North Cascades National Park 3-day Itinerary



DAY 1: SCENIC OVERLOOKS Morning: Start in Seattle and drive ~2 hours to North Cascades National Park via Highway 20.

Afternoon: Hike Thunder Knob (3.5 miles RT)

for views of Diablo Lake. Visit Gorge Creek Falls

and Ross Dam Trailhead.

Evening: Camp at Colonial Creek Campground or a nearby

dispersed site



DAY 2: CHALLENGING & REWARDING HIKING

Morning: Hike the Maple Pass Loop (7.2 miles RT,

challenging but rewarding).

Afternoon: Midday break at Rainy Pass Picnic Area and walk

to Rainy Lake (2 miles RT, easy)

Evening: Dinner back at camp or in Marblemount.

Stargazing or campfire evening (check fire

regulations)



DAY 3: OPTIONAL HIKE & SCENIC STOPS

Morning: Early morning paddle or walk along Diablo Lake.

Afternoon: Optional hike: Cascade Pass Trail (7.4 miles RT).

Grab lunch in Marblemount or pack a picnic.

Evening: Begin drive back to Seattle with scenic stops.