

Recommended Park Boundary Access

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PLEASE NOTE

Changes to trailhead and boundary parking access can occur without notice. Check the park's Alerts page of the website for possible updates: www.nps.gov/shen/planyourvisit/alerts.htm.

Many of these access locations are in remote areas. Be sure to secure valuables and lock your vehicle.

Entrance fees are important to maintain and rehabilitate park trails. Be sure to pay the park's entrance fee:

- on recreation.gov: <https://www.recreation.gov>. You can purchase your pass in advance of your trip.
- at any of the park entrance stations (Rockfish Gap, Swift Run Gap, Thornton Gap, Front Royal, Old Rag, or Whiteoak Canyon).

If you're backcountry camping, obtain a backcountry camping permit on recreation.gov.

This information is provided for visitor trip planning purposes to help insure appropriate recreational use of these trailheads. Please respect private landowners by staying on the trail in zones that pass through private lands. Observe the limited parking availability at trailheads. Alternate trail access from the Skyline Drive is encouraged.

District	Side	Trail	Access Road	Use	Comments
North	East	Hickerson Hollow	from Rt. 600	Foot, Horse	Poor access; very limited parking along roadside.
		North A.T. / Tom Floyd	Rt. 601	Foot	Fair access; parking for 2 cars along roadside.
		Compton Gap	Rt. 610	Foot, Horse	Good access from Chester Gap; parking for 5 cars.
		Jordan River	Rt. 629	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 4 cars along road; trail access not plainly visible. First 0.2-mile on private land.
		Mount Marshall	Rt. 625	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking lot for 3-5 cars. First 0.5-mile across private land.
		Harris Hollow	Harris Hollow Rd	Foot, Horse	Poor access; parking limited to 1 car along road.
		Keyser Run	Rt. 614	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 10 cars at Little Devil Stairs parking area; do not block road or gate.
		Little Devils Stairs	Rt. 614	Foot	Same as Keyser Run.
		Piney Branch	Rt. 600	Foot, Horse	Poor access; parking is very limited along road; do not block gate or road. First 0.5-mile on private land.
		Thornton River	Rt. 612	Foot, Horse	Poor access; no parking in area along road shoulder.
		Pass Mountain	U.S. Rt. 211	Foot	Good access; parking for 4 cars across highway.
	West	Dickey Ridge	U.S. Rt. 340	Foot	Good access; parking for 6 cars at north entrance of Skyline Drive.
		Lands Run	Rt. 622	Foot, Horse	Good access for 1-2 cars along roadside.
		Jenkins Gap	Rt. 634	Foot, Horse	Poor access; very limited parking along roadside. First 0.2-mile across private land.
		Browntown	Rt. 631	Foot, Horse	Poor access; very limited parking along roadside. First 1-mile across private land.
		Thompson Hollow	Thompson Hollow	Foot	Currently (06/04/2025), there is no parking available at this location.
		Tuscarora	U.S. Rt. 340	Foot	Poor access; no nearby public parking. First 0.3-mile across private land.
		Heiskell Hollow	from Rt. 697	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 2 cars on road shoulder. First 0.3-mile across private land.
		Rocky Branch	Rt. 666	Foot, Horse	Fair access; can be difficult to locate; parking is limited to 1-2 cars at base of private driveway.

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Central	East	Buck Hollow	U.S. Rt. 211	Foot	Good access; parking for 4-5 cars in pullout.
		Hazel Country (Hazel River, White Rocks, Sam's Ridge)	Rt. 600	Foot, Horse	Poor access; very limited parking for 1-2 cars along road outside of gate; 0.3-mile access through private land.
		Broad Hollow	Rt. 681	Foot	Good access; limited parking for 2 cars along road.
		Pine Hill Gap	Rt. 681	Foot	Poor public access; no public parking available. Hike Rt. 681 0.3-mile along Park boundary to trailhead.
		Nicholson Hollow	Rt. 600 - Nethers	Foot	Fair access through 0.5-mile of private land. Parking at Old Rag Parking lot (see below)
		Old Rag Parking / Ridge Trail	Rt. 600 - Nethers	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 200 cars at parking area 0.8-mile north on Rt. 600. Don't park on state road.
		Berry Hollow	Rt. 600 - Syria	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 12 cars. Don't park on private property or on state road or block gated road.
		Whiteoak Canyon / Cedar Run	Rt. 600 - Syria	Foot	Good access through private land 0.2-mile; privately owned parking lot 25+ cars. Don't park on roadway.
		Rose River	Rt. 670	Foot, Horse	Good access; limited parking for about 6 cars at county-improved parking area at end of road.
		Rapidan Area (Rapidan Camp and Environs)	Rt. 649	Foot, Horse	Good access through Park and Rapidan Wildlife Management Area; parking along road outside gate.
		Staunton River / Graves Mill	Rt. 662	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 12 cars at end of road just inside Park boundary. Room for 1-2 horse trailers.
		Conway River	Rt. 615	Foot, Horse	Good access through Rapidan Wildlife Management Area; parking along roadside at end of paved road at RWMA entrance. 4WD recommended.
		Slaughter Trail	Rt. 667	Foot, Horse	Poor access; no parking; limited trail maintenance.
		Pocosin Fire Road	Rt. 637	Foot, Horse	Poor access through private land; road in poor shape. Limited parking along road at gate for 1 car. 0.5-mile hike to Park. Consider Entry Run instead.
		Entry Run	Rt. 643	Foot	Good access; limited trailhead parking for several cars. Section of trail outside of park is on PATC land.
	West	Redgate Fire Road	Rt. 611	Foot, Horse	Good access; limited parking along road for 4 cars.
		Tanners Ridge Fire Road	Rt. 682	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 4-5 cars or 1 small horse trailer at state maintained parking area.
		Powell Mountain	Rt. 759	Foot	Good access; limited parking along road for 1 car.
		Dry Run	Rt. 625	Foot, Horse	Poor access; access permitted but no parking available. Gated by Park neighbor 0.6-mile below Park.

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South	East	Smith Roach Gap Road	from Rt. 626	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 2 cars near park gate.
		Simmons Gap Road	Rt. 628	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 2 cars near park gate.
		Browns Cove	Rt. 629	Foot, Horse	Poor access; limited parking along road. 1.2-miles from Park boundary.
		North & South Fork Moormans River Road	Rt. 614	Foot	Good access; parking for 10+ cars above Charlottesville Reservoir on city property.
		Bucks Elbow Road / Jarman Gap	Rt. 611	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 1 car at park gate.
	West	Beldor Road / Simmons Gap	Rt. 628	Foot, Horse	Good access; parking for 2 cars near park gate.
		Madison Run	Rt. 663	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 8 cars on stream side of roadway near junction of Ft. 663 & 708; stay away from gates.
		Paine Run	Rt. 661	Foot, Horse	Fair access; parking for 3 cars at private turn-around at end of Rt. 661. No public access from Rt. 614. No parking in turnaround weekdays, 7 am - 4 pm during school year to accommodate school buses.
		Gasline Road	Rt. 611/622	Foot	Poor access; road not maintained by Park; limited parking along road; access is double-gated on private land, but hikers are allowed. Overnight parking is highly discouraged.