



# 50 PLACES TO GO FISHING WITHIN 90 MINUTES OF BEND

**NOT ENOUGH TIME TO GO FISHING?** *Think again – if you live in the Bend, Redmond, Prineville, Sisters or LaPine areas there are a number of great fishing spots just a short drive away. Make sure you read the Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations, and why not grab a friend or family member to go with you? The times and distances listed are from Drake Park in Bend.*

**1-2) CRANE PRAIRIE RESERVOIR**, Sunriver – 39 mi., 70 min.  
*Redband rainbow trout, hatchery rainbow trout, brook trout, largemouth bass, kokanee*

Spectacular views and excellent boat fishing for trout and bass. Opportunity to catch large rainbow and brook trout. Limited bank access. Boat rentals and other services available at Crane Prairie Resort (541) 383-3939.

1) Crane Prairie Campground



2) Rock Creek Campground: some bank fishing available.



**3-4) WICKIUP RESERVOIR**,

LaPine – 43 mi., 70 min.  
*Kokanee, brown trout, rainbow trout, largemouth bass*

Challenging fishing for abundant kokanee and for brown trout up to 20-inches. Best fished from a boat. Trophy largemouth bass.

3) Reservoir Campground



4) Wickiup Butte: access to some bank fishing near the dam. Camping nearby.



**5-6) DAVIS LAKE**, Crescent – 55 mi., 90 min.

*Rainbow trout, largemouth bass*

A very productive lake with good populations of trout and bass. Fly fishing only for both trout and bass.

5) Lava Flow Campground: unimproved boat launch.



6) East Davis Campground



**7) SPARKS LAKE**, Bend – 25 mi., 36 min.

*Cutthroat trout, brook trout*

A large, shallow lake offering good fishing and stunning scenery. Great for a canoe or other small boat. Fly fishing only.

Day use area



**8) DEVIL'S LAKE**, Bend – 28 mi. 42 min.

*Rainbow trout, brook trout*

A pretty little lake that's great for families. Lots of bank access.

Day use area: Hike-in tent camping only.



**9) CULTUS LAKE, BIG**,

Sunriver – 47 mi., 80 min.

*Rainbow trout, lake trout*

A large lake popular for fishing, boating and swimming. Several campgrounds nearby. Boat rentals and other services available at Cultus Lake Resort (541) 408-1560.

Day use area



**10) CULTUS LAKE, LITTLE**, Sunriver – 49 mi., 85 min.

*Rainbow trout, brook trout*

Fishing for naturally reproducing rainbow and brook trout. Good bank access. Primitive camping only.



**11) THREE CREEKS LAKE**, Sisters – 39 mi., 75 min.

*Rainbow trout, brook trout*

High alpine lake with good fishing all summer for both boat and bank anglers. Road opens mid-June or later. Boat rentals and other services available at Three Creeks Lake Resort (541) 873-2961.



**12-13) HOSMER LAKE**, Bend – 36 mi., 57 min.

*Atlantic salmon, brook trout, rainbow trout*

Fly fishing only with spectacular view of Mt. Bachelor. Little bank access; great for float tubes, pontoon boats and canoes.

12) Mallard Marsh Campground



13) Hosmer Lake Boat Launch



**14) ELK LAKE**, Bend – 32 mi., 50 min.

*Brook trout, kokanee, cutthroat trout*

Fishing for naturally reproducing brook trout and kokanee. Also popular for sailing, wind surfing and swimming. Boat rentals and other services available at Elk Lake Resort (541) 480-7378.

Beach Day Use Area: Camping nearby.



**15) LAVA LAKE, BIG**, Bend – 39 mi., 60 min.

*Rainbow trout*

Great views of Mt. Bachelor and South Sister. Superb trout fishing. Boat rentals and other services available at Lava Lake Lodge (541) 382-9443.

Lava Lake Campground



**16) LAVA LAKE, LITTLE**, Bend – 39 mi., 60 min.

*Rainbow trout, brook trout*

Headwaters of the Deschutes River. Good lake for float tube or small boat.



**17-18) EAST LAKE**, La Pine – 42 mi., 75 min.

*Rainbow trout, brown trout, kokanee*

Large, deep lake located in Newberry Volcanic National Monument. Popular with fly fishers, best fishing is from a boat, pontoon or float tube. Road usually opens in early June. Boat rentals and other services available at East Lake Resort (541) 536-2230.

17) East Lake Boating Site: Camping nearby.



18) Hot Springs Boating Site: Camping nearby.



**19-20) PAULINA LAKE**, LaPine – 37 mi., 65 min.

*Brown trout, rainbow trout, kokanee*

Also located in Newberry Volcanic National Monument, Paulina is managed for trophy brown trout. Great scenery and camping. Road usually opens in early June. Boat rentals and other services available at Paulina Lake Lodge (541) 536-2240.

19) Paulina Lake Day Use Area



20) Little Crater Boating Site: Camping nearby.



**21) TWIN LAKE, SOUTH**, LaPine – 40 mi., 70 min.

*Rainbow trout*

Perfect for the family with lots of bank fishing. Regularly stocked with trout. Boat rentals and other services available at Twin Lakes Resort (541) 382-6432.

Day Use Area: Camping nearby.



**22) TWIN LAKE, NORTH**, LaPine – 40 mi., 70 min.

*Rainbow trout*

Good-sized lake stocked with trout. Open year round.

North Twin Lake Campground



**23-24) SUTTLE LAKE**, Sisters – 36 mi., 45 min.

*Kokanee, brown trout*

Good early season fishing for kokanee and brown trout. Bank access from trail encircling lake. Boat rentals and other services available at the Lodge at Suttle Lake (541) 595-2628.

23) Cinder Beach Day Use Area



24) Suttle Lake Day Use Area: Camping nearby.

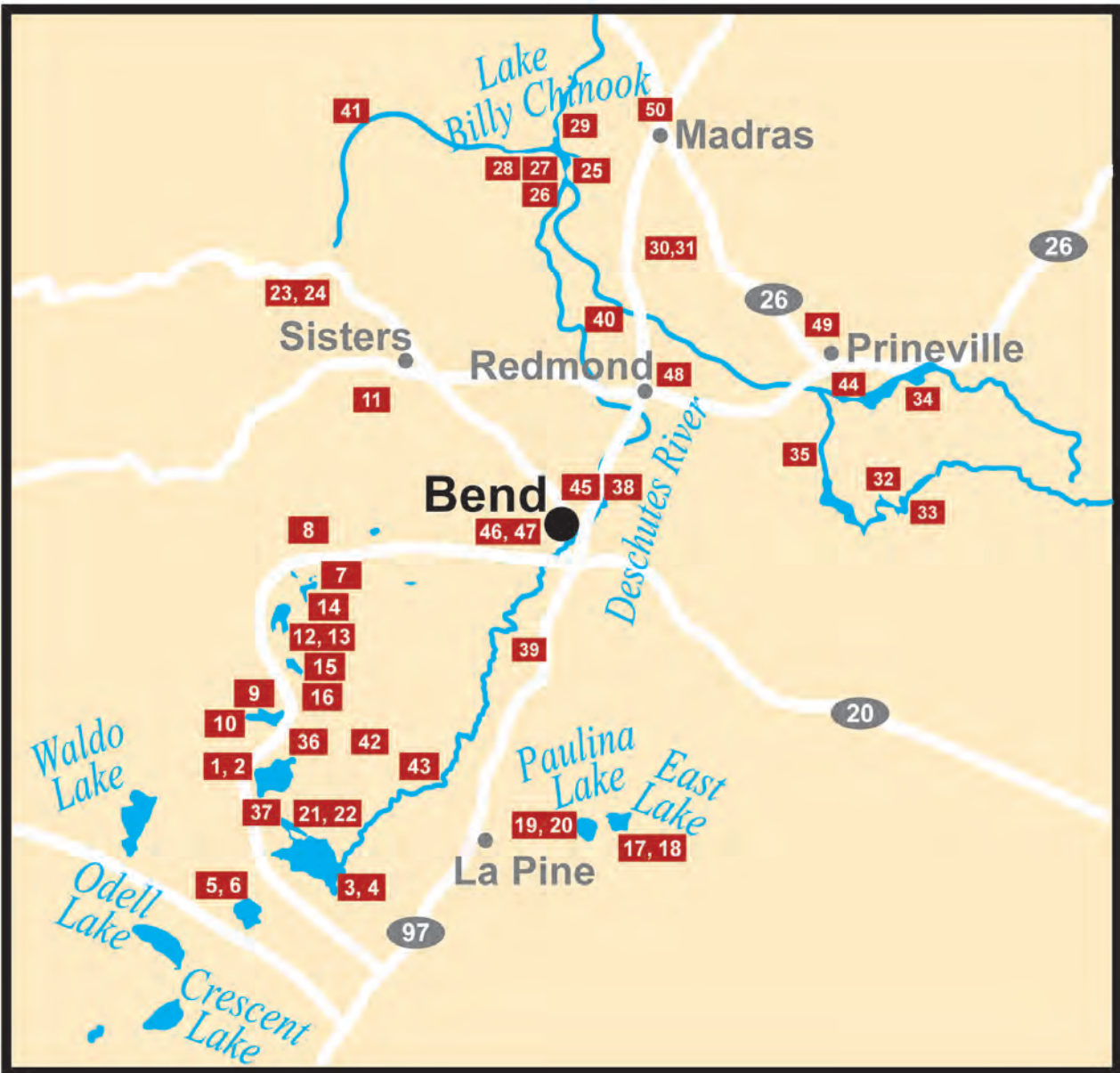


**25-28) LAKE BILLY CHINOOK**, Culver – 46 mi., 75 min.

*Rainbow trout, brown trout, kokanee, bull trout, smallmouth bass*

The only place in Oregon where you can keep a bull trout. Large 3,900-acre reservoir popular for fishing, boating and waterskiing. Boat rentals and other services available at Cove Palisades Resort and Marine (541) 546-9999.

25) Crooked River Day Use Area, Cove Palisades State Park: Camping nearby.



26) Upper Deschutes Day Use Area, Cove Palisades  
 SP: Camping nearby.



27) Lower Deschutes Day Use Area, Cove Palisades  
 SP: Camping nearby.



28) Perry South Campground: Tribal fishing permit required.



29) **LAKE SIMTUSTUS**, Madras – 53 mi., 80 min.  
*Rainbow trout, kokanee, smallmouth bass*

A reservoir of the Deschutes River with good boat fishing. Tribal fishing permit required. Services also available at Pelton Park Store and Marina (541) 475-0516.



30-31) **HAYSTACK RESERVOIR**, Culver – 36 mi., 55 min.

*Rainbow trout, brown trout, kokanee, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, black crappie, bluegill*  
 Small, popular reservoir with nearly year-round fishing. Good bank access.

30) Haystack Reservoir Day Use Area: Camping nearby.



31) West Shore Day Use Area: Camping nearby.



32-33) **PRINEVILLE RESERVOIR**, Prineville – 56 mi., 85 min.

*Rainbow trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, black crappie, brown bullhead*

Large desert reservoir popular for boating, camping and water skiing. Good bank fishing at state park.



Boat rentals and other services are available at Prineville Reservoir Resort (541) 447-7468.

32) State Park Day Use Area



33) Jasper Point Day Use Area: Camping nearby.



**34) OCHOCO RESERVOIR**, Prineville – 43 mi., 60 min.

*Rainbow trout, black crappie, smallmouth bass, brown bullhead*

Good trout fishing just five minutes from Prineville. Good bank and boat fishing.

Ochoco Lake Park: Camping nearby.



**35) CROOKED RIVER**, Prineville – 48 mi., 65 min. *Redband trout, mountain whitefish*

One of the most productive trout streams in Central Oregon. Best fishing is from Castle Rock Campground upriver to Bowman Dam. Numerous pullouts and several BLM campsites along this stretch.



**36-40) DESCHUTES RIVER**, Bend *Redband trout, brown trout*

From its source at Little Lava Lake 133 miles downstream to Lake Billy Chinook, the Deschutes River has excellent year-round trout fishing. There are several access points for both boat and bank fishing.

36) Cow Meadow Campground, Bend – 46 mi., 75 min.



37) Sheep Bridge Campground, Bend – 39 mi., 70 min.



38) Tumalo State Park, Bend – 7 mi., 15 min.



39) Benham Falls Day Use Area, Bend – 16 mi., 28 min. Best fishing is downstream of falls.



40) Tetherow Crossing, Redmond – 21 mi., 40 min.



**41) METOLIUS RIVER**, Camp Sherman – 43 mi., 65 min. *Redband trout, bull trout*

The Wizard Falls Hatchery is a great jumping in point to explore the river – famous for its beauty, year-round insect hatches and challenging fly fishing. Several other access points at various pullouts and campgrounds. Special gear restrictions apply – be sure to check current regulations.



**42) FALL RIVER**, Sunriver – 27 mi., 45 min.

*Redband trout, hatchery rainbow trout, brown trout, brook trout*

Beautiful stream-fed river with crystal clear water.

Regularly stocked with trout near Fall River Hatchery; foot trail from the hatchery provides access to several miles of river. Fly fishing only. Camping nearby.



**43) CONFLUENCE OF DESCHUTES AND FALL RIVERS**, LaPine – 28 mi., 45 min.

*Redband trout, hatchery rainbow trout, brown trout*

LaPine State Park offers good bank access to the upper Deschutes and Fall rivers.



**44) OCHOCO CREEK**, Prineville – 36 mi., 55 min. *Redband trout*

Good fishing for small native trout right in the heart of Prineville. Access from a 10-mile bike path.



**45) TUMALO CREEK**, Bend – 13 mi., 35 min. *Redband trout*

Popular trout stream close to Bend. Additional access from roads that follow and cross the creek.

Tumalo State Park



## 46-50 FIVE GREAT PLACES FOR KIDS

These five fishing holes are all close to a town, stocked regularly with trout, and have good bank access.

46) **Shevlin Pond**, Bend – 4 mi., 15 min.

47) **Bend Pine Nursery Pond**, Bend – 5 mi., 10 min.

48) **Fireman's Pond**, Redmond – 17 mi., 25 min.

49) **Prineville Youth Pond**, Prineville – 36 mi., 50 min.

50) **Jefferson County Pond**, Madras – 43 mi., 60 min.

## FEELING UP FOR A DRIVE?

There are several great places to fish just a little more than 90 minutes from Bend.

**Antelope Flat Reservoir**, 109 min. – Large reservoir off the beaten track; produces really big trout.

**Walton Lake**, 110 min. – Small picturesque lake stocked regularly; lots of good bank access.

**Odell Lake**, 100 min. – Large, deep lake has outstanding fishing for lake trout and kokanee.

**Crescent Lake**, 100 min. – Large, pristine lake popular for fishing and other water sports.



## GETTING OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

If you prefer getting away from the crowds, there are several nearby hike-in lakes that offer calm, quiet and good fishing. The following all are just a short hike away:

**TODD LAKE** – short .5 mile hike in; brook trout up to 15-inches.

**BLOW LAKE** – good hike-n-fish opportunity for kids; swimming in July and Aug.

**DORIS LAKE** – great day trip; 2.7 mile hike to picturesque lake.

**DEER LAKE** – good early season fishing for brook and cutthroat trout.

**LUCKY LAKE** – abundant brook trout; moderate 1.3 mile hike.

**ROSARY LAKES** – series of three hike-in lakes; lowest is a 2.5 mile hike; all are easily fished with a spinning rod.

**SQUARE LAKE** – popular hike lake-in near Santiam Pass; good catches of brook trout; 2 mile hike.

**LITTLE THREE CREEKS LAKE** – short hike from Three Creeks Lake; naturally reproducing brook trout.

**YORAN LAKE** – challenging 5.3 mile hike from Odell Lake.

## IF YOU GO, REMEMBER:

- Go prepared for a day on the trail and follow all the usual precautions when going for a hike.
- Contact the land manager (usually BLM or Forest Service) before you go to check on trail conditions.
- Unless otherwise specified in the Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations, all stream fishing is with flies and artificial lures.
- If you choose to fly-fish, consider carrying in a float tube or use a spinning outfit with a casting bobber and fly.
- Check road conditions before you go. Some higher elevation lakes may not be ice-free and accessible until July.

### KEY:



Boat launch or ramp



Campground



Picnic area



NW Forest Pass required



Restrooms or toilet



Day use, parking or other fee



## COMMON FISH



Rainbow trout



Redband trout



Brook trout



Brown trout



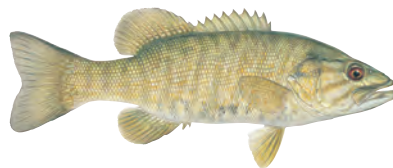
Kokanee



Atlantic salmon



Largemouth Bass



Smallmouth Bass



Bullhead

### MORE FISHING RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON THE ODFW WEBSITE:

- Trout stocking schedules
- Fishing tips and techniques
- Weekly Recreation Report

### WHAT YOU NEED

- A fishing license if you are older than 13
- A fishing rod, tackle, lures
- A copy of the Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations
- Licenses and regulations are available at license agents and online.



Contact us:

### OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

#### Bend Office

61374 Parrell Road  
Bend, OR 97702  
541-388-6363

#### Prineville Office

2042 SE Paulina Hwy  
Prineville, OR 97754  
541-447-5111

[www.dfw.state.or.us](http://www.dfw.state.or.us)

Directions and times are approximate. See the ODFW Web site and interactive map for more details on rivers, lakes and reservoirs throughout the state.