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THE LOCALS' GUIDE

The Perfect Mt. Baker Weekend

Planned for you by two people who live on the Mt. Baker Highway — the hikes actually worth the drive, what's still open for dinner, and three weekends you can copy hour by hour.

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18 HIKES RANKED

3 DONE-FOR-YOU WEEKENDS

PRINT IT — NO CELL SERVICE UP THERE

From **Thomas & Amanda Mutchler** — Superhosts on the Mt. Baker Highway since 2017, 350 five-star stays. We live here. This is what we tell our guests.

Most people waste their first Baker trip.

We watch it happen every weekend. Someone drives two hours from Seattle, pulls into Glacier at 7 p.m. starving, and finds three restaurants with the lights off — two of which closed permanently years ago and are still five stars on Google. They drive up for Artist Point in May and hit a snow gate. They pick the famous hike and spend the day in a conga line instead of the empty ridge one valley over.

None of that is their fault. The Mt. Baker Highway isn't a resort town with a visitor center that hands you the answers. It's 55 miles of two-lane road with almost no signage, no cell service past Kendall, and a food scene that has genuinely lost more restaurants than it has gained. The internet is *years* out of date on this corridor.

What makes this guide different

Every business in here was verified open in August 2026, with current hours. There's also a page listing the beloved local spots that are *permanently closed* — because the #1 way people lose an evening up here is driving to a restaurant that hasn't existed since 2019.

The 60-second version

If you read nothing else, read this. It fixes 90% of bad Baker trips.

- 1 **Fill up in Maple Falls.** It's the last gas. There is none in Glacier, none at the mountain.
- 2 **Download your maps before Kendall.** Cell service dies right about there and doesn't come back until the ski area — and even then, barely.
- 3 **Check whether the road to Artist Point is open** before you plan around it. It's closed roughly October through June. In 2026 it opened June 10; in 2025 it was June 27.
- 4 **Buy a Northwest Forest Pass** (\$5/day, \$30/year) or bring your America the Beautiful pass. Nearly every trailhead needs one. In winter you need a **Sno-Park permit** instead at Salmon Ridge.
- 5 **Eat in Glacier before 8 p.m.**, or eat down valley in Deming. Wake 'n Bakery closes mid-afternoon. Nothing on the highway is a late-night option.
- 6 **Stop at the Glacier Public Service Center** (milepost 34, open daily 8–4:30). They'll tell you which forest roads are washed out — which the internet won't.

How to use this thing

Print it, or save it offline. Seriously. The single most useful feature of this guide is that it works in a canyon with zero bars, which is where you'll be when you actually need it. Page 11 is the cheat sheet — that's the one to keep in the glovebox.

ORIENTATION

The corridor, in order

Everything on the Mt. Baker Highway (SR 542) happens in a line. Once you understand the order of the towns and roughly how far apart they are, the whole area makes sense. Here it is, west to east — the direction you'll be driving in.

STOP	MILEPOST	WHAT IT'S FOR
Bellingham	MP 0	Your last real city. Big grocery stores, gear shops, a hospital. Anything you forget, buy it here — not up valley.
Deming	~MP 15	Quiet, but home to two of the best meals on the whole highway (North Fork Brewery, Rifugio's). Racehorse Falls is up a side road here.
Kendall	~MP 21	Where your cell signal ends. Gas at Kendall Market. Last chance to download maps, playlists, and this guide.
Maple Falls	~MP 23	★ Last gas on the highway. Fill up here, no exceptions. Silver Lake Park is 3 miles north — the area's summer swimming hub.
Glacier	~MP 34	★ The last town, and your only real food between here and the summit. Coffee, pizza, BBQ, a small grocery. The Public Service Center is just east of town.
Nooksack Falls	~MP 40	Roadside waterfall off Wells Creek Road. Two minutes from the car. Worth every second.
Douglas Fir CG	~MP 36	Riverside Forest Service campground. Horseshoe Bend trailhead is directly across the highway.
Salmon Ridge Sno-Park	~MP 46	13 miles east of Glacier. Winter Nordic skiing and snowshoeing, ~40 parking spots. Sno-Park permit required Nov 1 – Apr 30.
Mt. Baker Ski Area	MP 52–54	★ Two base areas: White Salmon (lower) and Heather Meadows (upper). The end of the plowed road in winter.
Artist Point	MP 57	★ The payoff. 5,000+ ft, Baker on one side, Shuksan on the other. Open summer only — the last 2.7 miles are buried under up to 30 feet of snow the rest of the year.

Rough drive times

Add 30% in snow. Add more on a Saturday in January.

Bellingham → Maple Falls: **~35 min**

Maple Falls → Glacier: **~15 min**

Glacier → Ski Area: **~30–40 min**

Maple Falls → Artist Point: **~1 hr** (26 mi, 4,000+ ft of climbing)

Seattle → Maple Falls: **~2 hr**

Vancouver BC → Maple Falls: **~1.5 hr** via Sumas

The thing nobody tells you

It's a mountain road, not a highway.

Past Glacier the road climbs hard and twists constantly. It *feels* like 20 miles should take 20 minutes. It doesn't. Budget 40 minutes from Glacier to the ski area and you'll never be the person sprinting for first chair.

Big views, small effort

Ranked by payoff-per-mile, not by fame. Distances are round trip. Almost all of these need a Northwest Forest Pass. **Anything at Artist Point is summer-only** — usually late June through early October.

Tier 1 — Under an hour, and you'll still get the photo

For arrival day, tired legs, small kids, or bad weather.

TRAIL	DISTANCE	GAIN	SEASON	WHY GO
Picture Lake	0.4 mi	30 ft	Summer	The Mount Shuksan reflection — one of the most photographed scenes in North America. It's a paved loop. Go at sunrise when the water is glass and you'll have it alone.
Nooksack Falls	0.1 mi	flat	Year-round	Off Wells Creek Road at ~MP 40. Thundering, genuinely dramatic, and about 90 seconds from your car. Stay behind the fence — people have died here.
Artist Ridge	1.2 mi	150 ft	Summer	From the Artist Point lot. Interpretive loop over polished bedrock and tarns, with Baker and Shuksan both in frame. Best sunset spot on the highway, full stop.
Bagley Lakes	2.0 mi	150 ft	Summer	Two alpine lakes, a stone arch bridge, a year-round snowfield, and noticeably fewer people than Artist Point in peak season. Best easy hike for young kids.

Before any hike up here, do this one thing

Check **wta.org** trip reports for your trail from the last two weeks, and stop at the **Glacier Public Service Center** (MP 34, daily 8–4:30, 360-599-2714). Forest roads up here wash out and stay out for entire seasons. A trail being "open" on a website means nothing if the road to it isn't.

The crowd-dodge that costs nothing

Artist Point parking is full by 10 a.m. on any decent summer weekend. Two fixes, both free: be in the lot before 8, or arrive at 4 p.m. and hike into the evening. Sunset from Artist Ridge with an empty parking lot is the best hour on this mountain, and almost nobody does it.

Half-day classics

The sweet spot of this whole area: out by breakfast, back in time for dinner in Glacier. If you only have one full day up here, take it from this page.

TRAIL	DISTANCE	GAIN	SEASON	WHY GO
Table Mountain	2.4 mi	600 ft	Summer	The best views-per-step ratio in the entire area. Short, steep switchbacks blasted into a cliff, then a flat volcanic plateau on top. Not for anyone uneasy with exposure.
Winchester Mountain	2.9 mi	1,300 ft	Summer	An actual fire lookout at the summit with a 360° panorama into Canada. The catch: the road to the Twin Lakes trailhead is genuinely rough — high clearance, and often 4WD-only.
Heliotrope Ridge	5.6 mi	1,550 ft	Summer	Walk right up to the Coleman Glacier. You'll share the trail with roped climbers heading for the summit. Warning: several unbridged creek crossings that swell dangerously on hot afternoons — cross early.
Chain Lakes Loop	6.2 mi	1,800 ft	Summer	Four alpine lakes, blueberry meadows, and a full circuit around Table Mountain. The single best "one big day" if you only get one. Do it counter-clockwise from Artist Point.
Horseshoe Bend	3.2 mi	479 ft	Most of year	Low elevation along the roaring North Fork Nooksack, across from Douglas Fir Campground. The shoulder-season MVP — open when everything up high is buried.

Two that need a word of warning

Heliotrope Ridge has several unbridged creek crossings fed directly by glacial melt. They are ankle-deep in the morning and genuinely dangerous by mid-afternoon on a hot day — cross early, and turn around if it looks wrong. **Winchester Mountain** is a short, easy trail guarded by a notoriously rough access road. Ask at the Public Service Center whether your car will make it *before* you drive up.

Huckleberries

Late August into September, the meadows around Chain Lakes and Church Mountain go purple. Picking a modest amount for personal use is allowed in the national forest. It is also the single best reason to hike here in September, once the crowds have gone and the bugs are done.

The big days

Start early. Carry more water than you think. These are real mountain days, and the weather at 6,000 feet has nothing to do with the weather in the parking lot.

TRAIL	DISTANCE	GAIN	GRADE	WHY GO
Skyline Divide	7.2 mi	2,000 ft	Hard	Two miles of relentless forest switchbacks, and then you break out onto an open ridge with Mount Baker filling the entire sky. Endless wildflowers in August. If you do one big hike here, do this one. Long gravel road to the trailhead.
Yellow Aster Butte	~7.5 mi	~2,550 ft	Hard	Wildflowers, a basin full of tarns you can swim in, and a summit panorama that takes in Baker, Shuksan, and the Border Peaks. Rough access road — high clearance recommended.
Lake Ann	8.4 mi	1,800 ft	Moderate	Deceptive — it drops before it climbs, so you save the hard part for the way home. The reward is an alpine lake sitting directly beneath the north face of Shuksan. Snow lingers here into August.
Church Mountain	8.5 mi	3,750 ft	Hard	A leg-destroyer: steep switchbacks, then alpine meadow, then a final 1.2 miles through huckleberries to a scramble with a fixed cable at the old lookout site. Tops out at 6,100 ft. Earned views.
Excelsior Pass	8.4 mi	3,550 ft	Hard	Climbs straight off the highway with no warm-up. Brutal, and mostly empty because of it. Meadows at the top with an unobstructed Baker view.
Hannegan Pass	10.1 mi	3,100 ft	Hard	The gateway into the North Cascades backcountry. Add the peak for a bigger day. Feels genuinely remote — this is where the crowds finally disappear entirely.
Ptarmigan Ridge	9.4 mi	1,400 ft	Very hard	The gain is modest; the difficulty isn't. Route-finding across permanent snowfields with real consequences, straight at the face of Mount Baker. Late season, clear weather, experienced parties only.

Turning around is not failing

The weather at 6,000 feet has nothing to do with the weather in the parking lot, and it can change in under an hour. Every one of these hikes is better on a clear day next month than on a bad day today. Nobody up here will think less of you for coming back down — and the coffee in Glacier is good either way.

When you don't want to hike

Half of a great Baker weekend isn't hiking at all. These are what we send people to when the weather turns, when the group has mixed ability, or when the whole point was to not try very hard.

Drive the Mt. Baker Scenic Byway to Artist Point

THE ONE UNMISSABLE THING

26 miles from Maple Falls · 4,000+ ft of climbing · Summer only (roughly late June – early October)

This is a genuine world-class drive and it requires nothing of you but a car and a tank of gas. It ends in a parking lot at 5,000 feet with Mount Baker on one side and Mount Shuksan on the other. Stop at Nooksack Falls and Picture Lake on the way up. Check WSDOT before you commit — the last 2.7 miles are gated most of the year.

Silver Lake Park

SUMMER HQ

9006 Silver Lake Rd, Maple Falls · ~3 miles north of the highway · Whatcom County park

The valley's swimming hole. A public beach that's genuinely good for kids, boat launch, fishing for bass and trout from shore, picnic shelters, and about 5.75 miles of easy trails — one open to horses. This is where locals go on a hot Saturday, and it's 15 minutes off the highway.

Racehorse Falls

UNDERRATED

Up a gravel road off the highway near Deming · Short walk from a small trailhead

139 feet of waterfall in four steps — the first two are back-to-back punchbowl plunges of 19 and 44 feet. Sandstone slabs to sit on, and a fraction of Nooksack Falls' traffic because it isn't signed from the highway. Best in spring runoff. The access road is rough; go slow.

Salmon Ridge Sno-Park

WINTER, NO LIFT TICKET

~13 mi east of Glacier · 2,000 ft · ~40 parking spots · Sno-Park permit required Nov 1 – Apr 30 (\$25/day, \$50/season)

Groomed Nordic trails and snowshoeing along the river, with terrain that works for absolute beginners and still holds up for strong skiers. It's the best cheap winter day on the highway — and when the ski area lot fills by 8 a.m. on a powder Saturday, it's the answer.

Stargazing

FREE

Anywhere past Maple Falls, on a clear night

There's effectively no light pollution in this valley — on a clear moonless night the Milky Way is visible with the naked eye from a driveway. Add a hot tub and it's the thing people remember longer than any hike.

Glacier Public Service Center

DO THIS FIRST

10091 Mt. Baker Hwy (MP 34) · Daily 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. · (360) 599-2714

A Forest Service ranger station in a beautiful old log building. Buy your Northwest Forest Pass, get honest conditions on forest roads and trails, and ask which hike makes sense for the weather that day. Five minutes here beats an hour of searching — and you're about to lose signal anyway.

Mt. Baker Ski Area

Home of the world record for most snow ever recorded in a single season, anywhere on earth. It's small, it's old-school, and it's beloved for exactly that. Here's how to ski it like someone who's done it before.

SEASON

Roughly mid-December through mid-April, weather permitting. It's entirely snow-dependent — there's no significant snowmaking.

TICKETS

Recent day tickets have run about **\$69 off-peak to \$89 peak**, with a season pass around **\$899**. Confirm at mtbaker.us.

BASE AREAS

White Salmon (lower) and **Heather Meadows** (upper). Heather Meadows fills first. White Salmon is the calmer parking bet.

The powder-day playbook

Everything here is learned the hard way.

- 1 **The parking lot is the lift line.** On a big storm Saturday, the lots fill early and the road backs up. Being on the road by 7 a.m. is not paranoid — it's the difference between skiing and turning around.
- 2 **Carry chains, always.** Traction tires are required whenever there's snow and ice on 542, and the ski area itself will sometimes require chains. Nobody is going to lend you a set at the gate.
- 3 **Fill up in Maple Falls the night before.** Idling in a storm queue burns more fuel than you'd guess, and there is no gas past there.
- 4 **Eat before you go up.** On-mountain food is limited in menu and hours. Grab breakfast and a sandwich in Glacier and you've solved the whole day.
- 5 **Go midweek if you possibly can.** The same mountain, the same snow, a third of the people. This is the single biggest upgrade available to you.

The Legendary Banked Slalom

Baker's snowboard institution, run nearly every year since 1985 — a hand-dug natural halfpipe race where world champions and local kids ride the same course for a duct-tape trophy. It usually lands in February and it fills every bed in the valley. If you want to be here for it, book months out. If you don't, avoid that weekend entirely. (It's snow-dependent: the 2026 edition was called off when the natural halfpipe wouldn't hold up.)

Honest expectations

Baker is not a luxury resort. There's no village, no gondola, no slopeside spa, and the lifts are not fast. What it has is absurd snowfall, legendary terrain, and a culture that never got polished into something else. People who arrive expecting Whistler are disappointed. People who arrive expecting Baker never leave.

WHERE TO EAT

The whole list. Honestly.

This corridor has fewer than ten places to eat, and half the guides online still list restaurants that closed years ago. So here is the complete, verified list — every one of these was confirmed open in August 2026. **Call ahead anyway.** Hours up here shift with the season and the snow.

Wake 'n Bakery **OUR #1**

6903 Bourne St, Glacier (a block off the highway) · (360) 599-1658 · Summer ~7 a.m.–2 p.m. daily, later Fri–Sun; reduced hours in shoulder season

The heart of Glacier. Locally roasted small-batch coffee and everything baked in house that morning. This is where you start every single day up here — and because they close mid-afternoon, it's also the most common thing visitors miss entirely.

ORDER The crystallized ginger and vanilla chip cookies, the blueberry coffee cake, or a ham and cheese puff. Grab an extra pastry for the trail — you'll want it at the top.

Chair 9 Woodstone Pizza & Sports Bar **APRÈS HQ**

10459 Mt Baker Hwy, Glacier · (360) 599-2511 · Daily from noon; to 9 p.m. Sun–Thu, 10 p.m. Fri–Sat

Family-owned since 2010 and the default gathering place after a day on the mountain. Wood-fired pizza, cold beer, and a room full of people still in ski boots. Longest hours in Glacier, which quietly makes it the most useful restaurant on the highway.

ORDER A woodstone pizza and a local pint. If you're arriving late and hungry, this is very likely your only option — plan for it.

Gunners Tex Mex BBQ **THU–SUN ONLY**

9990 Mt Baker Hwy, Glacier · (360) 599-0783 · Thu–Sun noon–8 p.m. · Closed Mon–Wed

Smoked meat and Tex-Mex in a town of about 200 people, and it is legitimately good. The catch is the four-day week — showing up on a Tuesday is one of the most common ways to end up eating gas station snacks for dinner.

ORDER Brisket, in whatever form they're serving it that day.

Crossroads Grocery **SUPPLIES**

Center of Glacier

Covers a forgotten ingredient, firewood, or a six-pack. It is not a grocery run — for that, shop in Bellingham on the way up. Note there is **no gas in Glacier**; your last fuel was Maple Falls.

Worth the drive to Deming

Two of the best meals in the whole corridor are *below* Glacier, in Deming. That makes them perfect as your first stop driving in or your last stop driving out — and your reliable fallback on a Monday or Tuesday when Glacier goes dark.

North Fork Brewery, Pizzeria & Beer Shrine

MOST RELIABLE ON THE HIGHWAY

6186 Mt. Baker Hwy, Deming · (360) 599-2337 · Daily noon–9 p.m.

A genuine Northwest institution: brewery, pizzeria, beer museum, and licensed wedding chapel, all in one building. It's down valley in Deming, so it's the perfect first stop driving in or last stop driving out. Also your reliable fallback when everything in Glacier is dark.

ORDER A house-brewed pint and a pizza. Look up while you wait — the beer shrine is the whole point.

Rifugio's Country Italian Cuisine

DATE NIGHT

5415 Mt Baker Hwy, Deming · Fri & Sat 4–9 p.m., Sun 11 a.m.–4 p.m. · Closed Mon–Thu

Sicilian, farm-to-table, family-run for over a decade, and by a distance the nicest meal on this highway. Genuinely surprising to find in rural Whatcom County. Three days a week only, so build the weekend around it rather than hoping.

ORDER Whatever's seasonal that week. Reserve ahead — it's small and the locals know.

Maple Fuels · Kendall Market

LAST GAS

Maple Falls & Kendall · Deli counter and coffee at both

Your final fuel before the mountain, and a perfectly decent sandwich. Treat filling up here as non-negotiable rather than optional — there is nothing past this point.

Permanently closed — do not plan a meal around these

All four are still listed, still reviewed, and still recommended by travel blogs and AI answers. Verified closed as of August 2026.

~~Graham's Historical Restaurant~~ — Glacier. The old general store and bar in the middle of town. Closed. The building fools people constantly.

~~Milano's Restaurant & Pasta Fresca~~ — Glacier. The legendary post-hike pasta spot. Reopened briefly, then closed permanently.

~~Frosty Inn~~ — Maple Falls. Burgers and pizza on the highway. Closed.

~~Everybody's Store~~ — Van Zandt. The famous 1970 general store with the cheese counter. Out of business since 2019 and still all over the internet.

The glovebox cheat sheet

Everything you'll want at the exact moment you have no signal to look it up. If you only print one page of this guide, print this one.

PASSES YOU ACTUALLY NEED

Northwest Forest Pass — \$5/day or \$30/year, required at nearly every trailhead. An America the Beautiful pass works too. Buy at the Glacier Public Service Center.

Sno-Park permit — \$25/day or \$50/season, required Nov 1 – Apr 30 at Salmon Ridge. Different pass. Not interchangeable.

GAS & SUPPLIES

Last gas: Maple Falls. Maple Fuels, or Kendall Market just west. Nothing in Glacier, nothing at the mountain.

Real groceries: Bellingham. Small stuff: Crossroads Grocery in Glacier.

CELL SERVICE

Signal ends around **Kendall** and does not return. Patchy at Maple Falls and at the ski area, depending on carrier. Assume you have none.

Download offline maps, your lift ticket, and this guide **before** Kendall.

WINTER DRIVING

Traction tires required on 542 whenever there's snow or ice. **Carry chains** — the ski area sometimes requires them and will turn you around.

Check **wsdot.wa.gov** for the pass report before you leave home.

ARTIST POINT ROAD

The final 2.7 miles are gated roughly **October through June**. Crews cut through up to 30 feet of snow to open it.

Recent openings: **June 10 (2026)**, June 27 (2025), June 21 (2024). Closed Oct 15 in 2025.

NUMBERS TO SAVE NOW

Glacier Public Service Center — (360) 599-2714, daily 8–4:30

Chair 9 — (360) 599-2511

North Fork Brewery — (360) 599-2337

Gunners BBQ — (360) 599-0783

Pack this

The stuff people always wish they'd brought.

- ☐ Tire chains (Nov–Apr, no exceptions)
- ☐ Offline maps downloaded
- ☐ Layers — it's 20° colder up top
- ☐ Cash — some spots are cash-friendly
- ☐ Microspikes, spring and fall
- ☐ Northwest Forest Pass on the dash
- ☐ More water than the hike "needs"
- ☐ Headlamp (sunset comes fast in a valley)
- ☐ Bug spray, July–August
- ☐ Swimsuit — hot tub, lake, or tarn

Three perfect weekends

Copy one of these exactly and you'll have a better trip than most people who spend a week planning. Each is built around what's actually open, in the order that makes geographic sense.

The Powder Weekend

DECEMBER – MARCH

- FRI PM** Drive up. **Fuel in Maple Falls** — do it before you check in, not in the morning. Dinner at **Chair 9** in Glacier (open latest). Hot tub, then bed early.
- SAT 6:30A** **Wake 'n Bakery** opens at 7 — coffee and a pastry, plus something for your pocket. On the road by 7:30.
- SAT AM** Ski. Park at **White Salmon** if Heather Meadows is already stacking up. Chains in the car regardless.
- SAT PM** Last chair, then **Gunners BBQ** (Thu–Sun only) or back to Chair 9. Hot tub under the stars. This is the part people actually remember.
- SUN** Legs cooked? **Salmon Ridge Sno-Park** for an easy snowshoe (bring the permit), then **North Fork Brewery** in Deming on the drive out.

The Alpine Weekend

JULY – SEPTEMBER

- FRI PM** Arrive. Stop at **North Fork Brewery** in Deming on the way up so nobody's hangry. Fuel in Maple Falls. Fire pit, stars.
- SAT 7A** Wake 'n Bakery, then straight to **Skyline Divide** (7.2 mi, 2,000 ft) — the best big day up here. Get to the trailhead early; the gravel road is slow.
- SAT PM** Back down, shower, **Chair 9** for pizza. Soak. Sleep like a stone.
- SUN 8A** Drive the byway to **Artist Point**. Stop at **Nooksack Falls** and **Picture Lake** on the way. Walk **Artist Ridge** (1.2 mi) or, with energy left, **Table Mountain** (2.4 mi).
- SUN PM** Down valley. If it's a Sunday before 4, **Rifugio's** in Deming is the perfect last meal.

The Do-Nothing Reset

ANY SEASON

- FRI PM** Groceries in **Bellingham** on the way up — you're cooking this weekend. Fuel in Maple Falls. Unpack and stop moving.
- SAT** Sleep in. Late coffee at **Wake 'n Bakery**. One gentle thing only: **Horseshoe Bend** (3.2 mi, riverside, open most of the year) or **Silver Lake Park** in summer.
- SAT PM** Sauna, hot tub, fire pit, no screens. Cook dinner in. Look up — there's no light pollution here.
- SUN** **Nooksack Falls** on the way out (90 seconds from the car), then **North Fork Brewery** in Deming. Home before dark.

AND WHEN YOU NEED A PLACE

Where to stay on the 542

We're not going to pretend this page is neutral — these are our two cabins. But we wrote the rest of this guide honestly, including the page where we told you four restaurants are dead. So: we live here, we host here, and we've had 350 five-star stays doing it.



The Black Cedar

Glacier, WA · Sleeps 6 · 3 BR / 2 BA · ~10 min to Glacier, ~40 min to the ski area

The Black Cedar

A black A-frame on a private forested lot.

Cedar barrel sauna deep in the woods, stargazing hot tub, outdoor shower, free espresso bar, gas fire pit, and secret trails from the property down to the North Fork Nooksack. King bed, chef's kitchen, 300+ Mbps wifi if you have to work.



The Little Red Cabin

Maple Falls, WA · Sleeps 4 · 2 BR / 1 BA · ~15 min to Glacier, ~45 min to the ski area

The Little Red Cabin

Our first cabin, right under Red Mountain.

Private hot tub and fire pit ringed by string lights and old growth, secret forest trails out the door, and the shortest drive to Silver Lake Park. The right size for a couple or a small family who want the valley to themselves.

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SAVE10

10% off stays of 2 nights or more at either cabin, when you book direct at redmountaincabins.com.

Enter **SAVE10** at checkout. Booking direct also means no third-party service fees — which is usually a bigger saving than the code itself.

Why book direct at all

- **No platform service fees.** On a typical weekend that's real money, before the code.
- **You're texting the actual owners.** Not a call center. We answer within the hour, and we're the ones who wrote this guide.
- **We know the road.** If a storm is coming or the Artist Point gate is still closed, we'll tell you before you drive up — not after.

ONE LAST THING

Go on a Tuesday.

That's the whole secret, and it's free. The same mountain, the same trails, the same snow — with a third of the people and a parking spot waiting for you. Everything in this guide gets better midweek.

And if a restaurant in here has closed, a road has washed out, or you found something great we missed — tell us. We'll fix it in the next version and credit you. This guide gets better every time somebody writes in.

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Use code **SAVE10** for 10% off a 2-night-or-longer stay at The Black Cedar or The Little Red Cabin.

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Field-checked August 2026. Hours, roads, and trail conditions change fast up here — always confirm with WSDOT, WTA, and the Glacier Public Service Center before you go.