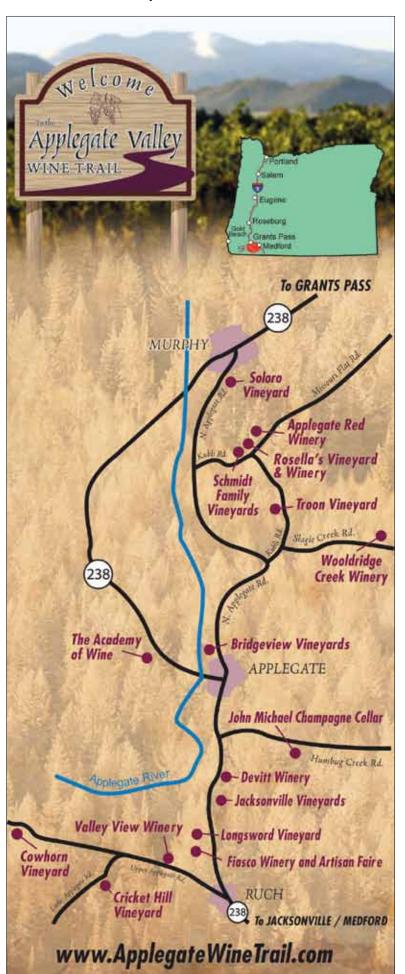


Waters Creek Trail. Photo by Lee Webb.



TRAILS FROM PAGE 1

Limpy Creek interpretative

signs were recently replaced as

a memorial to the late Larry

Cosby, who designed and

implemented the trail (also

Waters Creek Trail) and for

many years provided the graphic

layout for the *Applegater*.

Proceed 2.3 miles to the small gravel parking lot, on the varying philosophies that society has of nature. restroom and trailhead.

one-mile loop that is graveled, providing a great walk Highway 199 and 238). Turn right onto Waters Creek for families with small children or those desiring an easy Road just south of Wonder (about a half mile from

stroll. The trail travels through an open meadow bordered by oaks, and then follows the riparian area of Waters Creek. The 2.5-mile second loop is definitely more of a workout, climbing higher up the slope and passing through a mixed conifer/hardwood forest setting.

Waters Creek Trail was constructed using proceeds from a selective logging sale in the late 90s; the trail is located adjacent to these upslope-managed sites. Signs

draws that flow water in the wet season were protected for poison oak. with a vegetative buffer. Harvesting some timber, while providing for a visually pleasing recreational experience, Ranger District on the Rogue River-Siskiyou National has been successful.

Interpretative signs that line the trail have become 97526, 541-471-6500. well-worn, but are worth checking out for information about some key forest elements and even some quotes

Directions: Take Highway 199 south 12.5 miles Waters Creek Trail has two loops. The first is a from Grants Pass (measured from the intersection of

> the Wonder store). Travel 2.5 miles, just past the Forest Service boundary, to parking

site and restroom. On a regular basis I meet locals who share what a meaningful place these trails are to them and their family. They say these hikes are a "must do" for any of their out-oftown visitors. In addition, both trails have had lots of community involvement with and support for their creation and maintenance. If you have

of prescribed burning and the opening of the canopy not discovered these hikes, add it to your must-do list. And, are now almost impossible to distinguish. Numerous as with most locations in SW Oregon, be on the lookout

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Trailhead of Limpy Botanical trail. Photo by Linda Mullens.





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Fun and Games by Marvin Rosenberg

This is an easy one, called FIND A PAIR.

A Ruch school child is in a hurry in the early morning when it is still dark out. The child is very organized and has only two colors of socks in his drawer and, being a very methodical

child, knew the drawer contained eight blue socks and ten red socks. The question is, how many socks was it necessary to remove from the drawer before it was certain that there was a pair to match?

Answer on page 24.