How do I get there?

Directions to some of the best places on the Mt. Shasta Ranger District

Mt. Shasta Ranger Station - Shasta-Trinity National Forest





From the Mt. Shasta Ranger Station, head east on Alma Street (toward the mountain). Cross the railroad tracks and turn right at the signal onto Mt. Shasta Blvd. Continue 2 blocks to the next signal at Lake Street and turn left. Stay on Lake Street as you climb a hill and veer left. You are now on Everitt Memorial Highway. Stay on this road through the 4-way stop, past the school on the right, and over the railroad tracks. You will leave town and begin driving up the Mountain. In 12 miles you will come to a parking area with a restroom on the left. This is Bunny Flat. The trail to Horse Camp begins on the right side of the restroom. There is a self-issue station on the left side of the restroom for hikers and climbers to obtain wilderness permits and summit passes. There is no water at Bunny Flat.

Castle Lake

From Mt. Shasta City, head west on Lake Street over the freeway and to the stop sign at Old Stage Road. Turn left (south) and drive ¼ mile to a fork in the road. Stay to the right at the fork and continue on this road, W.A. Barr Road. In 2 miles you will cross the dam at Lake Siskiyou and then you will see the turnoff for Castle Lake. Turn left and drive the paved road 7 miles to the lake. Castle Lake Campground is located ¼ mile below the lake on the left (east) side of the road. From the parking lot at Castle Lake, an unmarked trail goes halfway around the right (west) shore of the lake. Another trail takes off from the parking lot and goes east and uphill ½ mile to a divide. An unsigned side trail goes south from here another ½ mile to Heart Lake.

Gumboot Trailhead (Pacific Crest Trail, Gumboot and Mumbo Lakes)

From Mt. Shasta City, head west on Lake Street over the freeway and to the stop sign at Old Stage Road. Turn left (south) and drive ¼ mile to the fork in the road. Stay to the right at the fork and continue on this road, W.A. Barr Road. In 2 miles you will cross the dam at Lake Siskiyou. Keep driving around the lake, past the entrance to the Lake Siskiyou Camp Resort. Continue on this paved road (Forest Route 26) for approximately 10 miles. The road follows the canyon of the South Fork of the Sacramento



River. It is narrow in places so use caution and watch for oncoming vehicles. There will be a fork in the road with a sign for Gumboot Lake. The left fork continues ½ mile to Gumboot Lake. The right fork goes uphill another 1½ miles to the Gumboot Trailhead for the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). To get to Mumbo Lake, drive another 1¼ mile downhill and turn left just before the crossing of Mumbo Creek. The lake is 300 feet up this dirt road.

Toad Lake, Morgan Meadows, Sisson-Callahan National Recreation Trail

From Mt. Shasta City, head west on Lake Street over the freeway and to the stop sign at Old Stage Road. Turn left (south) and drive ¼ mile to the fork in the road. Stay to the right at the fork and continue on this road, W.A. Barr Road. In 2 miles you will cross the dam at Lake Siskiyou. Keep driving around the lake, past the entrance to the Lake Siskiyou Camp Resort. In a few miles you will see the Shasta-Trinity National Forest boundary sign, and soon there will be a stream on the right side of the road. The road will cross the stream on a narrow bridge. Just after the bridge, turn right on the first dirt road you see (41N53). In ¹/₄ mile you will arrive at a fork. The right fork (41N53) goes to the North Fork Sacramento River and the Sisson-Callahan National Recreation Trail in 5 miles and Morgan Meadows in 6 miles. The left fork (40N64) continues for 11 miles to the Toad Lake Trailhead. It is a ½ mile walk to the lake.

Parks Creek Trailhead (Pacific Crest Trail, Deadfall Lakes and Mt. Eddy)

From Mt. Shasta City, head north on I-5 past Weed to the Edgewood exit. Turn left and cross under the freeway to the stop sign. Turn right at the stop sign on Highway 99 toward Gazelle. In 0.3 mile, turn left on Stewart Springs Road and drive 5 miles. Just before the resort, turn right on Road 17 and cross over Parks Creek. Stay on this narrow paved road for approximately 10 more miles to the summit of the divide. The trailhead is signed and located on the left side of the road. The Pacific Crest Trail begins at the south end of the parking area adjacent to the road.

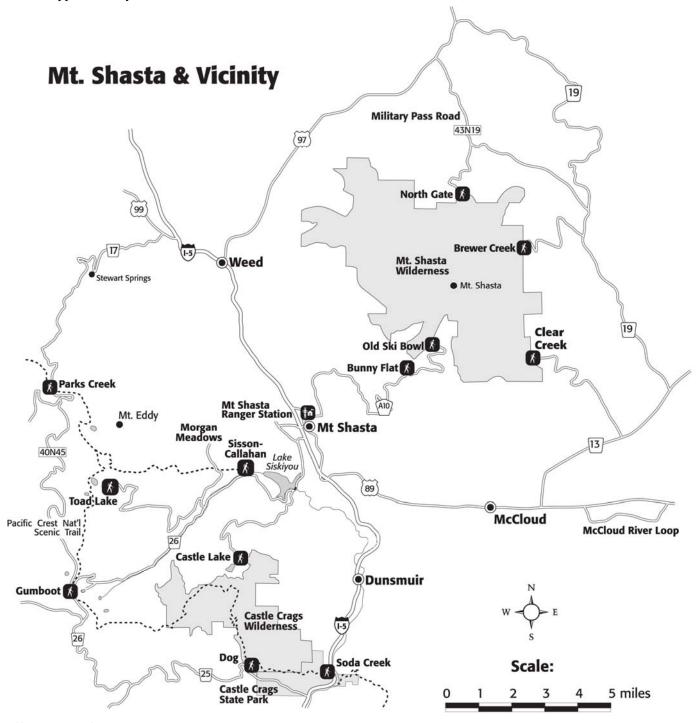




Military Pass Road (Drive around Mt. Shasta)

From Mt. Shasta City, head north on I-5 and drive 8 miles to Weed. Take the exit for Highway 97 towards Klamath Falls. Follow the signs through town and drive 15 miles north on 97 to Military Pass Road (signed as both Road 43N19 and Road 19). Turn right and stay on this rough dirt road for approximately 10 miles to an obvious intersection

with a well graded road. Turn right on this road (Road 19) and drive approximately 12 miles to the junction with Pilgrim Creek Road (Road 13). Turn right on this paved road and continue 6 miles to Highway 89. It is 12 miles west (right) on 89 to I-5 and the completion of the Around the Mountain Loop. It is 2½ miles east (left) on 89 to the signed turnoff for the McCloud River Loop. This side trip offers three scenic waterfalls, several campgrounds, and 12 miles of riverside hiking trails.



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