

🚶 On the Mountain 🚶

Hiking 🍂 Climbing 🍂 Scenic Drive

Mt Shasta Everitt Memorial HWY A10 Scenic Drive: This 14-mile drive ascends over halfway up the mountain to the Old Ski Bowl Vista Point at 7,900'. During the winter storm season (Nov-July), the gate is closed at Bunny Flat, 11 miles up at 6,900', and Old Ski Bowl/Panther Meadow is not accessible by car. You will see Black Butte and Mt. Eddy to the west, perhaps snow-capped Mt. Lassen 96 miles to the south, Castle Crags to the south, look down on Mt. Shasta City and Lake Siskiyou, and travel through beautiful old-growth forest. From Old Ski Bowl, you will see stunning views of the volcanic landscape, including Sargents Ridge, Hotlum, and Misery Hill cones, and Green and Gray Butte in the distance.

Hiking Trails on the Mountain off Everitt Memorial HWY

Gateway Trail (3,927'/4,870'/5,400') Includes trailheads at McBride Spring and Ten Gallon Trailhead, over 45 miles of trails that take adventurers out into the foothills of Mt Shasta.

Everitt Memorial Vista Stop at the vista to see views of Lassen and the surrounding forest.

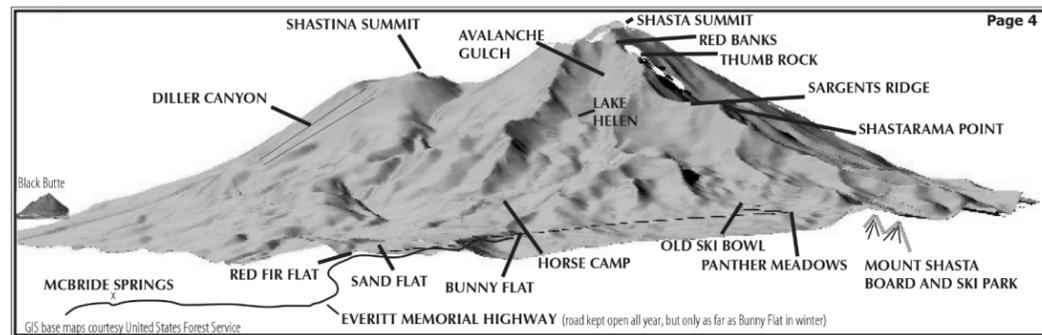
Red Fir Flat and Sand Flat (6,400'/6,750). Red Fir Flat is a part of the collapsed ancestral cone of Mt Shasta, filled with old-growth red fir trees and a high point called Ascension Rock. Sand Flat includes two access points, Lower and Upper, that take you to a flat with a dispersed camping ground with beautiful views of Mt Shasta. Once the winter storms roll in, this area becomes covered in snow and is best suited for snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, sledding, and building a snowman.

Bunny Flat Trail (6,950') Major trailhead for both mountain climbers and day hikers. Trails include Snow Bunny trail to Old Ski Bowl, the Shasta Alpine Hut, a connector down to Sand Flat, and a potential loop along the Green Butte Ridge. This is also the main route to the summit. Once the winter storms roll in, this area is covered in thick snow and is used for skiing and snowboarding, snowmobiling, and sledding.

Panther Meadow Trail (7,500') Open July-October. At Panther Meadow, you'll find access to several major trailheads, including Lower and Upper Panther Meadow, Gray Butte, and a potential loop to South Gate. The Panther Meadow loop features a popular 1-mile loop through a wildflower meadow with a small alpine stream and spring. Stay on the trail to protect the fragile ecosystem. **Gray Butte Trail** (7,500') A mildly steep 2-mile trail with the trailhead located at Panther Meadow Campground to the top of Gray Butte.

Ski Bowl (7,800') Open July-October. At Old Ski Bowl, you arrive at the highest trailhead accessible by car. From here, you can access The Old Ski Bowl Trail and South Gate Meadow trailheads as well as the Snow Bunny trail leading to Bunny Flat. The area is rocky in a wide volcanic bowl at the tree line. **South Gate Trail** (7,800') Rocky 4-mile round-trip hike over the saddle above Grey Butte to South Gate Meadow.

Summiting Mt Shasta: Summit Season typically runs from April-June. There is no trail to the summit, and some equipment is necessary. A permit is required and can be purchased at the Mt. Shasta Ranger Station located at 204 W. Alma St. in Mt. Shasta, **530-926-4511**. For climbing and avalanche conditions, call **530-926-9613** or visit <https://www.shastaavalanche.org/>. Guides are available in Mt. Shasta.



Mt Shasta

Places of Interest

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McCloud Lower, Middle, & Upper Falls: Roads open in late April-November. A series of three beautiful waterfalls situated along the McCloud River. a 3-mile round-trip easy hike, with 1.5 miles from Lower Falls to Middle Falls to Upper Falls. The waterfalls may also be viewed with minimal walking by parking in the lots located near each waterfall. A 25-minute drive from the Visitors Center. Take I-5 South from Mt. Shasta City and take **Exit 736** to Hwy 89 heading east toward McCloud. About 7 miles east of McCloud, turn right at the U.S. Forest Service sign that reads Fowler's Campground Lower Falls. Go straight past the entrance to the campground to reach the Lower Falls area in about .5 mile.

DUNSMUIR

Hedge Creek Falls (Exit 732): This waterfall is accessed by a short trail about a half a mile, which switchbacks down to a point where you can walk behind the falls. Take Exit 732 onto Dunsmuir Ave./Siskiyou Ave. At the bottom of the ramp, turn right and immediately take another right and park. The trailhead is located at the small park across the street.

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Dunsmuir Botanical Gardens: Located in Dunsmuir at the City Park near the Sacramento River Trail, the Gardens encompass ten acres of hilly, wooded area with a meadow containing the various gardens. Playground area and picnic sites border the beautiful Upper Sacramento River. The location is just uphill of the baseball park where Babe Ruth once played, and the **Alexander Dunsmuir Fountain**. Turn in at the Locomotive engine next to the Community Building located at 4835 **Dunsmuir Avenue**. **Then drive uphill, admiring the fountain as you go. Pass the tennis court and around and down to the parking lot.**

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Faery Falls: This 1.5-mile round-trip, moderate hike will lead you through the old ruins of the Ney Springs Resort and up through the canyon to this beautiful waterfall. Located just off of Castle Lake Rd. and onto Ney Springs Rd, about a half a mile down the dirt road to the trail head. A 4-wheel drive or high clearance vehicle is highly recommended as this dirt road is not well-maintained.

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Sacramento River and Cantara Loop: West of Lake Siskiyou, along WA Barr Rd, the North and South Fork Sacramento River converge into one at the lake and continue passed Box Canyon Dam into Box Canyon and the Cantara Ney Spring Wildlife Area accessed at Cantara Loop via Cantara Loop Road. You can access the river in Mt Shasta from WA Barr Rd, at the west end of Lake Siskiyou, and at Cantara Loop.

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Headwaters of the Sacramento River at Mt. Shasta City Park: The 26-acre public park is located off N. Mt. Shasta Blvd. on Nixon Road. Picnic tables, a playground, restrooms, and hiking trails make this a wonderful spot for family outings. Here, California's powerful Sacramento River emerges as a large spring of icy water from a hillside. **Mt. Shasta Parks & Recreation: (530) 926-2494. www.msrec.org**

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Spring Hill Trailhead: Adjacent to the city park is the hike to Spring Hill. This 3-mile round-trip hike will give you great views, with numerous vistas along the trail, such as Mt. Shasta City nestled in Strawberry Valley, and a view of Mount Shasta from Rocky Point on the east side of Spring Hill. To access this trailhead, head north on N. Mt Shasta Blvd and turn right onto Ski Village Dr next to the city park. At the first top sign, instead of turning right, go straight into the small parking area at the trailhead.

