



MT. HOOD NATIONAL FOREST  
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## YOCUM RIDGE TRAIL #771

**TRAIL BEGINS:** 1159 meters (3800 feet) Elevation  
At its junction with the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail #2000.

**TRAIL ENDS:** 1905 meters (6245 feet) Elevation  
At a "Climber's Trail" at the end of the main-  
tained Yocum Ridge Trail.

**ACCESS:** The Yocum Ridge Trail can be reached  
by hiking on the Ramona Falls Loop Trail #797  
or the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail #2000  
coming from Lolo Pass or Bald Mountain.

**ATTRACTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS:** Yocum Ridge Trail  
climbs to one of the most pristine and fragile,  
accessible alpine meadows in the Mt. Hood Wild-  
erness. Close-up views of both Reid and Sandy  
Glacier await the hiker at the end of the trail.

Length: 7.5km (4.73mi.)



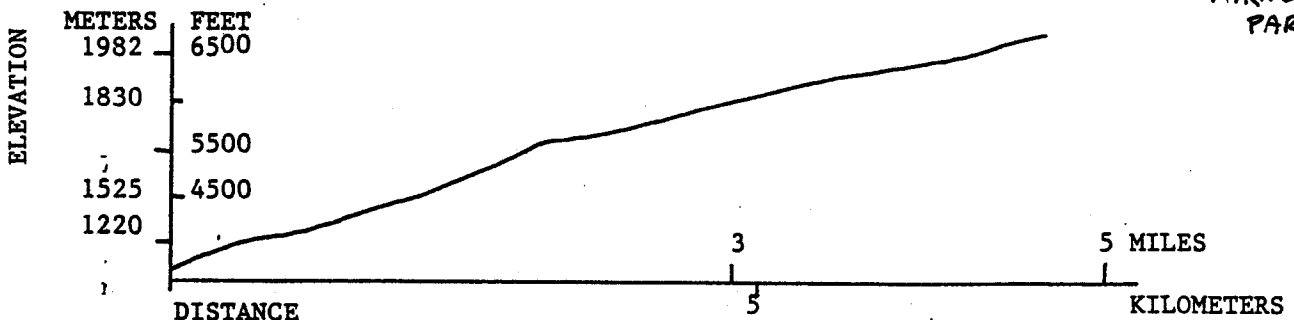
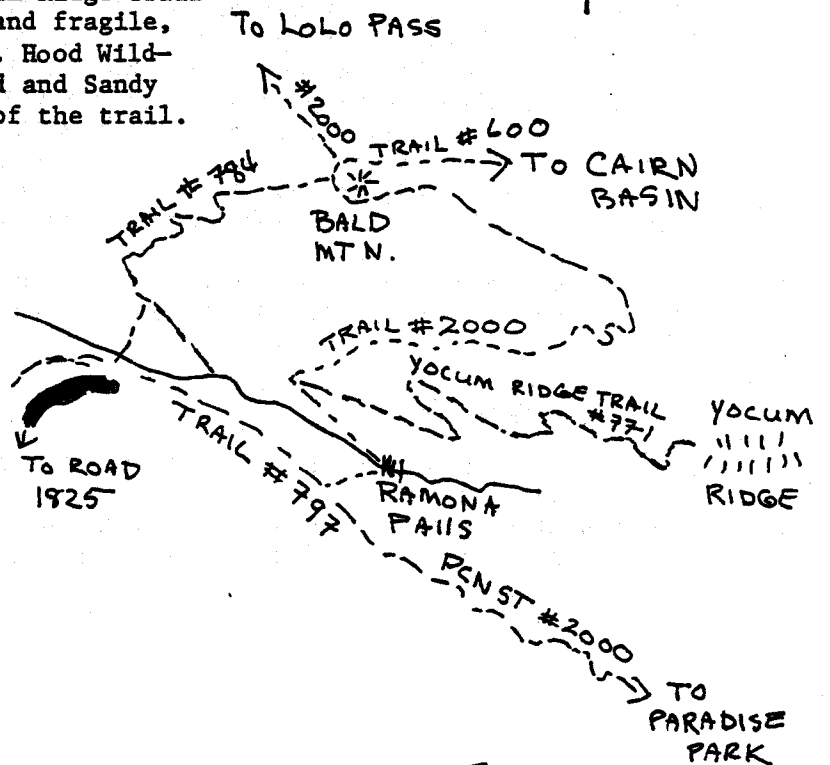
**Recommend Season:**

SPRING SUMMER FALL WINTER



Use: Medium

Difficulty: Moderate



RECREATION OPPORTUNITY SPECTRUM SCALE



Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized

NARRATIVE: YOCUM RIDGE TRAIL #771

The magnificent views of the west side of Mt. Hood and the floral displays in the meadows make the first 4.2 miles of the uphill hiking through the forest worthwhile. The only year-round water sources on this trail are found at a stream crossing the trail at 2.9 miles and at a tiny spring located approximately 10 feet below the trail at the 4 mile point. Essentially, the trail switchbacks up the ridge offering a few scattered views until 4.2 miles when it comes through an open meadow area near the edge of the Sandy River Canyon. Here the view is dominated by Reid Glacier. Wildflower displays include Jacob's ladder, monkeyflowers, Indian paintbrush, western pasque flowers, and lupine. The trail traverses up the slope until a viewpoint of the Muddy Fork Canyon and Sandy Glacier is reached. Here the formal maintained trail ends and a "climbers' trail" continues.

The fragility of the alpine environment makes it especially susceptible to man's impact. This wilderness resource will remain pristine for generations to come, only if every wilderness visitor accepts the challenge to leave "NO TRACE" of their visit. If you intend to camp, please plan to spend some time searching out the flat areas tucked away in the trees. Wilderness regulations in this area allow camping anywhere except within a meadow area or 100 feet of a shoreline. Fires are prohibited in meadow areas. The use of a portable backpacking stove is highly recommended as the impacts from fire are long lasting and any dead and down firewood is extremely scarce. Pack out all of your litter and bury human waste 8" into the soil.

Wilderness regulations prohibit the use of horses, motorized vehicles and bicycles on this trail in order to protect the fragile resource.

WATER STATEMENT

Unfortunately open water sources are easily contaminated by human or animal wastes. Water from springs, lakes, ponds and streams should not be used for drinking without proper treatment. A recommended method of treatment is to bring clear water to a rolling boil for 5 minutes.

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