

ABOUT DARRINGTON

Nestled among the forested foothills and impressive peaks of the North Cascades, Darrington is a small town with picturesque views and world-class recreational opportunities. Only 1.5 hours from Seattle, the town is the gateway to the outdoors, offering countless adventures along three wild and scenic rivers—the Stillaguamish, Sauk, and Suiattle—and in the vast network of public lands, including three wilderness areas—Boulder River, Henry M. Jackson, and Glacier Peak—where some of the most spectacular views and experiences await.

Hiking, camping, biking, climbing, fishing, horseback riding, guided rafting, and more—Darrington has it all. Come visit and explore some of the best hikes, adventures, and small-town hospitality.

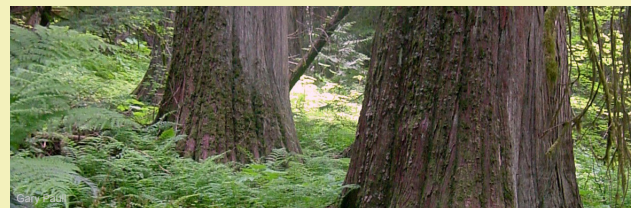
To learn more about what to do and see in Darrington, visit www.DestinationDarrington.com



DESTINATION DARRINGTON

HIKES AND SIGHTS

1 NORTH FORK SAUK TRAILS



The North Fork Sauk River provides a variety of sights to explore in a day: visit the powerful **North Fork Sauk Falls**, wander among the old-growth giants of **Harold Engle's Memorial Grove**, and set off into the **Glacier Peak Wilderness** at the road's end. The **Bedal Campground** provides easy access and a great family-friendly place to stay.

From Mountain Loop Highway, turn onto Forest Service Road 49 (North Fork Sauk Road). Find the North Fork Falls trail at mile 1.2, Engle's Grove at mile 3.4, and the North Fork Sauk Trail at mile 6.4.

3 WILD AND SCENIC SAUK RIVER



Get to know the **Sauk River** through a thrilling whitewater adventure or enjoy a family-friendly hike along the three-mile easy-to-access **Old Sauk River Trail**. The trail hugs the riverbank, winding around stately old fir trees and moss-covered maples and wildflowers provide a breathtaking sight in the spring. The **Clear Creek Campground** provides great family camping with more than a dozen campsites along the Sauk River.

The campground, trailheads, and boat launch are all on the east side of the Mountain Loop Highway, not far south from the town of Darrington.

PASSES AND PERMITS

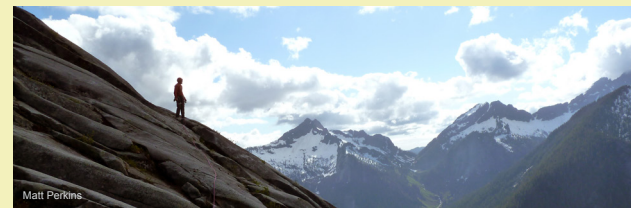
This map is intended to help you access hikes and sights around Darrington. Green Trails Maps are recommended for navigational purposes on hiking trails. You can purchase Green Trails Maps online at www.greentrails.com or at the local coffee shop, Mountain Loop Books and Coffee.

National Forest Recreation Day Pass: \$5. Required at all Forest Service day use or entrance fee sites in Washington or Oregon. Available at National Forest offices and visitor centers, via private vendors, or www.discovernw.org.

Northwest Forest Pass: \$30. Annual pass honored at all Forest Service day use or entrance fee sites in Washington or Oregon. Available at National Forest offices and visitor centers, via private vendors or www.discovernw.org.

Interagency Annual Pass: \$80. Annual pass honored at all federal recreation sites charging day use or

2 EIGHTMILE CREEK



The **Eightmile Creek Trail** ascends to Squire Creek Pass with open slabs of granite and impressive views. The trail enters old growth about twenty minutes from the car; big trees, waterfalls, huckleberries, and streams delight along the way. The trail also passes Three O'Clock Rock, where climbers may be found on a granite dome rising directly above the trail. Several other rock climbing destinations lie nearby but this is the best choice for those new to the area.

From the Mountain Loop Highway near Clear Creek Campground, follow the Clear Creek Road FR 2060 about 5.5 miles up to the trailhead (take the right fork at about 5 miles) and hike about 40 minutes to reach the crags or continue up to Squire Creek Pass.

4 SUIATTLE ROAD (REOPENING FALL 2014)



The **Suiattle River Road** provides a great way to access the rugged and stunning **Glacier Peak Wilderness** from the west side of the North Cascades as well as the wild and scenic **Suiattle River**. The road accesses two campgrounds and several trailheads, including the **Green Mountain Lookout** trail, known for its wildflower meadows, historic fire lookout, and incredible views. Hikers and equestrians can also set off to the picturesque Image Lake from the popular **Suiattle Trailhead** at the end of the road.

From Highway 530 near milepost 56 north of Darrington, turn east onto the Suiattle Road and drive as far as you'd like!

entrance fees. Available at National Forest offices or www.discovernw.org

Interagency Senior Passes: \$10. Lifetime pass for those 62 and older honored at all federal recreation sites charging day use or entrance fees. Passes issued in person; available at National Forest offices.

Interagency Military Pass, Interagency Access Pass. Free. Passes for active duty military and their dependents as well as individuals with a permanent disability honored at all federal sites charging day use or entrance fees. Passes issued in person; available at National Forest offices.

Discover Pass: \$35 annual, \$11.50 daily. Required at Washington state-managed recreation lands. Available at www.discoverpass.wa.gov, in person from any hunting or fishing license vendor, and by phone: (866) 320-9933. None of the featured hikes on this map require a Discover Pass.

LOCAL BUSINESSES

Darrington IGA

www.darrington.iga.com



The IGA is a local mainstay, offering groceries, espresso, trail passes, and more.

Located just north of State Route 530 in the heart of town.

Whiskey Ridge Brewery

www.whiskeyridgebrewing.com



Whiskey Ridge Brewery is the newest business in town, offering a fine selection of expertly crafted beers in the refurbished historic city hall at 650 S. Emens, just off of Darrington Street.

Mountain Loop Books and Coffee

Facebook: Mountain Loop Books & Coffee



Mountain Loop Books and Coffee is the place to enjoy a fine cup of coffee, tasty treat, and your favorite book.

Pick up a Green Trails map to explore local hikes and sights. Located at 1085 Darrington Street.

Adventure Cascades

www.adventurecascades.com



Adventure Cascades offers guided rafting trips on the Sauk and Suiattle Rivers ranging from exciting whitewater adventures to family friendly floats, as well as kayak instruction, guide training and shuttle services. Located at 1055 Seeman Street. (360) 393-6815

River Time Brewery

www.rivertimebrewing.com



Sit back and enjoy the brew at the River Time Brewery (or take a growler to go), located south of town at 25909 Clear Creek Road. Check the Facebook page for hours.

The Pack Station

thepackstation.com



Get to know the Darrington highcountry on horseback and enjoy the perks of pack travel, having an expert crew support your wilderness camping experience. (360) 631-7219

Bar 3 Outfitters

www.bar3quarterhorses.com



Saddle up and have a veteran guide support your backcountry travel needs using mules and horses. (360) 436-1644

Mountain Loop Country Store

Whether coming through town early or late in the day, the Country Store is a great stop to load up on food, supplies, and gas for the trip. (360) 436-1874

Burger Barn

For a good burger and milkshake, the Burger Barn is a must-stop in Darrington. Located at 1020 Emens (SR530), heading north from town. (360) 436-2070.

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Recreation Features

- Trailhead
- Stock Trail
- Climbing Area
- Bicycle Trail
- Accessible Trailhead
- Campground
- Ranger Station
- Fishing Area
- Lookout Tower
- River Access Point
- Overlook
- Featured Trails
- Other Trails
- Road Closure
- Highways
- Trail Access Roads
- Other Roads
- City Boundaries

- Lakes
 - Rivers and Streams
 - Peaks
 - Public Lands**
 - Wilderness Areas
 - National Forest
 - State Land
- Scale: 0 0.5 1 Miles
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