



Broken Top, Oregon (elevation) NS Ridge route

Route Parameters

Time: x-y hours is typical, depending on approach used.

Distance: Trailhead to Lakes is approx n miles one-way.

Key Elevations

One TH: 0000'
Lake: 0000'
Another Trailhead: 0000'
Lakes: 0000'
Summit: 0000'
(All figures approximate)

Hazards

This particular route on Broken Top has few hazards. There are sections where loose rock could potentially be a problem, particularly where

The risk is higher if there are climbers above, of course. A helmet is highly recommended.

There is one short but steep to surmount just below the section where the route winds off to the of the ridgeline. If there is at least one experienced climber in the group they can probably spot any less experienced team members from below. If the group as a whole is not comfortable on rock then

If there is snow on the climbers should avoid ascending or descending it unless they are able to assess snow stability. This slope gets direct sunlight for the later part of the day. It is an open scree slope with no anchoring of the snowpack at its base. While it can be an enjoyable route up or down it also has the potential to be dangerous at times.

The Northwest Ridge Route

This can be approached from (access from road), but it is actually quicker to approach via Lake and hike around the mountain. From road turn right on USFS 000, the road for -. Follow this to USFS 380, turn left. Then follow the marked trail toward -----

When the road is not open past (which opens mid-summer many years) there are a number of routes which meet either the same trail or the - canal. One option is the ---- Trail.

In winter and early spring approach from - snowpark, initially via the snowmobile roads and then via the canal.

East of gain a saddle on the ridge just below 0000 ft. Continue up the ridge on a trail until the SN corner of a xx foot rock band is reached. Climb either a large crack of the corner or a dirty groove 00 ft to the south. (Fourth or easy fifth class with exposure.)

Move up and right to a vertical wall forming part of the summit pinnacle. Follow a sloping ramp right (S) along the wall for about 00 ft until the wall can be climbed where it is about 0 ft high. Turn back to the and scramble to the summit. When the route is free of snow there is a clear path worn here.

Caution

Climbing is inherently hazardous. This guide is not intended to replace experience or judgement. Conditions change throughout the season and between seasons. All figures are approximate. *Use this guide at your own risk!*

Variation

Climb the ridge directly up the -- corner of the summit pinnacle. About 00 feet of easy fifth class climbing with exposure.

Descent

The ridge is the primary descent route for Broken Top, regardless of the route used going up. The descent is pretty straight-forward.

Follow the well-beaten path around the upper part of the ridge and then down the ridge to the rock step. Downclimb or rappel this. (Easy but exposed below, especially to the north side.)

Shortly after the rock step veer off to the ----- to get out onto a scree slope and descend that. Either return to or traverse around to the . As the ridgeline extending from the mountain is rounded a well-worn climbers trail can be found that traverses at 0000'. This will merge with the ----- trail before it rounds Crater.

While the traverse at 0000' avoids losing elevation it is also possible to descend towards or to the left to intersect the hiking trail.

Additional Information

Avalanche information and links, a List of Guides, any additional Route Information, reports from past climbs, and photos of the mountain and climbs of it can all be found online:

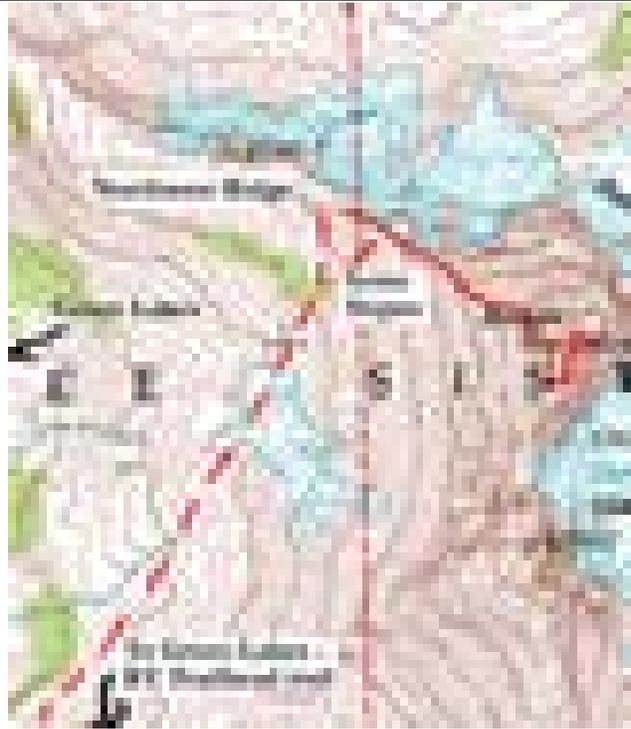
⇒ <http://www.i-world.net/oma/>

Historical information and descriptions of all routes on the mountain as of its publication date can be found in the book "Oregon High" by Jeff Thomas.



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These maps are provided for overview purposes and are not intended to provide



In both of these spring photos