









# **BUTTE LOOPS TRAIL**

Length: 11 and 13 miles Elevation High: 4600ft Elevation Low: 3320ft **Difficulty**: Difficult Setting: Forest

Season: Spring through fall

Restrictions: No motorized vehicles or ATVs

Northwest Forest Pass Required:

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Lower Butte Loop: This trail offers a 11 mile loop opportunity while connecting with the other trail segments in the vicinity. The trail is located on the south and west sides of Black Butte and follows a mixture of logging roads and single track with irregular surfaces. As you travel the south and west portions you will see towering "yellow belly" ponderosa pines and Douglas fir trees.

Upper Butte Loop: This portion of trail is accessible from the lower loop and provides a challenging 13 mile ride around Black Butte. The trail travels through old growth ponderosa pine and mixed conifer as it circles the butte. When you approach the west and northwest sides, the ponderosa will give way to mixed conifer and sub-alpine vegetation. Occasional openings in the forest canopy will provide spectacular view of the Cascades.

## SPECIAL INTERESTS:

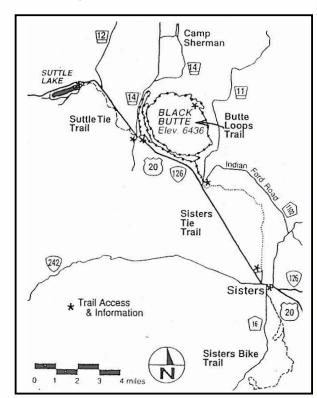
Most of the trails you will be riding on in the Black Butte area are part of a Roads to Trails Program. Portions of abandoned roads have been designated as trails and are being managed as part of our trail system.

### COMMENTS:

Bring plenty of liquids to drink because there is no water along the trail. The closest restroom facilities are located at Indian Ford Campground. Use caution when approaching and crossing roads in the area.

### **DIRECTIONS & TRAIL ACCESS:**

Proceed west from Sisters on Hwy 20 for 6 miles. Then turn right onto Forest Road 11 and continue 4 miles to the "Black Butte Trailhead" sign. Turn left onto Forest Road 1110 and proceed for just over a half mile to a small parking area on the left side of the road.





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