



Olympic National Park: Seven Lakes Basin 3 Day Tour

This trip takes you to an area of the park with the largest concentration of glacial lakes. High mountain peaks and sub-alpine meadows surround the Seven Lakes Basin. Campsites along this route can be scenic destinations in and of themselves because of the outstanding mountain views from these sites. Marmots and mountain goats can be spotted in this area as well as occasional Roosevelt Elk.

Difficulty	OH @#%&!	Solitude	Number of backpacking (miles/km)	Elevation changes (feet/m)
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Day 1

We will meet in Port Angeles, WA at a location determined by the guide the morning of the hike. From here we will drive to the Sol Duc Trailhead, which is about 1 hour from town. The hike reaches Sol Duc Falls fairly quickly and from there the group heads south and up toward Deer Lake. From here, the trail continues climbing up to the High Divide trail, which follows the ridge on the south side of the Seven Lakes Basin. The views of the Olympic Mountains open up upon reaching this ridge. After 6.7 miles (10.8 km) and a 3,000 ft (914.4 m) increase in elevation, the group reaches the spur trail into the basin. The goal is to camp at Lunch Lake for the evening and take the rest of the afternoon exploring the other lakes in the basin. The total hiking distance is 7.8 miles (12.8 km) not including side hikes in the basin.

Day 2

After breakfast, the group packs up camp and heads back to the High Divide Trail and continues on to the east around the summit of Bogachiel Peak. At this point Mt Olympus is in clear view to the south. As we continue on the trail, we head north past Heart Lake and descending into the Sol Duc River drainage before reaching the junction with Appleton Pass trail. From this point, it is 2.6 miles (4.2 km) and about a 2,000 ft (609.6 m) gain to the pass where we camp at over 5,000 ft (1524 m) in elevation. This area has been known as a great spot to see mountain goats as well as being a very scenic place to camp. Total mileage is 9.9 miles (15.9 km).

Day 3

From Appleton Pass, we return to Sol Duc River and follow the trail along the river, hiking downhill towards the familiar Sol Duc Falls to complete the loop. Along the way, the trail will pass through several stands of gigantic first-growth forests that typically the larger of trees that grow in the Olympic Rainforests. Total hiking distance is 7.3 miles (11.7 km) with a descent of 3,000 ft (914.4 m).

Cost

\$600 per person

The following is included in the tour price:

- All permits, fees and taxes.
- All food while on the trail prepared on the trail by your guide.
- All necessary gear (tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, backpack, meal kit, trekking poles, headlamp, etc.) – Check out the "About Us" section on our website for more information about our gear.
- A Certified, medically trained guide that will lead you to safety on your journey.
- An unforgettable experience!

Our prices do not include guide gratuity (10% of the tour price is recommended).