Oregon parks for kids

 Oregon is known as the "Beaver State" due to the state's rivers being a significant source of beaver pelts for fur hats in the 19th century.

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Fact Bites!

- The beaver is the state animal and is featured on the back of the state flag. Oregon's state flag is the only one with a two-sided design.
- Crater Lake National Park features a giant caldera, a crater that formed when Mount Mazama collapsed thousands of years ago. This landmark is the country's deepest lake!





1. Crater Lake National Park

Explore Steel Visitor Center, watch the film, and view Duwee Falls. Hike the Castle Crest Wildflower and Pinnacles Valley Trail, then view Crater Lake from the Sinnott Memorial Overlook.

2. Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge

Comb the beach for seashells, and at low tide peer inside the tidal pools! Look for tufted puffins at Haystack Rock and join an interpretive program at Coquille Point.

3. Fort Stevens State Park

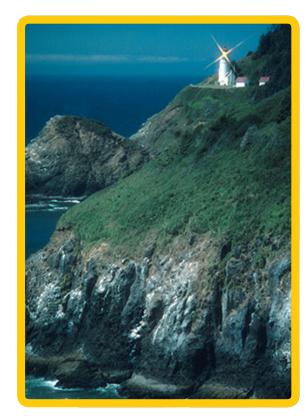
Visit the military museum to learn about American history, then view wildlife from the bunker on Trestle Bay. Go fishing near Coffenbury Lake or ride your bike to the Peter Iredale shipwreck. End the day by the campfire.

4. Sunset Bay State Park

Check out the historic gardens then look in the tide pools for animals. Whale watch and keep an eye out for seals and sea lions. Stay overnight.

5. Mount Hood National Forest

Hike Lookout Mountain Trail for a view of Mt. Mount Hood, then tour the historic Timberline Lodge. Go fishing or even snowshoeing in the winter! Spend the night camping.



6. Smith Rock State Park

Go fishing or hiking. Enjoy a picnic and look for golden eagles over the deep river canyons! Try some easy rock climbing with the experts.

7. Farewell Bend State Recreation Area

Check out the wagon wheel ruts from the Oregon Trail, then go fishing or ride your bike. Join an interpretive program! Stargaze at night while you relax by the campfire.

8. John Day Fossil Beds National Monument

Become a Junior Ranger! Visit the Thomas Condon Paleontology Center, then tour the historic Cant Ranch. Hike the Flood of Fire Trail and bring some healthy snacks for a picnic!

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