

### Timber Trail

Green • 0.6 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Connector trail

**Trailhead:** On South End Trail. **Timber Trail** heads south to connect with Cherry Ridge Trail and meanders through a mature forest of mixed conifer and deciduous trees.

### Turkey Ridge Trail

Green • 2.0 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Elevation changes across ridges  
**Trailhead:** On Cabin Trail near Cherry Ridge. **Turkey Ridge Trail** traverses through the southern portion of the park, winding through varying thick and open forest and crossing small ridge tops.

### Twin Bridges Trail

Green • 1.2 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Forested trail, crosses two bridges  
**Trailhead:** On Red Dot Trail. **Twin Bridges Trail** travels through forested areas, ascends a ridge-top, then descends as it joins Cherry Ridge Trail.

### Wawayanda Lake Connector Trail

Yellow/Orange • 0.5 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Along east side of Wawayanda Lake  
**Trailhead:** On Laurel Pond Trail. **Wawayanda Lake Connector Trail** meanders through a mixed hardwood and conifer forest with rock mounds and lake views. The trail connects to Lake Loop Trail.

### Wawayanda Lake Loop Trail

Orange • 5.6 miles • Multiuse  
Moderate • Great lake views

**Wawayanda Lake Loop Trail** goes around Wawayanda Lake. There is a good mix of rock outcrops on the lake as well as forested areas.

### William Hoeflerlin Trail

Blue • 3 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Follows east boundary of park  
**Trailhead:** At park office. **William Hoeflerlin Trail** travels south along the park's eastern boundary through hardwood and pine forests. To the north, the trail connects with the Appalachian Trail and Iron Mountain Trail.

### Wingdam Trail

Blue • 1.2 miles • Multiuse  
Moderate • Elevation changes

**Trailhead:** On Double Pond Trail near Wawayanda Lake. **Wingdam Trail** travels along ridges between Wawayanda Lake and Laurel Pond, joining with Laurel Pond Trail.

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## TRAIL SENSE AND SAFETY

**Trail Markings:** Official trails are marked by colored blazes on posts and trees. For your safety and habitat protection, please stay on the trails and do not alter trail markings or create new trails.

**Preparations:** Consider bringing water, snacks, sunscreen, insect repellent and a hat. Dress for the weather. Tell someone where you plan to go and when you expect to return.

**Riders:** Follow the IMBA "Rules of the Trail" guidelines for trail etiquette and yield appropriately. Helmets are required by law for children under 17 and recommended for all riders.



**Pets:** Pets must always be on a leash no longer than six feet in length and under the control of the owner at all times. Please clean up after your pets.

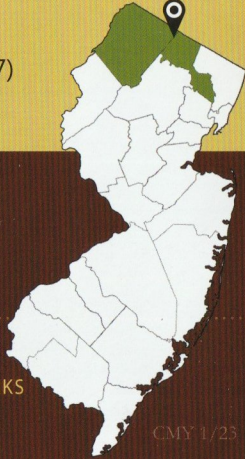
**Keep It Clean and Green:** Bring a bag or two and carry your trash out with you. Trash cans are not provided. Don't forget to recycle!

**Tick Protection:** Bring insect repellent, wear light-colored clothing, tuck pants into socks, stay on trails, check yourself thoroughly, shower and launder clothes immediately.

**Trails Open:** 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., April 1 - Oct. 31  
8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Nov. 1 - Mar. 31

**Bear Aware:** Black bears are found throughout New Jersey. Do not approach or attract bears by making food available. Feeding bears is dangerous and illegal. Never run from a bear! To report an aggressive bear, call 1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337) immediately. Please report any damage or nuisance behavior to the park office. Visit New Jersey DEP Fish & Wildlife at [njfishandwildlife.com/bears](http://njfishandwildlife.com/bears) for additional information on bear safety.

**Emergency Numbers**  
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# TRAILS

## Wawayanda State Park



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**State Park Service**

### TRAILS OF WAWAYANDA STATE PARK

The trails of Wawayanda State Park allow for exploration throughout this diverse park. There are over 25 marked trails that cover more than 50 miles of varied terrain. All trails are well-marked with color-coded and named markers.

### Appalachian Trail

White • 14 miles (in Wawayanda) • Hiking  
Moderate to difficult • Historic scenic trail

**Trailhead:** Numerous entry points along the trail. The **Appalachian Trail** (AT) is a historic national scenic trail that extends from Georgia to Maine. The AT is well-marked and well-traveled, with numerous rocks, bridges, boardwalks and changes in elevation.

### Banker Trail

Green • 1.5 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Leads to unique swamp

**Trailhead:** Enter from Cherry Ridge Road. **Banker Trail** passes along the edge of Wawayanda Swamp Natural Area.

### Bearfort Waters Trail

Yellow • 1.3 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Along a wide creek valley

**Trailhead:** From Old Coal Trail, 0.5 miles from Bearfort Mountain parking area. **Bearfort Waters Trail** travels an old road along the drainage area of Bearfort Waters Lake.

### Bike Path

Black • 2.2 miles • Biking  
Easy • Bike route along paved road

**Trailhead:** At park entrance. **Bike Path** follows paved road and gravel path to Wawayanda Lake. Beyond the campground road, the trail is only on the south side of the road.

### Black Eagle Trail

Green • 0.75 miles • Multiuse  
Easy • Short connector trail

**Trailhead:** South side of main road about 0.5 miles from park office. **Black Eagle Trail** is a single-track path through mixed hardwood and hemlock forest that connects to William Hoeflerlin Trail.

### Boulder Garden Trail

Blue • 1.0 mile • Hiking  
Moderate • Rocky terrain above lake

**Trailhead:** On Pumphouse Connector Trail. **Boulder Garden Trail** is a short trail on the northwest side of Wawayanda Lake. Numerous large boulders dot the landscape.

### Cabin Trail

Yellow • 1.0 mile • Multiuse  
Easy • Along west side of park

**Trailhead:** Off Cherry Ridge Trail. **Cabin Trail** heads south on small road to the park boundary and into the Newark Pequannock Watershed Area.

### Cedar Swamp Trail

Blue • 1.5 miles • Hiking  
Easy to moderate • Boardwalks through swamp

**Trailhead:** On Double Pond Trail. **Cedar Swamp Trail** passes through the middle of the Wawayanda Swamp area, a unique Atlantic white cedar swamp.

### Cherry Ridge Trail

Black & white • 2.2 miles • Multiuse  
Easy • Gravel road through park

**Trailhead:** On Cherry Ridge Road. **Cherry Ridge Trail** is a gravel road that runs east-west through the middle of the park. The trail is six to eight feet wide and allows access to many other trails.

### Double Pond Trail

Yellow • 1.6 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Good connector trail

**Trailhead:** At Wawayanda Lake. **Double Pond Trail** travels west across the park and allows access to many other trails in the central area of the park.

### Iron Mountain Trail

Blue • 2.9 miles • Multiuse  
Easy • Gravel road

**Trailhead:** Wawayanda Lake Day Use Area. **Iron Mountain Trail** runs north along the central region of the park through the Wawayanda Hemlock Ravine Natural Area to Iron Mountain Road.

### Laurel Pond Trail

Yellow • 1.5 miles • Multiuse  
Easy • Along forested hillsides above pond

**Trailhead:** At Group Campground. **Laurel Pond Trail** follows along a bench above Laurel Pond. Views of the pond can be seen between the trees and unmarked trails lead down to the pond's edge.

### Lookout Trail

White • 1.0 mile • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Access to Lake Lookout

**Trailhead:** On Cherry Ridge Trail near its midpoint. **Lookout Trail** is a forest road that changes to single-track along the north side of Lake Lookout.

### Old Coal Trail

Red • 2.8 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Flat, even trail

**Trailhead:** Bearfort Mountain Natural Area parking lot on Clinton Road. **Old Coal Trail** ascends forested hillsides and ridges along an old road bed with intermittent open stands of grasses and boulders.

### Pickle Trail

Green • 0.65 miles • Multiuse  
Moderate • Windy and rocky trail

**Trailhead:** On Lookout Trail on the west side of Lake Lookout. **Pickle Trail** is a narrow, windy path that contours along the sloping hillside of Lake Lookout and travels south to Turkey Ridge Trail.

### Pines Trail

Green • 0.85 miles • Multiuse  
Moderate • Sloping uneven terrain

**Trailhead:** On the south side of the pipeline clearing. **Pines Trail** is single-track with dense vegetation, moderate slopes and uneven rocky and rooted terrain. Trail connects to Turkey Ridge Trail.

### Plymouth Trail

Red • 1.0 mile • Multiuse  
Moderate • Thick vegetation and boardwalks

**Trailhead:** On Double Pond Trail near eastern side of park. **Plymouth Trail** is a short, winding trail through hardwood and rhododendron thickets along the edge of Wawayanda Swamp.

### Pumphouse Connector Trail

Orange/Green • 0.6 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Mixed forest and lakeside terrain

**Trailhead:** At south end of Wawayanda Lake. **Pumphouse Connector Trail** connects Cherry Ridge Trail to Lake Loop Trail.

### Rattlesnake Trail

Red • 0.5 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Switchbacks and rocky ledges

**Trailhead:** On Turkey Ridge Trail. **Rattlesnake Trail** ascends a hillside on winding switchbacks then crosses rocky ledges, ending at the pipeline clearing.

### Red Dot Trail

Red • 1.9 miles • Multiuse  
Easy to moderate • Moderate slopes

**Trailhead:** On the Double Pond Trail 0.5 miles from Group Campground. **Red Dot Trail** travels through hardwood forests and marshland and connects to Cherry Ridge Trail.

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