

Mad Lake - South Ascent

Activity: Mountain Biking

Region: Lake Wenatchee District - Wenatchee NF, Washington

Difficulty: Difficult - Single Track

Round Trip Mileage: 18

Round Trip Time: 6 hours

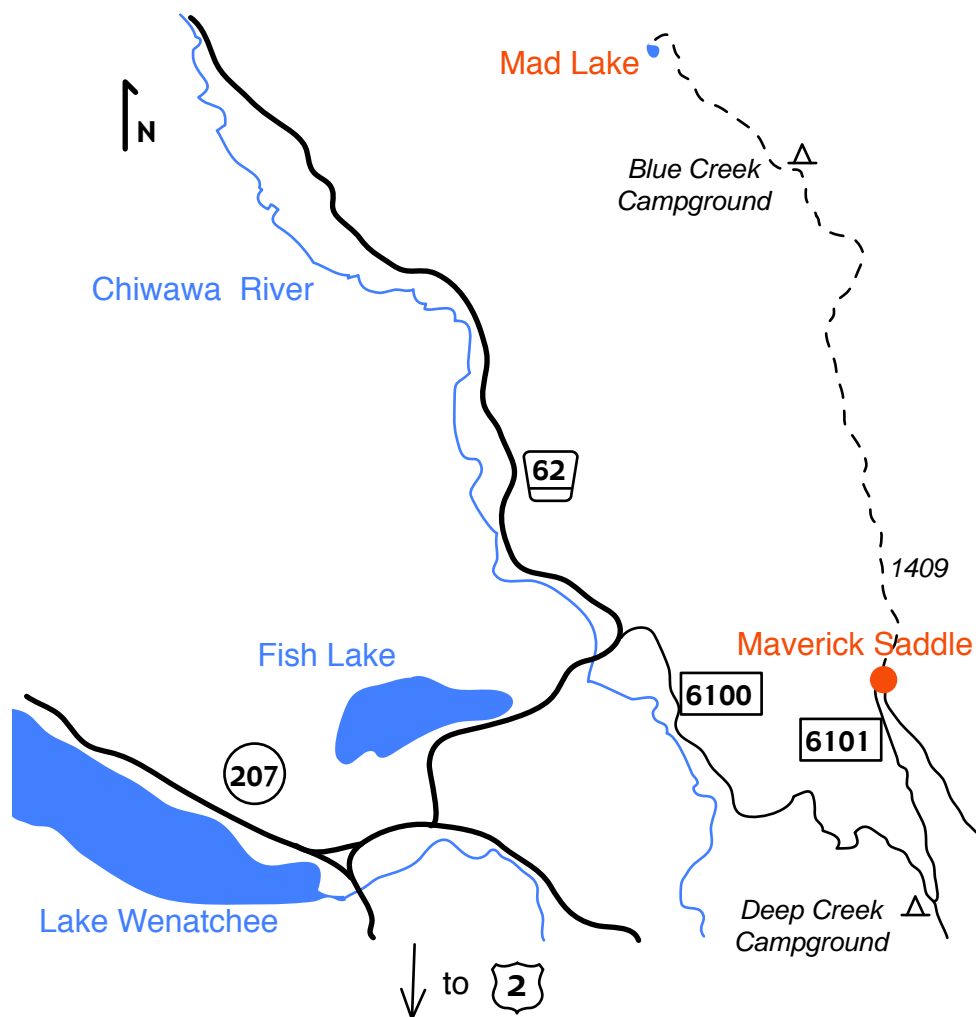
Suitable For: Adults and Hearty Teens

Seasons Open: Summer - Early Fall

Permits Necessary: USFS Trail Park Pass

Trail Description

Great views and a beautiful (albeit a popular and well utilized) alpine lake at the top of the trail. Many difficult but navigable climbs that reward with outstanding views of Lake Wenatchee and the Cascades. There are many spurs leading off this trail. Stay on the main trail or enjoy romping around on the many spurs! From Maverick Saddle, go 0.3 miles down a gravel road to Upper Mad River Trail #1409.1. Follow Upper Mad River up (and up!) and down to Mad Lake Trail #1406 (you get to this intersection in about 8.5 miles from the start of the ride). Follow this trail 0.4 miles to the lake. Return back down the trail the same way you came.



Driving Directions

From Leavenworth, start your odometer after you pass the gas station on the corner of Icicle Road and Highway 2 West. Drive 14.5 miles on Hwy 2 West and take a right on route #207 following signs to Lake Wenatchee/Fish Lake Recreation Area (or if traveling from Stevens Pass go 20.2 miles and take a left on #207). Go 4.4 miles on #207 and, after crossing cross the Wenatchee River, veer right on Chiwawa River Road. Follow this road past the Midway Store and Thousand Trails Campground to a dirt road #6100. Follow #6100 to the Deep Creek Campground and turn right on road #6101. Continue on #6101 for 6.7 miles until you reach Maverick Saddle (at the junction of road #6101 and #5200). Park here. Note: Road #6101 is not recommended for low clearance vehicles.

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