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Oswald West and Ecola

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Ecola
State Park
2 miles N of Cannon Beach
(day-use only)



Oswald West
State Park
US 101, 10 miles S of Cannon Beach
Phone: 503-368-5154



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Welcome...

to Oswald West State Park
featuring a unique camping escape in a primeval
mountainside forest by a seaside cove.

Campground Amenities

(Open March through October)

- 30 walk-in tent sites
- Wheelbarrows (provided at roadside parking area)
- Picnic tables and fire rings at all sites with water nearby
- Flush toilets

Enter the Forest

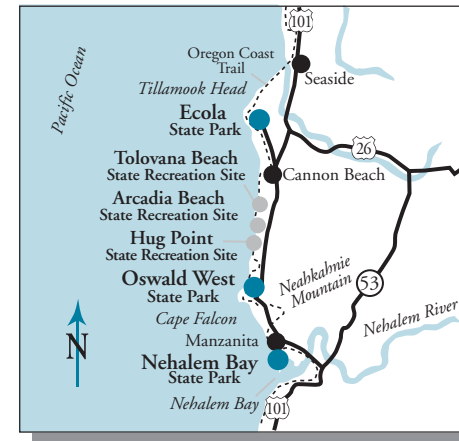
Park your car in a spacious lot by Highway 101, unload your camping gear into a wheelbarrow and follow a trail into another world. It's a green world, crowded only by giant old-growth Sitka spruce, Douglas-fir, western hemlock and western red cedar trees that extend all the way to a cove-sheltered beach. The dense forest of "highrises" shelters the park's campsites, which lie along the trail corridors midway between the highway parking lot and the beach, both approximately one-third of a mile away.

Explore the Trails

A 13-mile stretch of the Oregon Coast Trail (OCT) connects two prominent coastal headlands within the 2,500-acre park. It also intersects with trails leading to Short Sand Beach in Smugglers Cove.

A short distance from the campground, the OCT leads north over Short Sand Creek to a beachside picnic area and connects with another trail to the beach south of Necarney Creek. A trail along Short Sand Creek links the park's day-use parking lot on U.S. 101 with the OCT and its beach access points.

North of the picnic area, a 2.4-mile hike on Cape Falcon winds past many old growth Sitka spruce trees that measure up to 12 feet in diameter and 200 feet high. You will discover why the cape is a well-known navigational landmark when you reach the tip and its spectacular views seaward and back into the cove. In the south end of the park, the OCT ascends 1,700-foot Neahkahnie Mountain, leading to more inspiring views of the Pacific Ocean as well as outstanding vistas of Nehalem Bay and miles of shoreline stretching southward.



Play on the Beach

Popular with windsurfers and boogie boarders, Short Sand Beach is always alive with activity. Opportunities include kayaking and clamming as well as surfing. You will also discover a feeling of seclusion conducive to just relaxing and enjoying the scenic pleasures.

Enjoy More Inviting Beaches

North of Oswald West, a trio of state park day-use areas offer access to more beaches along the inviting shoreline between Cape Falcon and Cannon Beach. Before the highway was built, stagecoaches used to roll along the beach and around a shoreline cliff at nearby **Hug Point State Recreation Site**. Walk along the original trail where it was carved into the rock at the base of the cliff, "hugging the point." North of Hug Point, enjoy the wide, sandy beaches at nearby **Arcadia Beach** and **Tolovana Beach** state recreation sites. From the Tolovana Beach parking lot, you're only a short stroll away from the base of Haystack Rock, the formation that dominates the offshore scenery by Cannon Beach. Enjoy a closer look at the tidepools and abundance of wildlife, but please don't climb the rock. It's a wildlife refuge.

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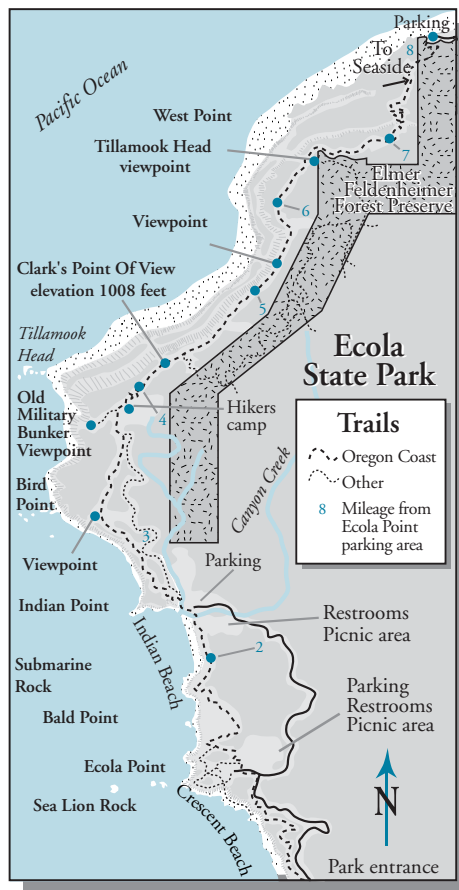
Located just 12 miles north of Oswald West State Park between Seaside and Cannon Beach, Ecola State Park wraps around scenically prominent Tillamook Head. Its trails and viewpoints along nine miles of cliffside shoreline overlook panoramic spectacles that include picture postcard seascapes, cozy coves, densely forested promontories and a long-abandoned lighthouse atop a 100-foot-high, offshore rock.

Picnic tables stand near scenic viewpoints at the park's Ecola Point and Indian Beach parking areas. A covered picnic shelter, reservable for group picnics through Reservations Northwest (800-452-5687), is available at Ecola Point, approximately a half mile above the park's entrance for vehicles near Cannon Beach.

Trails for Explorers
The Oregon Coast Trail's route over Tillamook Head forms the park's backbone. Hiking options vary from roundtrip adventures to shorter hikes originating from Ecola Point, Indian Beach and the small parking way-side on the north side of the head in Seaside. From Ecola Point, visitors can follow the OCT two miles to Indian Beach or descend on a steeper, more difficult two-mile trail to Crescent Beach. A small campsite for hikers is four miles south of the Seaside parking area.

Links with History
Captain William Clark led a contingent of the Corps of Discovery from Fort Clatsop over Tillamook Head on January 8, 1806, in search of a beached whale they had learned of from Indians. The party found the Indians and the whale after descending to "a butifull sand shore" and crossing a stream, which Clark later named Ecola Creek, using the Chinook Indian word for whale ("ekoli").

Play it Safe
Enjoy the area's ocean beaches, but for your own safety, read and comply with the safety rules posted at all state park beach access points. Be alert to the dangers posed by unexpected waves, and be aware of the tide when exploring caves, offshore rocks and cliffsides.



Day-Use Area Fees
Day-use area permits are required year-round in Ecola State Park. You'll need to display either a daily permit, an annual pass, an Oregon Coast Passport or your camping receipt on the driver side of your dashboard. Your camping receipt is equal to a daily permit for those days registered. You may purchase a \$3 daily permit at the entrance booth or from a nearby yellow vending machine. Annual permits (\$25) and two-year passes (\$40) are sold by merchants near the park, at G.I. Joe's stores throughout Oregon and at major state park offices.

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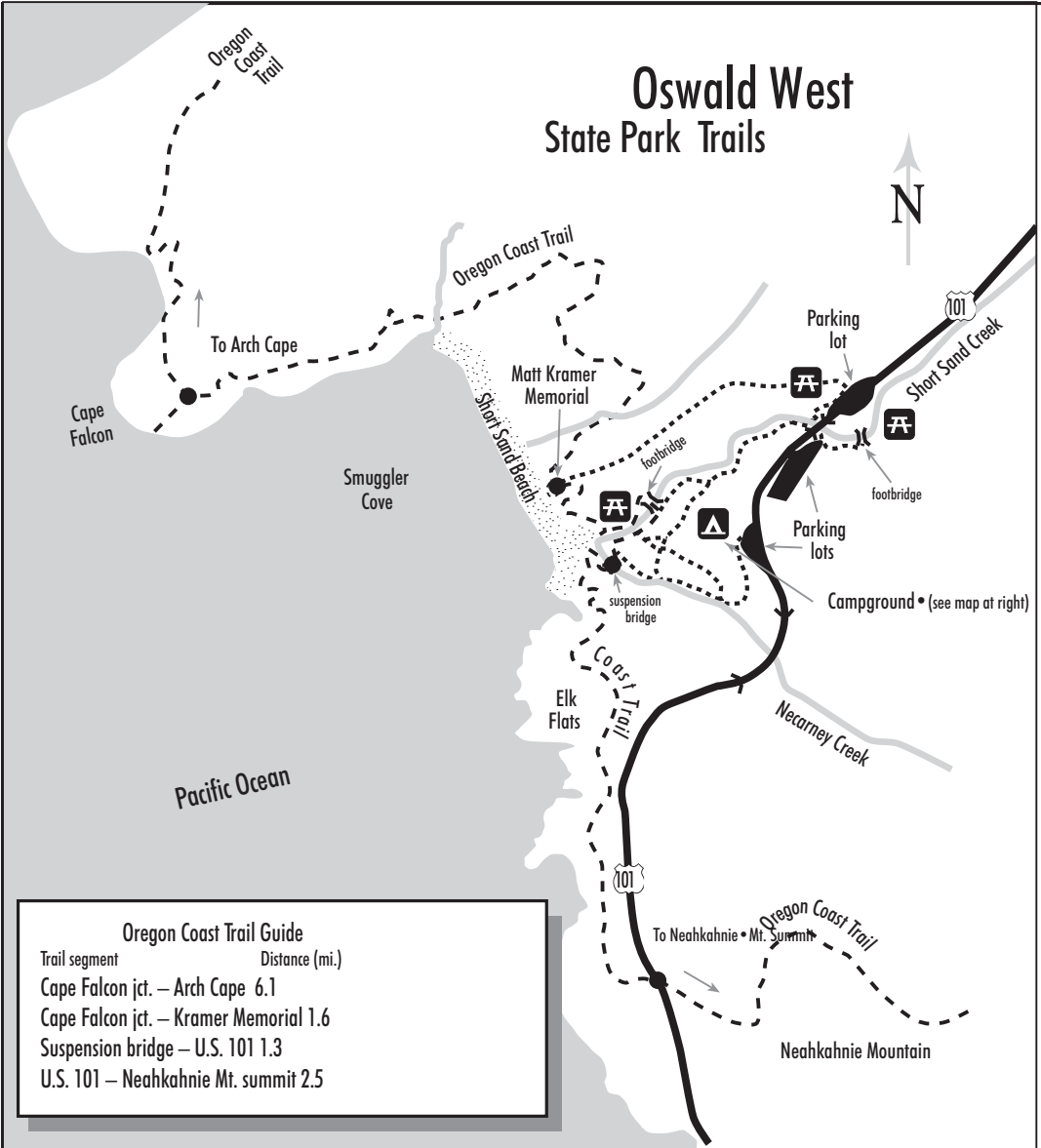
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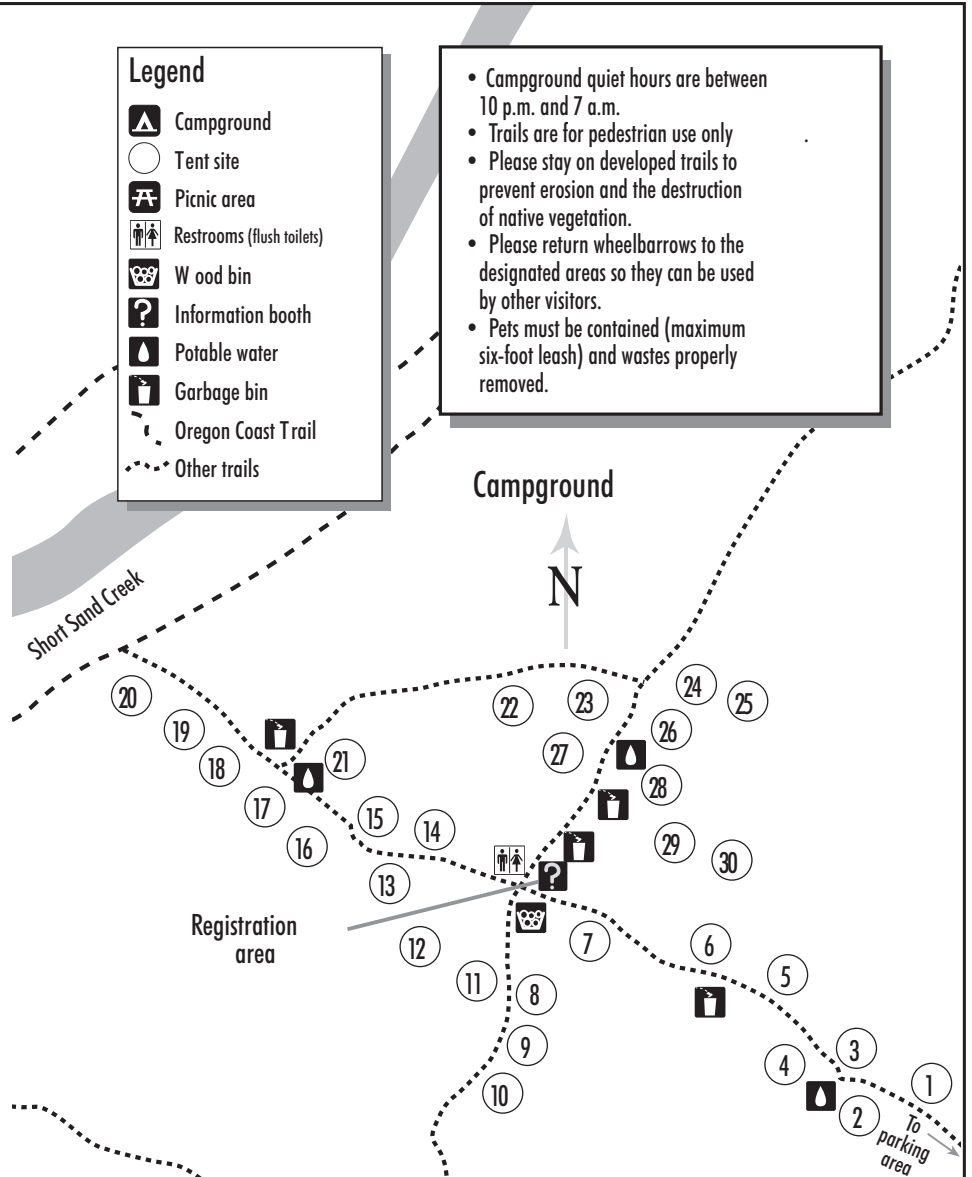
Oswald West State Park Trails



Legend

- Campground
- Tent site
- Picnic area
- Restrooms (flush toilets)
- Wood bin
- Information booth
- Potable water
- Garbage bin
- Oregon Coast Trail
- Other trails

- Campground quiet hours are between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- Trails are for pedestrian use only
- Please stay on developed trails to prevent erosion and the destruction of native vegetation.
- Please return wheelbarrows to the designated areas so they can be used by other visitors.
- Pets must be contained (maximum six-foot leash) and wastes properly removed.



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