



Trailheads and Parking

This trail is a hidden treasure located within the city limits off NE Devils Lake Rd. It is a gentle rolling one-mile hike canopied by tall trees over woodlands and streams. The trail heads into a Sitka spruce/western hemlock forest with an understory of elderberry, sword fern, salmonberry, red alder, ivy, evergreen huckleberry, and salal. The junction takes you to a salt marsh overlook.

Getting There:

This easygoing hike can be accessed from West Devils Lake Rd, just north of NE 26th Street at milepost 1. There is a pullout parking area just opposite the NE 26th St turnoff.

A second entrance is located at the dead-end of NE Tide Ave with limited residential parking.

Rough-Skinned Newt

These newts tromp around the forest in slow motion, from stream to higher ground, flashing their orange undersides in a threat display, which includes pointing their chins at the sky, and curling up their tails. They exude a neurotoxin (tetrodotoxin) from their skin. The only predator that can eat them are appropriately adapted garter snakes.



Trail Information

Length: 1 mile round-trip

Route Type: In and Out with spurs

Dogs: Welcome on a leash

Difficulty: Easy



Chanterelles

These fleshy, orange mushrooms smell a little bit like apricots, which can help differentiate them from other mushrooms that look similar. Another way to identify them is to look for the gill-like structures that extend down the stipe, or the stem. You can find them in late summer and early fall.

Northern Flicker Family

These beautiful birds are quite common around Lincoln City's Open Spaces. This family (dad with the red spot on the back of his head, mom perched on the side of the tree, and baby poking out from the nest) is enjoying a spring day. Note the orange-red on the bottom of the tailfeathers (and just barely visible on the underside of the wings) — that indicates western coloration; the same areas on eastern birds are yellow.



