

# Horse Trailheads and Trails in Tennessee

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Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area  
Oneida, Tennessee



Horseback riding is one of the most popular activities in Big South Fork. Please be aware that proof of a negative Coggins Test for Swamp Fever (EIA) is required to bring horses into Big South Fork. A health certificate is required if you are travelling from outside Tennessee or Kentucky to this area.

More than 180 miles of horse trails provide access to many of the area's scenic features. They range from short, easy day rides to long and strenuous loops. Because of the extensive network of trails, horseback riders are encouraged to purchase a National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map. This map is color-coded to indicate the various types of trail in the park.



**Horse Trail – Red Blaze** (on Trails Illustrated Map, orange dashes)  
**Multi-Use Trail – Orange Blaze** (on Trails Illustrated Map, purple dashes)  
**Dogs must be kept on a leash when accompanying a horseback rider.**  
**Stay on the designated trails. Pack it in – Pack it out.**



## Bandy Creek Equestrian Trailhead

From TN 297W, you may take either the Bandy Creek Road (paved) or the West Bandy Creek Road (gravel). The day use equestrian trailhead is west of the Bandy Creek Visitor Center. The entrance is located between the Bandy Creek Trailhead comfort station and the picnic shelter. A corral is provided and water is available.

### North White Oak Loop Trail

**17.6 miles**

Bandy Stables-Katie Trail Connector	0.8 mi. x 2
North White Oak Loop	16.0 mi
Optional Overlook Trails:	
Leatherwood Overlook Trail	2.3 miles one way
North White Oak Overlook Trail	1.25 miles one way

**Additional access to loop at parking area on TN 297W**

### Jacks Ridge Loop Trail

**8.1 miles**

Stables-Katie Trail Connector	0.6 mi. x 2
Katie Trail	1.4 mi. x 2
Jacks Ridge Loop	4.1 miles
Short side of loop (sandy roadbed)	0.8 mile one way

### To Charit Creek Lodge from Jacks Ridge Loop

**3.3 miles**

To Laurel Creek	0.4 miles one way
Black House Branch	1.9 miles one way
Charit Creek Lodge Trail	1.0 miles one way

### Duncan Hollow Trail – one way to Laurel Creek;

**6.6 miles**

access to Fork Ridge Trail and Station Camp Trail	
Stables-Katie Trail Connector	0.6 miles one way
Katie Trail	1.4 miles one way
Duncan Hollow Trail	6.0 miles one way

## Cumberland Valley Equestrian Trailhead

From TN 297W (west of the park boundary), you will see a sign for the Cumberland Valley Trailhead. It is located next to a country store. Drive down the gravel road and go right to enter the parking area.

### Cumberland Valley Loop Trail

**15.9 miles**

Gernt Trail	3.3 miles
Laurel Creek Overlook Trail	0.1 mile option

O & W Trail (Gernt to Coyle Branch)	2.8 miles
Coyle Branch Trail	1.2 miles
Including North White Oak Connector	5.3 miles
Grooms Branch Trail	0.3 miles
	3.0 miles

For access to O & W Bridge travel east;  
for access to Zenith, travel west on the O &W Trail.

## Middle Creek Equestrian Trailhead

From TN 297W, turn right on TN 154N and drive 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Divide Road. In one mile, turn right onto Fork Ridge Road. The trailhead is on the left.

**Gobblers Knob Trail – one way to Gobblers Knob Trailhead** **6.5 miles**  
**Also serves as a wagon trail**

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## Charit Creek Equestrian Trailhead

From TN 297W, turn right on TN 154N and drive 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Divide Road. In one mile turn right onto Fork Ridge Road. Past Sawmill Hiking Trailhead the road becomes a narrow, one-lane, multi-use trail. Trailers are not recommended. However, if you choose to continue, the trailhead is located on the left at the power-line cut.

**Charit Creek Lodge Trail – one way** **1.3 miles**  
**Station Camp Crossing – one way from lodge to river** **4.0 miles**  
**Hatfield Ridge Loop Trail – from Charit Creek Lodge** **11.0 miles**  
**Charit Creek Overlook Trail – from loop, one way** **1.0 mile**  
**Black House Branch Trail – one way to Jacks Ridge Loop** **2.3 miles**

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## Gobblers Knob Trailhead

From TN 297W, turn right onto TN 154N and drive 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Divide Road. Remain on Divide Road for four miles, passing the Twin Arches Road. At the next intersection Divide Road goes left. You should turn right onto Terry Cemetery Road. The trailhead is on the left. From this point, Terry Cemetery Road becomes a multi-use trail.

**To Hatfield Ridge Loop – one way** **1.8 miles**  
**Hatfield Ridge Loop** **11.0 miles**

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## Terry Cemetery Trailhead

Travel past Gobblers Knob Trailhead. Follow the multi-use Terry Cemetery Trail for 3.8 miles. Entrance to the parking area is on the right.

**Longfield Branch Trail – to No Business Trail** **1.8 miles**  
**No Business Trail – ends at the Big South Fork River** **3.5 miles**

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## Station Camp Equestrian Trailhead

From Oneida, follow TN 297W out of the city. Passing a large farm on your left, TN 297W turns left at the intersection. Remain straight on Station Camp Road. After you enter the park, the Station Camp Equestrian Trailhead is on the right. From Jamestown, follow TN 297W through the park. At the stop sign turn left onto Station Camp Road.

**Pilot Wines Loop Trail** **15.0 miles**  
**Dome Rockhouse Trail – one way** **2.5 miles**  
**Big Island Loop Trail** **14.0 miles**  
**River Trail East – one way from Station Camp Crossing** **6.0 miles**

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## Peters Mountain Trailhead

From TN 154N, turn right onto Divide Road. Continue on Divide Road past the junction with Terry Cemetery Road. Approximately six miles past the junction with the Hattie Blevins Road (Rock Creek Loop Trailhead), Peters Mountain Trailhead is on the right. It is north of the TN/KY state line.

**To Bell Farm Horse Camp – one way** **5.0 miles**  
**To Blue Heron, river ford – one way** **30.0 miles**  
**No Business Loop Trail** **12.0 miles**

Combines: Laurel Ridge Road – Laurel Hill Trail –  
Millers Branch Trail - No Business Trail – John Muir Trail  
Stoopin' Oak Trail – Divide Road

**This is a partial list of the most popular horse trails. For information on additional trails contact the Bandy Creek Visitor Center at 423-286-7275.**