

Redmond Fun Facts



Salmonberg, WA

Redmond was first known as “**Salmonberg**” for the abundant fish flowing through local rivers.

The Red Carpet in Redmond

The City of Redmond can be seen in “*Bustin’ Loose*” (1981), “*From Dusk Till Dawn*” (1996), “*The King of Kong: A Fistful of Quarters*” (2007), and “*Northern Exposure*” (1990, TV).



Logging, Chickens, and Steamboats

Before Redmond became the center for software and technology innovations, we were known for **logging and farming**. The land currently occupied

by Microsoft was mostly made up of expansive **chicken farms**. Steamboats offered the only practical mode of transportation as our rivers wound through a thick forest of trees.

Committed to Green Space

Despite rapid growth, Redmond has intentionally preserved thousands of acres of parks and open space. Nearly one-third of the City is dedicated to parks, trails, and natural areas—an unusually high percentage for a tech-centered city.

Land of the Sammamish People

For more than **12,000 years**, Sammamish people lived along the river and lake shores. The river’s name comes from the Lushootseed word meaning “**people of the lake**,” reflecting the area’s deep Indigenous heritage.

Ride the Rails in Redmond

In 1889, railway arrived in Redmond in a historic corridor now used as the Sammamish River Trail. In 2024, **light rail opened in Redmond**, and today this convenient train connects travelers to Bellevue, Seattle, SEA Airport, and beyond.



Famous Resident of Redmond

Musician, actress, writer, director, and comedian **Carrie Brownstein**, of rock trio *Sleater-Kinney*, and the comedy TV series *Portlandia*, grew up in Redmond.

Focus on the Arts

Redmond features many **public artworks**, from sculptures hidden amongst natural environments to imagery integrated into buildings. In some cases, the art is a stage, where literary readings, theater, dance, and music can be performed.



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There Is So Much to Connect With in Redmond, WA

Redmond is the most passionate place in the Pacific Northwest. Our diverse and eclectic culture is chock-full of events, attractions, restaurants, parks, trails, and more. Home to *Microsoft* and *Nintendo of America*, Redmond is world-renowned as the region's hub for technological innovations. However, we are truly passionate about our connection to the City's lush natural surroundings and myriad opportunities for shopping, dining, and lodging. We invite you to explore Redmond and to discover ways to connect.



Connect with us at [ExperienceRedmond.com](https://www.experienceredmond.com)



YOGA MAT

Unleash your inner yogi and find your Zen in Redmond. Join our vibrant yoga community for blissful stretches and peaceful poses. Whether you're a seasoned yogi or starting your journey, come flow with us and discover the perfect balance of tranquility and fun.

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Redmond Must-Haves



DOG LEASH

Redmond is the ultimate dog-friendly city, and you and your pup will delight in the plethora of places where pets are welcome. You can even remove the leash and let Lassie run free at Marymoor or at a pop-up dog park. Woof, woof!



HOODIE

In the Pacific Northwest, blue skies can breeze into drizzle before you've finished your latte. In Redmond, locals live by the layer—so toss a trusty hoodie in your tote. It's the perfect partner for cool currents, misty moments, and sunbreak surprises. Cozy, casual, and cleverly prepared.



WALKING SHOES

Pack a pair of comfortable shoes, and set out to discover our city's wide open parks, inviting outdoor events, endless trails, and welcoming and walkable streets.



A GOOD BOOK

As one of the world's most well-read regions, you'll want to find a peaceful park or quiet coffee shop to curl up and get lost in a good book. If you didn't bring a book, you can always browse the endless aisles of one of several locally-owned bookstores.

CUP OF COFFEE

The Seattle region is world renowned for our love of the roasted bean, and Redmond's cup runneth over with a wide variety of coffee shops, cafes, and bakeries for you to find the perfect morning drink (or afternoon pick-me-up).



SMART PHONE WITH CAMERA

Redmond is one of the most connected cities in the world, so you'll want to bring your mobile device to navigate trail maps, order food to go, search [ExperienceRedmond.com](https://www.experienceredmond.com), or take photos of the beautiful scenery.

WATER BOTTLE

As you explore the vast array of outdoor activities, it's important to stay hydrated. Whether you are window shopping Downtown, biking our interconnected trails, or running in one of our community races, you'll always be close to the water.





Annual Redmond Events

Connect with Unique Experiences



Stinky Spike Bike Ride
(Winter)

Lake Sammamish Half Marathon
(March)

Beat The Bunny 5k
(Spring)

Holi Festival of Color
(Spring)



Exotics at Redmond Town Center
(April – September)

Redmond Cinco de Mayo Festival
(May)



Marymoor Live Concert Series
(May – August)

Redmond Saturday Market
(May – October)

VegFest
(June)

Derby Days
(July)

Redmond Arts Festival
(July)



Marymoor Grand Prix
(July)

Movies at Marymoor
(July – August)

Rockin' on the River
(July – August)

Craft Classic Half Marathon
(August)

CHOMP! Food Festival
(August)



Ananda Mela Festival
(Summer)

Redmond Harvest Half Marathon
(Fall)

Downtown Redmond Art Walk
(September)

Ganesh Festival
(Fall)

Bigfoot Kids' Book Festival
(October)

Redmond Reindeer Romp
(December)

Redmond Lights
(December)

Attend a Cultural Celebration

Immerse yourself in Redmond's vibrant community by attending one of our world-renowned cultural festivals and events.

Spend a Day at Your Puppy's Pace

Bring your furry friends and sniff out Redmond's pet-friendly places, including parks, trails, patios, and the region's largest off-leash dog park.

Discover the Region on the Light Rail

Hop aboard the light rail train to navigate a new neighborhood, or explore an exciting eatery. Continue your ride into Bellevue or Seattle and back to expand your horizons.

Find Yourself in the Great Outdoors

Attend an outdoor concert or movie, join a yoga class in a park, or shop and stroll in one of the area's very first outdoor shopping malls.

Wander Through a World of Trails

Redmond has more than a thousand acres of open spaces, with miles of trails for walking, hiking, biking, and horseback riding.

Taste Flavors From Around the World

International cuisine is inviting you from all corners of the globe. Tantalize your tastebuds with Redmond's delicious dishes and fantastic flavors.

Play and Picnic in a Park

Redmond's vast collection of parks and green spaces provide an array of recreational opportunities, scenic trails, and picturesque picnic spots.

Paint the Town on an Art Walk

Redmond proudly promotes public participation in the arts. Explore Redmond's local art collection by embarking on a Public Art Walking Tour.



Full calendar at [ExperienceRedmond.com/Events](https://www.experienceredmond.com/events)



The Light Rail Line Starts in Redmond

The **Sound Transit Light Rail 2 Line** starts and stops in Redmond. Hop on, hop off, explore new neighborhoods and uncover a hidden gem. Take a tour through these four convenient Redmond stations, and find your new favorite spot, all within walking distance. Here are some highlights for you to discover:

Downtown Redmond Station

16620 NE 76th St, Redmond

SHOPPING

- 10 Redmond Town Center

EAT / DRINK

- 23 Dave's Hot Chicken
- 21 Farine Bakery
- 14 Flatstick Pub
- 14 Hoffman's Fine Cakes & Pastries
- 19 Matador
- 18 Molly Moon's
- 25 Momiji Sushi
- 24 Salt & Straw
- 12 TavoIàta
- 13 Woodblock

NEARBY

Redmond Senior & Community Center

PARKS / ACTIVITIES

- 12 Anderson Park
- 8 Downtown Park
- 12 Pacific Axes
- 4 Redmond Clock Tower

HOTELS

Archer Hotel
Hilton Garden Inn
Hyatt House
Residence Inn by Marriott
Seattle Marriott Redmond

Marymoor Village Station

17300 NE 70th St, Redmond

EAT / DRINK

- 19 Madrona Distillery
- 41 Maki Stand Roll & Bento
- 42 Pomegranate Bistro
- 18 Postdoc Brewing Co.

NEARBY

Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village

PARKS / ACTIVITIES

- 15 Marymoor Park
- 11 Marymoor Off-Leash Dog Park
- Marymoor Live Music Venue (10-Minute Walk)*

HOTELS

Hampton Inn & Suites
Redmond Inn
Woodsprings Suites



Redmond Technology Station

3929 156th Avenue NE, Redmond

EAT / DRINK

- 21 Boon Boona Coffee
- 20 Dote Coffee Bar

NEARBY

Microsoft
Nintendo of America

Overlake Village Station

2801 152nd Ave NE, Redmond

EAT / DRINK

- 45 151 Days of Chicken
- 25 Jack Sprat
- 46 Pizza Poggio
- 48 Seoul Hot Pot
- 47 Shaburina Hot Pot
- 24 W XYZ Bar

PARKS / ACTIVITIES

- 17 Esterra Park
- 25 K-1 Speed

HOTELS

Aloft
Element

Learn more at [ExperienceRedmond.com](https://www.experienceredmond.com)



Getting Around Redmond

Exploring Redmond is simple and accessible, whether by foot, bike, ride share, light rail or transit. The City's walkable streets and extensive trail network make it easy to enjoy local shops, parks, and restaurants.



Redmond's public transportation is expanding rapidly. Visitors can ride the **Sound Transit light rail** from four local stations, connecting you to surrounding neighborhoods and the greater Seattle region. In addition, Redmond is proud to offer **RedLink**, a FREE, on-demand, all-electric shuttle service to help visitors connect from various pick-up points to light rail stations and business districts. For more information, visit [ExperienceRedmond.com/Transportation](https://www.experienceredmond.com/Transportation)



The RedLink pilot program is scheduled through June 2027



Parks

- 1 60 Acres Park
- 2 Hartman Park
- 12 Anderson Park
- 14 Idylwood Beach Park
- 8 Downtown Park
- 9 Luke McRedmond Landing
- 10 Dudley Carter Park
- 15 Marymoor Park
- 7 Edge Skate Park
- 5 Perrigo Park
- 17 Esterra Park
- 11 Redmond Central Connector
- 16 Evans Creek Preserve
- 3 Watershed Preserve
- 4 Farrel-McWhirter Park
- 13 Westside Park
- 6 Grass Lawn Park

Top Photo Spots



1 Sammamish River Trail
Near 15640 Redmond Way
Spectacular bridge views on paved bike path winding along picturesque Sammamish River.



2 Redmond Clock Tower
78 NE Leary Way, O'Leary Park
Take a journey through Redmond's rich history as you watch the time pass.



3 Sammamish River Trestle
7447 159th PL NE, In Dudley Carter Park, the character of an old railroad trestle shines through.



4 Bear Creek Park and Trail
This 1.5 mile tree-lined trail follows the creek and connects Sammamish River Trail to the Redmond Central Connector.

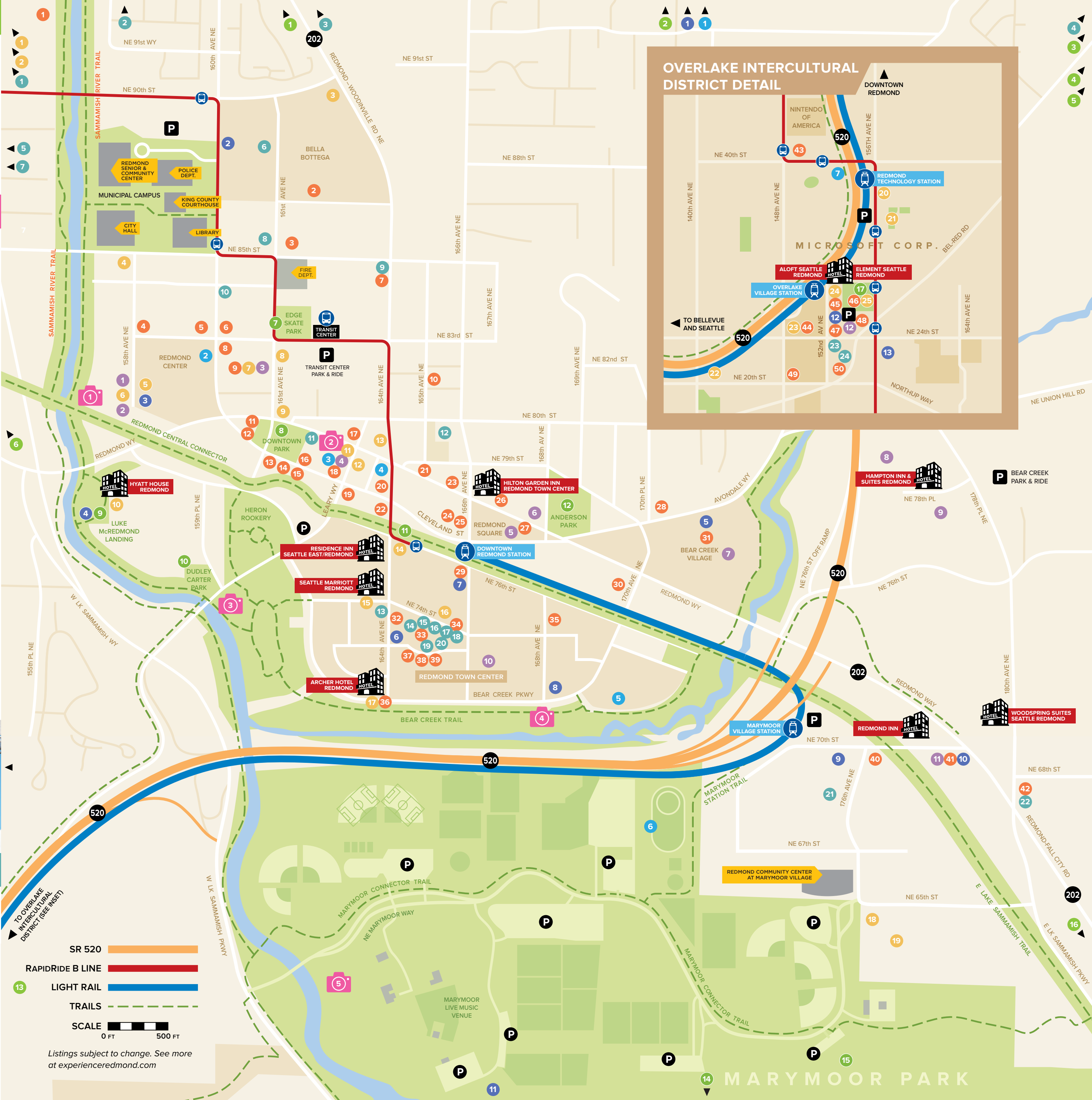


5 Marymoor Windmill
Willowmoor Farm at Marymoor Park, Redmond
Actual working windmill, used as decoration by Clise family.



Activities

- 17 Asante Salon
- 22 Cloud 9 Spa
- 2 8 11 Conundrum Escape Rooms
- 7 Evergreen Golf Club
- 23 Flee Escape Rooms
- 15 FrogLegs
- 14 Gripwrx
- 18 Hand & Stone Massage & Facial Spa
- 24 K1 Speed
- 9 Origin Salon Spa
- 3 Over The Rainbow Hot Air Balloon Rides
- 12 Pacific Axes
- 5 Pacific Northwest Golf Centers
- 13 Paint Away!
- 10 Rivaage Salon & Medi-Spa
- 4 Redmond Ridge Golf Course
- 21 Redmond Art Works
- 6 Regal Cinemas Bella Bottega
- 19 Second Story Repertory
- 1 Willows Run Golf Complex
- 16 YogaSix



Eat

- 32 #K-Street K-BBQ
- 45 151 Days of Chicken
- 43 Acacia Teriyaki
- 31 Agave Cocina and Cantina
- 44 Bai Tong Thai
- 36 BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse
- 2 Boiling Point
- 35 BON Korean Cuisine
- 6 Caadxi Mezcaleria
- 1 Cafecito Mexican Bakery
- 16 Coastline Burgers
- 39 Creperie de Paris
- 49 Crimson Coward
- 23 Dave's Hot Chicken
- 8 Doppio Cafe & Creperie
- 30 Dough Zone Dumping House
- 21 Farine Bakery & Cafe
- 26 Fork & Spoke
- 38 Fuji Steakhouse
- 14 Hello Poke
- 15 Hoffman's Fine Cakes & Pastries
- 40 Izakaya Supabanana
- 50 Jack's BBQ
- 27 Kanishka Cuisine of India
- 34 Kizuki Ramen
- 28 Kobuta & Ookami Katsu and Sake House
- 41 Maki Stand Roll & Bento
- 19 Matador
- 37 Matt's Rotisserie & Oyster House
- 18 Molly Moon's
- 25 Momiji Sushi
- 4 Ooba Tooba
- 46 Pizza Poggio
- 2 Pomegranate Bistro
- 42 Prime Steakhouse
- 17 Redmond's Bar & Grill
- 11 Rubenstein Bagels
- 5 Sages
- 24 Salt & Straw
- 48 Seoul Hot Pot
- 47 Shaburina Hot Pot
- 10 Spark Pizza
- 12 Tavoilata
- 9 The British Pantry
- 33 The French Bakery
- 22 Topsy Cow
- 7 Tropea Ristorante Italiano
- 3 Village Square Cafe
- 13 Woodblock
- 29 Zio Sal Ristorante

Drink

- 8 5 Stones Coffee
- 17 AKB Hotel Bar
- 1 Big Block Brewing
- 2 Black Raven Brewing Company
- 21 Boon Boona Coffee
- 15 Brown's Stockyard Exchange
- 23 Daman's Bar & Grill
- 20 Dote Coffee Bar
- 14 Flatstick Pub
- 10 H Bar
- 25 Jack Sprat
- 5 J Michael's Pub & Eatery
- 3 JJ Mahoney's Irish Pub
- 9 Madrona Distillery
- 19 Nekter Juice Bar
- 12 NW Brewing Pint & Pie
- 11 Palmer's East
- 18 Postdoc Brewing Company
- 4 River Trail Roasters
- 16 SAMA Cellars
- 6 SoulFood CoffeeHouse
- 22 Steve's Bar & Grill
- 7 Three Lions Pub
- 13 Victor's Celtic Coffee Co.
- 24 W XYZ Lounge

Shopping

- 5 A Masquerade Costume
- 11 A New Debut
- 7 Bear Creek Village Shopping Mall
- 1 Ben Franklin Crafts
- 8 Kohl's
- 12 Overlake Fashion Plaza
- 6 Plantify
- 10 Redmond Town Center
- 3 Revelaré
- 2 Snapdoodle Toys & Games
- 4 Styled with Claire
- 9 Target

Bicycles

- 5 Big 5 Sporting Goods
- 7 Eastside Ski & Sport
- 3 Edge & Spoke
- 2 Element Cycles
- 6 Jerry Baker Memorial Velodrome
- 1 Redmond Bike Park
- 4 Trek Bicycle

Pets

- 10 All the Best Pet Care
- 12 Dogtopia Dog Care
- 7 Eastside Dog & Cats Too
- 1 Hartman Pop-Up Park (Seasonal)
- 3 Jax Dog Drop
- 5 Just Food For Dogs
- 4 Luke McRedmond Pop-Up Park (Seasonal)
- 11 Marymoor Off-Leash Dog Park
- 2 Mud Bay
- 8 Petco
- 13 Petsmart
- 6 Pickle's Playland
- 9 Sasha's Pet Resort

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