Rocks of Sharon:  
Southeast of Downtown Spokane  
1.5-6.5 miles roundtrip  
750-1500 ft. elevation gain  
Difficulty: Moderate  
Drive Time from downtown Spokane to Trailheads: 30 minutes  

Description:  
The Rocks of Sharon are a cluster of granite outcroppings within the Dishman Hills Conservation Area. With views overlooking the Palouse and surrounding wheat fields to the south are blanketed in green in the spring, and painted gold in the fall. On the other side of the ridge there’s an incredible view towards Coeur D’Alene. There is only silence except for light sounds from the valley below.

There are several hiking options to reach the Rocks of Sharon. You can hike to Rocks of Sharon from either the Stevens Creek Trailhead or the Iller Creek Trailhead. Both starting locations include similar loops and can be customized to fit your schedule. The most direct (but steepest) option to reach Rocks of Sharon is from the Stevens Creek Trailhead.

1. Stevens Creek Trailhead:  

2. Iller Creek Conversation Area Trail:  
Theme: Observing the Changing Seasons
Accessible virtually year round, The Rocks of Sharon provide an excellent backdrop for observing seasonal changes. Spring, summer, autumn, winter—the cycles of life turn, and we turn with them. Our individual energies are renewed in their deepest sources by this participation in the cycles of change within the natural world. When we are aware of the Earth’s processes, seeing ourselves as parts of a whole, we learn to let go of the need to control life. We are reminded to accept the inevitable cycles of green and dry, birth and death, cold and warm, emptiness and fullness, light and dark, that characterize the events and activities of our daily life. As you explore the Rocks of Sharon observe the changing of seasons, both environmentally and personally. By applying sun, water, care, and love our dreams will grow and prosper.