

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

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Barren Peak # 299 2.6 Miles

Recommended Season Summer Fall

ACCESS: From Libby, head south on Highway 2 for 25 miles to the West Fisher Road (about mile marker 57). Take the West Fisher Road # 231 for about 3.5 miles and the trailhead is on the left. Single vehicle parking off the West Fisher Road.

FACILITIES: None.

SETTING: Closed forest setting until it hits the divide. Barren Peak is about a mile east on the Divide Trail #6S.

OPPORTUNITIES: Hiking, viewing scenery, and hunting.

ATTRACTIONS & CONSIDERATIONS:

The Barren Peak Trail provides access to the Divide Trail # 6. Once you get to the divide there are scenic views of the West Fisher River, Silver Butte Fisher River, Porcupine Creek drainage, and Jumbo Peak. Barren Peak is about a mile up the Divide Trail to the east. The historic Barren Peak lookout has collapsed, but the remnants remain on site.

Trail #299 is a popular hunting trail due to its connection with the Divide Trail #6S. Once you get to the Divide Trail; there are several loop trail options. Common loops include hiking up the #299 Trail and heading east down the Divide Trail #6S trail about 5 ½ miles to the 1 mile on the West Fisher Road or heading west down the Divide Trail for 2 miles to the junction with the 2314 road system and hiking down this road system for about 5 miles back to the West Fisher Road. The 2314 and West Fisher junction is just past the 5 mile marker.

TRAIL INFORMATION: This is a steep, periodically maintained trail that provides access to Trail # 6 and Barren Peak. The trail is in poor condition for stock and not recommended due to trail condition and steepness.

ELEVATION: Beginning at 3068 feet at the West Fisher Road and ending at 5100 where it accesses the West Fisher/Silver Butte Ridge. Barren Peak is at 5365 feet.

USE: Moderate

DIFFCULTY: Difficult

MAINTENANCE: Periodically maintained by the Forest Service and Cabinet Back

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MAPS: Forest Map, District Travel Map CLOSURES: All motorized use



Barren Peak Lookout in 2016 before it Collapsed

Barren Peak Trail #299, Divide Trail 6, Silver Dollar Trail #114

