

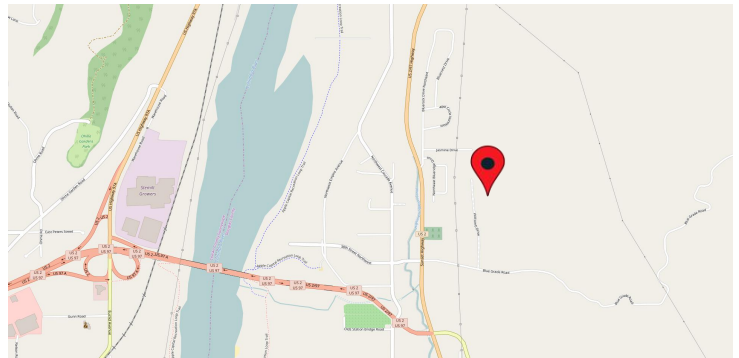
Ohme Gardens

Wenatchee



Description

The 40 acres of land that are now the Ohme Gardens were bought by Herman Ohme in 1929 with the purpose of being an orchard. But after realizing that the hilly landscape couldn't be used for apple orcharding, he and his wife decided to use the land to create their own residence on it. The eyes of the public soon lay on the beautiful area around their home. After noticing this, Ohme began to charge admission for a walk in the park. These grew to be the gardens we know now, which are public property.



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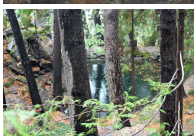
Coordinates: 47.4780° N , 120.3264° W

Distance to Wenatchee: 4.7 miles/7.6 km

Elevation: 640 feet/200 meters

Opening hours: Spring 9AM-6AM, Summer 9AM-7AM ; 15th April-15th October

Admission: Adults \$8; 6-17 y/o \$4; kids 5 and under free



Our Experience

The rain was like a cold shower. We waited at the entrance to the Ohme Gardens to finally be let in. They each gave us a map of the park. On the map it looked huge, but in reality it was much smaller. As we continued into the gardens. We were impressed at the sight of the colored trees and the pure nature. We could only imagine how beautiful it would look in the summer. The whole GAPP group unanimously decided to go to the "Hidden Pool". After that we unexpectedly found a wooden hut. One of us made it her quest to find "the Diamond", a spot marked on the map. She went along with three other GAPPsters. Wandering through the woods we felt at peace and let our mind roam freely. As we stood in front of the exit, emotionally not ready to leave and not come back for a long while, we fantasized about what it would be like to marry in the Ohme Gardens, wearing a red dress and standing in the blinding white, sparkling snow. The picture we painted in our minds was heavenly and magical and we were ready to part with the greens.

Bottom Line

We were there for 1 1/2 hours and visited various spots in the gardens, e.g. the "Waterfall" and the "Wishing Well". Ohme Gardens is for kids from 11, as children may get bored with walking through a park in the beautiful silence, but for us it was awesome, because we were there with friends and had a terrific experience (even though it was chilly).