



## Woods & Waterfalls in Pennsylvania

### WATERFALL RAVINES

#### Dingmans Falls

GPS 41.22948 -74.88790

A flat boardwalk trail, about 0.25 one-way, passes Silverthread and Dingmans Falls. The visitor center at Dingmans Falls is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays this summer.

**Directions:** At mile 13 on US 209, just south of the light at US 209 and Rt. 739, turn west (left if northbound) onto Johnny Bee Road and continue 1.0 miles to the visitor center and trail.

#### Childs Park

GPS 41.23733 -74.91916

Newly rehabilitated to be in keeping with their historical appearance, these former state park grounds offer a steep boardwalk trail past three waterfalls, accessible observation decks, and a picnic area. This is a trash-free site; carry out what you carry in.

**Directions:** From US 209 at Rt. 739, turn west (left if northbound) onto Rt. 739 for 1.2 miles, then left onto Silver Lake Road for 1.7 miles. Turn left onto Park Road and immediately left again into the parking area. Do not park on Silver Lake Road; parking regulations will be strictly enforced.

#### Raymondskill Falls

GPS 41.290229 -74.841310

A 0.25-mile round-trip hike leads through a hemlock forest to the Upper Falls (70 ft. climb.) From there the Middle Falls are a 0.25-mile round-trip, using steep uneven stairs (150 ft. descent.) Raymondskill Creek at the base of the ravine is a 1.0-mile hike round-trip with a steep ascent on the return (200 ft. climb.)

**Directions:** From Milford follow Rt. 209 south to mile 18 and turn right onto Raymondskill Road. Continue to the second parking lot on the left. From the south follow the Rt. 209 detour onto Rt. 739. After 2.5 miles turn right onto Rt. 2001. Continue 4.4 miles and turn right on Raymondskill Road. Follow 1.2 miles to the first parking lot on the right.

### STREAMS AND PONDS

#### Toms Creek Picnic Area Trails

GPS 41.126817 -74.955121

An 0.8-mile flat stroll along the creek is ideal for children. Also, Big Egypt Road, a gated dirt road 0.1 mile north of the picnic area, leads 1.5 miles to Egypt Mills Pond. (320 ft. climb)

**Directions:** Toms Creek Road is on a road parallel to and west of Rt. 209. Follow signs from 209: northbound, bear left after milepost 4; southbound, turn right after milepost 6. Signal your turn; tap your brakes; turn with care.

#### Pocono Environmental Education Center PEEC (41.170826 -74.913303)

PEEC has 12 miles of varied trails open to the public. Maps and details are available at PEEC's visitor center and at [www.peec.org](http://www.peec.org).

**Directions:** From Rt. 209 turn west onto Brisco Mt. Road 7.0 miles north of the blinking light in Bushkill, and 4.5 miles south of Rt. 209 at Rt. 739.

#### Sensory Trail (0.25 mile)

A rope guide leads blindfolded hikers through a listening and sensing experience.

#### Two Ponds Trail (1.5 miles, white blaze)

Wildlife, pine stands, and Pickerel Pond.

#### Fossil Trail (1.25 miles, blue blaze)

Look for (but don't take!) fossils along an ancient marine escarpment.

#### Sunrise Trail (5.0 miles, yellow blaze)

Wetlands and forest. Hilly terrain with one steep descent of a ledge using guide cables.

#### Tumbling Waters Trail

(3.0 miles, orange blaze)

Scenic vistas, two waterfalls, and a meadow.

#### Scenic Gorge Trail (2.0 miles, red blaze)

Fairly easy trail which follows a stream. This trail can be muddy in rainy weather.

### WOODS

#### McDade Recreational Trail

McDade Recreational Trail extends for 32 miles on the Pennsylvania side of the park. It is open to hiking, biking, and crosscountry skiing. Trailheads are located every 0.5 to 5.3 miles.

#### Cliff Park: Hackers Trailhead (yellow blazes)

GPS 41.290300 -74.840100

This trail leads to a waterfall and pool in a shady forest, about 1.1 mile round-trip. A loop of 3.5 miles will also take in overlooks along Cliff Trail (white blazes).

**Directions:** Go to Raymondskill parking

(above) and park in the lower parking area.

The trail begins at the grassy road across Raymondskill Road from the parking area. Please cross carefully.

#### Cliff Park: Milford Knob (green blazes)

GPS 41.309467 -74.807317

A steep 400-ft. climb leads to an overlook of the town of Milford, PA, 2.8 miles round-trip.

**Directions:** Park at North Contact Station (entrance booth) at milepost 20 on Route 209.

#### Hidden Lake Picnic Area

GPS 41.050587 -75.053237

Several old dirt roadways and footpaths circle this quiet lake for a level hike of about 2 miles.

Start a counterclockwise tour from the south end of the picnic area parking, and stay on slightly higher ground away from the shore.

On the east shore, pass an old lodge and follow its access road north. Turn west to follow the shore. Cross the footbridge to the top of the dam to return to the picnic area.

**Directions:** From River Road northbound turn left (a very sharp turn if northbound) onto Hidden Lake Drive 0.2 mile north of park headquarters. Southbound on River Road, bear right 1.0 mile after the light at Rt. 209. Drive 3.0 miles on Hidden Lake Road to the picnic area entrance at the sign on the left.

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24-hour toll-free phone number for reporting crimes or emergencies in Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.