

Welcome to the great outdoors!



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Southeast Tennessee Regional Map



Parks

Local Parks & Greenways

1 Audubon Acres

900 North Sanctuary Road, Chattanooga • (423) 892.1499 • www.chattanoogaaudubon.org

Bisected by South Chickamauga Creek, the park contains a rich diversity of plant and animal life. It provides more than four miles of walking and hiking trails on both sides of the creek. Fields for games.



2 Athens Regional Park

2405 Decatur Pike, Athens • I-75 Exit 49 • (423) 744-2704
www.cityofathensstn.com/parks/

This park includes a lighted softball complex with five, 300-foot fields and a concession building; a soccer complex with six fields; inline skating and disc golf course. Also, large ponds and a 1.75 mile walking trail.



3 Bradley County Recreational Park

Urbane Road, Cleveland • (423) 728-7035 • www.bradleyparks.com

Soccer fields, BMX track, playground, softball & baseball fields, walking track.



4 Camp Jordan

(423) 490-0107 • www.campjordan.com

Located at Exit 1 off I-75 in East Ridge, this 257-acre, city-operated recreation facility includes a 2-mile walking track, soccer complex, baseball/softball fields, sand volleyball courts, and an indoor arena. Other amenities include an outdoor amphitheater, covered picnic pavilion with full kitchen and 300 RV spaces.



Leashed pets are allowed at all Chattanooga parks except for **Coolidge Park** and **The Passage** where **NO PETS ARE ALLOWED.**



Southeast Tennessee has a wealth of natural resources for all to enjoy. From national to state to local parks, there is something for everyone. Please always remember to observe all park rules, and above all else, practice fire safety.

5 Hamilton County Parks • www.hamiltontn.gov

Chester Frost Park

2318 North Goldpoint Circle, Hixson • (423) 842-0177

This beautiful park located near Chattanooga offers something for everyone. Visitors can walk, fish, jog, play volleyball, tennis, horseshoes and much more.

Tennessee River Walk

Located along the Chattanooga downtown riverfront, this continuous 10-mile path stretches from Ross's Landing to the Tennessee Riverpark and Chickamauga Dam.

Enterprise South Nature Park

8015 Volkswagen Drive, Chattanooga, TN • (423) 893-3500

This 2,800 acre nature park is only minutes from downtown Chattanooga. Activities include hiking, mountain biking and walking trails; driving loop; historical exhibits and picnic areas, Visitor Center.



6 Chattanooga Chew Chew Canine Park & Skate Park

1801 Carter Street, Chattanooga • www.chattanooga.gov

Dog-friendly area where pets and their owners can enjoy green spaces together. Park has obstacle courses, tires and the signature fire hydrant! Free and open daily, sun-up until dark, except on major holidays.

The place for skateboarding, inline skating, roller hockey & BMX bicycling fun in Chattanooga!

7 Coolidge Park

150 River Street, Chattanooga • 423-643-6079 • www.chattanooga.gov

Premiere park on Chattanooga's North Shore waterfront features antique carousel, play fountain, pavilion, outdoor stage, open green spaces.

8 Washington & Point Park • Hwy 27, Dayton • (423) 775-8418

Walking path meanders by the creek through the park.



9 Decatur City Park • (423) 334-5716 • 500 N. Main St., Decatur

A public park with a walking track, skateboarding, tennis courts, playground area, basketball goal and picnic tables.



10 DuPont Park • 4500 North Access Road, Chattanooga

423-643-6079

This park features the North River Soccer Complex with four lighted soccer fields, a concessions building, drinking fountains and more. Be sure to visit the disc golf course!



benches, canoe launch, and much more included.

**18 Cherokee Removal Memorial Park**

6800 Blythe Ferry Lane, Birchwood • (423) 334-5850

Overlooking Blythe Ferry landing site, the park contains a log cabin visitor center, interpretive plaza and a wildlife viewing observation shelter. This site is the final point of departure for many Cherokee as they left on the trail of tears

**19 Reflection Riding: Arboretum & Botanical Garden**400 Garden Road, Chattanooga • (423) 821-9582 • www.reflectionriding.org

Park has twelve miles of trails and paths. The upper trails reach up the side of the mountain to join those of the National Park Service, (which borders Reflection Riding on three sides) and can easily take the adventurous hiker all the way to the top of Lookout Mountain. Wide trails are restricted to non-automotive traffic, perfect for mountain biking and hiking.

**20 Renaissance Park** • www.chattanooga.gov • (423) 643-6079

Located on the north shore of the river adjacent to Coolidge Park, this 23-acre urban wetlands park features unique green spaces and walking trails to explore. Leashed pets are welcome.

21 Ross's Landing Park & The Passage

(423) 643-6079

Located along the re-developed Downtown Riverfront, this park, located across from the Tennessee Aquarium, features a river pier, marina, natural amphitheater and the Chattanooga Green, which can be used for small festivals, concerts, and for park users to enjoy a great view of the river and wading pools. Native American art and a series of fountains make up the passage to commemorate the forced removal of the Cherokees at Ross's Landing.

**22 South Chickamauga Creek Greenway**www.outdoorchattanooga.com/199.htm

2.5 mile walking trail from Shallowford Road to Camp Jordan Park including Brainerd Levee.

**23 Tinsley Park** • Keith Street, Cleveland • (423) 472-4551

Park features a walking nature trail, tennis courts, Olympic-sized swimming pool, ball fields and a playground.

**11 Eighth Street Park** • (Next to the YMCA) Cleveland • (423) 479-4129

Playground, ball fields, tennis courts, basketball court & open meadow.

**12 Fletcher Park** • Tennessee Nursery Road, Cleveland • (423) 472-4551

This 74-acre passive nature park features trails, picnic areas and a wheelchair-accessible fishing pier.

**13 Greenway Farm** • 5051 Gann Store Road, Chattanooga • (423) 842-6629

180-acre park with nature trails, the North Chickamauga Creek, open green spaces, off-leash dog park, conference center and headquarters for *OutVenture*, the programming arm of Outdoor Chattanooga which provides paddling, hiking, mountain biking, ropes course, wilderness preparedness, outdoor recreation trips, camps and activities.

**14 Heritage Park** • 1428 Jenkins Road, Chattanooga

This 22-acre park features a 3200-foot walking track, grills and Bocce ball court, in addition to the natural beauty of two creeks and natural meadows.

**15 Marion County Park** • (423) 942-6653

Directions: Located on Hwy 41 east of Jasper. From I-24 west of Chattanooga, take Exit 155 to Jasper. Turn right on Hwy 41. Park features include camping, swimming, playground, picnic areas and boat ramps.

**16 Cleveland Bradley County Greenway** • Cleveland • (423) 942-6653www.cbcbgreenway.com

This 10-foot wide paved, lighted greenway is used for walking and is located along Mouse Creek on Keith Street.

17 North Chickamauga Creek Greenway • www.northchick.org

Starts at the Chickamauga Dam and connects to Greenway Farm. Park area,

24 Walnut Street Bridge •

Located in downtown Chattanooga, “*The Longest Pedestrian Bridge in the World*” is the perfect spot for walking, inline skating, cycling and more.

25 Warner Park • 301 Holtzclaw Ave., Chattanooga, TN • (423) 697-1322

Visit the home of the Chattanooga Fitness Center and the Chattanooga Zoo, along with the City’s largest softball park, twelve tennis courts, a rose garden, six official horseshoe pits and grassy areas.



State Parks www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/

1 Bledsoe State Forest

30396 State Route 30 • Pikeville, TN 37367 • (423) 881-3585

Directions: Bledsoe State Forest is on State Highway 30, approximately 8 1/2 miles west of Pikeville towards Fall Creek Falls State Park. Roads may be used by both motor vehicles and horses. Drivers are asked to stay off fields, trails and right-of-ways.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. CT

**2 Booker T. Washington State Park**

5801 Champion Road • Chattanooga, TN 37416 • (423) 894-4955

Situated on the shores of scenic Chickamauga Lake is 353-acre Booker T. Washington State Park. Park recreation activities include field games, playgrounds, basketball, badminton, horseshoes, swimming lessons, volleyball and board games. Recreation equipment is available free of charge at the park office.

Directions: Take I-75 to Highway 153. Take Decatur Exit onto Hwy 58. Follow Hwy 58 north 5 miles, left on Champion Road. The park is on the left.

Hours: 7:00 a.m.-Dark **In-Season:** March 1 - October 31

Off-Season: November 1 - February 28/29

**3 Fall Creek Falls State Park**

2009 Village Camp Road, Route. 3 Box 300, Pikeville, TN 37367-9803
Inn & Cabins: (800) 250-8610 • www.fallcreekfalls.org

With over 20,000 acres of beautiful terrain that includes cascades, deep chasms and a 256-foot waterfall that plunges into a shaded pool, Fall Creek Falls provides a beautiful, natural setting for everyone. The park is located 11 miles east of Spencer and 18 miles west of Pikeville. It may be entered from Highway 111 or Highway 30.

Directions: From Chattanooga, take Hwy 27 North and follow Highway 111 North to the park entrance on the right.

Hours: The park is open 24 hours but the road leading to the falls is locked at dark.

**4 Franklin State Forest**

310 Firetower Rd., Sewanee, TN 37375 • (931) 598-0830
www.stateparks.com/franklinmarion.html

20 miles of hiking/biking trails, camping, hunting and horseback riding.

Directions: I-24 Exit 134, turn let. Drive 3 miles and turn right.

Hours: Office: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. CST.

**5 Hiwassee / Ocoee Scenic River State Park**

Spring Creek Road, Delano, TN 37325 • (423) 263-0050
www.tn.gov/environment/parks/hiwassee/

Hiwassee Scenic River Park is located on Spring Creek Road at U.S. Hwy. 411 and the Ocoee River on U.S. Highway 64. This river offers canoeing, rafting, fishing, hiking and nature photography. Numerous public access sites provide boat-launching ramps. The Ocoee River is a premier white-water river in the S.E. United States possessing Class III, IV, and V rapids.

Directions: Traveling I-75 take Exit 20. Travel east on US-64 to Highway 411 North. Park is located 6 miles north of Benton.

Hours: Office: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tour buses are welcome.

**6 Justin P. Wilson Cumberland Trail State Park**

125 Village Green Circle, Lake City, TN 37769
(931) 456-6259 • (865) 426-2998 • tn.gov/environmental/parks/cumberlandtrail
• Central Time Zone

The Justin P. Wilson Cumberland Trail State Park — the state’s only linear park — will be 230 miles, cutting through 10 Tennessee counties from the Cumberland Gap National Historic Park on the Tennessee-Virginia-Kentucky border, to Signal Point near Chattanooga and includes the Tennessee River Gorge Segment in Prentice Cooper State Forest. List of trails in Southeast Tennessee: Piney River, Laurel-Snow, North Chickamauga, and Tennessee River Gorge.



7 Harrison Bay State Park

8411 Harrison Bay Road, Harrison, TN 37341 • (423) 344-6214
www.tn.gov/environment/parks/harrisonbay/

The 1,200-acre Harrison Bay State Park, with approximately 40 miles of Chickamauga Lake shoreline, was originally developed as a Tennessee Valley Authority recreation demonstration area in the 1930's. This beautiful wooded park is a haven for campers, boaters and fishermen, as well as picnickers and other day-use visitors from Chattanooga and the surrounding tri-state area.

Directions: From Chattanooga take Exit 4 off I-75 onto State Route 153. Travel north on Hwy. 153. Take the Hwy. 58 North Exit. Travel approximately 12 miles to Harrison Bay Road on the left. Follow the signs to the park entrance. The park entrance is approximately 1 mile on the left.

Hours: 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Park is open year-round.



8 Red Clay State Park

1140 Red Clay Park Road, Cleveland, TN 37311 • (423) 478-0339
www.tn.gov/environment/parks/redclay/

The park encompasses 263 acres of narrow valley formerly used as cotton and pasture land. There are also forested ridges that average 200 feet or more above the valley floor. The site contains a natural landmark, the Blue Hole Spring, which arises from beneath a limestone ledge to form a deep pool that flows into Mill Creek, a tributary of the Conasauga and Coosa River system. The Cherokee used the spring for their water supply during council meetings.

Directions: Traveling I-75, take Exit 20 Cleveland/Ocoee. Turn east towards Ocoee. Sign to Red Clay will be on the right.

Hours: 8 a.m. to sunset
 Mar. 1st - Nov. 30th
 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Dec. 1st - Feb. 28



9 South Cumberland State Park

11745 U.S. 41, Monteagle, TN 37356
 (931) 924-2980 • www.friendsofscsra.org

South Cumberland State Recreation Area, one of the most biodiverse regions in North America, offers an array of outdoor activities which include: Hiking, camping, backpacking, rock climbing, caving, swimming, canoeing, and photography.

The park museum displays the natural and cultural history of the South Cumberland area. Admission is free. The park is composed of nine different areas other than the Visitor Center: *Buggy Top Cave, Sewanee Natural Bridge, Fiery Gizzard Trail, Foster Falls, Savage Gulf, Stone Door, Greeter Falls, Meadow Trail, Grundy Lakes State Park.*

Directions: Traveling I-24 take exit 134 turn right to Monteagle. Turn left on Highway 41 south toward Tracy City. Drive 3 miles. The visitor's center is on the left.



Hours: 7 a.m. until sunset. Park is open year-round.
 Recreation Center and Visitor Center Museum hours are 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



National Parks/ Forests

1 Cherokee National Forest Ocoee Whitewater Center

4400 Hwy. 64, Copperhill TN 37317
 (423) 496-0100 or (877) 692-6050 • www.fs.fed.us/r8/ocoe/

Whether hiking or biking, trails beckon all visitors. Take your pick of a long hike, taking a short walk along a lakeshore, overnight backpacking trips or a scenic drive. Whatever you prefer, the Cherokee National Forest has something to offer.

The Cherokee National Forest has the first Forest Service Scenic Byway in the nation. The route includes 19 miles of US 64 and seven miles of Forest Service Road 77 in Polk County. Along this drive are panoramic overlooks, Parksville Lake and the whitewater activities of the Ocoee River.

The Cherokee National Forest welcomes hunters and anglers, campers, bikers and hikers, whitewater enthusiasts and everyone who has an appreciation of nature.



2 Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park

Old Lafayette Road, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742
 (706) 866-9241 • www.nps.gov/chch • Visitor Center Open Daily, 8:30 - 5:00

The Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park was the site of the second bloodiest battle in the Civil War. The Park features a 7-mile self-guided auto tour, monuments, historical tablets, hiking trails and horse trails. The visitor center contains exhibits and a 26-minute, multi-media program about the *Battle of Chickamauga*, providing a unique orientation to this Civil War battle. Visit the Gun Collection Exhibit.

3 Lookout Mtn. Battlefield Visitor Center

(423) 821-7786 • Open Daily, 8:30 - 5:00

Point Park is at the end of East Brow Road on Lookout Mountain.
Battle of Lookout Mountain Exhibit in the visitor center.





Campgrounds

Southeast Tennessee is full of great campgrounds tailored to suit just about anyone's desire for camping. Whether you're looking to rough it or just simply relax and enjoy the outdoors, these campgrounds offer up what you want!

ATHENS

1 Athens 1-75 Campground KOA



2509 Decatur Pike, Athens, TN 37303 • (423) 745-9199 • www.koa.com

Directions: Take 1-75 to Athens exit. Go east 4/10 mile on the right.

2 Overniter RV Park



316 Hwy 305, Athens, TN 37303 • (423) 507-0069

Directions: I-75, Exit 52, .5 miles east.

CHATTANOOGA AREA

3 Best Holiday Trav-L Park of Chattanooga



1709 Mack Smith Road, Chattanooga, TN 37412 • (706) 891-9766 or (800) 693-2877

Directions: Take East Ridge exit off 1-75, go right at the top of ramp. Turn left at Long John Silvers

4 Chester Frost Park



2318 Gold Point Circle, Hixson, TN 37343 • (423) 842-0177

Directions: Take 1-75 to exit 4 (Chickamauga Dam/Airport) to Highway 153. Exit Hixson Pike. Go north 8 miles. Turn right to Gold Point Circle. Entrance is 1 mile on right.

5 Harrison Bay State Park



8411 Harrison Bay Road, Harrison, TN 37341 • (423) 344-6214

Directions: Traveling Highway 153. Take the Decatur Exit. Go north 10 miles on Highway 58. Left on Harrison Bay road, 2 miles to the park.

6 Possum Creek Campground



1845 Lee Pike, Soddy Daisy, TN 37379 • (423) 332-8468

Directions: From Downtown Chattanooga, take U.S. 27 north. Approximately 20 miles turn right onto Highwater Road to Old Dayton Pike, turn right, immediately left onto Lee Pike to Possum Creek on left (approx 4 miles).

7 Raccoon Mountain Campgrounds and Caverns



319 West Hills Drive, Chattanooga, TN 37419 • (423) 821- 9403

Directions: Traveling I-24 take Exit 174. Travel 1.3 miles on US 41 West and turn left at the sign onto West Hills Drive.

8 Sale Creek Campground



15401 May Road, Sale Creek, TN 37373 • (423) 332-8468

Directions: Take US 27 North towards Dayton enter the community of Sale Creek, continue until you see Sale Creek High School on right. Turn right on Patterson Rd. Go to 4-way stop, turn left on May Road. Park entrance is on the right just past Browns Bridge.

CLEVELAND

9 Chattanooga North/Cleveland KOA



648 Pleasant Grove Rd., Cleveland, TN 37243 • (423) 472-8928
800-562-9039 • www.koa.com

Directions: 1-75 take Exit 20. Go west 1 mile. Turn left at Pleasant Grove Road and the campground will be on the right.

CHARLESTON

10 B&B Marina Campground



117 Marina Drive, Charleston, TN 37310 • (423) 336-2341 • www.bbmarina.com

Directions: 1-75 take Exit 33. Turn west and go 3 miles. Campground is on right.

11 Exit 33 Campground



1629 Lauderdale Memorial Highway, Charleston, TN 37312
(423) 336-1911

Directions: 1-75 take Exit 33 (Charleston). Go towards Charleston. Campground is on the right.

12 Golden Chain Village Campground



8511 Hiwassee St. NW, Charleston, TN 37310 • (423) 336-3170

Directions: From I-75 take Exit 27 (Paul Huff Pkwy) Travel East. Turn left on Hwy. 11. Travel 8 miles (from Wal-Mart). Turn left on Matthew's Drive.

DECATUR/CHICKAMAUGA LAKE

13 Agency Creek Campground

4710 State Hwy 58 South, Decatur, TN 37322 • (423) 334-0927

Directions: Take Hwy 58 North. Exit past Hiwassee Bridge and take the first driveway on the right.

14 Armstrong Ferry Campground

6450 Armstrong Ferry Road, Decatur, TN 37322 • (423) 334-3584

Directions: Go north on Hwy 58; go across Hiwassee Bridge and continue about 1 mile to the first paved road on the left.

15 Cotton Port Fish 'n' Camp

797 Cottonport Ferry Lane, Decatur, TN 37322
(423) 334-4999 • www.cottonportfishncamp.com

Directions: From Cleveland, take State Route 60 West. Turn right on Highway 58 at signal. Continue north on Highway 58 to Cottonport Road. Turn left. Continue on Cottonport Road for approximately 4 miles to Cottonport Ferry Lane. Turn left at sign.

JASPER/NICKAJACK LAKE

16 Camp on the Lake

10241 Hwy. 156, Guild, TN 37340 • 423-942-4078 • www.camponthelake.com

Directions: I-24 take Exit 161. Located 1/10 mile off the exit on Nickajack Lake beside Big Daddy's Fireworks.

17 Hales Bar and Marina

1265 Hales Bar Road, Guild, TN 37403 • (423) 942-4040 • halesbarmarina.com

Directions: I-24 take the Hales town Exit 161. Turn right on Shellmound Rd. Exit right at the end of the road to Hwy. 41. Left onto Hales Bar Rd. Turn Left into Campground.

18 Marion County Park

9696 Hwy. 41, Jasper, TN 37347 • (423) 942-6653

Directions: Traveling I-24 take Hales town Exit 161. Turn left on Highway 41 and go across bridge. Follow signs to park.

19 Shellmound Campgrounds

2735 TVA Road, Jasper, TN 37347 • (423) 942-9857

Directions: Take I-24 to Exit 158 at Fireworks Superstore. Go under bypass & it is 2.5 miles ahead on the left (directly beside the dam). (Ignore dead end signs, they are in place because of dam).

MONTAGLE

20 Foster Falls Small Wild Area

(TVA) 498 Foster Road, Sequatchie • (423) 924-5759 • April - October

Directions: From Tracy City, go 5 miles east on Highway 150/US 41.

21 Laurel Trails Campground

Laurel Trails Road, Monteagle, TN 37356 • (931) 924-2738

Directions: Traveling I-24 take Exit 135. Turn right on Hwy 41 South. Turn left at sign. Follow signs to campground.

NIOTA

22 Tennessee Country Campground & RV Park

520 Highway 309, Niota, TN 37826 • (423) 568-2939
www.tncountrycamp.com

Directions: Take I-75 to exit 56. Turn onto Hwy 309 heading southeast. Campground is .5 mile on the left.

HIWASSEE/GEE CREEK/RELANCE

23 Black Bear Cove

5842 Highway 30, Benton, TN 37325
(866) 438-4399 • www.blackbearcove.com

Directions: Take I-75 to exit 20. Go east on APD 40. Exit to US-64/Ocoee. Exit to US-411 North. Turn right onto SR-30 towards Reliance.

24 Hiwassee Court RV Park

Highway 411 South, Delano, TN 37325 • (423) 263-1880
www.hiwasseecourtvpark.com

Directions: I-75 to exit 36. Go east until road ends at intersection with Hwy 411. Turn left onto 411. Park is on the left.

25 Hiwassee Outfitters

Box 155 Ellis Creek Road, Reliance, TN 37369
(423) 338-8115 or (800) 338-8133 • www.hiwasseeoutfitters.com

Directions: Take I-75 to exit 20. On bypass go 6 miles to Ocoee Exit (Hwy 64E). Go east of Hwy 64 13 miles to Hwy 411 North. Take Maryville Exit. Take 411 North through Benton, 6 miles North of Benton turn right on TN 30 East. Follow TN 30 East 6 miles past Texaco station. Driveway will be on left.

26 Hiwassee/Ocoee Scenic River State Park

Spring Creek Road, P.O. Box 5, Delano, TN 37325 • (423) 263-0050
www.tennessee.gov/environment/parks/Hiwassee

Directions: I-75 take Exit 20. Travel East on US-64 to Hwy 411 North. Park is located 6 miles north of Benton.

27 Reliance Fly & Tackle

588 Childers Creek Road, Reliance, TN 37369
(423) 338-7771 • www.relianceflyshop.com

Directions: I-75 take Exit 20. Go East 6.6 miles. Take US-64 ramp. Ocoee Exit 7.2 miles. Take US-411. Turn left. Go 11.8 miles. Turn right onto TN-30. Go 5.7 miles. Turn left onto TN-315/Tellico-Reliance Road. Go .2 mile. Turn right onto Childers Creek Road.



OCOEE

28 Outdoor Adventure Rafting



629 Welcome Valley Road, Benton, TN 37307

(423) 338-5746 or (800) 627-7636 • www.raft.com

Directions: I-75 take Cleveland exit onto Highway 64 East. Travel 12 miles to Welcome Valley Road, take a left and travel 1.5 miles. Campground is on the left.

29 2 River RV Park & Campground



397 Dentville Road, Delano, TN 37325 • (423) 338-7208

Directions: Take I-75 Exit 20 go over to US Hwy 64 and East to hwy 411 go north on 411 and left at the traffic light. Approximately 3 blocks from the light you will see the signs.

OCOEE/CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST

Ocoee Ranger Station

3171 Hwy 64, Benton, TN 37307 • 423-338-3300

30 Chilhowee Rec. Area (USFS)



Directions: From I-75 take Exit 20 onto Cleveland bypass. Take Ocoee Exit onto Hwy 64. Make left after 17 miles on the Forest Service Road 77. Entrance will be on the left.

31 Parksville Lake Recreation Area (USFS)

Directions: I-75 take Exit 20 onto Cleveland bypass. Take Ocoee exit onto Hwy 64. Pass Dam and exit left onto Hwy 30. Camp is located ahead on left.

32 Quinn Springs Recreation Area (USFS)

Directions: From I-75 take Exit 20 onto Cleveland bypass. Take Ocoee Exit onto Hwy 64. Exit at Ocoee onto Hwy 411. Go North on 411 and take a right on Hwy 30. Area will be on the right.

33 Sylco Camp (Primitive Campground)



Directions: From I-75 take Exit 20 onto 64 bypass to Ocoee Exit. Go 17 miles, then turn right on Cookson Creek. Right on Forest Service Road 55. 10 miles ahead.



34 Thunder Rock Recreation Area (USFS)



Directions: From I-75 take Exit 20, go 29 miles east on Hwy 64 and area will be located behind TVA powerhouse #3.

35 Tumbling Creek Campground (USFS)



Directions: From I-75 take Exit 20, go 29 miles east on Hwy 64. Turn right at TVA Powerhouse #3 Forest Service Road 45 until top of Mtn. Take a left on Forest Service Road 221. Campground will be 6 miles on the left.

PIKEVILLE

36 Fall Creek Falls Campground



2135 Village Camp Road, Pikeville, TN 37367 • (423) 881-3297

Directions: Entrance is on Hwy 111 between Spencer and Dunlap.

SPRING CITY/WATTS BAR LAKE

37 Arrowhead Resort



261 Bennett Drive, Spring City, TN 37381

(423) 365-6484 • www.arrowheadresort.com

Directions: Four miles north of Spring City on US 27. Turn right on Rocky Springs Road. Follow signs to lake.

38 Eden Marina and Campground



653 Scenic Lakeview Drive, Spring City, TN 37381

(423) 365-6929 or (877) 313-1833 • www.edenmarina.com

Directions: Take US 27 North through Spring City. Go three miles to G&N Market. Turn right by market. Follow signs. 6 miles off Hwy 27.

39 Rhea Harbor Resort and Marina



385 Lakeshire Drive, Spring City, TN 37381 • (423) 365-6851 • www.rheaharbor.com

Directions: Take Highway 27 North to Spring City. Turn right on Rocky Springs Road and follow the signs. 5.1 miles.

40 Spring City Boat Dock and Resort

2109 New Lake Road, Spring City, TN 37381 • (423) 365-5150 or 1-800-291-5150
www.springcitymarina.com

Directions: Take Highway 27 North to Highway 68 East and continue 1.7 miles. Turn left on New Lake Road, 1.5 miles ahead on right. Follow the signs.

TEN MILE / WATTS BAR LAKE

41 Bayside Marina and Resort



1134 Bayside Drive, Ten Mile, TN 37880 • (865) 376-7031

Directions: Traveling I-40, take Exit 352 and go through Kingston and over the bridge. Approximately 3 miles south of Kingston, turn off to the right on Hwy 304 and look for sign that says "Bayside Marina- 10 miles"

42 Euchee Marina and Campground

200 Euchee Lane, Ten Mile, TN 37880 • (423) 334-1004

Directions: Located on Watts Bar Lake. From I-75 take exit 60. Continue west on Hwy. 68 for 14.5 miles. Turn North on Hwy. 304. Go approximately 4 miles to sign.

**43 Fooshee Pass Recreation Area (TVA)**

195 Sandy Bottoms Lane, Ten Mile, TN 37880 • (423) 334-4842

Directions: From I-75 take Exit 60. Continue west on Hwy. 68 for 14.5 miles. Turn north on Hwy 304. Go 2 miles, turn left on Fooshee Bend Road. Go 1 mile to Recreation Area.

**44 Hornsby Hollow Recreation Area**

Highway 304 N, Ten Mile, TN 37880 • (423) 334-1709

Directions: Located on Watts Bar Lake. From I-75, take Exit 60. Continue west on Highway 68 for 14.5 miles. Turn north on Highway 304 (River Road). Go five miles.



Cycling

For a regional mountain bike trail map, go to: www.sorbachattanooga.org/trails.

CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST

Chilhowee Recreation Area (USFS) (423) 338-3300

The Cherokee National Forest offers many trails for bicycle use in the forest. There are about 700 miles of trails in the park, ranging from easy to extremely difficult. Cherokee offers both point-to-point trails and extensive loop trail networks. Bicycle traffic is permitted on closed (gated) roads unless otherwise signed. Chilhowee Mountain and the Tanasi Trails are recommended Cherokee National Forest trails.

CHILHOWEE MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS**1 Arbutus Trail** Easy / .7 miles

Short trail near the campground. Great connector or warm up trail.

2 Azalea Trail #141 Moderate/2.0 miles.**3 Benton Falls Trail #302** Advanced/1.5 miles.

The wide track leads from the lake to the waterfall. Watch for Hikers.

4 Clemmer Trail #302 Advanced/4.4 miles.

This trail has it all. Gut wrenching uphill and screaming downhill. It also offers many different surfaces from rocky to sandy.

5 Clear Creek Trail Advanced/5.4 miles.

One of the most challenging trails in this system. Caution on this trail. Beware of cliff drops and fast down hills.

6 Red Leaf Trail Easy/.2 miles.

Serves as a connector to the other trails.

7 Rimrock Trail Moderate/1.0 miles.

This trail drops deep into the gorge & crosses the creek so be ready for a hike-a-bike section.

8 Rim Extension Moderate/.4 miles.

Short technical sides trail.

9 Slickrock Trail Loop Advanced/6.2 mi. nested loop trail.

This is actually a network of trails that are connected by several forest roads.

TANASI MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL SYSTEM**10 Bear Paw Loop** Beginner/1.7 miles.

A .7 mile uphill, the rest is easy down hills.

11 Chestnut Mountain Loop Advanced /6.2 miles.

Access the trail from Thunder Rock. This trail a good two hours of climbs and great down hills.

12 Chestnut Mountain Loop /West Fork Loop Advanced/11.5 miles.

There are several moderate climbs, rocky sections as well as water crossings. Ride Entrance Trail to Chestnut Mountain Loop, at the far end of the Chestnut Mountain Loop, ride the West Fork/FS45 loop, then return to the Chestnut Mountain loop and take Bear Paw Loop on the way back.

13 Rhododendron Trail Easy/1.25 miles.**14 Thunder Rock Express** Advanced / 1.5 miles.

All downhill with a couple of awesome jumps backed up by loose shale, off camber turns and deep gravity wells. Sharp turns and 2 bridges (slippery when wet).

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STATE PARKS

15 Booker T. Washington State Park • (423) 894-4955

This challenging yet fun trail, is a great technical training tool for honing your skills. Great workout in only four miles. Includes lots of twists and turns. Watch for the roots and deep ditches. Suitable for mountain bikes only.

16 Harrison Bay State Park • (423) 344-6214

4.3-mile long trail that can be ridden multiple times. This multi-use trail also offers a wonderful view of Chickamauga Lake.

17 Prentice Cooper State Forest

Prentice Cooper offers one of the best sites around the Chattanooga area for cycling. It is located just off Highway 27 North, 10 miles north of Chattanooga. For a detailed map contact (423) 658-2726. Suitable for mountain bikes only.

CHATTANOOGA

Downtown Chattanooga streets are bike-friendly with bike lanes, evenly distributed “Share the Road” signs and bike racks on CARTA buses and the Incline Railway. For general bicycle information, contact Bike Chattanooga at (423)643-6887 or www.bikechattanooga.org.

18 Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Located in both Georgia and Tennessee, the park features road biking trails scattered along the battlefields. For more information call: (706) 886-9241.

19 Guild Trail on Lookout Mountain

5-mile with moderate difficulty and much historic scenery. Suitable for mountain bikes only.

20 Tennessee Riverpark • 4301 Amnicola Highway • (423) 842-0177

Enjoy Chattanooga’s unique park that runs along the Tennessee River. This awesome development has 22 miles of far-stretching trails for bikers, walkers, and hikers. Easy.

21 Moccasin Bend

Try the “bend” loop Road Bike trip. Take Manufacturers Road east to Moccasin Bend and back. Distance from downtown is approximately seven miles.

22 North Chickamauga Creek Greenway • (423) 757-5167

A 2-mile segment north of Chickamauga Dam, the trail can be cycled or walked. Trail is adjacent to the Greenway Farm.

Directions: From Highway 153, take Lakeshore Drive.

23 Raccoon Mountain Trails • (423) 825-3100

Twenty-one miles of single-track, multi-use trails around the TVA Raccoon

Mountain Reservoir.

Directions: From I-24 West of Chattanooga, take Exit 174. Travel 2.5 miles northwest on US routes 41N/64W/72W. Turn right at TVA Raccoon Mountain sign. For detailed trail maps and information, go to www.sorbatchattanooga.com.

24 South Chickamauga Creek Greenway

2.5 miles from Shallowford Road to Camp Jordan Park including Brainerd Levee.

Fishing & Boating

WATTS BAR RESERVOIR

Watts Bar Lake stretches from Spring City to Kingston and can be divided into three sections - upper, middle and lower. The upper section is riverine and has the most fertile water. The middle and lower sections offer the better fishing. Springs in the mid-lake provide cool, well-oxygenated water that attract baitfish and improve summertime fishing. The lower end has more dissolved oxygen, and steep, rocky banks. Featured Species: black bass, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, white crappie, stripe (white bass), striped bass (rockfish), channel catfish, blue catfish, and bluegill. Other Species: spotted bass, sauger, walleye, yellow bass, Cherokee bass (hybrid striped bass), yellow perch, rock bass, redbreast sunfish, longear sunfish, red ear sunfish (shell cracker), warmouth, flathead catfish, and bullhead.

1 Arrowhead Resort and Marina

261 Bennet Drive, Spring City, TN • (423) 365-6484 • www.arrowheadresort.com
Boat rental, motel, cabins, tackle shop, restaurant, docks, boat storage.

2 Blue Springs Marina

3952 River Road, Ten Mile, TN 37880 • (865) 376-7298 • www.bluespringsmarina.com

3 Bluewater Campground

220 Blue Water Campground Road, Dayton, TN • (423) 775-3265
Boat launch, tackle store, pier, campground.

4 Eden Marina and Campground

653 Scenic Lakeview Dr., Spring City, TN • (423) 365-6929 • www.edenmarina.com
Boat launch, boat rental, tackle, pier, campground, cabins.

DOWNTOWN BIKE RENTAL	
River City Bicycles 122 Tremont St. (423) 265-7176 www.rivercitybikes.com	Suck Creek Cycle 501 Cherokee Blvd. (423)266-8883 www.suckcreek.com

SOUTHERN BELLE RIVERBOAT	At Pier 2 www.chattanoogariverboat.com (423) 266-4488 or (800)766-2784
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The best thing about fishing in Southeast Tennessee is the diversity of fish habitats. In fact, Tennessee is home to more species of freshwater fish than any other place in North America, and nowhere else within the state is the diversity of habitat more pronounced or accessible than in the region around Chattanooga. The second Saturday in June is Free Fishing Day in Tennessee, when no license is required to fish.



5 Eucler Marina

200 Eucler Lane, Ten Mile, TN • (423) 334-1004 • www.eucleresort.com

Pontoon and Deck boat rentals, 92' houseboat rental, Lighthouse Restaurant, the Yacht Spot Lounge, land cabins, floating cabins, hotel lodge, and boat slips.

6 Lakeside Resort

1190 Whites Creek Road, Spring City, TN • (423) 365-9521 • www.staylakeside.com

Boat launch, Pro Bass Shop, live bait, lodge, and beach.

7 Piney Point Resort

1093 Piney Point Road, Spring City, TN • (423) 365-6262

Boat launch, boat rentals, beach, tackle shop, pier, and cabins.

8 Rhea Harbor Inc. Resort and Marina

New Lake Road, Spring City, TN • (423) 365-6851

Boat rental, beach, bait & tackle, and cottages.

9 Sam's Boat Dock

322 Sam's Boat Dock Road, Ten Mile, TN 37880

(423) 334-5620 • www.samsboatdock.com

Log cabin rentals, marina.

10 Spring City Boat Dock

2109 New Lake Road, Spring City, TN • (423) 365-5150 or (800) 291-5150

www.springcitymarina.com

Rental Cabins each with own boat dock, bait, restaurant with covered deck overlooking the marina.

CHICKAMAUGA RESERVOIR

Chickamauga Lake stretches from Chattanooga to the Hiwassee River. Water is very fertile and moderately clear. Dissolved oxygen concentrations are good, especially during years of high rainfall. Low oxygen concentrations can be found at the Watts Bar Dam tail waters where the discharge from the turbines enters the river. Featured species: largemouth bass, channel catfish, sauger, white crappie, bluegill, and white bass. Other species: striped bass, spotted bass, small mouth bass, black crappie, walleye, blue catfish, flathead catfish, yellow bass, sunfish, red ear sunfish (shell cracker).

11 Tennessee River Park • Amnicola Hwy

Boat ramps, fishing piers, restaurant, playground and picnicking.

12 Chester Frost Park • 2318 North Goldpoint Circle, Hixson • (423) 842-0177

Boat ramp, dock and fishing pier.

13 Chickamauga Marina

3001 Kings Point Road, Chattanooga, TN 37416-2832

(423) 622-1978 • www.erwinmarinesales.com

14 Gold Point Yacht Harbor

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16 Island Cove Marina & Resort

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17 Lakeshore Marina

5600 Lake Resort Terrace, Chattanooga, TN 37415 • (423) 870-2000 • www.lsmarina.com

18 Harrison Bay State Park, Boat Dock

8411 Harrison Bay Road, Harrison, TN 37341 • (423) 344-6061

19 Wolftever Ramp on Highway 58**20 Soddy Lake Public Fishing Pier**

A small boat ramp is located next to the pier.

NICKAJACK RESERVOIR

Nickajack Lake stretches from just outside Chattanooga to the Alabama border. Nickajack Reservoir is the tailrace of Chickamauga Dam and riverine section of Nickajack that flows past Chattanooga into the Tennessee River Gorge. Featured game fish: smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, striped bass, white bass, panfish, catfish.

21 Hales Bar Marina & Resort

1265 Hales Bar Road, Guild TN 37340 • (423) 942-4040 • www.halesbarmarina.com

22 Shellmound Recreation Area

Located on Nickajack Lake, this recreation area offers picnic areas, playgrounds, swimming area, hiking trails, boating facilities, and campgrounds.

LAKE OCOEE

In the extreme southeast corner of the state lies Parksville Lake, also known as Lake Ocoee. Of modest size and known for relatively clean water quality (due to mining upstream on the Ocoee River). Parksville produces some surprising fishing. It is a beautiful setting, nestled beneath Chilhowee and Big Frog Mountains and anglers with the deep-water touch should explore its hidden treasures. Species: spotted, largemouth and smallmouth bass can be taken but are not great in number. White bass, panfish, bluegill, yellow perch, and rainbow trout are also featured.

23 Lake Ocoee Inn & Marina, Inc.

2496 Hwy 64, Benton, TN 37307 • (423) 338-2064 or (800) 272-7238 • www.ocoeeinn.com

OTHER AREA LAKES**24 Fall Creek Falls Lake Reservoir**

Channel catfish are stocked and plentiful throughout the year.

25 Grundy Lakes

Located in Tracy City, and part of the the South Cumberland Recreation Area. The remains of the Coke Ovens in the park are visible from the lake.

26 McKamy Lake

(423) 338-5201 • www.southernregion.fs.fed.us/cherokee

Located in Cherokee National Forest on Forest Service Road 77 off Hwy 64. The 20-foot deep spring and creek-fed lake has a supply of warm water fish, including catfish, bass, bluegill and trout.

FLY FISHING ON THE HIWASSEE RIVER

Fly Fishing has become the most popular type of fishing on the Hiwassee River. In Reliance, you are even able to rent boats and a guide to row your boat for your fishing time on the Hiwassee River. For more information contact:

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29 ChooChoo Fly and Tackle

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HIWASSEE (DOWNSTREAM) / TENNESSEE RIVER

These warm water rivers feature the following species: black bass, largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, striped bass, walleye, pikes, catfish, and gar.

30 B & B Marina

117 Marina Drive, Charleston, TN 37310 • (423) 336-2341 • www.bbmarina.com

Restaurant, campground, pontoon rental, and boat ramp.

Golf



ATHENS

1 Ridgewood Golf Club

387 County Rd 603, Athens, TN 37303 • (423) 263-5672

Public, 18-hole; driving range.

2 White Oaks Golf Course

705 County Rd 105, Athens, TN 37303 • (423) 745-3349 • Public, 18-hole.

3 Rock Springs Golf Course

1118 Congress Parkway, Athens, TN 37303

(423) 745-1131 • www.rockspringsgolf.com • 18-hole course.

CHATTANOOGA

4 Brainerd Golf Course

5203 Old Mission Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37411 • (423) 855-2692

18-hole course, built in 1926, rental clubs available.

5 Brown Acres Golf Course

406 Brown Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421 • (423) 855-2680 • 18-hole, driving range.

6 Concord Golf Club

7 Radmoor Lane, Chattanooga, TN 37421 • (423) 894-4536

18-hole. Rental Clubs available.

7 Eagle Bluff Golf Club

5808 Club House Drive, Chattanooga, TN 37416 • (423) 326-0202

www.eaglebluffgolf.com • 18-hole course.

8 Hampton Creek Golf Club

7502 Snow Hill Road, Ooltewah, TN 37363

(423) 238-6812 • www.hamptoncreek.com • Semi-private, 18 hole/par72

9 Hickory Valley Golf Course

2453 Hickory Valley Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421-6712 • (423) 894-1576 • 9-hole.

10 Moccasin Bend Public Golf Club

381 Moccasin Bend Road, Chattanooga, TN 37405-4498 • (423) 267-3585

18-hole, driving range, rental clubs available.

CLEVELAND

11 Chatata Valley Golf Club

4179 Benton Pike NE, Cleveland, Tennessee 37323 • (423) 339-9784 • 18-hole.

12 Waterville Golf Course

3855 Dalton Pike, Cleveland, TN 37358 • (423) 559-3348 • 18 holes/ Par 72.

DAYTON

13 Dayton Golf and Country Club

315 Payne Lane, Evensville, TN 37332 • (423) 775-2313 • 18-hole.

DECATUR

14 Lakehaven Golf & Country Club

296 Lakehaven Circle, Decatur • (423) 334-3654 • 9-hole.

DUCKETOWN

15 Copper Basin Golf Club

Hwy 64, Copperhill, TN 37317 • (423) 496-3579 • Public, 9-hole.

DUNLAP

16 Hidden Falls Golf Course

123 Madison Dr., Dunlap • (423) 949-2582 • 18-hole

PIKEVILLE

17 Fall Creek Falls State Park Golf Course

Route 3, Pikeville • (423) 881-5706

18-hole, driving range, practice green, and pull carts, club rental.

SOUTH PITTSBURG

18 Sequatchie Valley Golf & Country Club

2040 Sweeten Cove Road, South Pittsburg, TN 37380 • (423) 837-6532 • 9-hole.

DISC GOLF

19 "The Sinks" Disc Golf Course

(423) 266-2700 • www.chattanooga-discgolf.com

18-hole wooded disc golf course with nice elevation changes and natural sink holes.

Directions: Take Hwy 153 N, exit on Access Road at the end of the dam. Go one mile. The entrance will be on your left.

20 Athens Regional Park

2405 Decatur Pike, Athens • I-75 Exit 49 • (423) 744-2704

www.cityofathensn.com/parks/



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Directions: From Chattanooga, take I-27 N to Hwy 111 N. Exit at Lewis Chapel Road. Turn Left, go 1/2 mile. Turn right onto Picnic Road. Follow signs. Just 2.5 miles off the highway. Open daily, weather permitting.

2 Lookout Mountain Flight Park

7201 Scenic Hwy, Rising Fawn, GA 30738
(800) 688-5637 • www.hanglide.com

Lookout Mountain Flight Park is home to America's No. 1 hang gliding school, which has been teaching people to fly hang gliders since 1978. We offer tandem flights to 4000 feet and solo instruction on the bunny hills. Call the toll-free number for booking information.

Directions: Take I-24 West to I-59 South. Take exit 11, Trenton. Turn left at the end of exit ramp and turn right at the second stop light onto Hwy 11. Drive 1/10 mile and turn left at the next light onto Route 136. Drive 1 mile and turn left on Piney Road. Drive 4.7 miles on Piney Road and turn right at stop sign on Route 189. The Flight Park office is ahead on the right.

Hours: Open 9 a.m. –6 p.m. E.S.T. Every day except Wednesday.

3 Tennessee Tree Toppers

www.treetoppers.org

The TTT is a hang gliding club based in the beautiful Sequatchie Valley just Northwest of Chattanooga. The main site facing northwest is Henson Gap, home of the world-famous Radial Ramp. The club's southeast facing site is above the town of Whitwell. A current rating and membership are required to hang glide. The public is welcome to observe and enjoy the view.



Gliding

1 Chilhowee Gliderport

Highway 411 (between Benton and Etowah), Benton, TN
(423) 388-2000 or (423) 266-1767 • www.chilhowee.com

Since the late 1970's Chilhowee Gliderport has offered rides, instruction and towing. It is a great place to spend the day watching the beauty of soaring, hitching a ride, or the start point for a long cross-country flight.

Hours: Open 11am-6pm Friday-Sunday. By appointment only on weekdays.

Directions: Take 1-75 North to 64 East then north on Highway 411 about 10 miles on left. Look for large signs.

Hiking



In this short summary we have included the top rated trails in Southeast Tennessee. However, there are many other trails waiting to be explored.

CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST HIWASSEE/OCOEE RANGER DISTRICT (423) 338-3300

1 Benton Falls Trail, Chilhowee Recreation Area

An easy 1.5 miles. Starts at Chilhowee Campground's McCamy Lake and follows Rock Creek to Benton Falls. Trail is 4 to 6 feet wide. Benton Falls is a 65-ft waterfall.

Directions: From US 64 at Ocoee Lake, go north on FS 77 for 7 miles to the Lake McCamy parking area.

2 Benton MacKaye Trail • www.bmta.org

275 miles long starting at the head of the AT and enters the Cherokee National Forest across Big Frog Mountain. Access the trail at Forest Service 221, Forest Service 45, Thunder Rock Campground, and Hwy 64 across from TVA Ocoee Powerhouse No. 3. Thirty miles of the Trail are located in Polk County and marked with white diamonds except in wilderness areas. For more information see *Wilderness Trails of Tennessee's Cherokee National Forest* by Harvey Broom Group of the TN Chapter of the Sierra Club; and *Hiking the Benton MacKaye Trail* by Tim Homan.



3 Big Frog Trail

11 miles round trip, difficult, recommended for experienced hikers. The trail gains 2,160 feet in elevation.

Directions: Take US 64 to TVA's Ocoee No. 3 Powerhouse. Turn right on FS Road 45 at Thunder Rock Campground sign. Go 3 miles. Turn right on FS Road 221. Trail head is the first trailhead on the left.

4 Clear Creek Trail

5.4 miles rated moderate. Begins near Greasy Creek Campground off Hwy.30. Trail ends at Chilhowee Campground trailer dumping station.

5 Consauga Riverside Trail

This trail begins at F.S. Road 220 parking lot, 4.6 miles and is rated easy. Watchable wildlife area.

6 Jacks River Falls

This trailhead is at the junction of Forest Service Road 221 and GA 16. 4.5 miles and is rated easy.

7 John Muir Trail

This trail is 18.8 miles following Hiwassee River from Childer's Creek near Reliance to Hwy.68 at Farner. The first three-mile section is rated easy, other sections can be challenging.

8 Oswald Dome Trail

This trail is 3.9 miles, rated moderate with some difficult sections. Begins at Quinn Springs Campground, Hwy.30 near Reliance. Trail ascends Bean Mountain and ends at 3500' elevation near Oswald Dome fire tower.

CUMBERLAND TRAIL STATE PARK

www.cumberlandtrail.org • www.friendsofthecumberlandtrail.org

9 Laurel-Snow Trail

10.5 miles, round-trip, Strenuous. The Laurel-Snow Trail was the first National Recreation Trail in Tennessee, and it has many interesting features. It follows an old railroad bed, passes an abandoned mine shaft, and crosses a bridge over Laurel Creek. The trail forks the east leg leading to Laurel Falls (5miles round trip, beginner level) and Snake Head Point, and the west leg to Buzzard Point and Snow Falls. **Elevation:** Begin and end at 850 feet with a high point of 1,700 feet.

Directions: In Dayton, turn west off US 27 on Walnut Grove Road. Follow this road until it ends. Turn left at Back Valley Road and follow the signs.

10 North Chickamauga Pocket Wilderness Area Trails

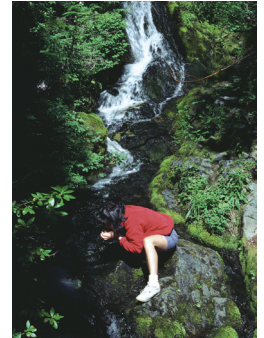
Opened in 1993, this 1,100-acre wilderness is named for North Chickamauga Creek. Two easy trails, Hogskin Branch Loop, a 1.5-mile round-trip hike, and the 7.8-mile round-trip Stevenson Branch Trail take you by overlooks, waterfalls, wildflowers, picnic tables, and a camping area. The North Chickamauga Pocket Wilderness Area is within the Chickamauga Gulch, a gorge about 600 feet deep.

Directions: From Chattanooga, go north on US 27 to the intersection with

TN 153. At the junction of TN 153 and US 27, TN 153 becomes Dayton Pike. Continue on Dayton Pike toward Soddy Daisy 3 miles to the intersection with Montlake Road. Turn left on Montlake Road and go 1 mile to the pocket wilderness sign and access road. Turn left (west) on the access road, and continue to the parking, picnic areas and trailhead.

11 Piney River Trail

10 miles one-way, easy moderate. A National Recreation Trail, the Piney River Trail offers hikers a fascinating array of features, including steel and suspension bridges, an old railroad bed, waterfalls and cascades, an old mine tippil hardwood forest, and a rock house. The trailhead also begins at the Piney River Picnic Area. Materials for the bridges were flown in by helicopter to prevent harming the area by building a road. **Elevation:** Begins at 850 feet and end at 1,100 feet.



Directions: Take Shut-In Gap Road just north of Spring City traveling on Highway 68.

12 Stinging Fork Trail

3-mile loop, moderate difficulty. Stinging Fork Trail, created in 1969, was the first trail on Bowater property, according to Evan Means in *Hiking Tennessee Trails*. This trail is picturesque, passing through a pine forest and on through stands of laurel and patches of blueberries. A spur trail leads to Indian Head Point where an overlook provides a view of the rugged Stinging Fork Gorge, and the trail passes within a short distance of the 30-foot-high Stinging Fork Falls and cascades. **Elevation:** Change of 300 feet.

Directions: Travelling Highway 68, take Shut-In Gap Road just North of Spring City.

13 Twin Rocks Nature Trail

2.5 miles one-way, moderate difficulty. The trail leads to Twin Rocks, which overlooks the Tennessee Valley and the Soak Creek and Piney River gorges.

Elevation: Change of 510 feet.

Directions: This trail begins at the Piney River Picnic Area. Take Shut-In-Gap Road off TN 68 just north of Spring City to reach the picnic area.



14 Signal Point to Edwards Point

6 miles round-trip, covers some rocky terrain and requires some climbing. Overlooks of Julia Falls, Rainbow Falls and the Tennessee River Gorge. Section 1-10 miles rated easy, located in Prentice Cooper State Park. Trail follows the rim of the Tennessee River Gorge ending at Signal Point.

Directions: From Chattanooga, take Hwy 27 to the Signal Mountain Exit and continue up Signal Mountain. Turn left near the top at the sign for Cumberland Trail State Park and follow the signs.

FALL CREEK FALLS STATE PARK

Fall Creek Falls State Park offers a variety of day-use trails. Providing access to some of the park's loveliest areas, the trails pass into virgin woods, over fast flowing streams, and around awesome gorges and waterfalls. For more information, please visit www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/parks/fallcreekfalls or call 423-881-5298. Most trails are less than a mile long and accessible to the casual walker but the trail system links and offers longer paths for the avid hiker as well. The longest trails are detailed as follows:

15 Cane Creek

Lower Loop Overnight Trail, 12 miles, medium difficulty. Trail descends and climbs scenic Cane Creek Gorge. Passes several overlooks and waterfalls. Upper Loop Trail, 13 miles, medium difficulty. Trail follows plateau of Fall Creek. Campsites located on isolated upper section of Cane Creek.

Directions: From Chattanooga, take Hwy 27 North to Hwy 111 North. Park Entrance is on Hwy 111 between Dunlap and Spencer.

SOUTH CUMBERLAND STATE RECREATION AREA

South Cumberland is a hikers paradise with a selection of trails to suit almost any interest and physical capability. All trails are marked with directional trail signs at trail junctions and painted blazers along the way. Trails are easy to follow, the only exception being in the late fall and early winter when heavy fallen leaf cover can sometimes hide the way. Detailed topographical maps are available at the Visitor Center, at Grundy Forest, the Stone Door Ranger Station or the Savage Gulf Ranger Station. Visit: www.friendsofscsra.org.

16 Buggytop Cave

2 miles, rated moderate to difficult, located near Tracy City. Trail terminates at overlook into Lost Cove.

17 Fiery Gizzard Trail

This trail has length options of 10 miles round trip, rated medium or 13.5-miles one-way featuring cascading streams, numerous waterfalls, panoramic overlooks, extremely rocky gorges, gentle slopes and lush woodlands. This trail is one of the most diverse and beautiful in the state and the 17-mile option has been ranked as one of the top twenty-five backpacking trails in the U.S. by Backpacker Magazine. There are four primitive campgrounds along the trail. Start at the Grundy Forest Natural Area Picnic Shelter. Descend into

the gorge, passing some spectacular rock formations, including Chimney Rock. The rocky terrain, especially on the Fiery Gizzard Trail, makes the hike strenuous. To avoid the rocks, take the Fiery Gizzard Trail to the Dog Hole Trail. As hikers approach the overlook at Raven Point, they will pass waterfalls, a 500-year-old hemlock tree, an old still and interesting bits of history.

Directions: Traveling I-24, take Exit 135 to Tracy City. Follow the signs to the Grundy Forest.

18 North Rim Trail to Tommy's Overlook

13.8 miles round-trip with fairly level terrain. Begin Hiking at the Savage Gulf Ranger Station. Go almost 2 miles on the Savage Day Loop Trail then follow the North Rim Trail 5 miles to Tommy's Overlook for a great view of the three gulfs converging.

Directions: From Chattanooga, take US 127 to Dunlap then TN 111 to TN 399. Follow the signs to the Savage Gulf State Natural Area Ranger Station.

19 Savage Gulf Day Loop

5-mile loop trail, easy, great for the beginning hiker. Savage Falls is a short distance off the loop down the South Rim Trail.

Directions: same as North Rim Trail above, start at the Savage Gulf Ranger Station.

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN**20 Lookout Mountain Trail System**

(423) 821-7786

25 miles, rated easy-to-medium, located at Point Park. System composed of several different trails, which offer views from the top of Lookout Mountain.

Horseback Riding

RENTAL STABLES**1 Blanche Manor**

181 Deal Hollow Road, Copperhill, TN 37317
(423) 496-1060 or (706) 455-7433 • www.blanchemanor.com

Trail rides and horse-drawn hayrides.

2 Broken Trail Ranch

271 Guinn Narrows Road, Decatur, TN 37322 • (423) 506-2056

Visit year-round by appointment only. Trail rides and horses for purchase.

3 Fall Creek Falls State Park

Route 3, Box 300, Pikeville, TN 37367
(423) 881-5241

Two miles of trail. Rental Horses only. Seasonal (May through October).



OPEN TRAILS

4 Bledsoe State Forest

30396 State Route 30, Pikeville, TN 37367 • (423) 881-3585
30 miles of dirt trails and 35 miles of gravel roads. Map available at forest office.

5 Cherokee National Forest • (423) 476-9700

Public use trails: Chestnut Mountain Trail, 5.7 miles. Unicoi Mountain Trail, 9.9 mile loop; Starr Mountain Trail, 17 miles. Dispersed horse camping is allowed (no facilities). Parking areas are available.

Bring your own horse.

6 Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park

P.O. Box 2128, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742 • (706) 866-9241

12 miles of flat terrain surrounding the battlefield. Trails are marked with blazers on trees. Bring your own horse. Call or go to the visitor center for a copy of the trail map.

7 Lost Corral Horse Camp

(423) 338-3300

Located at the entrance to the Starr Mountain and Chestnut Mountain Horse Trails, this campground features 20 campsites, each with a picnic table, fire ring, lantern post, horse-hitching area and portable water and vault toilet facilities. Lost Corral is near the Starr Mountain Horse Trail Complex which consists of over 30 miles of trails ranging from short loop trails to long, overnight rides.



Hunting

Check with Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency for current information and regulations limits, seasons and special rules that may vary from season to season.

TWRA Region Office (Cumberland Plateau)

464 Industrial Blvd. Crossville

(931) 484-9571 or (800) 262-6704 • www.state.tn.us/twra/

PLACES TO HUNT

1 Bledsoe State Forest

(423) 881-3585 • 8,000 acres that can be hunted with TWRA hunting license.

2 Fall Creek Falls Wildlife Management Area

(423) 881-3297 • www.tnwildlife.org

Directions: Take Hwy 111 to Hwy 284.

Special regulations: Listed in hunting guide. BG

3 Prentice Cooper State Forest • (423) 658-0298 • www.tnwildlife.org

Directions: From Hwy 27, go to Whitwell. Turn at Hardees, east on 283.

Follow signs. Approximately 9 miles. **Special regulations:** See current hunting guide. SG, BG

4 Hiwassee Refuge • (423) 614-3018 • www.tnwildlife.org

Directions: From I-75, take Exit 25 Hwy 60 North. Three miles past Birchwood, turn onto Armstrong Ferry Road. Follow the signs.

Special regulations: BG, SG, WF

5 Cherokee National Forest: (423) 338-3300

6 Yuchi Refuge at Smith Bend

3451 Breedenton Ferry Rd. • (423) 365-9166 • www.tnwildlife.org

Directions: I-75 Athens/Decatur Exit. Take Hwy 30 toward Dayton. Turn north on Hwy 68. Go 3 miles. Turn right onto 302. Go 4.5 miles to Bogles Chapel. At Bogles Chapel, turn left and follow WMA signs. **Special regulations:** SG, BG, WF, listed in hunting guide

TRAP, SKEET AND SPORTING CLAYS

7 Montlake Shooting Center

2009 Mowbray Pike, Soddy-Daisy, TN 37379 • (423) 332-1195

Directions: Take Highway 27 to the Chickamauga Dam Exit. Turn left onto Highway 153. Turn left at the first light onto Montlake Road, which will dead end into Mowbray Pike. Turn left. Center is 2 miles on the right. Follow signs.

Rafting, Canoeing and



HIWASSEE RIVER (CLASS I AND II)

Designated as a State Scenic River, the Hiwassee is coveted by both whitewater canoers and anglers. The 15-mile section of the river between the powerhouse and the dam (in North Carolina) is usually dry but can be negotiated after heavy rains. Below the powerhouse to Reliance, the river is lined with fly fisherman hoping to catch some of the river's trout, along with canoers, tubers, and rafters after a dam release. The rapids are rated as Class I and II with a swift current. Scenery along this stretch of the river is great. Note that the dam releases from deep within the impoundment make this a COLD river. This river is great for trout but not for swimming.

1 Hiwassee Scenic River Outfitters Inc.

155 Ellis Creek Road, Reliance, TN 37369
(423) 338-8115 or (800) 338-8133 • www.hiwasseeoutfitters.com

Rafts, funyaks, sit-on-top kayaks, tubes.

2 Webb Brothers Float Service, Inc.

Hiwassee River, Box 61, Reliance, TN 37369
(423) 338-2373 or (877) 932-7238 • www.webbrosfloatservice.com

Rafts, tubing trips, and inflatable kayaks.

3 Hiwassee Canoe Company

435 Market St. NE, Charleston, TN 37310
(423) 336-5600

TENNESSEE RIVER BLUEWAY (CLASS I FLATWATER)

This 50-mile canoe and kayak trail stretches from Chickamauga Dam to Nickajack Dam through Chattanooga and the Tennessee River Gorge. Much of the trail travels through lands protected by the Tennessee River Gorge Trust. Primitive camping available. For more information, please call (423) 643-6888 or go to: www.outdoorchattanooga.com.

4 River Canyon Adventures

(423) 290-8628 • www.rivercanyonadventures.com • Call in advance and they will bring boat, paddle, and personal floatation devices to your area.

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Site of the 1996 Olympic Canoe and Kayak Slalom Races, the Ocoee hosts several whitewater events each year. Whitewater enthusiasts can take guided trips on the Olympic Race Channel, located at the Ocoee Whitewater Center, as well as on the lower Ocoee. For water release information, go to www.tva.gov/river/recreation/schedules.htm.

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7 Cascade Outdoors

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8 Cherokee Rafting

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www.cherokeerafting.com • Whitewater rafting.

9 Eagle Adventures

375 Eagle Ranch Road, Copperhill, TN 37317
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10 High Country

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11 Nantahala Outdoor Center

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14 Ocoee Outdoors

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15 Ocoee Rafting

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16 Outdoor Adventure Rafting

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www.raft.com

17 Outland Expeditions

629 Welcome Valley Rd., Benton, TN 37361
(423) 478-1442 or (800) 827-1442 • www.outlandexpeditions.com

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18 Quest Expeditions

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19 Rolling Thunder River Co.

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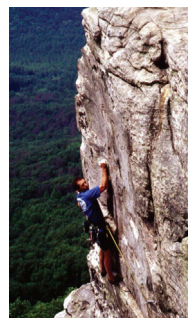
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21 Whitewater Express

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Wildlife Viewing & Bird Watching



This viewing site list will lead you to the best publicly-accessible natural areas in Southeast Tennessee. These sites offer the chance to see seasonal concentrations of wildlife and unique or exceptional habitats. Many sites also feature developed facilities and interpretive elements, such as guided nature walks, brochures, and educational displays. Certain restrictions may apply during hunting season.

ALONG THE WATER'S EDGE

1 The Blythe Ferry Unit of Hiwassee Refuge offers a large number of waterfowl, in particular, the Sandhill and Whooping Cranes during the winter months. Optimal views of cranes with a spotting scope. Look for cranes feeding and resting on Hiwassee Island. Also during the winter, Bald Eagles and Northern Harriers, Mallards, Black Ducks, and Canada Geese are in residence. Osprey can be observed during the nesting season. Call (423) 614-3018 for more information.

Directions: From junction of TN 58 and TN 60 near Georgetown, follow TN 60, 7.8 miles west. Turn right at the wildlife sign.

2 North Chickamauga Greenway, offers a scenic paved creekside trail and views of Great Blue Herons, kingfishers, and turtles.

3 Chester Frost Park has stands of pine that are the year-round home of Brown-headed Nuthatches and Red-headed Woodpeckers. Shorelines offer views of osprey and various shore birds during migration.

4 Booker T. Washington State Park shelters 20 species of waterfowl, including the Greater Scaup, Common Loon, Ring-necked Duck, coots, and grebes.

5 Yuchi State Wildlife Refuge located between Dayton and Spring City gives the visitor access to wildlife viewing at Smith's Bend. The area is home to cranes, waterfowl, deer, and turkey.

6 Maclellan Island is located in the middle of the Tennessee River in Downtown Chattanooga. This 18-acre island is owned by the Chattanooga Audubon Society. The Great Blue Heron Rookery on the Island can be observed from the Veteran's Bridge, Hunter Art Museum and Coolidge Park. The Chattanooga Ducks and the Southern Belle boat operations offer outstanding viewing opportunities. Call (423) 892-1499 for more information or visit www.chattanoogaaudubon.org.

7 Nickajack Cave Refuge is home to 50,000 endangered female Gray Bats, Blind Tennessee Cave Salamanders, and small numbers of hibernating Indiana and Eastern Small-footed Bats. Trail and viewing platform are open April 1 – October 15. Access into cave is prohibited.

Directions: From I-24 west of Chattanooga, take exit 161. Turn north onto TN 156 and travel 5 miles to TVA Maple View Public Use Area. Scheduled tours (423) 821-1160 ext.102.

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS

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View Hiwassee Refuge or the Tennessee River Gorge.

The Chattanooga Ducks • (423) 756-3825 • www.chattanoogaducks.com

View Maclellan Island.

Tennessee River Gorge Explorer • (800) 262-0695 • www.tnaqua.org

View the Tennessee River Gorge

8 Watts Bar Lake features 783 miles of shoreline and provides the largest inland nesting population of ospreys in the Southeast. Ospreys nest May-July, concentrated between the Euchee Boat Dock and Thief Neck Island. Concentrations of Great Blue Herons, Black-crowned Night Herons, and Great Egrets may be seen near Long Island. Waterfowl and Bald Eagles are common in winter. Public lands of Watts Bar Reservoir Reservation are home to white-tailed deer, raccoon, woodchuck, muskrat, fox, mink, skunk and coyote.



Directions: To Watts Bar Dam from I-75, take Exit 60. Go west 16 miles.

TENNESSEE RIVER GORGE

The scenic terrain of the Tennessee River Gorge creates a unique diversity of land forms. The land provides habitats for more than a thousand varieties of plants, ferns, trees, grasses and flowers as well as a rich wildlife population. Many of these are rare or endangered species such as the Mountain Skullcap and birds like the osprey and Bald Eagle. Dozens of archaeological sites bear evidence of man's presence in the Gorge for at least 10,000 years. For directions and more information about the TRG, visit: www.trgt.org.

9 Raccoon Mountain Pumped Storage Plant is a viewing area for the Tennessee River Gorge and is home to Bald Eagles in Winter, Sharp-shinned, Cooper's and Red-tailed Hawks, osprey and Northern Harrier. White-tailed deer frequent the area. Binoculars or spotting scope recommended. Best hawk-watching is mid-September to October, midday, after a cold front.

Directions: From I-24 West of Chattanooga, take 174. Travel 2.5 miles north-west on US routes 41N/64W/72W. Turn right at pumped storage plant sign. Call (423) 825-3100

10 The Pot House is a biological learning station with a 3.5-mile loop trail for observing vegetation and wildlife of the gorge. This is the only nesting area in this region of the American Redstart. Call (423) 266-0314



URBAN WILDLIFE VIEWING

11 Audubon Acres offers excellent birding at the edge of South Chickamauga Creek. View along several miles of well-maintained trails through upland and bottomland forests. Observe turkey, beaver, turtle, rabbits, squirrel, migratory birds, raccoon, muskrat, gray fox, and woodchuck.

Call 423-892-1499 or www.chattanoogaaudubon.org.

Directions: Take I-75 to East Brainerd Road exit 3A. Go east, then right onto Gunbarrel Road. Turn right on Sanctuary Road.

12 The Brainerd Levee offers refuge and viewing of the Great Blue, Little Blue and Green-backed Herons, and Great Egrets May-September. Watch for common snipe and waterfowl in the Winter. Blue-winged Teal are frequent in migration in April and September-November. The wet fields and edges support nesting Willow Flycatchers and Grasshopper Sparrows. Beaver and muskrat inhabit the adjacent oxbows. The snail darter, a federally listed fish, was rediscovered in South Chickamauga Creek in 1980 after it was thought to be extinct. Late afternoon viewing is best. Call (423) 757-4963 for more information.



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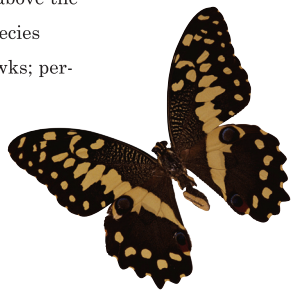
Directions: Take I-24 to Exit 184 Moore Road. Go North on Moore Rd 2.5 miles. Moore ends at intersection with Shallowford Rd. Levee parking is on the right.

13 Chattanooga Nature Center has a barrier-free boardwalk through remnant wetland forest on Lookout Creek that offers views of such reptiles as Banded Watersnakes and Pond Sliders. Listen for Barred Owls and Pileated Woodpeckers. Beaver and muskrat are present year-round. Great Blue, Little Blue and Green-backed Herons, and Great Egrets are most abundant in Summer and Fall. White-tailed deer, raccoons, red wolves, coyotes, fox, and flying squirrels may be spotted. Call (423) 821-1160 for more information.

Directions: From I-24 west of Chattanooga, take exit 175 and turn left. Turn left on Cummings Highway. Turn right on Old Wauhatchie Pike then

immediately turn right onto Garden Road. www.chattanooga.org

14 Signal Point Park rises 1,000 feet above the Tennessee River and hosts a view of 13 species including broad-winged and red-tailed hawks; peregrine falcons; Cooper's hawks; and black and turkey vultures. Call 423-821-7786 for more information.



Directions: From Chattanooga, take Hwy 27 to Signal Mountain Exit and continue up Signal Mountain. Turn left near the top at the sign for Cumberland Trail State Park and follow the signs.

HIWASSEE/OCOEE

The Cherokee National Forest, which covers 633,000 acres in East Tennessee offers many opportunities to view wildlife throughout the year. From hiking trails and scenic drives, one can view birds, butterflies and blooms in breathtaking color or stroll along designated Watchable Wildlife trails within the Cherokee National Forest. The Cherokee National Forest features habitat for black bears, European boar, red squirrels, eastern chipmunks, and red and grey foxes. The forest hosts a great variety of nesting warblers, vireos, tanagers, flycatchers, etc. The best viewing is May to October. A complete birding checklist for the Cherokee National Forest can be obtained by contacting the Tennessee Overhill Heritage Association at www.tennesseeoverhill.com or 423-263-7232. For more information, contact: Cherokee National Forest: Ocoee/Hiwassee Ranger District: 423-338-5201



15 Hiwassee State Scenic River and the John Muir Trail are also home to an assortment of wildlife. Beaver activity is easily seen along the John Muir Trail with Hellbender salamanders, the largest in North America, seen resting on the river rocks.

Directions: From Ocoee, take Hwy. 411 north to Hwy 30 East. Travel Hwy 30 East to Reliance, cross the Hiwassee River and follow the signs to the John Muir Trail.

16 Conasauga River offers underwater viewing of over 60 fish species, including the federally-listed blue

shiner, amber darter, Conasauga logperch, the state-listed trispot and coldwater darters. Best viewing is on weekdays during warm, dry months.

Directions: From Ocoee, travel south on Hwy 411 6.7 miles. Turn left onto TN 313 (Ladd Springs Rd.) Travel 4 miles then bear right on Forest Service Road 221. Go 4.7 miles and turn right onto parking area for Conasauga River Trail 61.

SOUTH CUMBERLAND RECREATION AREA

17 South Cumberland State Recreation Area is truly the wilderness heart of the southern plateau, a refuge for flora and fauna including over 700 acres of native, old growth mesophytic hardwood forest in Savage Gulf, and incredible diversity in the Fiery Gizzard Gulf and Hawkins Cove where 262 acres have been set aside as a natural area since 1985 to preserve the rare Cumberland Rosin Weed. The red-tailed hawk, gray tree frogs and wild turkey are only a few of the animals that live in the park.

For the schedule of narrated bird walks and other events, Visit: www.friendsofscsra.org.



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