

LION MOUNTAIN



Trail name: Lion Mountain Trail to Skyles Overlook Loop Trail

Trailhead address or coordinates:

2300-2372 Lion Mountain Loop Rd
Whitefish, MT 59937

48.404072, -114.381150

Entry fee: \$0

Date assessed: June 20, 2024

Trail Information

Trail distance: 2.75 miles

Trail type: Loop

Total elevation gain: approx. 400 ft.

Minimum trail width: Excluding pinch points, the minimum trail width is 30 in.

Maximum trail grade: 3% or 10.5

Activities allowed: Biking, hiking

Trail surface: Natural - you will encounter tree roots and medium rocks along this trail

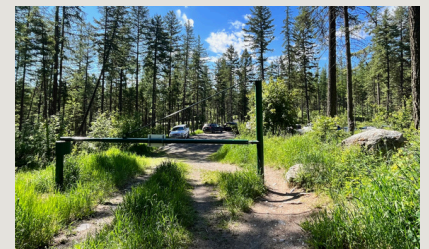
Maximum cross slope: approx. 2%.

There are short (<5 ft.) sections along the trail that are eroded

Bridge crossings: There are no bridge crossings on this trail

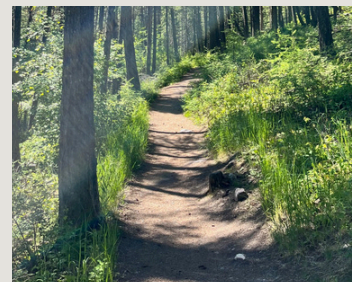
Stairs: There are no stairs along this trail

Man-made obstacles: There is 1 gate from the parking lot to the double track. The gate has 42 in. of clearance below and a 21 in. path to go around the gate (pictured right)



Switchbacks: This trail does not have any switchbacks or tight corners to navigate

Pinch points: There are tree stumps and rocks in the middle and at the edge of this trail that may be difficult to navigate on a aMTB (examples pictured below)



Additional notes: This is a well used trail for hikers and dog owners, so be aware you may encounter unleashed pups along this trail

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Parking Information

Parking lot surface: Gravel

Distance from furthest parking spot to trailhead: approx. 50 ft.

Total number of parking spaces: 20 spots in parking lot with lots of street parking available

Availability of accessible parking: There are 2 designated accessible spots, but due to the layout and angle of these spots, only 1 may be usable (pictured right)



Bathrooms & Amenities

Bathrooms: There is 1 vault toilet at the trailhead (pictured above) with an approx. 2 in. threshold from the gravel to concrete. The restroom does have grab bars

Water availability: No water source along this route

Food availability: No food along this route

Picnic tables or benches: There are 2 benches along this route, however 1 may be difficult to access due to placed rocks at the access path. The other bench is at Skyle's Overlook and is right along the trail. The overlook provides a nice spot to rest and enjoy the view (pictured left)

Shade levels: This trail is mostly shady due to tree cover, but there are intermittent spots of direct sun



“Just in Case” Safety Information

Cell service available: Yes

Group responsible for trail maintenance: Whitefish Legacy Partners

- View their website here: <https://www.whitefishlegacy.org/maps-conditions>

In case of emergency, trail signs have a intersection number listed on them to be used as a reference point