

GRAND TARGHEE RESORT TRAILS

LEAST DIFFICULT HIKES: Less than 2 hours and 200 foot climb

<u>Trail</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Difficulty</u>	<u>Elevation Change</u>
7 Nature Trail*	0.5 miles	.5 hour	easy	50 feet
1 Ricks Basin	2-4 miles	1-2 hours	moderate —	100 feet

MODERATE HIKES: 2 + hours and up to 500 foot climb

6 Valley Overlook*	2 miles	1 hour	moderate	400 feet
4 Mary's Saddle* **	2.5 miles	2 hours	moderate	500 feet
3 Bike Loop	2.5 miles	1 hour	moderate	300 feet
5 Teton Vista down**	2.8 miles	2 hours	moderate	1900 feet
10 Lightning Peak**	4.6 miles	2.5 hours	moderate	500 feet

MORE DIFFICULT HIKES: 3 hours and greater than 500 foot climb

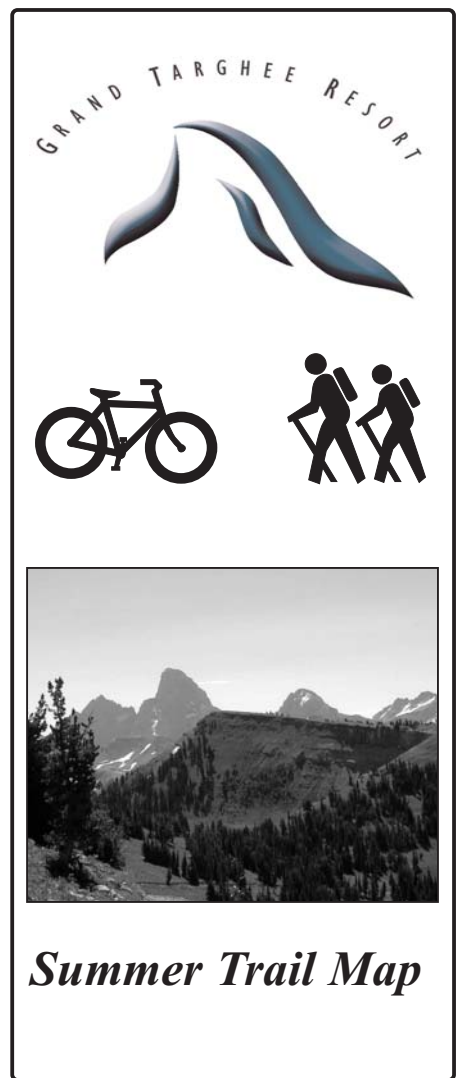
2 Quakie Ridge	6.9 miles	4 hours	moderate +	300 feet
5 Teton Vista up**	2.8 miles	3 hours	difficult —	1900 feet
8 Peaked Peak* **	5.5 miles	4 hours	moderate +	1800 feet

BIKE ROUTES: Bikes must stay on trail

1 Ricks Basin	4.3 miles	1.5 hours	moderate	200 feet
2 Quakie Ridge	6.9 miles	3 hours	moderate +	300 feet
3 Bike Loop	2.5 miles	1 hour	moderate	300 feet
5 Teton Vista down**	2.8 miles	1 hour	difficult	1900 feet
9 Mill Creek Trail**	6 miles	2 hours	moderate +	1400 feet

* Closed to bicycle use / check with Resort Naturalist for more information on hikes.†

** May be closed for construction ~ Please check status at Activities Center



1 - RICKS BASIN (2-4 mile loop; easy to moderate) This route takes you through beautiful wildflower meadows and provides fabulous views of Teton Valley. From the Plaza go uphill to the service road just above Dreamcatcher lift. Follow the road to your left. When you come to the 1st intersection, go right. At the 2nd intersection you can go left below Blackfoot Lift or right (more difficult) above Blackfoot Lift. From either fork a trail weaves its way through meadows of wildflowers. You have options of shorter or longer loops within the Basin and can extend your hike to Quakie Ridge.

2 - QUAKIE RIDGE (2 mile extension; moderate) When the single track in Ricks Basin divides, take the right fork. This trail is one-way clockwise for bicyclists so stay left as you switchback up Quakie Ridge and then wind down the ridge, cross a creek and intersect back with the trail. Go left at this intersection to return to the Ricks Basin trail.

3 - BIKE LOOP (2.5 miles; moderate) This route winds through wildflower fields and offers views of the Base Area. It's uphill to the Shoshone Lift and then heads downhill. Begin on the service road to the right of the base of Dreamcatcher Lift. When the trail splits, stay left. You'll see a service road enter from the left. Take this track left, uphill until you reach the top of Shoshone Lift. Just past the top of the lift, a single track trail will veer to the left and down a ridge. Follow this single track winding downhill until it joins a service road-go left. At the next intersection go left and then follow this until you return to the base area.

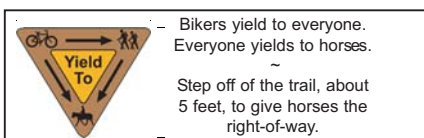
4 - MARY'S SADDLE (2.5 miles; moderate). From the top of the Dreamcatcher lift, follow the Teton Vista Traverse down to the Painted Pony sign. The trail leaves the road to your left 100 yards past sign. Follow the trail to the Saddle. Mary's Saddle offers incredible vistas of the Tetons and Teton Canyon. Return the way you came until reaching the Teton Vista

Traverse whereupon you may return to the base via the Teton Vista Traverse (1.7 miles) or to the top of Dreamcatcher lift (.8 miles).

5 - TETON VISTA TRAVERSE (2.5 miles one way; more difficult) This trail takes you to the drainage between Fred's Mt. and Peaked Mt. and onto the summit of Fred's (10,000 ft). Begin this hike on the service road to the right of the base of Dreamcatcher lift. Stay left at the first intersection. At the second intersection, veer right. Stay on this track following Mill Creek ravine on the right. The summit of Fred's is a steep climb to the north following the service road to the Observation Deck-the rewards are some of the best views of the Grand Teton and the Teton Range. You may ride the lift down or do the hike in reverse starting at the top of the lift. The last chair down is at 4:00 p.m.

6 - VALLEY OVERLOOK (2 mile loop; moderate) Start this trail just behind the horse corrals which are downhill from the resort parking lot. Head right when the trail forks. The track winds through aspen and wildflowers to the top of the ridge and a panoramic view of three states. Continue along the trail to loop back down toward the horse corral. Watch for horses and remember to step off of the trail about 5 feet to give horses the right of way.

7 - NATURE TRAIL (½ mile loop; easy) Begin this easy hike on the west side of Teewinot Lodge. Nature Trail brochures are available at the start of the trail. A wide bark trail leads you into an aspen meadow. The trail narrows as you pass through the meadow and turns to the left at its edge. Follow the ridge overlooking Mill Creek. Turn left at the fork at sign post 10. Trail contours through the woods to return to the eastside of Teewinot Lodge.



8 - PEAKED PEAK (5 miles; more difficult) From the Base Area take the service road to the intersection just above the deck of the Trap Bar. Take the road to the right and follow it climbing gradually toward the Sacajawea lift. At the intersection just after the lift line take the left fork. (The right fork goes down the hill to Lightning Peak and Mill Creek Trail.) Continuing up the mountain the road comes to the top of the lift. Look for the road to continue behind the Ski Patrol cabin. Follow this road up the mountain ending 300 yards before the summit. Pick your way up the mountain to the summit and enjoy breathtaking views of the Tetons. Return the way you came. A shorter route for a view of the Teton Canyon watershed can be gained by taking the road to the right at the switchback half way between the lift line intersection and the top of the lift. Follow rough road and then the trail to spectacular views of the Tetons at the Teton Canyon Overlook.

9 - MILL CREEK (6 miles one way; moderate) Follow directions for Peaked Peak Trail taking the right fork down the hill at the intersection just past the lift line. The road continues to Triangle Flat where the road forks. The right fork goes to Lightning Peak and the left fork continues for another 0.7 miles where the road ends in a large clearing. The Mill Creek trail continues from the clearing for another 3.5 miles following the drainage and then contouring till it drops you onto the Teton Canyon road. You can return by hiking back or arrange for transportation back up to the resort.

10. LIGHTNING PEAK (4.6 miles; moderate) Start at the Base Area following the Peaked Peak trail. Take the right fork that goes down the hill at the intersection near the lift line. Take a right again at the next (Triangle Flat) intersection and climb your way to the summit following a rough track along the ridge. This hike offers fields of wildflowers and great views of the Tetons and the Valley.