

## NORTHERN RANGE

### Trout Lake Loop -

1.5 miles | 200 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 35 min.  
The trailhead is conveniently located at a pullout on Northeast Entrance Road, making it easy to access. This area is popular for birdwatching, fishing, and hiking.

### Wraith Falls Trail -

0.9 miles | 65 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 19 min.  
If you're looking for a quick hike to stretch your legs after a long car ride, this is the perfect activity for you. This trail is well-known for its popularity among hikers and features a picturesque waterfall.

### Bunsen Peak -

4.4 miles | 1,345 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2 hours  
Bunsen Peak is a cone-shaped volcano whose summit offers stunning views. Once you've reached the top, you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views of some of Yellowstone's most gorgeous peaks.

### Petrified Forest -

3.5 miles | 1,600 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2 hours  
This steep hiking trail will take you to a petrified forest located on Specimen Ridge. Since the trail is not well-marked, we suggest downloading an offline trail map for a smooth hiking experience.

### Beaver Ponds Loop Trail -

6 miles | 764 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2.5 hours  
The trail takes you through beaver ponds near Mammoth Hot Springs Village. You'll see open hills, meadows, sagebrush, a stream-fed gulch, forests, and aspen groves. There are also scenic overlooks, streams, and footbridges along the way.

### Mount Washburn Trail -

6.4 miles | 1,400 ft. elevation gain  
Duration: 3.5 hours  
Mount Washburn is the cone of an ancient volcano. As you hike up to the summit, you will be greeted by a display of wildflowers. The upper slopes of this trail also serve as the summer pasture range for bighorn sheep. While the hike is challenging, it is definitely worth it as it ends with a 360-degree panoramic view of the surrounding landscape.

### Lamar River Trail -

5 miles | 100 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2.5 hours  
This easy hike takes you through the beautiful Lamar Valley where you can spot bison and enjoy stunning views of the grasslands and Absaroka Mountains. For more adventure, the Lamar River Trail is also the starting point for other trails leading to Yellowstone's backcountry.

### Slough Creek Trail -

3.4 miles | 400 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2 hours  
The trail is an old wagon trail that involves a steep climb and then descends into the first meadow. You can continue hiking through two more meadows or stop to enjoy the beauty, fly fishing, and wildlife of Slough Creek. In winter, the dirt road to the trailhead is great for skiing and snowshoeing.

### Lost Lake Loop -

2.8 miles | 300 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 1.5 hours  
This trailhead is located behind Roosevelt Lodge and offers views of Lost Lake and Petrified Tree. It's particularly stunning during wildflower season in June and July.

### Hellroaring Creek Trail -

6.2 miles | 626 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 3 hours  
The trail is challenging, with a steep descent near the trailhead. It offers unique access to the Yellowstone River in the canyons and stunning views of the surrounding landscape. The trail includes a suspension bridge crossing, a local favorite.

## CANYON AREA

### Grizzly Lake -

3.6 miles | 500 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2 hours  
Grizzly Lake is a 136-acre lake nestled in a valley between two 300-ft ridges. It offers breathtaking landscapes and is surrounded by various trees. During the hike, you'll pass through a burn area that has since been covered with new growth.

### Cascade Lake Trail -

5.8 miles | Little elevation gain | Duration: 2.5 hours  
Cascade Lake trail passes through meadows and pines, with streams and footbridges to cross. The area is home to moose, bison, and grizzlies, so hike in groups of three, make noise, and carry bear spray.

### Grebe Lake Trail -

6.5 miles | 157 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2 hours  
This peaceful trail is known for its stunning lodgepole pine forests. The trail is best enjoyed between May and September. You'll be treated to wildflowers lining the path and birdwatching, so make sure to bring your camera and binoculars along.

### South Rim Trail -

2.5 miles | 278 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 1 hour  
This is a simple and enjoyable trail that is perfect for families. It follows the Yellowstone River and offers breathtaking views of the upper and lower falls, culminating at the extraordinary Artist Point. This paved trail is stroller accessible and a fantastic way to experience the Canyon falls and get out into nature.

### Point Sublime Trail -

2.7 miles | 341 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 1.5 hours  
This trail starts from Artist Point and can be combined with the South Rim trail to form a longer day hike. The Sublime Point trail goes down the South Rim and provides unmatched views of the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone throughout the hike. It's truly an epic experience!

## SOUTHERN LOOP

### Mystic Falls, Fairy Creek, & Little Firehole Loop -

3.5 miles | 606 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 1.5 hours  
This trail starts at Biscuit Basin, where you can see hot springs and geysers. You will then exit the boardwalks onto Mystic Falls Trail, where you will hike to the 70 ft. multi-tiered waterfall. The trail also follows the Little Firehole River, where you may see various wildlife.

### Fairy Falls -

5.2 miles | Little elevation gain | Duration: 2.5 hours  
Fairy Falls Trail is a popular hike with stunning waterfalls cascading down from Madison Plateau to Midway Geyser Basin. Along the trail, you'll see several geysers and hot springs, including the overlook for Grand Prismatic Spring. Fairy Falls Trailhead is the starting point, but be aware that the parking lot can fill up quickly during the summer.

### Storm Point Loop -

2.5 miles | 98 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 1.5 hours  
Located on the north shore of Yellowstone Lake, Storm Point is a rocky bluff that is covered with trees. As you follow the loop back to the parking area, you'll be taken along the northeast shore of the lake, where you can enjoy breathtaking views of North America's largest alpine lake.

### Avalanche Peak Trail -

4.5 miles | 2,070 ft. elevation gain  
Duration: 3.5 hours  
The trail to Avalanche Peak near Cody, WY, on the eastern side of Yellowstone is challenging but rewarding. Bring trekking poles as the first two miles are steep with loose rocks. At the top, enjoy views of nearby peaks and Yellowstone Lake.

### Lone Star Geyser Trail -

5.3 miles | 125 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 2-3 hours  
The Lone Star Geyser Trail, located south of Old Faithful Village, offers scenic views of the Firehole River with bridge crossings. The highlight of the trail is the Lone Star Geyser, which erupts every 3 hours for 30 minutes. Plan your hike by checking [geysertimes.org](https://geysertimes.org) for the last recorded eruption.

### Grand Prismatic Overlook -

1.5 miles | 200 ft. elevation gain | Duration: 40 min.  
Grand Prismatic is one of Yellowstone's most iconic sights. This trail allows you to view Grand Prismatic's incredible rainbow of colors. This trail starts at Fairy Falls Trailhead; the parking lot fills up quickly during the summer.

Difficulty Level =    

(Easy - Difficult)

Accessible in Winter = 

