

LEAVITT LAKE AREA



Hiking Distance: About 2.0 miles around the lake
Difficulty: Easy
Start Elevation: About 9500 feet
Elevation Change: Less than 100 feet
Location: Stanislaus National Forest
Map: USGS

Area's Blooming Season	March		April		May		June		July		August		September			
	Early		E		Mid		M		Late		L		Very Late		V	

Description:

This alpine lake is at an elevation of 9500 feet so care must be taken if you are not used to exercise at this altitude. Be sure to use an appropriate sunscreen as the UV exposure is much more intense at this elevation. The trail is around the perimeter of the lake and can be begun from either direction from the parking area. Be sure to take a few detours from the path especially when you cross a water source draining into the lake. Follow these sources uphill and discover some plants that you wouldn't see from the trail. Depending on weather conditions and snowfall amounts in some years this area is not open until early July.

Trailhead Directions:

From SR 108 about 2 miles after the Sonora Pass summit you take the signed turnoff for Leavitt Lake on the south side of the road. The road can be very rough and is only recommended for high clearance vehicles. Depending on the time of year, four wheel drive may be necessary to reach the lake trail area as there are two stream crossings. There is plenty of parking at the lake and the trail around the lake is a worn path that begins at the rockied parking area.



