

Photos of Moffitt Butte Hike
Deschutes National Forest - Bend/Fort Rock District

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The hike begins at a yellow "No Vehicles" sign, and enters Forest Service land 50 yards down the road.



As the road climbs up into the caldera, one has the first views of the layered tuff deposits at 0.8 miles.



At 1.0 miles, the road enters the flat caldera floor, and the east tuff rim is visible across a burned area.



A 300-yard cross-country trek to the east rim offers views over the caldera and the ranges to the south.



At 1.3 miles, the road ends on the west rim, with sweeping views over tuff outcrops to the High Cascades.



Hiking cross-country to the south behind the west rim leads to more interesting tuff formations and views.



Following game trails, one can make a rugged loop hike around the South Rim and back to the road.



The south rim of the caldera offers the opportunity to explore the tilted, layered beds of tuff up close.