



# Ecola State Park

## Hikers' Camp

Three Adirondak-style shelters available for OCT hikers. Each can accommodate up to 4 people.



## Bird Point

← Tillamook Rock Lighthouse (1.2 miles offshore)



Parking	Information	Picnic area
No parking	Viewpoint	Picnic shelter
Restroom	Drinking water	Trailhead
Non-flush toilet	Garbage	Oregon Coast Trail
Day-use pay station	Sleeping shelter	Other trails
		Soft surface
		Hard surface

0 0.1 0.25 0.5 miles

## Indian Point

## Indian Beach Day-use Area



## Bald Point

## Ecola Point Day-use Area



## Ecola Point

No trail to beach. Use beach access at Indian Beach or Crescent Beach.

## Crescent Beach

OCT continues south along Ecola Park Road

## Chapman Point

to Cannon Beach (2 miles)

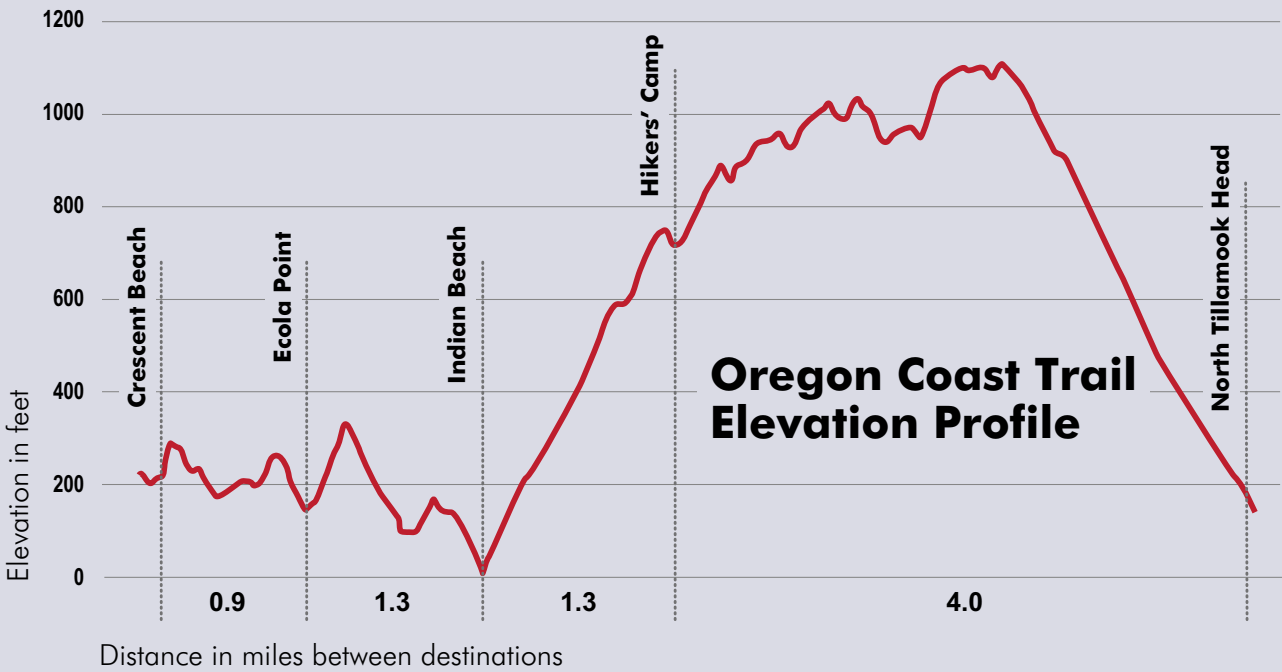
Western snowy plovers nest along some parts of the Oregon coast. Watch for special signs during nesting season.

**Getting here:** Enter the park from the north end of Cannon Beach. From 5th Street, head north on Ecola Park Road for 1½ miles to the fee station. At the fee station, turn left to drop down into the Ecola Point parking lot or venture right and drive another 1½ miles to Indian Beach.

**Parking:** A day-use permit is required to park in Ecola. Daily permits are sold at the park fee station; annual and 24-month permits are sold online at [store.oregonstateparks.org](https://store.oregonstateparks.org) and at major state park offices. A state park camping receipt serves as a daily permit for each day that you are registered. Annual and five day Coastal Passports are also accepted.

Parking at Ecola Point and Indian Beach is limited; long lines form during nice days in the off-season and almost daily from June through September. Please note that the road is narrow with no place to turn around, making it unsuitable for RVs and trailers. Parking is also available just off Sunset Boulevard in Seaside, at the Tillamook Head Trail north trailhead.

**Overnight parking is prohibited within Ecola State Park.**





## Clatsop Loop Trail: Walk in the Footsteps of Lewis & Clark

Captain William Clark and a small exploration party walked this trail in January 1806, searching for a beached whale. Exhausted and hungry, they hoped to return to their Fort Clatsop campsite with plenty of whale blubber and oil.

Now a segment of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, this 2½ mile loop begins at the Indian Beach parking area, ascends to Hikers' Camp, and loops back to the parking lot via the Oregon Coast Trail (OCT), passing breathtaking views of the coastline. Don't miss the short spur trail from Hikers' Camp that takes you to a viewpoint overlooking Tillamook Rock Lighthouse. Known as "Terrible Tilly," the decommissioned lighthouse sits 1.2 miles offshore amid crashing waves.

View Tillamook Rock Lighthouse, also known as "Terrible Tilly," from the park's trails.



## Hikers' Camp

Backpackers on the OCT can camp overnight in the primitive Hikers' Camp. **Note that overnight parking is prohibited at Ecola.** Three small Adirondack-style shelters are available first-come, first-served. Each sleeps four on bunk-style wooden platforms. They encircle a large fire ring and a central picnic shelter. A vault toilet is nearby, but the camp has no water. Collecting firewood is prohibited; it is available for purchase at the Hikers' Camp.



## A Changing Landscape

The landscape around you is ever-changing, molded by landslides, strong coastal winds, violent storms, earthquakes and fires.

Layers of wood found buried deep in the forest floor suggest that at least three separate forests have come and gone here in the last 123,000 years. Historically, heavy rains caused landslides that scoured vegetation and soil down to the basalt bedrock, exposing the sea stacks and rocky outcroppings that you see today.

The offshore sea stacks form part of the Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge. Protected from human disturbance, many species of seabirds nest here, including common murre, tufted puffin, pigeon guillemot and black oystercatcher. Harbor seals and steller sea lions use the rocky islands as a place to rest and give birth to their pups.

Enjoy a picnic with ocean views at the Ecola Point Day-use Area.



## Play it Safe

- Be alert to unexpected waves and incoming tides when exploring caves, tidepools, and when rounding headlands.
- Stay on the trail; do not take shortcuts. In addition to being unsafe, this causes erosion and damages plant life.
- Cliff edges may be unstable. Please stay behind fences and railings. Keep children safely at your side and pets leashed (with a maximum 6-foot lead).

## Picnics, Views and Beach Discoveries

The park's two main attractions are Ecola Point and Indian Beach. Each has viewpoints and picnic tables that take advantage of incredible scenery. Ecola Point's trails lead to views of Tillamook Rock Lighthouse, rocky shores and ocean expanses. There are no trails directly accessing the beach at Ecola Point; use Crescent Beach or Indian Beach trails to access the ocean shore. A covered picnic shelter at Ecola Point is reservable by calling 800-452-5687.



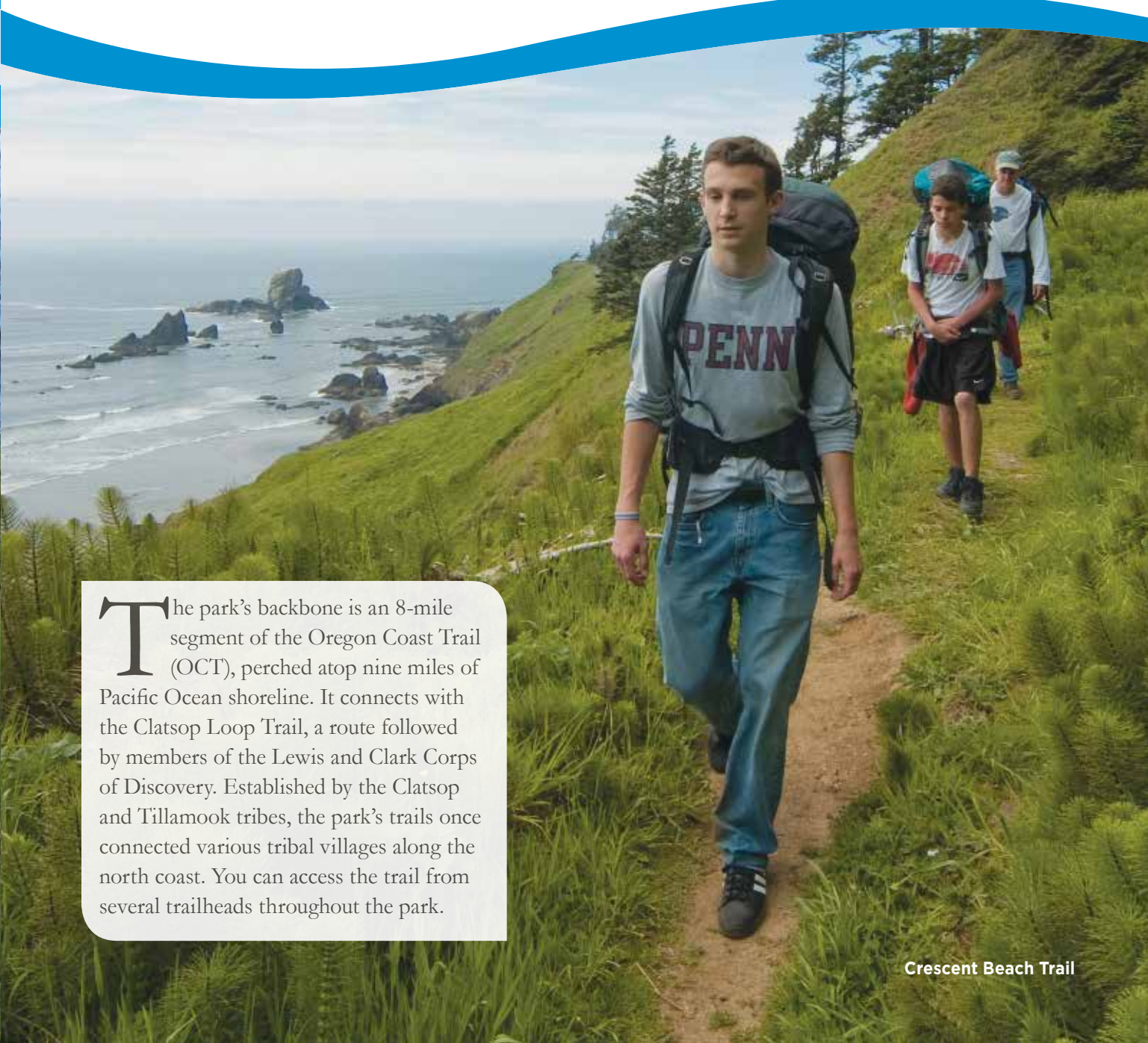
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### Trail Guide



Wrapping around Tillamook Head between Seaside and Cannon Beach, Ecola State Park is a hiking and sightseeing mecca with a storied past.

The park's backbone is an 8-mile segment of the Oregon Coast Trail (OCT), perched atop nine miles of Pacific Ocean shoreline. It connects with the Clatsop Loop Trail, a route followed by members of the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery. Established by the Clatsop and Tillamook tribes, the park's trails once connected various tribal villages along the north coast. You can access the trail from several trailheads throughout the park.



Crescent Beach Trail

### Ecola State Park

West of US 101, 2 miles north of Cannon Beach  
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