## FIND A TRAIL

## \* POO POO POINT TRAIL

WHY IT'S GREAT: Most hikers will probably travel up the northern side of Tiger Mountain because it's not as challenging, but once you make it to Poo Poo Point and gape at its breathtaking views of the Issaquah Alps, you'll be glad you took the road less traveled. And about that name, don't worry about bringing any toilet paper—it's just a reference to an old logging term.

ROUTE: After a steep initial incline, the trail is a relatively straight shot to the lookout point, but the various offshoot trails you'll come upon make it imperative that you pay attention; in fact, you'd do well to bring a detailed map. When you run into a set of power lines, take a left at the unsigned T-junction; take the next right at another unsigned junction, and you'll find yourself directly under the power lines at the top of the hill. Follow signs for the dirt singletrack Adventure Trail, then turn left at the next T-junction you come to. Trek under the power lines to

the signed fork for the Poo Poo Point Trail; you'll be able to enjoy the scenery without worrying about any more forks for the next couple miles. Take a hard right at the next junction and end at the gravel parking lot—and those magnificent views you climbed all that way to find.

GETTING THERE: From Seattle, take Interstate 90 east to Exit 17 in Issaquah. Turn right on Front Street and then left on Sunset Way. Park in the gravel parking lot on the right side of Sunset Way, just before it turns north, back to Interstate 90.

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TIME: 4-6 HOURS
DISTANCE: 7 MILES
ACTIVITY: HIKING

