

**AROO SUMMER TOUR
SALEM/GOLD BEACH/ASHLAND
AUGUST 19-21**

This two night-three-day tour will depart from Salem's Waterfront Park next to the Carousal (opposite State Street) at 8:15 AM. With the exception of 19 miles, the route to the coast will be rural back roads.

A picnic lunch (BYO) is planned in Oakland, then we head down Hwy 42 towards Myrtle Point, stopping at Sandy Bridge Creek Covered Bridge for a rest stop. Another country road will take us from Myrtle Point to Face Rock Viewpoint on the coast in Bandon.

We finish on Hwy 101 arriving in Gold Beach around 4:15 PM, leaving time for a beach walk.

My suggestions for lodging at Gold Beach on August 19 are as follows:
(First 3 are ocean front)

Pacific Reef-541-249-4398 (this is where leader is staying).

Sure Stay Best Western-541-247-7066

Beach Combers Inn-541-247-6691

Motel 6

Wild Chinook Inn

Remember, this is prime tourist time at the coast so you may want to make your reservations sooner than later.

Next day we head to Ashland passing through the California Redwoods. You will have the opportunity to walk thru the Stout Old Growth Forest on a trail I discovered last fall. Having picked up deli sandwich to go I Brookings, another picnic lunch is planned at a park in the Applegate Valley.

After lunch, we will visit Cricket Hill Winery, a very small winery that focuses on Boudreaux wines. Time permitting, we will also stop at Pebblestone Winery near Jacksonville-very decent wines at a fair price. ETA in Ashland is around 4:30 PM.

Dinner will be at Caldera Brewing---Great food and excellent beer!

Suggested lodging in Ashland on August 20th:

Best Western Windsor-541-488-2330 (leader staying here)

Ashland Hills-541-293-0660

Holiday Inn Express-541-201-0202

All three are walking distance to dinner. Again, remember this is prime Shakespeare season so lodging will be tight.

Day 3 will take us past Hyatt Lake, Butte Falls, Diamond Lake and the Rogue River to Roseburg for lunch at the Backside Brewery where the tour ends.

PLEASE SEND TOM MCGIRR AN E-MAIL ONCE YOU HAVE MADE RESERVATIONS. I need to make dinner reservations which will be a challenge for a larger group.

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