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7/13 WHITE CHUCK BENCH TRAIL

We should start the season with a fairly easy warm up hike so the White Chuck Bench trail will be perfect. This beautiful little river is a tributary of the Sauk which eventually flows into the Skagit River and Puget Sound. We will hike the length of this section of the river from the top down with the sound of the river in the background the entire way. The trail is mostly on an old river delta bench as the name implies with frequent views into the current deeper river valley a hundred feet or so below. There are also several vistas of Bald Eagle peak and Monte Cristo summit. From this angle Monte Cristo looks like the Matterhorn in Zermatt Switzerland especially with some spring snow still on the summit. It is rare to get an up close view of this summit and this valley trail has one of the best available. This hike is little known and even less traveled. Even the WTA, world open street/trail maps, and other hiking sites think the trail ends a few miles up from the confluence with the Sauk. The trail actually continues all the way up to the Rat Trap Pass road which we skied a few years ago in one of our special early season trips. We will do a drop off at the upper end so that people can hike the entire length of the trail which is about eight miles in length and loses less than a thousand feet. However if this sounds like too much mileage for an early season hike you can always hike up and back from the lower trail-head. This lower section is where the better views of Monte Cristo are. Provided: transit, maps. Date 7/13 Cost \$47



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