

Marys Peak Trail Run 2027

50K & 25K Race Guide – Highest Point in the Oregon Coast Range

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 by Mike Ripley

Welcome to the Marys Peak Trail Run

Established in 2014, the Marys Peak Trail Run has grown into one of Oregon Trail Runs' most distinctive events—bringing together an adventurous and remarkably far-reaching community of runners in the heart of Oregon's Coast Range.

Across our available registration history, the event has welcomed more than 2,200 runner registrations from 42 states, Washington, D.C., and 10 countries beyond the United States. Portland, Corvallis and Eugene remain the heart of our running community, joined by strong participation from Salem, Albany, Bend, Philomath and Springfield. Runners also make the journey from Seattle, Vancouver, California, Alaska, Hawaii, Florida and Maine—and from international cities as distant as Stockholm, Glasgow, Moscow, Chisinau and Brighton, Australia.

The field has also remained notably balanced, averaging approximately 55% men and 44% women, along with runners identifying outside traditional binary categories. Different ages, backgrounds, abilities and distances come together here, united by a desire to explore a challenging and incredibly beautiful part of Oregon.

This event would not be possible without the extraordinary partnership of Starker Forests. This fifth-generation family business has a long history of balancing responsible forest management with recreation, education and community access. Its working forests provide clean water, wildlife habitat, forest products and opportunities for people to hike, run, ride and experience the natural beauty of Western Oregon.

The Marys Peak Trail Run gives participants a rare opportunity to travel through this remarkable landscape on foot. Towering Douglas-fir, deep forest trails, quiet backroads and the climb toward the highest point in the Oregon Coast Range combine to create an experience that is challenging, beautiful and unmistakably Oregon.





New Loop Starting in 2026

In 2026, we established a new course loop designed to bring a much heavier trail presence into the beginning of the event. The redesigned journey home also brings runners through Aid Bravo for a second time, providing another opportunity for hydration, food, encouragement and plenty of ice from our community running partners before tackling the final miles to Blodgett.

That additional support captures what makes Marys Peak special. The course may be demanding, but runners are never taking it on alone. Volunteers, aid-station teams, community partners, landowners and fellow participants come together to create an experience that reaches well beyond the finish line.

Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning to the forests around Marys Peak, thank you for being part of this event. Respect the privilege of access, take care of the trails and enjoy every mile of this beautiful and unforgettable journey.

Join us with your friends and families

Mike Ripley & Andrew Miller
Co-Race Directors, Oregon Trail Runs

Volunteers & Community Partners

Marys Peak Trail Run would not exist without the incredible people who give their time, energy and heart to make race day happen. Thank you. Please consider volunteering to get that needed trail work time in before the event, or for event credit to run any of our events.

Heart of the Valley Runners

Our anchor volunteer running community

<https://www.heartofthevalleyrunners.org>

Based in the Willamette Valley, HOVR brings energy, experience and camaraderie to our aid stations year after year

Mac Dunn Run Group

A vital part of our volunteer family based out of Corvallis, Oregon

<https://www.macdunnrun.com/>

Dedicated crew who show up and make a difference on course

 **Sweep runners are one of the most important and underappreciated roles in trail running. Sweeps run the entire course behind the last runner, ensuring no one is left on trail. This is a demanding and essential job. If you are an experienced trail runner and want to give back, we need you.**

- Must be able to cover the full course distance
- Experience with trail navigation required
- Contact us if you are interested in sweeping

Seeking a Fundraising Partner for 2027 — Aid Delta (Summit)

We are actively looking for a community group, school, club or nonprofit to join us as the fundraising volunteer partner for **Aid Delta** — our summit aid station at the top of Marys Peak, the highest point in the Oregon Coast Range. Your group volunteers at this iconic station and we donate a portion of race proceeds directly to your organization. A great way to raise funds while giving back to the trail running community.

Interested? Reach out to the race directors at Oregon Trail Runs — or sign up directly below:

[Sign Up to Volunteer at Aid Delta](#)

Race Overview

50K

A classic point-to-loop journey through old-growth forest, open meadows, and the windswept summit of Marys Peak — the highest point in the Oregon Coast Range at 4,097 ft. Expect lush Pacific Northwest trails, stunning ridge views, and a course that rewards every step. Where challenging equals beautiful.

31.5 Miles

- **Elevation Gain:** ~6,022 ft
- **Start Time:** 7:00 AM Early Start 6:00 AM
- **Cutoffs Below 5:30pm 10.5 hrs, Early Start 11.5 hrs**
- **Start/Finish:** Blodgett School

25K

The perfect introduction to Marys Peak. Half the distance, all the magic. Wind through towering Douglas fir, cross mossy creek crossings, and climb to breathtaking views of the Willamette Valley and Cascade peaks. Challenging and doable for a great day in the woods.

~14.2 Miles

- **Elevation Gain:** ~2164 ft
- **Start Time:** 9:00 AM
- **Cutoff:** 5:30 pm
- **Start/Finish:** Blodgett School



The Course with Cut-off's and pace

MARYS PEAK

TRAIL RUN 2027

KEY DISTANCES • AID STATIONS • COURSE CUTOFFS



25K • 14.2 MILES

-  Start — Blodgett School Mile 0.0
-  Aid Alpha Mile 4.9
-  Aid Bravo Mile 11.2
-  Finish — Blodgett School Mile 14.2

 Start: 9:00 AM

 Finish cutoff: 5:30 PM

50K • 32.5 MILES

CHECKPOINT	MILE	LEAVE BY
Start — Blodgett	0.0	7:00 AM
Aid Alpha	4.9	9:30 AM
Aid Bravo (first)	11.2	11:15 AM
Aid Charlie (first)	14.7	12:30 PM
Aid Delta / Marys Peak	18.4	2:00 PM
Aid Charlie (second)	25.2	3:45 PM
Aid Bravo (second)	29.6	4:45 PM
Finish	32.5	5:30 PM

 Standard start: 7:00 AM

 Early start: 6:00 AM

 Finish cutoff: 5:30 PM

Cutoffs are deadlines for leaving each aid station.



50K PACE GUIDE

32.5 MILES • 6,012 FT OF CLIMBING

 **SUB-5-HOUR REWARD**
Finish under 5 hours and receive 50% off next year's race—for yourself or a friend.

	ELITE RUNNER <i>Race for the front</i>	 Finish: 5:00–6:15  Elapsed pace: 9:14–11:32 / MILE
	TOP 25% <i>Strong and steady</i>	 Finish: 6:15–7:30  Elapsed pace: 11:32–13:51 / MILE
	MID-PACK <i>All-day rhythm</i>	 Finish: 7:30–9:15  Elapsed pace: 13:51–17:05 / MILE
	FUN CREW • BACK OF THE PACK <i>Finish-line focused</i>	 Finish: 9:15–10:30  Elapsed pace: 17:05–19:23 / MILE

EARLY START OPTION: UP TO 11:30 • 21:14 / MILE

STANDARD START 7:00 AM • EARLY START 6:00 AM • FINISH CUTOFF 5:30 PM

Elapsed pace includes aid-station stops.



Aid Stations (50K) Water, Hammer Heed, Cookies, Gels ETC

Aid Station	Total Miles	Next (mi)	Gain / Loss	Cutoff	Drop Bag	Crew	Toilet
Aid Alpha (Skyline Drive)	4.9	6.3	+1,045 ft / -300 ft	—	no	no	no
Aid Bravo (Albertson) – First Pass	11.2	3.5	+874 ft / -1,478 ft	11:15 AM	yes	no	no
Aid Charlie (Woods Creek) – First Pass	14.7	3.7	+957 ft / -43 ft	12:30 PM	yes	yes	yes
Aid Delta (Summit)	18.4	6.8	+1,100 ft / -200 ft	2:00 PM	no	yes	yes
Aid Charlie (Woods Creek) – Second Pass	25.2	4.4	+320 ft / -1,800 ft	3:45 PM	yes	yes	yes
Aid Bravo (Albertson) – Second Pass	29.6	2.8	+480 ft / -480 ft	4:45 PM	yes	no	no
Finish (Blodgett School)	32.4	—	+320 ft / -712 ft	5:30 PM	yes	yes	yes

Total: 32.5 miles | 6,022 ft elevation gain | 93% unpaved. 25K runners finish at Blodgett School (Mile 14.2) — finish cutoff: 5:30 PM.



Fueled by Hammer Nutrition

Marys Peak Trail Run is proud to partner with Hammer Nutrition — trusted by endurance athletes for over 35 years.

What's Available at Aid Stations

-  Hammer Gels — available at select aid stations
-  Endurolytes — electrolyte capsules available at select aid stations

 **Please Note:** Hammer Nutrition products at aid stations are available in limited quantities. We cannot guarantee supply at every station. Plan ahead — carry your own gels and electrolytes as backup, especially for the longer segments between Aid Charlie and Aid Delta.

[Shop Hammer Nutrition — Use Mike's Link](#)

 **Pro Tip:** Endurolytes are especially important on the climb to Aid Delta (Summit) — temperatures drop significantly and cramping is common. Don't rely solely on aid station supply.

Parking

Please follow all parking instructions carefully. Ignoring parking rules impacts our neighbors and puts the future of this event at risk.

Where to Park

- Park ONLY in designated areas as marked on race day
- Blodgett School (Start/Finish) — primary parking
- Blodgett Church — available in approximately 90% of race years (confirmed closer to race day)



Critical: NO PARKING Zones

-  **NO PARKING on Tum Tum Road — at any time**
-  **NO PARKING below any resident driveways on Old Blodgett Road east of the Church**

No Parking means NO PARKING. Please respect our neighbors — this community makes our race possible.

When in doubt, do not park. Walk a little further. Our neighbors' goodwill is what allows us to host this event year after year.

Packet Pickup

[Register now at UltraSignup](#)

Packet Pickup Times

- **Friday:** Blodgett School Gym | 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM (Recommended)
- **Saturday (Day of):** Blodgett School Gym | 5:00 AM – 30 minutes prior to your start

What's Available in the Gym

- ☕ Coffee & Tea
- 🍌 Light Snacks
- Drop bag check-in
- Gear check & bib pickup

What's Included with Registration



Race bib & timing chip



Finisher medal



Post-race food & beverages



Marys Peak Trail Run swag



Aid station support throughout the course



Fully marked course

Awards

Awards ceremonies will be held at Blodgett School following each race finish.

50K Awards

- **Awards Ceremony:** Approximately 2:30 PM (following the lead finishers)
- Top 3 Overall Male & Female
- Top 3 Medals in Age Groups: 19–29, 30–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–69, 70+
- All finishers receive a Custom MPTR finisher Award

25K Awards

- **Awards Ceremony:** Approximately 1:00 PM
- Top 3 Overall Male & Female
- Top 3 Medals in Age Groups: 19–29, 30–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–69, 70+
- All finishers receive a finisher award

 You must be present to receive your award. Awards not claimed on race day will only be mailed by request with shipping paid by participant. Thank you!

Drop Bags & Crew Instructions

Drop Bags

- Drop off all drop bags at Blodgett School Gym on Friday between 5–7pm or Saturday between 4–4:45am
- Please limit drop bag size to a small backpack

Crew Instructions

- Start to Woods Creek Aid Station (Do NOT drive up Tumtum Road to access Woods Creek AS. Runners will be on Woods Creek Road for ~1.5 miles before the aid station.)
- Start to Summit Aid Station
- Woods Creek to Summit (NOT RECOMMENDED — very difficult to see your runner at both stations)
- Please do not access Skyline Drive or Albertson Aid Stations — both are on private land





Pacers

Pacers are welcome at Marys Peak Trail Run! Here's everything you need to know.

50K Pacers

- Pacers are allowed from Woods Creek Aid Station (Mile 24.7) to the Finish
- One pacer per runner at a time
- Pacers may NOT carry gear for their runner (mules are not permitted)
- Pacers must check in at the aid station before joining their runner
- Pacers do not need to be registered — just show up!
- Pacers must sign a waiver before joining their runner at main venue
- A \$10 pacer fee is required — 100% donated to Blodgett School

25K Pacers

Pacers are not permitted for the 25K due to the shorter distance

✔️ ❤️ **Your \$10 pacer fee goes directly to Blodgett School.** Thank you for giving back to the community that hosts us!

📋 Important Rules

- Pacers must stay on course at all times
- Pacers who interfere with other runners may result in disqualification of their runner
- No bicycles or animals as pacers

Andrew Miller Coaching

Marys Peak Trail Run is proud to be associated with Andrew Miller Coaching — elite trail and ultramarathon coaching for runners of all levels.

Andrew Miller is the Co-Race Director of Marys Peak Trail Run and an experienced trail running coach. Whether you are training for your first 25K or chasing a podium finish at a major ultra, Andrew Miller Coaching offers personalized training plans, one-on-one coaching, and expert guidance to help you reach your goals on the trails.

Services include:

- Personalized training plans for trail & ultramarathon running
- One-on-one coaching and athlete support
- Race strategy and pacing guidance
- Strength and injury prevention programming

Ready to take your trail running to the next level?

[Visit AndrewMillerCoaching.com](https://www.AndrewMillerCoaching.com)



Gear & Weather

Gear Lite weight jacket is a must in most years

No mandatory gear

Poles are allowed

Civil Daylight Hours: 5am to 9:30pm

Longest distance between aid stations: 6.8 miles

Weather (June Historic Averages)

Marys Peak Summit

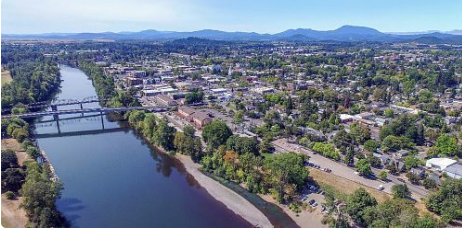
High 61°F / Low 35°F

Blodgett

High 73°F / Low 47°F

 Tip: Dress in layers — summit conditions can be significantly cooler than the valley start. We mean it!

Lodging



This is OSU graduation weekend — please book your hotel rooms early!

Hotels

Best Western Corvallis

Courtyard by Marriott - Corvallis

Holiday Inn Express on the River - Corvallis

Camping

- Blodgett School – Camping available at the start/finish. No alcohol on school grounds. Camping allowed after 1pm Friday.
- Fir Ridge Campground – 8 minutes away
- [Benton County Fairgrounds](#)
- [Hipcamp](#)
- [Siuslaw National Forest Campgrounds](#)



Post-Race Hack: Oregon Coast Sunset



One of the best-kept secrets of Marys Peak Trail Run: after your race, hop in the car for a 30-minute drive to the Oregon Coast. If you ran the 50K, you've already summited the highest point in the Coast Range — now watch the Pacific Ocean break on the shore as the sun sets over the water. The perfect way to unwind after a big effort.

Pre-book a coastal stay to make the most of it — and remember, this is OSU Graduation weekend, so book early!

☐ **Insider Tip:** Summit the highest peak in the Coast Range in the morning. Watch the Pacific at sunset. That's a pretty perfect day.

Travel Guide — Getting to Blodgett, Oregon

Flying in from out of state? Here's everything you need to know to get to race weekend smoothly. Blodgett is located in the heart of the Oregon Coast Range, just west of Corvallis.

  **OSU Graduation Weekend Alert:** Race weekend falls on Oregon State University's graduation weekend. Corvallis hotels fill up FAST. Book your accommodations the moment you register — do not wait.

Airports

Portland International Airport (PDX) — BEST FOR MOST RUNNERS

- ~96 miles north of Corvallis (~1 hr 45 min drive)
- All major airlines including international flights
- Rental cars, Uber/Lyft available on site
- Shuttle: Groome Transportation to Corvallis (book in advance)
- Best option for flights from the East Coast, Midwest, and international

Eugene Airport (EUG) — CLOSEST OPTION

- ~35 miles south of Corvallis (~45 min drive)
- Airlines: Alaska, Allegiant, American, Delta, United
- Rental cars and rideshare available
- Best for flights from Seattle, San Francisco, Denver, Salt Lake City

Getting to Blodgett

- From Corvallis: ~20 minutes west on Highway 20 toward the coast
- GPS: Blodgett School, Blodgett, OR 97326
-  Do NOT use Tum Tum Road — follow race day signage only

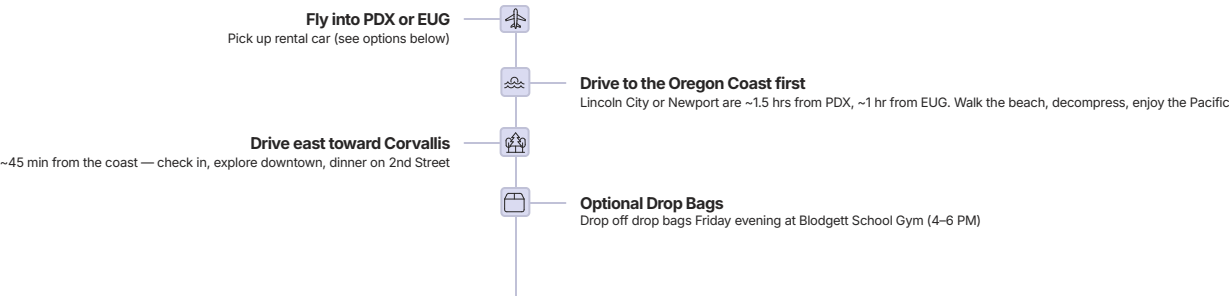
  **Post-Race Bonus:** After the race, the Oregon Coast is just 30 minutes further west. Pre-book a coastal stay and make it a full weekend adventure!



Race Weekend Itinerary — Out-of-State Runner's Guide

Arriving Thursday is the smartest move. Here's how to make the most of your race weekend in Oregon.

Thursday (Recommended Arrival)



Friday

 Easy Morning Light shakeout run or walk, good breakfast	 Packet Pickup Blodgett School Gym 4:00–6:00 PM (highly recommended over Saturday morning)
 Carb-Load Dinner Downtown Corvallis has great options	 Early to Bed 50K: Early Start 6:00 AM Standard Start 7:00 AM 25K: Start 9:00 AM

Saturday — Race Day!

 Wake Up Early Blodgett is ~20 min west of Corvallis on Hwy 20	 Race! 50K: Early Start 6:00 AM Standard 7:00 AM 25K: Start 9:00 AM
 Finish & Celebrate Awards at Blodgett School	 Post-Race Sunset Drive 30 min to the Oregon Coast for sunset — you've earned it

The Oregon Coast — Just 30 Minutes Away

One of the best-kept secrets of Marys Peak Trail Run: you've just summited the highest point in the Oregon Coast Range. The Pacific Ocean is 30 minutes west. Make a weekend of it.

Oregon Coast Section

Lincoln City

- ~45 min from Blodgett | ~1 hr from Corvallis
- Miles of sandy beach, great restaurants, outlet shopping
- Book via VRBO, Airbnb, or local hotels
- Perfect Thursday arrival stop before heading to Corvallis

Newport

- ~1 hr from Blodgett
- Oregon Coast Aquarium, Rogue Ales brewery, Nye Beach
- Charming coastal town with great post-race food
- Book via VRBO, Airbnb, or local hotels

✓ 🏆 Finish your race. Drive 30 minutes west. Watch the Pacific sunset. That's a pretty perfect Saturday.

If Corvallis is Full — Overflow Lodging Section

Oregon Coast (BEST OPTION)

- Lincoln City or Newport — see above
- Beautiful post-race sunset guaranteed

Salem, Oregon

- ~45 min north of Corvallis on I-5
- Full hotel selection at lower prices
- Easy race morning drive to Blodgett

Albany, Oregon

- ~15 min north of Corvallis on I-5
- Closest overflow option
- Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express available

📅 🚗 Book your rental car early — PDX and EUG both have all major companies (Enterprise, Hertz, Avis, National, Budget). Graduation weekend means high demand region-wide.

✓ 🏆 Thursday arrival → Oregon Coast → Corvallis → Friday packet pickup → Saturday race → Saturday Oregon Coast sunset. The perfect Marys Peak Trail Run weekend.



What's Next? Bend Dirt Fest 🤘

2nd Saturday in July — July 10, 2027 | Bend, Oregon

Loved Marys Peak? Keep the momentum going! Join us in Bend for our epic multi-sport summer festival — trail running, mountain biking, and gravel cycling all in one incredible day.

🏃 Trail Running — Half Marathon

- Start: 8:00 AM
- Start/Finish: Athletic Club of Bend

🚴 Mountain Biking — 39 Miles

- Start: 8:15 AM (mass start)
- Oregon XC Series Finals for select categories

🚴 Gravel Cycling — 39 or 49 Miles

- Start: 8:15 AM (mass start)
- Oregon Triple Crown Series Finals

📍 Compete solo or as a Team of 3 — one athlete per discipline on the longest course. Team awards included!

Live music + post-race celebration with 10 Barrel Brewing 🍺

Packet Pickup: Friday at Pine Mountain Sports, Bend

[Register at benddirtfest.com](https://benddirtfest.com)

[All Oregon Trail Runs Events](#)

