

TRIP



IDEAS



EXPLORER'S PARADISE:
REEDSPORT TO BANDON



The Umpqua River meets the Pacific Ocean here, and the Oregon dunes, coastal forests and local waterways make for an epic playground. Make this itinerary a launchpad for your own explorations.

GETTING ORIENTED

Whether you're looking for solitude, thrills or family fun, this 50-mile stretch of coastline is paradise found. Experience the region's most iconic sites in 3–6 days, heading north to south (or travel in reverse!). The North Bend Airport is convenient for flying directly from San Francisco. Or take a drive and enjoy the ride.

DAYS 1–2: REEDSPORT / WINCHESTER BAY / LAKESIDE

Adrenaline-pumping adventure: Access this portion of the **Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area** on a dune buggy at **Ridin' Dirty ATV Rentals** in Winchester Bay or bring your own off-highway vehicles.

History & culture: Visit the riverside **Umpqua Discovery Center** to learn stories about the Native people who've made their home here for generations.

Water pursuits: Drop a line for prized Umpqua River salmon at the **Rainbow Plaza Boat Launch** in Reedsport. Try deep-sea fishing or crabbing with a charter guide in Winchester Bay (fuel up and launch at **Salmon Harbor Marina**). In Lakeside, rent a pontoon at **Ringo's Lakeside Marina** to cruise Tenmile Lake. Don't miss Lakeside's annual 4th of July fireworks set to music at **Wulfy Beach**.



Crabbing in Coos Bay



Tenmile Lake, Tim Hurlbut

Hiking trails: Hike to the dunes from **Lake Marie** in **Umpqua Lighthouse State Park**. Bring your binoculars to spot migrating birds in the coastal marshland.

Indoor fun: Browse handcrafted collectibles created by local artists at **The Myrtlewood Gallery**, and explore art while wine tasting at **Mindpower Gallery**.

STAY:
Reedsport: **Umpqua River Inn & Suites** – stunning river views
Winchester Bay: **Salmon Harbor Marina** – year-round, full-facility campground
Lakeside: Rent a getaway – many lakefront cabins & homes available

EAT:
Reedsport: **Harbor Light Restaurant** – seafood, steaks & burgers, an icon since 1950
Winchester Bay: **Bedrocks on the Bay** – pizza & homemade chowder
Lakeside: **Lakeshore Lodge** – casual place for seafood overlooking Tenmile Lake

DON'T MISS:
Reedsport: **Oregon Divisional Chainsaw Carving Championship** – Father's Day weekend spectator event
Winchester Bay: **DuneFest** – Late July celebration of dune buggies & other off-road thrills

DAYS 3–4: COOS BAY / NORTH BEND / CHARLESTON

Off-road thrills: North Bend is also a great place to access the dunes, either on your own or with a rental from **Steve's ATV Rentals**, or with a guide at **Spinreel Dune Buggy and ATV Rental**. In the forest, south of Coos Bay, ride

22 miles of singletrack at the **Whiskey Run Mountain Biking Trail**, with options for all skill levels.

History and culture: See fascinating artifacts at the waterfront **Coos History Museum** and explore marine life and local ecosystems at the family-friendly **Charleston Marine Life Center**.

Seafood & water pursuits: Visit the **Charleston Marina** for fishing charters, crab ring rentals and expert advice on clamming. Find fresh seafood at local purveyors and restaurants on the **Wild Rivers Coast Food Trail**.

Hiking trails: Lace up for a trek along the six-mile **Cape Arago Loop**, which leads from **Sunset Bay** through **Shore Acres State Park** to Cape Arago, with excellent whale watching at **Simpson Reef**. (Don't miss the **Holiday Lights at Shore Acres**, the largest light display on the coast.) See wildlife along the boardwalk at the **South Slough Estuary**. Take an adventurous day trip to **Golden and Silver Falls**.

Indoor fun: Browse local boutiques in the walkable blocks of downtown Coos Bay. Cosmic bowling is a rainy-day must at **North Bend Lanes**. Try your luck at Coos Bay's two casinos: **The Mill Casino**—the South Coast's only sport-betting facility—and **Three Rivers Casino**.

GET READY & GET GOING
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Golden and Silver Falls State Natural Area, Coos Bay, Erik Urdahl



STAY:

North Bend: The Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park – renovated bayfront rooms

Coos Bay: Best Western Holiday Hotel – nearby shopping, dining & the boardwalk

Charleston: Bay Point Landing – modern cabins & cozy Airstream rentals

EAT:

Coos Bay: 7 Devils Brewing Co. – seasonal ales & live music on the patio

North Bend: Wildflour Café – artisan breads, pastries & sandwiches

Charleston: Bayside Coffee – café & roastery

DON'T MISS:

Charleston Crab Feed – February event features loads of fresh-caught Dungeness Crab

BBQ, Blues & Brews by the Bay – Memorial Day Weekend; major BBQ competition with blues music & craft brews

DAYS 5–6: BANDON

Old Town explorations: Stroll the inviting shops and eateries of **Bandon's Old Town**, which features an annual Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show May through September. Visit the **Washed Ashore** gallery to see whimsical sculptures made from marine debris.

Face Rock fame: At **Face Rock State Scenic Viewpoint**, look for the artist-created labyrinth designs called **Circles in the Sand** on the

beach at low tide. At **Face Rock Creamery**, sample award-winning cheeses like Vampire Slayer Cheddar.

Birds, beaches & a lighthouse: Bask in serenity at **Bandon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge** and its **Ni-les'tun Unit**, where you can spy marine life from the viewing decks. Stroll the shoreline at **Bullards Beach** for views of the **Coquille River Lighthouse**, open to visitors May through September.

Golf & wild game: Experience Bandon's world-famous golf scene at **Bandon Dunes Golf Resort** and **Bandon Crossings Golf Course**, both with top-ranked amenities and stunning courses. Meet the animals at the **West Coast Game Park Safari**, a private refuge with free-roaming animals.

Guided experiences: Take a two-hour scenic tour of the bay with **Coos Boat Tours**, soaking up local history as you relax. Fish for cod, salmon or Dungeness crab with **Prowler Charters**. Get another view of the coastline on horseback with the experts at **Bandon Beach Riding Stables**.

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Distance: 50 miles/
80 km of scenic
landmarks, wildlife hot
spots, pristine beaches,
and artsy communities.

