



# Northwest Hiking Weekend

Friday, Saturday & Sunday ~ July 9-11, 2021

Offered by FOUR PLUS FOOLHARDY FOLKS, an AVA club

Maps and directions will be available at  
registration table located at:  
Cle Elum Hardware store, 811 W. Davis St., Cle  
Elum, WA 98922

Registration:  
Fri, Sat & Sun - 8 AM to Noon

Detailed Information at  
<https://fourplushikers.weebly.com/>



*Come and join us for a great weekend exploring Teanaway Country.*

Day hiking the Teanaway is a special adventure often overlooked by Washington inhabitants; except for the locals, who know that the hour-long scenic drive to the trailhead is just part of the adventure.

## Esmeralda Basin to Fortune Creek Pass

Easiest of the three hikes, this trail features incredible wildflower meadows and shady old pine forests. Views of craggy Esmeralda Peak, and a pleasant spot for a break at barren Fortune Creek Pass, elevation 5960 ft., has views of several mountain peaks. After less than a 1 km steep start, this well maintained trail continues, with moderate elevation gain and long easy switchbacks, to gain 1750 ft. over 5+ km. **3C 11K**

## Longs Pass

A jaw-dropping, in-your-face view of magnificent Mount Stuart is just one of the rewards experienced on this trail. The steady climb will also delight the spirit as one transitions from a cool pine and larch forest to beautiful rock-filled wildflower meadows. After less than a 1 km steep start, the well maintained trail continues, with most of the elevation increase achieved along moderately steep switchbacks, to gain 2100 ft. over 5 kilometers. Total elevation gain 2300 ft. **4C 10K**

## Bean Creek and Earl Pass

This steep trail, with an elevation gain of 2100 ft. in 4 km, boasts acres and acres of wildflowers, splendid views of many mountain peaks, cool forests, and rushing streams. Hikers may choose to combine the short extension to the Bean Creek headwaters with the trail to Earl Pass (12 km total, 3,200ft elevation gain), or just proceed directly to Earl Pass for a 10K hike with an elevation gain of 2,700 feet. **5C 8/10/12K**

**BIKE—Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail (10-177K)** - Head east or west out of Cle Elum on this state-wide rails-to-trails. Go as little as 10K or as far as your wheels will take you. You can get credits/stamps for multiple days.

**Display Pass**—NW Forest Pass or day-use fee required for parked vehicles.

**More Great Local Walking Opportunities:** Central Washington Sun Striders offers 24 scenic walks in the surrounding counties; 10 of the walks are within an hour of Cle Elum. For details check [ava.org](http://ava.org).

**FREE participants are welcome** but all must register. For those who volksmarch for awards, a unique Four-Plus Foolhardy Folks 100% embroidered patch, designed by Dorman Batson, with one IVV credit is \$11.00; only 30 available, no reorders; IVV credit \$3.00.

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