



## Travel the Trail

Visit the Oregon Trail in 6 days

Inspired by Bekah Brunstetter's *The Oregon Trail* and made possible with a grant from Travel Oregon, Portland Center Stage at The Armory has developed this itinerary to inspire audiences to interact with Oregon in a unique way — by using a story produced for the stage as a lens to explore Oregon's rich cultural history and land. In the mid-19th century, the Oregon Trail was the main pathway for American emigrants searching for new lands and opportunity on the Western frontier. Much of that history has been preserved and can be seen across various regions of Oregon.

### Portland DAY 1

Start your historical journey by exploring Oregon's history at **The Oregon Historical Society** (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland, OR). [www.ohs.org](http://www.ohs.org)

Visit **Portland Center Stage at The Armory** (128 NW 11th Ave, Portland, OR) and see *The Oregon Trail* running October 29 – November 20, 2016. In this fresh and funny retelling of Oregon's history, two Janes traverse the Oregon Trail — one plays the 1997 computer game and one is in a covered wagon in 1848. [www.pcs.org](http://www.pcs.org)

Stay at the **Mark Spencer Hotel** (409 SW 11th Ave, Portland, OR), a short walk from Portland Center Stage at The Armory, shops and other Portland attractions. [www.markspencer.com](http://www.markspencer.com)

### Oregon City/Mt. Hood DAY 2

Discover what it was like to be a pioneer at the **End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive & Visitor Information Center** (1726 Washington Street, Oregon City, OR). [www.historicoregoncity.org](http://www.historicoregoncity.org)

En route to Mt. Hood is **Philip Foster Farm** (29912 SE Hwy 211, Eagle Creek, OR), a seasonal attraction where you can view the house and farm owned by early Oregon Trail pioneer, Philip Foster. [www.philipfosterfarm.com](http://www.philipfosterfarm.com)

Just outside of Sandy, stop at **Jonsrud View Point** (SE Bluff Rd, Sandy, OR) which offers expansive views of the Sandy River Valley and "Devil's Backbone," a ridge named by pioneers traveling the trail. [www.mthoodterritory.com/jonsrud-viewpoint](http://www.mthoodterritory.com/jonsrud-viewpoint)

Stay at **The Resort at The Mountain** (68010 E Fairway Ave, Welches, OR) a premier full service mountain resort offering quick access to the mountain's many Oregon Trail treasures. [www.mthood-resort.com](http://www.mthood-resort.com)

### Mt. Hood/The Dalles DAY 3

Stop at the **Pioneer Tollgate Campground** (Highway 26/Milepost 44, Rhododendron, OR). This part of the Oregon Trail (Barlow Road) required a toll — \$5 per wagon and 10¢ for every piece of livestock. A replica of the tollgate can be seen alongside two big leaf maples that date back to the period.

A pullout directly off the highway will lead you to **Laurel Hill Chute** (Highway 26, Milepost 50), the most difficult descent on the Oregon Trail. Travelers used ropes and sheer strength to lower their wagons down a near vertical slope.

Stop at **Timberline Lodge** (27500 W Leg Rd, Timberline Lodge, OR) for a delicious lunch and breathtaking views of Mt. Hood. [www.timberlinelodge.com/dining](http://www.timberlinelodge.com/dining)

Drive the path of the Oregon Trail via Highway 197 toward The Dalles. Once there, visit **Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum** (5000 Discovery Drive, The Dalles, OR). The museum has exhibits on Ice Age floods, Native American basketry, early explorers (including Lewis & Clark), the Oregon Trail and early pioneer settlement in Wasco County. [www.gorgediscovery.org](http://www.gorgediscovery.org)

Stay at **Cousins Country Inn** (2114 W 6th St., The Dalles, OR) and enjoy the country charm and hospitality, including a bottomless jar of homemade family-recipe cookies. [www.cousinscountryinn.com](http://www.cousinscountryinn.com)

### The Dalles/Pendleton DAY 4

Before taking off to Pendleton, visit the **Fort Dalles Museum** (500 W. 15th St., The Dalles, OR), one of Oregon's oldest history museums located in the old Fort Surgeon's Quarters, built in 1856. [www.fortdallesmuseum.org](http://www.fortdallesmuseum.org)

Once in Pendleton, immerse yourself in the history and culture of the people who have lived on this land for more than 10,000 years at the **Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute** (47106 Wildhorse Blvd, Pendleton, OR). Learn about the impact of the Oregon Trail and pioneer settlement on Native tribes. [www.tamastslíkt.org](http://www.tamastslíkt.org)

Head to **Hamley Steakhouse** (30 SE Court Ave, Pendleton, OR) for dinner and authentic American Old West décor, located on the original path of the Oregon Trail. [www.hamleysteakhouse.com](http://www.hamleysteakhouse.com)

Stay at **Wildhorse Resort & Casino** (46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton, OR) owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. [www.wildhorseresort.com](http://www.wildhorseresort.com)



## Baker City DAY 5

On route to Baker City, stop by **Emigrant Springs State Heritage Area** (65068 Old Oregon Trail, Meacham, OR) to explore a popular pioneer stop along the Oregon Trail. [www.oregonstateparks.org](http://www.oregonstateparks.org)

Visit **The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center** (22267 OR-86, Baker City, OR) and take the 2.5-mile loop around the interpretive center to walk in the footsteps of the pioneers and explore Oregon Trail wagon ruts still visible today. [www.blm.gov/or/oregontrail](http://www.blm.gov/or/oregontrail)

Housed in the historic 1920 Natatorium, the **Baker Heritage Museum** (2480 Grove Street, Baker City, OR) displays and interprets the rich history of the region. [www.bakerheritagemuseum.com](http://www.bakerheritagemuseum.com)

Enjoy the Old West-style atmosphere and high-quality steak at **Haines Steak House** (910 Front St, Haines, OR). [www.hainessteakhouse.com](http://www.hainessteakhouse.com)

Stay at **Baker City Blue Door Inn** (2324 First Street, Baker City, OR) a bed and breakfast located in a beautiful historic home dating back to 1920. [www.bakercitybluedoorinn.com](http://www.bakercitybluedoorinn.com)

## Baker City/Hells Canyon DAY 6

Head out to Hells Canyon and explore the dramatic, rugged beauty of the ten-mile-wide canyon and winding Snake River where the Oregon Trail once passed through. For a unique experience, take a jet boat tour with **Hells Canyon Adventures** (4200 Hells Canyon Road, Oxbow, OR) where the captains will entertain you with stories of early Native Americans and ranching families. [www.hellscanyonadventures.com](http://www.hellscanyonadventures.com)

Return to Baker City and stay at **Baker City Blue Door Inn**.



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