

JULY 8TH-12TH
BEND, OREGON



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OREGON TRAIL GRAVEL - THE GRAND TOUR OF GRAVEL



Welcome to the 2026 Oregon Trail Gravel Grinder, brought to you by Breakaway Promotions! You will have an exhilarating and memorable adventure that not only highlights the stunning landscapes of Oregon but also embodies the pioneering spirit of the Oregon Trail itself.

Throughout the race, you'll traverse miles of majestic forests, scenic rivers, and even follow in the footsteps of history along two historic wagon roads. It's a journey that promises both beauty and challenge in equal measure.

Unlike past years, we are not pre-assigning RV spots. It will be a first-come, first-pick for spots but there should be plenty of room as we have only allowed 25 RVs this year and have limited the number of non-RV vehicles. This guide has maps identifying the parking areas at each location for RVs and other cars.

Basic Rules:

- i. Camp opens to vehicles and RVs at noon each day. Please do not arrive earlier as we will be working to set up the expo.
- ii. No generators after 9 pm or before 8 am in the morning.
- iii. If you are an RV, park only in the RV zone. See individual camp maps for your specific RV spots and other vehicle parking.
- iv. Do not leave before riders. This is for the safety of the riders.

Camp Location Basics:

STAGE 1: Wednesday- Sisters to McKenzie

STAGE 2: Thursday- McKenzie to Oakridge

STAGE 3: Friday- Oakridge

STAGE 4: Saturday- Oakridge to Gilchrist

STAGE 5: Sunday- Gilchrist to Bend





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TIMING START TIMES

Stage #1 – 9:00 AM Pioneer / 10:30 AM Settler; Early Start Option*- 8:00 AM

Stage #2 – 9:00 AM

Stage #3 – 10:00 AM

Stage #4 – 9:00 AM; Early Start Option*- 8:00 AM

Stage #5 – 9:00 AM

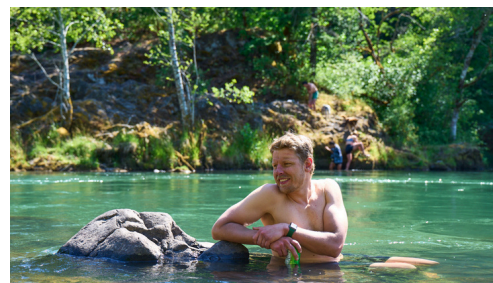
**Daily Pioneer Start Sequence: Pro Men will start first. Pro Women will start 5 minutes after Pro Men. Open Pioneers will start 10 minutes after Pro Women.*

**EARLY START OPTION FOR THOSE WANTING MORE TIME ON THE COURSE. All non-pro riders are welcome to take this option and will be scored the same (change from past years).*



RV CAMP OPENS AT NOON EACH DAY.

PLEASE DO NOT COME TO PARK/SETUP BEFORE THEN, AS WE WILL STILL BE GETTING CAMP SET UP.





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CAMP AMENITIES



FOOD SERVICE

We are excited to partner with Spin Catering again. Each rider will receive breakfast and dinner each day with the exception of Wednesday morning where you are on your own for breakfast.



Breakfast will be served from 6:30 to 8:30 AM. On days with earlier starts (like day 4) we will begin breakfast early.



The ever-popular Snack Shack will be open from 12-5 pm. Volunteers will provide sandwiches and snack fixings to tide you over until dinner. You will find fruit, vegetables, bread, tortillas, peanut butter, jelly, honey, cheeses, lunch meats, chips, dips, and sweet snacks among the other aid station items.



MiiR

We will have our experts brewing coffee early each morning. Get your fresh cup of coffee at the MiiR Morning Coffee station in your custom Oregon Trail MiiR Camp Cup! All riders receive a mug at packet pickup. You can purchase a mug at the merch booth.



Dinner will be served nightly from 5-7 PM at camp. At each meal, please check in with your Meal Pass lanyard. Non-Rider Meal participants, please make sure you have your designated lanyard pass for beer and food. A dinner bell will be rung when dinner is ready. Please be mindful of your other riders and please wait until the second dinner bell is rung before returning for seconds until the second dinner bell is rung.

Food is ONLY for registered riders, RV pass holders, or those who purchased an additional meal plan. You will have to show your meal pass for all meals.



Family or friends who are not part of the race and not signed up for a meal plan are absolutely NOT allowed to get food, drinks, use the Snack Shack or use the shower facilities. The misuse of rider meal privileges may result in rider disqualification and removal from camp. If a family member or friend is caught doing this, the rider may be disqualified and removed from camp.





AMAZING CAMP FOOD

Oregon Trail Gravel is known for epic riding, an unforgettable community, and some of the best camp food you'll find at any cycling event in North America. We are lucky as we have the amazing team from Spin Catering that cooks up hot breakfasts and first-class dinners for campers each day. Vegetarian/vegan and gluten-free options available at every meal.

Here's just a sample of the food they'll be making at camp this year:

BREAKFASTS

- Fresh fruit
- Oatmeal Bar
- French Toast Sticks
- Baked Goods
- Scrambled Eggs
- Manchego & Vegetable Frittata
- Bacon or Vegan Sausage
- Home Fries
- Build Your Own Breakfast Sandwich

DINNERS

- **Hawaiian Night**
 - Korean Chicken
 - Pulled Pork
 - *Korean Tofu
 - Yakisoba with Veggies
 - Rice
 - Mac Salad
 - Green Salad
- **PNW Menu**
 - Beef Brisket
 - Lemon Caper Salmon
 - *Beyond Meatloaf
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - Seasonal Veggies
 - Bean Salad
 - Green Salad
 - Rolls
- **Pasta Night**
 - Pesto Alfredo Pasta
 - Pasta w/ Marinara
 - Grilled Chicken
 - Meatballs
 - *Vegan Meatballs
 - Seasonal Veggies
 - Green Salad
 - Garlic Bread
- **Greek Night**
 - Grilled Chicken
 - Beef Shawarma
 - *Falafel
 - Lemon Rice
 - Hummus Tzatziki
 - Tabouleh
 - Greek Salad Assorted
 - Flatbread
 - Assorted Dessert Each Night





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At dinner time, all meal pass holders will receive libations in their MiiR Camp Cup at the **Schwalbe Saloon**, featuring New Belgium beer, Wild Roots Spirits, and Broken Top Whiskey. *YOU MUST SHOW ID and be 21. It is the law!* Come saddle up to the bar and wash the dust off your tongue!



SHOWERS & RESTROOMS

Each location has showers and restrooms available. Please be respectful and keep showers to 5 minutes or less. Showers are open between 2-8 PM daily.



We will have our Q&A Booth set up at the announcer booth. Want to know about the course, aid stations, need directions to the shower... we can help you out! The booth is also where you'll drop your e-bike batteries, early arrival bags, and sign up for the shuttle home if you have died of dysentery.





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Plan your own adventure while your person is riding.



STAGE 1: SISTERS TO MCKENZIE

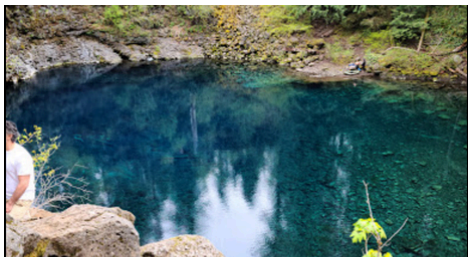
It was hard to make the list short for this day- so many things to do for this day of adventure- but after much work, we've narrowed it down to our top four.



Paddle Clear Lake- cheer on your rider where they cross the course a mile before the Clear Lake turnout on Forest Service Road 2676. Parking is limited, so park at the McKenzie trailhead and walk down to the course crossing (about 200 meters). After you've done that, go to the lake for a paddle or hike- cheer on your riders as they cross HWY 126 at the top of Santiam Pass, proceed to Clear Lake where you can hike or paddle one of the clearest lakes in NA. Check out the submerged forest preserved in time when the lake was created by a massive landslide 3k years ago.



Check out Kooska & Sahalie Falls- another mile down HWY 126, come across Sahalie & Kooska Falls, two amazing waterfalls on the McKenzie River. Both waterfalls can be viewed after an extremely short hike.



Hike to Blue Pool- Further down HWY 126, on your way to Camp McKenzie, you'll go past the trailhead for Blue Pool. This four-mile round-trip hike leads you up to one of the most unearthly and beautiful pools you'll see, with a striking opal color. The Blue Pool was created by the mighty McKenzie River popping up from an underground lava tube.



Mountain bike McKenzie River Trail- McKenzie River Trail provides world-class mountain biking. The Mackenzie River Trail parallels the Makenzie River, and the scenery and terrain are unbelievable. While the lower section is pretty buff and a gravel bike could be ridden, the upper part will require a mountain bike.





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STAGE 2: MCKENZIE TO OAKRIDGE



[Aufderheide Pass](#)- Starts with your adventure to drive the Aufderheide. It is a bit longer of a route than the direct route; however, it is well worth the extra time to see one of the most scenic forest roads in all of North America, taking you through stands of old-growth forest and along the North Fork of the Willamette River. A paved road connecting McKenzie to Oakridge.

Enjoy some time in Westfir, famous for the iconic 1945 [Office Covered Bridge](#), and visit the [Mountain Market at Westfir Lodge](#) for a snack and coffee.



If you want to stretch your legs, be sure to take a hike or spin on the revered [Alpine Trail](#), a 15-mile route with a 4,000-foot elevation gain.

The day's journey ends at the McKenzie Community Track in the small town of Vida, Oregon. Vida is the story of a town that survived one of the worst fires in history. The Holiday Farm Fire occurred in 2020 and ranks among the largest wildfires in Oregon history, burning a total of 173,393 acres.



Sitting alongside the McKenzie River on the western side of the Cascades, the McKenzie Community Track is a non-profit organization and community sports complex. The state-of-the-art, eight-lane certified track has welcomed us once again! They've hosted a number of events and trainings, including Team Ireland as they were preparing to run the 2022 World Athletics Championships.





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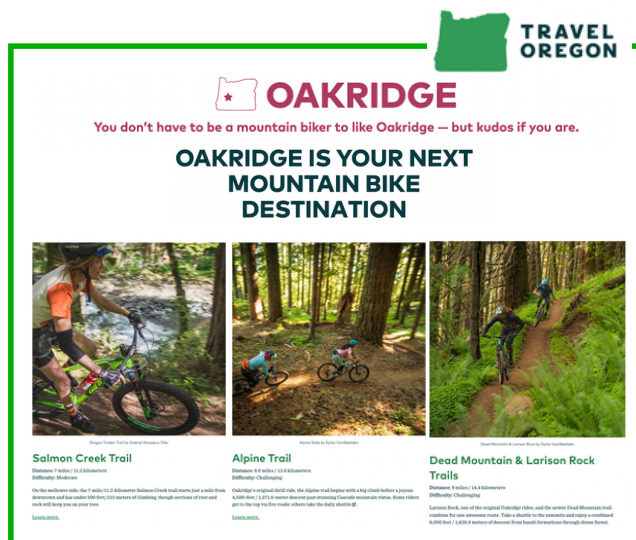
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STAGE 3: CAMP OAKRIDGE

Oakridge is all about the best mountain biking in Oregon. Oakridge has long been known as one of the best hubs for Oregon Mountain biking, and you can choose from a variety of trails, from beginner to advanced, with opportunities to ride or shuttle, utilizing one of the many shuttle services Oakridge has to offer.

Plan this day for mountain biking. Your rider will start and finish in Oakridge, so there is no packing up, no driving, only adventure on your agenda.



STAGE 4: OAKRIDGE TO GILCHRIST

On the way to camp La Pine, be sure and stop off at [Salt Creek Falls](#), one of the tallest waterfalls in all of Oregon, or head up to [Waldo Lake](#) and paddle one of the clearest lakes in all of north America.



We highly recommend that you take some time to [hike to Blue Pool](#). On HWY 126, on your way to Camp Oakridge you'll go past the trailhead for blue pool. This four mile round trip hike, leads you up to one of the most unearthly and beautiful pools you'll see with striking opal color. The blue pool was created by the mighty McKenzie river popping up from underground lava tube.

scenic forrest roads





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STAGE 5: GILCHRIST TO BEND

Take an opportunity to paddle one of the many alpine lakes along the Cascade Lakes Highway, our favorite is [Hosmer Lake](#), with stunning views of Mt. Bachelor and Mt. Sisters. Be sure to grab lunch at [historic Elk Lake Resort lodge](#) or take a hike up around [Todd Lake](#).

Another favorite hike is [Tumalo Falls](#) just out of Bend and we highly recommend that you take some time to [hike to Blue Pool](#). This four-mile round-trip hike, leads you up to one of the most unearthly and beautiful pools you'll see with striking opal color. The blue pool was created by the mighty McKenzie river popping up from underground lava tube.

Some other great spots to check out on your journey!

[Sparks Lake](#)
[Lava Lands](#)
[Benham Falls](#)
[Deschutes River Trail](#)
[Phil's Trailhead area](#)





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This is just an overview of the Oregon Trail Gravel schedule. Be sure to read the subsequent pages for more details on each day.

- **TUESDAY, JULY 7TH**

3:00 - 7:00 PM

2026 Oregon Trail Gravel
Packet Pickup & Gear Tote Dropoff



WorldMark Bend
Seventh Mountain Resort
18575 SW Century Dr, Bend

- **WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH**

- 6:00 - 8:00 Gear Tote Drop Off at 7th Mountain Resort (for those taking the shuttle)
- 7:00 - 10:00 AM - Gear Tote Drop Off at Sisters Middle School
- 6:10:00 AM- Pioneer 7th Mountain to Sisters Start shuttle loading (must RSVP)
- 8:20 AM- Settler 7th Mountain to Sisters Start shuttle loading (must RSVP)

8:00 AM Early Start

9:00 AM Pioneer Start (9:00 Pro Men, 9:05 Pro Women, 9:15 Open)

10:30 Settler Start

SISTERS TO MCKENZIE

- **THURSDAY, JULY 9TH**

9:00 AM

Ride Start - Day 2

MCKENZIE TO OAKRIDGE

- **FRIDAY, JULY 10TH**

10:00 AM

Ride Start - Day 3

OAKRIDGE TO OAKRIDGE

- **SATURDAY, JULY 11TH**

8:00 AM & 9:00 AM

Ride Start - Day 4

OAKRIDGE TO GILCHRIST

- **SUNDAY, JULY 12TH**

9:00 AM

Ride Start - Day 5

GILCHRIST TO BEND

1:00 - 4:00 PM Awards Ceremony & Lunch
Sisters Shuttle



WorldMark Bend
Seventh Mountain Resort
18575 SW Century Dr, Bend





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DAY 1- WEDNESDAY - SISTERS TO MCKENZIE

START LOCATION:

Sisters Middle School
12155 McKinney Butte Rd, Sisters

FINISH LOCATION:

McKenzie Community Track
5136 Blue River Drive, Vida, OR

Approximate Drive Time: 1.25 hour

SCHEDULE

- 6:00 - 8:00 Gear Tote Drop Off at 7th Mountain Resort (for those taking the shuttle)
- 7:00 - 10:00 AM - Gear Tote Drop Off at Sisters Middle School
- 6:10:00 AM- Pioneer 7th Mountain to Sisters Start shuttle loading (must RSVP)
- 8:20 AM- Settler 7th Mountain to Sisters Start shuttle loading (must RSVP)
- START TIMES: **8:00 AM Early Start,**
9:00 AM Pioneer Start (9:00 Pro Men, 9:05 Pro Women, 9:15 Open),
10:30 Settler Start
- 1:00 PM- Snack Shack Opens
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM- Dinner
- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM- Schwalbe Saloon featuring Fat Tire, Wild Roots, & Broken Top
- Evening: Awards, Games, Celebrations, & Entertainment



**WILD
ROOTS**

BROKEN TOP
MOUNTAIN WHISKEY





CAMP MCKENZIE

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

RIDER & CAR ENTRANCE

Breakaway Event
Truck Parking

1. VIP CAMPING
2. OPEN CAMPING
3. RV CAMPING
4. NON-RIDER PARKING
5. BIN PICKUP/DROP OFF
6. FOOD SERVICE
7. VILLAGE SQUARE
8. BIKE WASH
9. SHOWERS & RESTROOMS
10. BIKE RACKS
11. CHARGING STATION
12. RESULTS KIOSK

7 VILLAGE SQUARE



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DAY 1- WEDNESDAY - CAMP MCKENZIE

51326 Blue River Dr,
Vida, OR 97488

VAN/RV CAMPING

Turn into the McKenzie Community Track. Follow path around to the fence, go through fence and turn left to the Van / RV camping area.



CAR PARKING

Turn into the McKenzie Community Track. Follow path around to the public parking spots.





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DAY 2- THURSDAY - MCKENZIE TO OAKRIDGE

START LOCATION:

McKenzie Community Track
5136 Blue River Drive, Vida, OR

FINISH LOCATION:

Oakridge Greenwater Park, 48362
OR-58 Oakridge, OR

Approximate Drive Time: 1.5 hour

SCHEDULE

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM- E-bike battery for Aid 2 at Q&A/Announcer Booth
- 6:30 - 8:30 AM - Gear Tote Drop Off
- 6:30 - 8:30 AM- Breakfast
- 8:45 AM- Morning Ride Announcements
- **9:00 AM- Ride Start**
 - 9:00 AM Pro Men, 9:05 AM Pro Women, 9:15 AM Open Pioneers & Settlers
- High Noon- Snack Shack Opens
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM- Dinner
- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM- Schwalbe Saloon, featuring Fat Tire, Wild Roots, & Broken Top
- Post Ride Cheers!
- Evening: Awards, Games, Celebrations, & Entertainment



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MOUNTAIN WHISKEY





CAMP OAKRIDGE THURSDAY & FRIDAY NIGHT





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DAY 2- THURSDAY - CAMP OAKRIDGE

Oakridge Greenwaters Park,
48362 OR-58 Oakridge, OR

VAN/RV CAMPING

Turn into Greenwaters Park entrance,
Take a immediate right, then left onto
the park grass to carefully drive into
the Van / RV camping area.

CAR PARKING

Park in Turn into Greenwaters Park
entrance and go left, follow drive
around to the public parking area





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DAY 3- FRIDAY - OAKRIDGE

LOCATION:

Oakridge Greenwater Park, 48362
OR-58 Oakridge, OR

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM- E-bike battery drop for top of climb
- 6:30 - 8:30 AM- Breakfast
- 10:00 AM- Pioneer/Settler Enduro Challenge Start
- **12:00 - 3:00 PM- SCHWALBE** ➤ **Taco Bar!** 
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM- Dinner
- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM- Schwalbe Saloon, featuring Fat Tire, Wild Roots, & Broken Top
- Evening: Awards, Games, Celebrations, & Entertainment



WILD ROOTS **BROKEN TOP**
MOUNTAIN WHISKEY



Pro Tip: Save a little energy for the evening festivities. The **Sasquatch Summer Fest** returns to the amphitheater on Friday night, featuring celebrity guest speakers from around the world sharing stories, sightings, and theories about the legendary creature said to roam the forests of the Pacific Northwest.

The only question is: Do YOU believe?





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DAY 4- SATURDAY - OAKRIDGE TO GILCHRIST

START LOCATION:

Oakridge Greenwater Park, 48362
OR-58 Oakridge, OR

FINISH LOCATION:

Historic Gilchrist Waterfront Resort
38036 White Christ Dr, Gilchrist,
OR 97737

Approximate Drive Time: 1 hour

SCHEDULE

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM- E-bike battery drop for Aid 2
- 6:30 - 7:30 AM - Gear Tote Drop Off
- 6:00 - 7:30 AM- Breakfast
- 7:45 AM- Morning Ride Announcements
- 8:00 AM- **Early Rider Start***
- **9:00 AM- All Other Riders Start**
 - 9:00 AM Pro Men, 9:05 AM Pro Women, 9:15 AM Open
- High Noon- Snack Shack Opens
- 5:00 - 7:00 PM- Dinner Buffet
- 5:00 - 8:00 PM- Schwalbe Saloon, featuring Fat Tire, Wild Roots, & Broken Top
- Evening: Awards, Games, Celebrations, & Entertainment



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HISTORIC CAMP GILCHRIST

SATURDAY NIGHT

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12. BIKE RACKS
13. RESULTS KIOSK
14. CHARGING STATION



**Showers 0.5 mi
walk/ride at
Gilchrist School**



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DAY 4- SATURDAY - CAMP GILCHRIST

Historic Gilchrist Waterfront Resort
38036 White Christ Dr, Gilchrist, OR

VAN/RV CAMPING

Drive to the main entrance to the Historic Gilchrist Resort. RV camping will be on your right.



CAR PARKING

Drive past Gilchrist Resort, turn west on Sawmill Road, then left onto Pond Dr. Park in the dirt area along the fence.





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DAY 5- SUNDAY - GILCHRIST TO BEND

START LOCATION:

Historic Gilchrist Waterfront Resort
38036 White Christ Dr, Gilchrist, OR
97737

FINISH LOCATION:

WorldMark Bend - Seventh Mountain Resort
18575 SW Century Dr, Bend, OR 97702

Approximate Drive Time: 1 hour

SCHEDULE

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM- E-bike battery drop for Aid 2
- 6:30 - 7:30 AM - Gear Tote Drop Off
- 6:00 - 7:30 AM- Breakfast
- 7:45 AM- Morning Ride Announcements
- 8:00 AM- **Early Rider Start***
- **9:00 AM- All Other Riders Start**
 - 9:00 AM Pro Men, 9:05 AM Pro Women, 9:15 AM Open



**1:00 - 5:00 p.m.- Celebration, Awards Ceremony, & Lunch at
7th Mountain Resort**

