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Yellow Trail from Kah-Nee-Ta Resort

Yellow Trail from Kah-Nee-Ta Resort is a 2.5 mile lightly trafficked loop trail located near Warm Springs, Oregon that offers scenic views and is rated as moderate. The trail is primarily used for hiking and is accessible year-round. A cool little trail at KahNeeTa. Short, but pretty steep at points. Takes you up-top on one of the large mesas overlooking the valley. There are trail maps inside the resort.

Just take the wooden staircase at the top of the resort (at the top of the parking lots) and... keep on walking up-hill. After cresting the first hill, going straight (north) for a few hundred yards, and finding yourself below a very tall hill/mesa, I recommend heading left on the loop.

So, you've gone left: after a quarter mile or so when the trail splits and your options are veering right up a steep hill towards the cliffs/rocks, or staying straight on the trail (west)- GO RIGHT AND HEADS TOWARDS THE HILL. Staying straight (west) will just take you on a boring horse trail. Anyway, it's actually pretty beautiful at the top of this mesa. There will not be anyone around and you'll have at last escaped resorts and people.

It's not the best of hikes, but if you find yourself stuck at the resort and wanting to get out and about for a short while, do it. I post this in hopes that someone bored and stuck at the hotel googles this and finds it.

If you want something really beautiful around here, you can hike the Deschutes canyon. I don't know if it's allowed, but I found myself hanging out with eagles and wild horses (really) on a little 2-mile out-and-back. Check the pic I attached. About 100 yards north of the turn-off to the resort (Warm Springs Road), there's a little trailhead just off the road on the north side of the Deschutes. Just follow the river west along the north side of the river--there's a trail and a few pretty epic canyons that're a little bit mind-blowing in their beauty. I was watching eagles fish out of the Deschutes for over an hour about a mile up, and it was beautiful. There wasn't a soul there, save the wild horses. If get stuck at this resort and get bored (and you probably will), grab a pack, escape, and... explore :0) ----The pic was taken along this trail looking SE about .1 miles to the west of Simnasho-Hot Springs road right before the turn-off to KahNeeTa.

