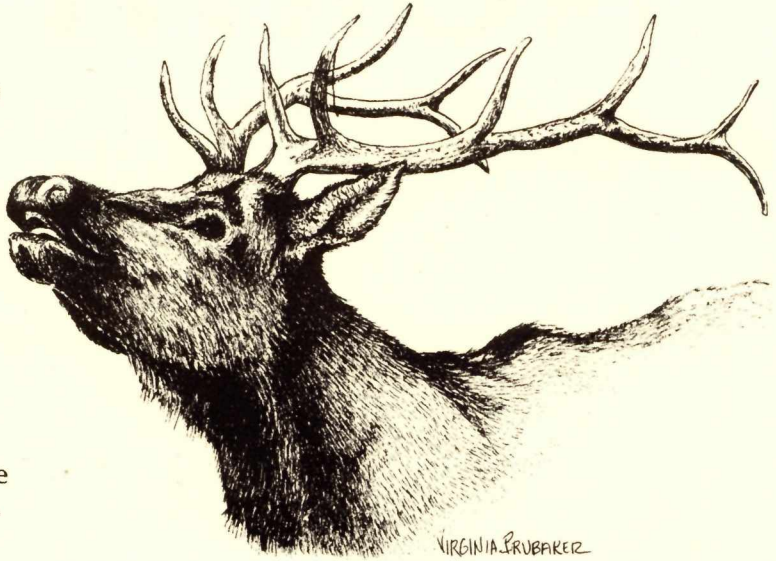
Enter  
Redwood National Park  
A land of diverse habitats and  
spectacular landscape:

DENSE, EVERGREEN FORESTS where redwoods, the world's tallest measured trees, share with Douglas fir and Western hemlock this southern most reach of North America's great coniferous coastal forests.  
OCEAN SHORES where sandy, driftwood strewn beaches record seasonal activity of distant rivers; where rocky headlands and tidepools cradle marine life.  
PRAIRIES and OAK WOODLANDS, ESTUARIES and WETLANDS, RIVERS and RIPARIAN COMMUNITIES: natural mosaics on the landscape which are essential to the life cycle of many nearby plant and animal communities.  
Many trails will introduce you to several communities. Notice the transition from one to another. Think about the interdependence of life within each area—and neighboring community. Whether you hike for recreation, education, inspiration, revelation—this guide describes 200 miles of parkland trails here for YOU.



WILDLIFE

Any of the habitats provide numerous and varied species of mammals and birds. Bears and other wildlife in the parks are wild animals and should be treated with respect. Wildlife is most enjoyed when viewed in its natural habitat; feeding wild animals quickly alters their normal behavior. Protect wild-life and yourself by hanging all food, soap, toothpaste, suntan oils, and other scented items or garbage at least 200 feet from camp. These items should be hung from a stout branch at least ten feet from the tree trunk, five feet below the branch and 12 to 15 feet above the ground.



VIRGINIA SPRINGER

BOAT CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.7 miles (2.7 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Starts from Friendship Ridge Trail approximately ½ mile southwest of junction with West Ridge Trail, 2 spurs, both of which dead end with no direct beach access.  
**Features:** Follows a creek through a steep canyon, which was logged during World War I to provide spruce wood for the building of airplanes. Boat Creek is spring fed all year. Passes through old growth redwood forest with vistas of the coast.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

BROWN CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.2 miles (2.0 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Rhododendron Trail; east of Highway 101 marker 129.1, Foothill Trail.  
**Features:** Certainly one of the most beautiful trails through streamside vegetation and mature redwood forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

BUTLER CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.8 miles (2.9 km)  
**Time:** 40 minutes  
**Trailhead:** West side of Highway 101 near mile-post 131.90 at locked gate (no parking in front of gate); West Ridge Trail; Coastal Trail; Prairie Creek Trail.  
**Features:** A hike along Butler Creek from the beach to the West Ridge Trail; back-country camping (see Ranger at Prairie Creek visitor center).  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

**CALIFORNIA REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION TRAIL (C.R.E.A.)**  
**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.6 miles (3.8 km)  
**Time:** 1½ hours  
**Trailhead:** Begins at Highway 101 marker 130.17.  
**Features:** This trail goes through old growth forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

CARRUTHERS COVE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.8 mile to beach (1.28 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes to beach  
**Trailhead:** South end of Coastal Drive at national park and state park boundary. Look for sign.  
**Features:** Elk watching, bird watching along skid road through alders to beach.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

CATHEDRAL TREES TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.5 miles (2.5 km)  
**Time:** 35 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Across highway from Prairie Creek visitor center; Big Tree parking area; Rhododendron Trail; and Elk Prairie Trail.  
**Features:** This trail follows streams through meadows. Elk are sometimes seen along this trail leading to a mature redwood forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

CIRCLE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.3 mile (0.48 km)  
**Time:** 10 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Big Tree parking area, one mile north of campground; Foothill Trail; or Cathedral Trees Trail.  
**Features:** This trail provides a walk near the Big Tree, one of the largest trees in the state park.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

CLINTONIA TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1 mile (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** James Irvine Trail or Miner's Ridge Trail.  
**Features:** Trail leads through virgin redwood forest, following streams and climbing to ridges.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

COASTAL TRAIL

This trail runs the entire length of Redwood National Park. It is described below in sections, starting from the Humboldt County line to Orick.

Gold Beach Section

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** A few miles of beach  
**Time:** Open  
**Trailhead:** Accessible by Davison Road, Gold Bluffs Campground, Ossagon Trail and Carruthers Cover Trail (only during low tide).  
**Features:** Coastal prairies, wild beach, elk herd, campground, picnic area and surf fishing. Watch the tide!  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

Skunk Cabbage Trail

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 5 miles (8 km)  
**Time:** 3½ hours  
**Trailhead:** North: Davison Road, just south of Espa Lagoon; South: Side road at Highway 101, marker 122.69, 2 miles north of Orick, follow road to first right, watch for trail sign.  
**Features:** Huge Sitka Spruce, streamside vegetation along Skunk Cabbage Creek. Can hike south along the beach 2.5 miles to the mouth of Redwood Creek.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

DOLASON PRAIRIE

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 4.75 miles to junction with Emerald Ridge Trail; 5.75 miles to Tall Trees parking lot. (7.6 km)  
**Trailhead:** Bald Hills Road approximately 3 miles beyond Tall Trees access road, 10 miles from junction with Highway 101.  
**Features:** Passes through a natural open prairie with oak trees; drops into the Redwood Creek watershed with access to both old growth and second growth forests. Passes an old barn, relic of an early ranching operation.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

ELK PRAIRIE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.3 miles (3.7 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Campground; Cathedral Trees Trail.  
**Features:** Trail around prime elk habitat with evidence of browsing and antler rubbing on trees.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

EMERALD RIDGE TRAIL

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 2.8 miles (4.5 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Tall Trees Trail; Redwood Creek, 1.5 miles upstream from Tall Trees Grove.  
**Features:** Drops 580 feet in elevation through old growth redwoods before reaching Redwood Creek. Loop to Tall Trees Trail includes 1.5 miles of hiking along stream bank, with several stream crossings which should only be attempted during low water flows.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

FIVE MINUTE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP (not shown on map)  
**Mileage:** 0.3 mile (0.48 km)  
**Time:** 5 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Visitor Center.  
**Features:** A short walk at Prairie Creek Visitor Center. Along the trail is the hollowed-out "Chimney Tree" with boards across part of its entrance. A family once lived in this tree during the 1930's.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

FERN CANYON TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.7 mile loop (1.1 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Fern Canyon parking area.  
**Features:** Scenic display of many fern species. Trail runs through creek; hiker can follow steps up to James Irvine Trail and up to a prairie that was once a small mining town (500 pop.).  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

FOOTHILL TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.6 miles (4.2 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Visitor Center; Big Tree Parking area; and South Fork Trail.  
**Features:** Bird-watching and redwood forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

FRIENDSHIP RIDGE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods  
**Mileage:** 3 miles (4.5 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Connects West Ridge with James Irvine Trail.  
**Features:** Friendship Ridge Trail leads down the west side of West Ridge out of dense redwood forests to the windswept open bluffs. connects with Irvine Trail, .3 mile from Fern Canyon.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

HOPe CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.3 miles (4.55 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Along Highway 101 at marker 132.74. A 4-mile loop is possible with the Ten Taypo Trail.  
**Features:** Old growth redwoods, streamside plants and animals.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

HORSE TRAILS (Redwood Creek)

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** Half day trail—6.5 miles; one day, 13 miles; overnight ride, 18.5 miles; 3 day ride, 31 miles; total mileage 34 miles.  
**Trailhead:** Orick rodeo grounds.  
**Features:** Clearcut and old growth forest on the west side of Redwood Creek.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

HOLTER RIDGE BIKE TRAIL

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 11.5 miles (16 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours total  
**Trailhead:** The Holter Ridge Trail joins with the Lost Man Creek Trail for the total distance. Joins Bald Hills Road near the Redwood Creek Overlook picnic area.  
**Features:** Magnificent old growth forests as well as second growth forests are enjoyed along this old logging road.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

JAMES IRVINE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 4.2 miles (6.8 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Visitor Center; Fern Canyon; Gold Bluffs Beach. Connects with Clintonia Trail.  
**Features:** Possible loop with Miner's Ridge Trail (10.3 mile loop) with camping available at Gold Bluff Beach campground. Suggest taking Miner's Ridge down from visitor center and return via James Irvine trail, which follows a canyon along lush streamside habitat through dense redwood forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

JOGGING TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 4 miles (6.4 km)  
**Time:** 1-2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Campground, camp-site 48.  
**Features:** Crosses Wolf Creek Bridge and follows an old logging road through second growth forest. Route is clearly signed.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

LADY BIRD JOHNSON GROVE NATURE LOOP TRAIL

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 1 mile (1.6 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Lady Bird Johnson parking area, 2 miles up on Bald Hills Road.  
**Features:** It's a steep road (17% grade) to parking area, especially for trailers or large RV's. Self-guided nature trail begins across foot-bridge. Site of national park dedication and view of Lost Man Creek drainage. Trail follows an old logging road through mature redwood forest.  
**Difficulty:** Class 1

LITTLE CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.3 mile (0.48 km)  
**Time:** 10 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Highway 101 marker 131.76.  
**Features:** Redwoods blown down by winds add interest to this trail. The trail passes under some of these fallen trees.  
**Difficulty:** Class 2

LOST MAN CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 2 miles (3.2 km) to second bridge; approximately 10 miles (16 km) to Bald Hills Road.  
**Time:** 2 hours; 8 hours  
**Trailhead:** Lost Man Creek picnic area.  
**Features:** Photography, wildlife, fall mushrooms along this old road which you can follow a long distance to Bald Hills Road.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

MINER'S RIDGE TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 3.9 miles (6.3 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** End of Godwood Trail, which begins at Prairie Creek Visitor Center; access to Clintonia Trail; Gold Bluff Beach Road at Squashan Creek.  
**Features:** Trail follows a low-lying ridge through redwood forest, Sitka spruce, and Douglas fir forest to Gold Bluff Beach campground. An old corduroy road, which was used by logging trucks, is part of this trail. This trail was also the supply route for pack horses to the miner's camp, located in the meadow above Fern Canyon. Excellent vistas from ridge top. Suggested loop: from the Prairie Creek Visitor Center take the Miner's Ridge Trail and return via the James Irvine Trail (10.3 mile loop).  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

OSSAGON TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 1.7 miles (2.7 km)  
**Time:** 1 hour  
**Trailhead:** Highway 101 marker 132.9; Coastal Trail.  
**Features:** Trail is through redwood forest on old roadbed ending at Ossagon Creek. Open grassy areas reveal once existing homesteads. Yurok Indians once had summer villages in the Gold Bluffs area.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

PRAIRIE CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 4 miles (6.4 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Visitor Center.  
**Features:** Excellent views of slope redwood forest. Wildlife plentiful including salmon and steelhead in season. An 11.5 loop hike is possible with West Ridge Trail. Loop hike lessened by 1/3 using Zig Zag Trail 1.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

REDWOOD CREEK TRAIL

**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 8.2 miles to Tall Trees Grove (13.0 km)  
**Time:** 5 hours  
**Trailhead:** From Highway 101 take Bald Hills Road 2 miles north of Orick; take first right turn to Redwood Creek trailhead parking area; or take shuttle-bus to Tall Trees Trail (in summer).  
**Features:** Wildlife, photography, swimming and viewing of Tall Trees Grove. Back-country camping is allowed on stream bars. Back-country permits available at trailhead or at the information center. Footbridges are removed end of Sept. until end of May. Suggested loop starts with morning shuttle-bus pick-up at Redwood Creek Trailhead (purchase ticket in advance at Redwood Information Center); then to Tall Trees Grove via shuttle-bus and hike to parking area.  
**NOTE:** Do not drink unboiled water from Redwood Creek as it is contaminated by cattle upstream, outside the park. **High water during winter makes crossing the creek very dangerous!**  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

REVELATION TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.3 mile (0.5 km)  
**Trailhead:** Just south of Prairie Creek Visitor Center.  
**Features:** This self-guided nature trail is designed for both blind and sighted persons. Wood and rope handrails run the full length of the trail, and "touchable" features along the way are described both on signs and in a cassette guide available at the Visitor Center.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

RHODODENDRON TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 6.3 miles (10.2 km)  
**Time:** 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** Brown Creek Trail; South Fork Trail; Cal Barrel Road; C.R.E.A. Trail; or Cathedral Trees Trail.  
**Features:** Provides a serene experience in an old growth redwood forest and pink blossoms of rhododendrons (in spring).  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

SOUTH FORK TRAIL

**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 0.9 mile (1.5 km)  
**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Trailhead:** Highway 101 marker 129.81; access to Brown Creek Trail, Rhododendron Trail or Foothill Trail. Loop Trail 3.5 miles.  
**Features:** Redwood forest slope which provides an excellent display of rhododendrons in bloom during spring.  
**Difficulty:** Class 3

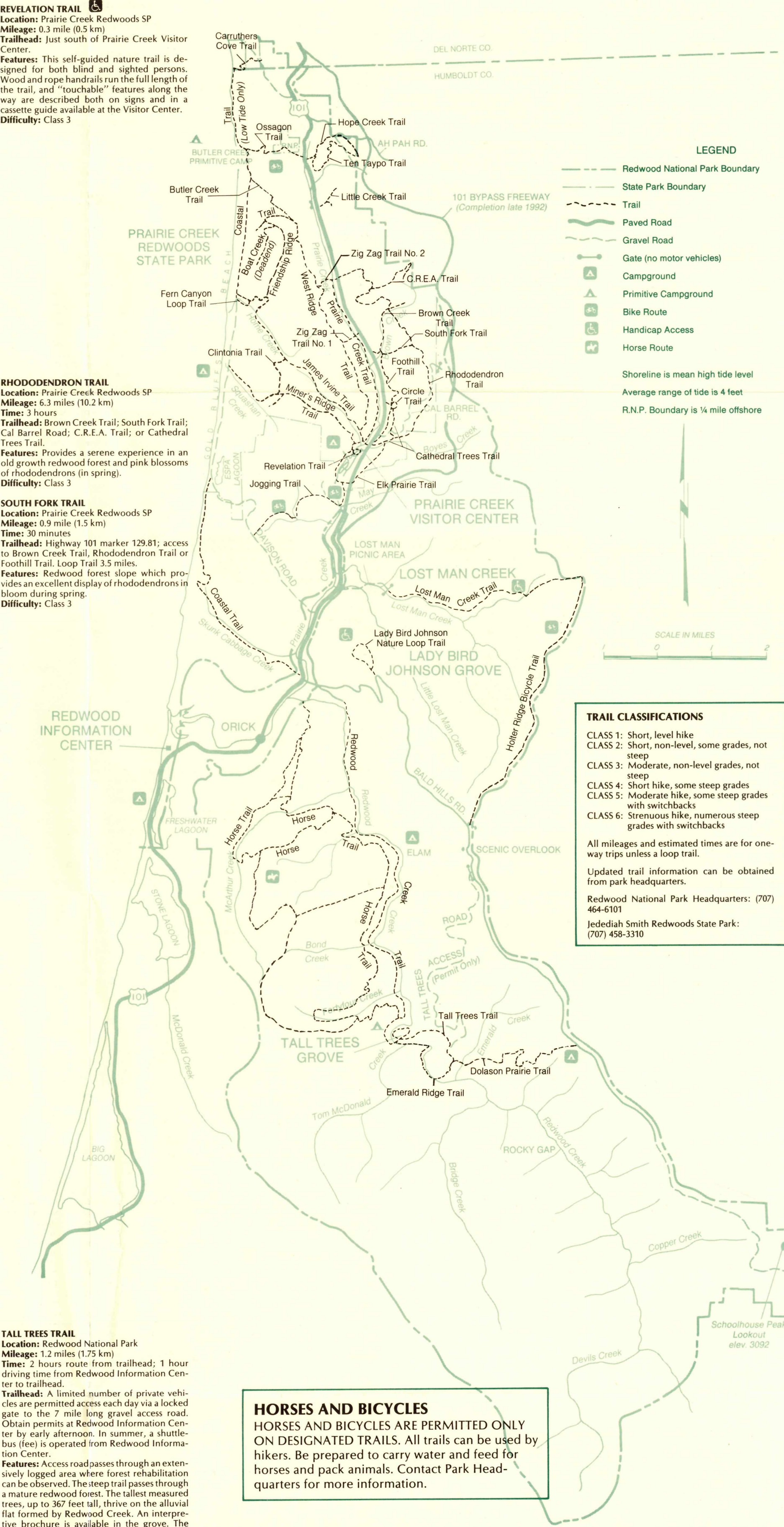
REDWOOD INFORMATION CENTER

**TALL TREES TRAIL**  
**Location:** Redwood National Park  
**Mileage:** 1.2 miles (1.75 km)  
**Time:** 2 hours route from trailhead; 1 hour driving time from Redwood Information Center to trailhead.  
**Trailhead:** A limited number of private vehicles are permitted access each day via a locked gate to the 7 mile long gravel access road. Obtain permits at Redwood Information Center by early afternoon. In summer, a shuttle-bus (fee) is operated from Redwood Information Center.  
**Features:** Access road passes through an extensively logged area where forest rehabilitation can be observed. The steep trail passes through a mature redwood forest. The tallest measured trees, up to 367 feet tall, thrive on the alluvial flat formed by Redwood Creek. An interpretive brochure is available in the grove. The gravel bar can be hiked to Rocky Gap, approximately 2 miles.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

**TEN TAYPO TRAIL**  
**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods SP  
**Mileage:** 2.0 miles (3.2 km), 4 miles (6.4 km)  
**Time:** 1.5 hours, 3 hours  
**Trailhead:** Hope Creek Trail; Highway 101 marker 132.74.  
**Features:** Fern-laden trail follows creek through stream-side habitat and old growth redwood forest to ridge. A 4-mile loop is possible connection with Hope Creek Trail.  
**Difficulty:** Class 4

**WEST RIDGE TRAIL**  
**Location:** Prairie Creek Redwoods  
**Mileage:** 7 miles (11.3 km)  
**Time:** 4 hours  
**Trailhead:** Prairie Creek Visitor Center. First ½ mile shared with James Irvine Trail.  
**Features:** Gains 400 feet elevation and follows a prominent ridge through the old growth forest. Trail drops to sea level at Butler Creek.  
**Difficulty:** Class 5

SOUTH AREA

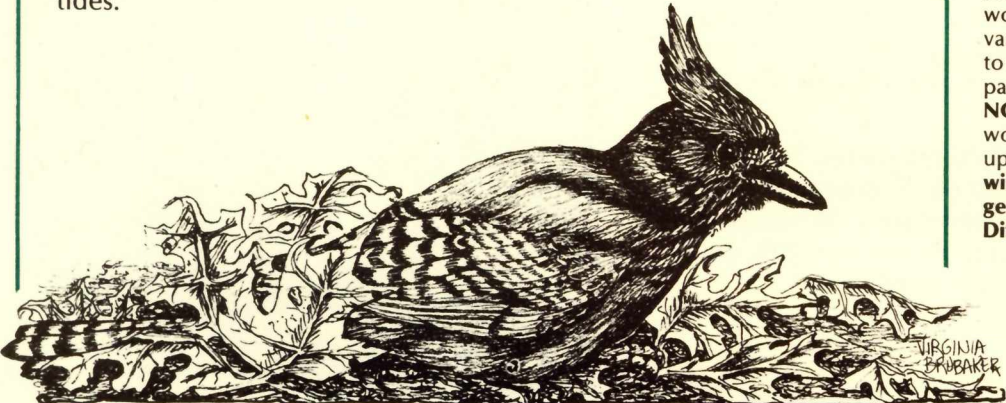


TRAIL CONDITIONS

Redwood National Park, established in 1968, includes within its boundaries three pre-dating California state parks: Jedediah Smith Redwoods, Del Norte Coast Redwoods and Prairie Creek Redwoods. Trails of these units are all included in this map. Trail crews make efforts to ensure safe trail conditions and careful signing. Natural conditions and vandalism may affect hiking conditions at any time.

WEATHER

This region, at lower elevations, is ideal for year-round hiking. Seasonal temperatures are mild. Winter rainfalls are frequent and heavy at times. Carry raingear. Protect yourself from hypothermia. Be aware of the fluctuation of rain-swollen stream levels. Be aware of changing tides.



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