WASHINGTON
OREGON
IDAHO
MONTANA
WYOMING
SOUTH DAKOTA
NEBRASKA
IOWA
MISSOURI
KANSAS
COLORADO
UTAH
NEVADA
PACIFIC OCEAN
COAST RANGES
CASCADE RANGE
BLUE MOUNTAINS
SALMON RIVER MOUNTAINS
BITTERROOT RANGE
WIND RIVER RANGE
BIGHORN MOUNTAINS
LARAMIE MOUNTAINS
MEDICINE BOW MOUNTAINS
GRANITE MOUNTAINS
GREAT DIVIDE BASIN
BLACK HILLS
SAND HILLS
GREAT PLAINS
OREGON CITY: The Oregon Trail ended here. Fort Vancouver, a Hudson's Bay Company trading post, is across the Columbia in Washington.
THE DALLES: Before the Barlow Road opened in 1846, emigrants had to build rafts and float down the treacherous Columbia.
WHITMAN MISSION: In 1836 Marcus and Narcissa Whitman, who helped blaze the Oregon Trail route, set up a mission here to Christianize the Indians.
BLUE MOUNTAINS: The abundant wood, water, and shade afforded by these mountains were a welcome change from the desert terrain along the Snake River.
BARLOW PASS: Tired and weary emigrants who chose not to go down the Columbia faced a steep climb to the pass before descending into the Willamette Valley.
FLAGSTAFF HILL: Travelers first saw the Blue Mountains from here—an indication that their trip was nearing its end.
THREE ISLAND CROSSING: At low water this was the best crossing to the north side of the Snake River—and to better travel conditions that also offered ample drinking water.
SOUTH PASS: Here emigrants crossed the Continental Divide into Oregon Country. The pass is so broad and level that many did not realize they had entered the Pacific watershed.
FORT BRIDGER: The fort was a major supply point on the trail. Here the Mormon Trail veered off to the southwest and into Utah.
REGISTER CLIFF: Of the thousands of names carved by emigrants into the soft sandstone, hundreds are still legible. Trail ruts, some as deep as five feet, are three miles west.
INDEPENDENCE ROCK: Fur trappers named this formation on July 4, 1824. Many emigrants carved or painted their names on the rock.
FORT LARAMIE: Between the early 1830s and the late 1840s this outpost went from an Indian trading post to a major resupply point for emigrants and a major military post. Old Bedlam, on the fort grounds, is the oldest structure in Wyoming.
SCOTTS BLUFF: When emigrants reached this prominent landmark, they knew that a third of their trip was finished.
ASH HOLLOW: This was the entry to the North Platte River Valley. Ample supplies of wood, water, and grass made this a sought-after camping area.
FORT KEARNEY: The U.S. Army built the fort in 1848 to protect emigrants. All trails from jumping off points along the Missouri River met here at the Gateway to the Great Plains.
INDEPENDENCE: This was the preferred jumping off point for the Oregon and Santa Fe trails in the 1840s and early 1850s.
Lewis and Clark National Historical Park
Astoria
Longview
Fort Vancouver NHS
VANCOUVER
PORTLAND
Oregon City
End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
Philip Foster Farm
Sandy
Wildwood Recreation Area
Mt Hood 11235ft 3424m
West Barlow Tollgate
Laurel Hill
Government Camp
Barlow Pass
Barlow Gate
Barlow Road Segment
Tygh Valley
Cascades of the Columbia
The Dalles
Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
Dufur
Deschutes River Crossing
Biggs Junction Ruts
Arlington
John Day River Crossing
Fourmile Canyon
Well Spring
Boardman Segment
Echo
Echo Meadows
Pendleton
UMATILLA INDIAN RESERVATION
Tamástslikt Cultural Institute
Emigrant Springs
Emigrant Hill Segment
Deadman Pass
Meacham
Blue Mountain Crossing Interpretive Park
Blue Mountains Segment
La Grande
Hilgard Junction
Ladd Canyon Segment
Kennewick
Whitman Mission NHS
Walla Walla
Nez Perce National Historical Park
National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
Flagstaff Hill
Baker City
Farewell Bend
Alkalai Springs Segment
Vale
Nyssa
Keeney Pass
Fort Boise
Canyon Hill Ruts
Ward Massacre Site
BOISE
Nampa
WARM SPRINGS INDIAN RESERVATION
Madras
Bend
SALEM
CORVALLIS
EUGENE
Coos Bay
Roseburg
Crater Lake National Park
John Day Fossil Beds NM
Givens Hot Springs
Sinker Creek Segment
Utter Massacre Site
Castle Butte
C.J. Strike Ruts
Bruneau Dunes
Bonneville Point
Indian Creek Station
Ditto Station
Inscription Rock
Canyon Creek Station
Rattlesnake Station
Teapot Dome
Teapot Dome Hot Springs
North Trail Segment
Three Island Crossing
Glenns Ferry
Hagerman Fossil Beds NM
Hagerman Fossil Beds Segment
Kanaka Rapids
Upper Salmon Falls
Thousand Springs
Shoshone Falls
Rock Creek Crossing
Twin Falls
Stricker Store/ Rock Creek Station
Caldron Linn
Milner Ruts
Burley
Minidoka Internment NHS
City of Rocks National Reserve
Big Hole National Battlefield
Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve
Big Southern Butte
Blackfoot
FORT HALL INDIAN RESERVATION
Fort Hall
POCATELLO
American Falls
Massacre Rocks
Register Rock
Coldwater Hill
California Trail Junction/ Raft River Crossing
IDAHO FALLS
Rexburg
Soda Springs
Soda Springs Complex
Sheep Rock
Montpelier
The National Oregon/ California Trail Center
Thomas Fork Crossing
Big Hill
Cokeville
Bear Lake
West End of the Bear River Divide Segment
Logan
Brigham City
Golden Spike NHS
GREAT SALT LAKE
Yellowstone National Park
John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway
Grand Teton National Park
Jackson
Afton
Marbleton
Pinedale
Gannett Peak 13804ft 4207m
Wind River Peak 13192ft 4021m
Fossil Butte NM
Kemmerer
Fort Bridger
Name Rock
Church Butte
Lombard Ferry Crossing
Big Sandy to Green River Segment
Farson
Big Sandy Crossing
Little Sandy Crossing
Parting of the Ways
Dry Sandy Crossing
Pacific Springs
South Pass
South Pass Segment
Burnt Ranch
Rocky Ridge
Rock Springs
Bighorn Canyon NRA
Cody
Worland
Riverton
Lander
Three Crossings
Ice Slough
Split Rock
Devil's Gate
Muddy Gap
Saleratus Lake
Independence Rock
Prospect Hill Segment
Prospect Hill
Willow Springs
Avenue of Rocks
Emigrant Gap
National Historic Trails Interpretive Center
Mormon Ferry (1849)
CASPER
Fort Casper
Ayres Natural Bridge
Hembree Grave
Douglas
Rawlins
Laramie
Laramie Peak
CHEYENNE
FORT COLLINS
GREELEY
Rocky Mountain National Park
Gillette
Buffalo
Jewel Cave NM
Mount Rushmore N Mem
Wind Cave National Park
Badlands National Park
Hot Springs
Lusk
Glendo Reservoir
Fort Laramie to Warm Springs Segment
Register Cliff
Mexican Hill
Guernsey
Warm Springs
Guernsey Ruts
Fort Laramie NHS
Wheatland
Torrington
Henry
Horse Creek Treaty Grounds
Robidoux Pass
Scotts Bluff NM (Mitchell Pass)
Scottsbluff
Gering
Chimney Rock NHS
Bayard
Courthouse/ Jail Rock
Amanda Lamin Grave
Agate Fossil Beds NM
Harrison
Chadron
Alliance
Kimball
Sidney
Julesburg
Sterling
Oshkosh
Ash Hollow Windlass Hill
California Hill
Brule
Ogallala
Lake McConaughy
Upper Crossing of the South Platte River
O'Fallon's Bluff
North Platte
Fort McPherson
Dan Smith's West Ranch
Plum Creek
Lexington
Kearney
Fort Kearny
Lowell
Susan Hail Grave and Ruts
Thirty-two Mile Station
Ayr Ruts
Hastings
Grand Island
The Narrows
Holdrege
McCook
Harlan County Lake
Valentine
Niobrara National Scenic River
Missouri National Scenic River
Norfolk
Columbus
Fremont
Blair
OMAHA
COUNCIL BLUFFS
LINCOLN
York
Homestead NM of America
Beatrice
Fairbury
Rock Creek Station
Junction of St. Joe and Independence Roads
Hollenberg Station
Marysville
Alcove Spring
Black Vermillion Crossing
Coon Creek/Marshall Grave
Scott Spring
Vieux Cemetery/ Red Vermillion Crossing
St. Marys Mission
St. Marys-Red Vermillion Crossing Segment
Manhattan
Junction City
TOPEKA
Kansas River Crossing/ Pappin's Ferry
Pellant Ruts
Upper Wakarusa Crossing
Blue Mound
LAWRENCE
Parting of the Oregon and Santa Fe trails
Lone Elm Campground
Hiawatha
ST. JOSEPH
Atchison
Leavenworth
KANSAS CITY
INDEPENDENCE
Upper Independence Landing
See map above
Ottawa
Emporia
SALINA
Hays
Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve
Fort Scott NHS
Kansas City/Independence area
Upper Independence Landing
Independence Courthouse Square
National Frontier Trails Center
Santa Fe Trail Park Ruts
Eighty-fifth Street Ruts
Heart Grove Campground
Minor Park/Red Bridge Crossing
New Santa Fe
0 10 Km.
0 10 Mi.
North
0 50 Kilometers
0 50 Miles
Oregon Trail route
Segments of the trail offering the best visitor experiences
Trail interpretive center