 **Goat Island Mountain 7301**

**Scramble Area:** Mt. Rainier

**USGS Quadrangle(s):** Mt. Rainier East, White River Park & Sunrise

**Via Trailhead:** Summerland TH



**Driving Instructions:** Drive Hwy 410 east from Enumclaw turning at the White River/Sunrise entrance to Mt. Rainier National Park. Continue to the Summerland Trailhead. (elevation 3810')

**One Way Driving Time:** 1 hr 45 min **Miles**: 75 **From**: Burien P&R via Maple Valley Hwy



**Standard Route:** Hike the trail toward Summerland and after crossing bridge over Fryingpan Creek, leave trail (probably snow covered) just before the switchbacks. Follow the right most creek, crossing as far up as possible and head for the saddle north of Point 6491'. Then follow ridge to the summit.

For loop trip, return heading from the summit on a bearing of about 110 and follow easiest contour. (10 miles RT)

**Note**: There are many ways to approach the peak, the above is the easiest and the longest.



**Round Trip # of Days:** 1 **Miles**: 13 **Elevation Gain:** 3500'

**Trip Type(s):** S/R **Rating**: 3-3

**Route Difficulties/Hazards:** Crossing the creek on snow bridges can be dangerous.

**Alternate Route #1:** Hike the Summerland trail and near the bridge crossing (don't cross) before the switchbacks going up to Summerland, leave the trail and head up the gully that is a scramble to the ridge, then follow ridge to summit. (11 miles RT, SR-2)

For loop trip, return heading from the summit on a bearing of about 110\_ and follow easiest contour. (8 miles RT, SR-2)

**Alternate Route #2:**



**Leader Comments:** Recommend doing when snow is present.

**References:**

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**Goat Island Mountain**  7288'

# Alternate

**Scramble Area:** Mt. Rainier NP

**USGS Quadrangle(s):** Mt Rainier East/ Sunrise

**Via Trailhead:** Summerland TH



**Driving Instructions:** Drive Hwy 410 to White River Entrance MRNP. Cross Fryingpan Creek. Park on West side of Creek at TH.

**One-way Driving Time:** 2 hrs **Miles:** 100+ **From:** Seatac



**Standard Route:** Follow Summerland trail to footbridge (marked on USGS map); cross bridge and continue to ~5400' where the trail begins to switchback. Continue W through brush and timber along the S bank of Frying Pan Creek for about 200 yds in order to bypass some slide alder. Then ford Fryingpan Creek. Tend westerly (about 275°)to 5800" and follow shallow gully (snow or gravely when dry) to saddle between pt. 6491' and pt 6714'. Be prepared to cross as many as three additional streams when crossing boulder field. Plunge into brush and follow ridgeline to summits 7218', 7186', and 7288'. Easy walk-up, but stay off cornices facing the North. Also tread lightly on fragile tundra plants. Return the same way.



**Round Trip # of Days:** 1 **Miles:** 12 **Elevation Gain:** 3500'

**Trip Type(s):** S **Rating:** 3-3

**Route Difficulties/ Hazards:** Hazardous to small tundra plants, tread lightly, please.



**Alternate Route #1:** Alternate is to not cross the bridge, but continue on right side of creek. This prevents having to ford the creek later.

**Alternate Route #2:**

**Leader Comments:** Summerland is heavily used in peak months. This trip should be done in early season when snow covers the vegetation.

**References:**

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