

GUIDE TO THE GAP



Celebrating the 100th Birthday of America's National Parks

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The National Park Service Turns 100

The National Park Service turns 100 on August 25, 2016, and everyone can take part in the celebration!

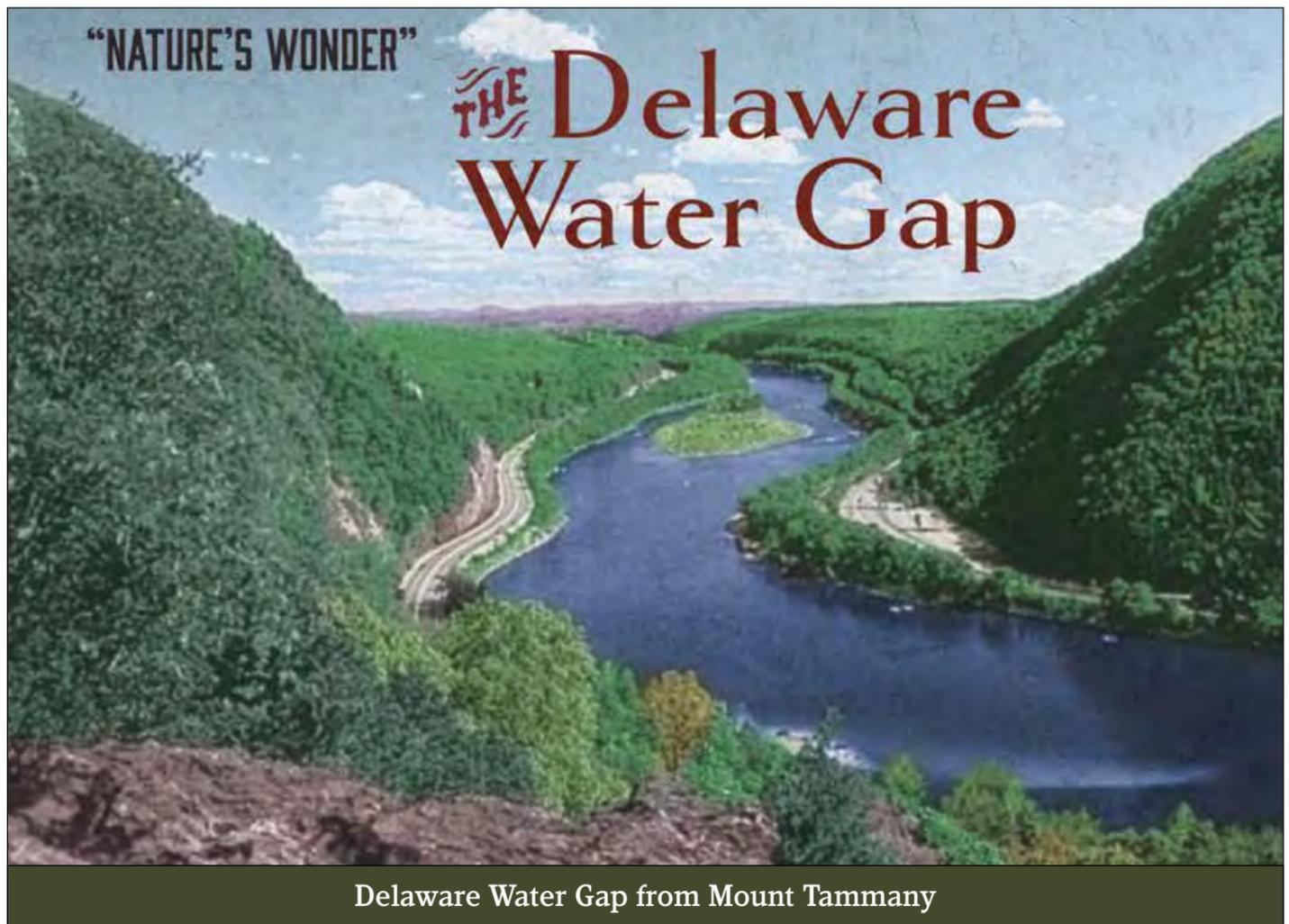
The centennial will kick off a second century of stewardship of America's national parks and engaging communities through recreation, conservation, and historic preservation programs. We invite you to find your park and discover the national parks and programs in your own backyard.

National Parks are uniquely American. Celebrate the visionaries who came before us with groundbreaking ideas, not only about preserving our nation's "crown jewels", but also extending the National Park Service's mission to some of the nation's other uniquely American treasures.

Because of them, the agency today manages a range of cultural sites including national monuments, parkways, battlefields, cemeteries, and recreation areas. This rich variety has created a portfolio of over 400 parks, all with their own special contribution to the American story.

The National Park Service of the 21st Century continues forward with a team of unsung heroes. Some are rangers who lead tours and provide for visitor safety. Others maintain, clean, and repair our parks.

And even further behind the scenes are a legion of administrators, historic preservationists, archeologists, and ecologists striving to discover more about America's past, so that it can be preserved and passed on to future generations.



The River, the Valley, and You

Paddlers slip down the river between low forested mountains; anglers wade the streams; hikers scan the valley from the ridge or peer into the deep Water Gap.

The valley has known human hands and voice for over 10,000 years. Abundant plant and wildlife sustained American Indians; floodplains nourished early farmer's crops; waterfalls drew Victorian vacationers.

Today, a 70,000-acre park welcomes you to the enticing Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River.

Millions of years of uplift, erosion, and glacial activity gave us the ridges, Delaware Water Gap, lakes, and streams that flow through hemlock and rhododendron-laced ravines, and the waterfalls that pour off the Pocono Plateau. The crisp, cool air around those waterfalls refreshes the body and the spirit.

Steeped in rich history, trails, roads, and ruins reveal reminders of times gone scattered throughout the park.

The Minsi Path and the Wyoming-Minisink Trail converged on a Delaware River island that is now the

centerpiece of the Minisink National Historic Landmark. Agricultural fields still in cultivation help preserve the rural landscape predominant in the 18th century.

In the 1800s resorts flourished throughout the region where city dwellers arrived by carriage or rail, often spending the entire summer away from the urban heat.

The Delaware Water Gap became a scenic wonder for fashionable travelers. Today the natural and cultural wonders provide abundant recreational opportunities for everyone. Enjoy this rural vacationland.



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Superintendent's Message



Superintendent John J. Donahue

endless opportunities to do both. Here in the endless mountains it seems like we can see forever from any one of a thousand vista points. On the longest undammed river in the Eastern United States time seems to have no meaning.

Whether you are paddling while eagle and osprey soar above you or hiking among the forest lands, you can feel at one with the wildlife like no other place I have visited.

I have enjoyed visiting every state in our magnificent country, however, here where the crystal clear river waters tie three states together

in an intricate pattern of ever changing land use, I sense the people who have inhabited this special place before us. I feel in touch with the past twelve thousand years of human occupation the valley represents.

“Leave it as it is. The ages have been at work on it and man can only mar it.”

Teddy Roosevelt

The grand landscape of the oldest mountains unfolds before your eyes and is marked by the remnants of mankind over the many

centuries. This rare view—shed always reminds me of the other advice the roughrider Teddy Roosevelt gave us: “Leave it as it is. The ages have been at work on it and man can only mar it.”

It is my honor along with every other member of the park staff to be there when you need us and not to get between you and this magnificent place that all of the American citizens own.

Please enjoy your park thoroughly in this 100th anniversary year of the National Park Service, knowing it will be here in another 100 years for your children’s children.

Park Regulation Changes for 2016

There are several changes in our regulations this year that the public should be aware of before planning a visit. These changes will result in better and safer experiences for our visitors and improved protection of park resources.

New Hours of Operation

All day-use recreation sites that were previously open from 6:00 am to 10:00 pm are now open from sunrise to sunset.

Milford Beach, Smithfield Beach and Turtle Beach swimming and picnic areas are now open from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.

George W. Childs Recreation Site and the Dingmans Falls Visitor Center parking area

will be open at 8:00 am and will close at sunset.

Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages

Several sites have been added to the list of areas where the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

Picnicking

Groups of 20 or more people must use a designated picnic area designed to accommodate large groups. Groups of 30 or more require a permit.

Glass Containers

Glass containers are now prohibited at many locations.

Fires and Cooking

Ground fires are prohibited

throughout the park except at designated picnic sites where such devices and activities are allowed.

Adams Creek Closure

The Adams Creek drainage, from the lower waterfall pool upstream to the park boundary, including the Sproul Road and Long Meadow Road trailheads, is closed due to public hazard from May 1 to September 30. This includes the upper waterfall and pool.

Swimming and Wading

Swimming and wading are prohibited (unless actively fishing) at the following locations: Van Campens Brook, Big Flatbrook Creek from Blewitt Tract to the Delaware River, and along the

river at Kittatinny Point in NJ and at George W. Childs Recreation Site, Adams Creek, Toms Creek, and the portion of Dingmans Creek lying between a point approximately 100 feet upstream of Dingmans Falls and the Dingmans Falls Visitor Center Parking Lot in PA.

Climbing, Jumping or Diving

These activities are prohibited at all waterfalls and waterfall pools and the Karamac bridge abutments.

This is only a partial list.

For additional regulations and detailed information concerning these changes please visit: www.nps.gov/dewa/learn/management/compendium.htm



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Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

Located between the Pocono Plateau and Kittatinny Ridge in close proximity to the most densely populated region of the nation, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and the Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River preserve the natural, cultural, and scenic resources and values of the Delaware River valley and provide opportunities for resource-based recreation, education, and enjoyment.

Superintendent
John J. Donahue

Acting Deputy Superintendent
Leslie Morlock

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Fees and Pass Program

America the Beautiful (ATB) Pass Series

A pass is your ticket to more than 2,000 federal recreation sites. Each pass covers Entrance and Standard Amenity Fees for a driver and all passengers in a personal vehicle at per vehicle fee areas (or up to four adults at sites that charge per person) at national parks and national wildlife refuges as well as Standard Amenity Fees at national forests and grasslands, and at lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Reclamation. This pass is available for in-person purchase at park headquarters and is also available online via the USGS website at store.usgs.gov.

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Annual Park Pass

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area (DWGNRA) charges Expanded Amenity Fees during the spring, summer, and fall at select locations in the park. These fees are used to enhance visitor services, maintain and repair park facilities, and to manage cultural and natural resources in the park.

DWGNRA Fee Structure

- DWGNRA does not charge Entrance Fees
- DWGNRA does not charge Standard Amenity Fees
- DWGNRA does charge Expanded Amenity Fees
- America the Beautiful Annual Passes do not cover Expanded Amenity Fees.
- Holders of the America the Beautiful Senior or Access Pass receive a 50% discount on Expanded Amenity Fees.

DWGNRA Annual Park Pass Pricing	
1st Regular Annual Pass	\$45.00
2nd Regular Annual Pass	\$25.00
3rd Regular Annual Pass	\$12.50
4 or more Regular Annual Passes	\$6.25
1st ATB Senior/Access, and Citizens 62+ Annual Pass	\$22.50
2nd ATB Senior/Access, and Citizens 62+ Annual Pass	\$11.25
3rd ATB Senior/Access, and Citizens 62+ Annual Pass	\$5.75
4 or more ATB Senior/Access, and Citizens 62+ Annual Passes	\$5.75
All Car Registrations Must Have the Same Address	

Expanded Amenity Fees

- Private Vehicle \$7 weekdays (1-7 Occupants) \$10 weekends & holidays
- Private Vehicle Plus \$1 per person additional (8+ Occupants)
- Seasonal Pedestrian/ \$10 per person/per year Bicycle Pass
- Daily Pedestrian/ \$1 per person per day Bicycle
- Fees are not charged for persons 15 or younger.

Expanded Amenity Fee Locations

- Bushkill Access PA
- Dingmans Access PA
- Milford Beach PA
- Smithfield Beach PA
- Turtle Beach NJ
- Watergate Recreation Site NJ

America the Beautiful

THE NATIONAL PARKS AND FEDERAL RECREATIONAL LANDS PASS SERIES

The America the Beautiful Series Passes are available for purchase in-person at park headquarters.

 <p>Annual Pass \$80</p> <p>This pass is available to anyone.</p> <p>Available for purchase at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park headquarters • By calling 1-888-275-8747 Ext. 3 (8:00 am-4:00 pm MT) • Order online at the USGS website: store.usgs.gov. <p>US military members on active duty, and their dependents, are eligible obtain the free Annual Military Pass.</p>	 <p>Lifetime Senior Pass \$10</p> <p>Available to US citizens or permanent residents age 62 or over. Applicants must provide documentation of age and residency or citizenship.</p> <p>This pass may provide a 50% discount on some amenity fees charged for facilities and services such as camping, swimming, boat launch, and specialized interpretive services.</p>	 <p>Lifetime Access Pass Free</p> <p>Available to US citizens or permanent residents with permanent disabilities. Applicants must provide documentation of permanent disability and residency or citizenship.</p> <p>This pass may provide a 50% discount on some amenity fees charged for facilities and services such as camping, swimming, boat launch, and specialized interpretive services.</p>	 <p>Annual Volunteer Pass 250 Service Hours</p> <p>Available to volunteers working with the five federal agencies that participate in the Interagency Pass Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Park Service • US Forest Service • US Fish and Wildlife Service • Bureau of Land Management • Bureau of Reclamation <p>Visit Volunteer.gov for more information about volunteer opportunities.</p>
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NOTE: Golden Access and Golden Age Passports are no longer sold. However, these passes will be honored according to the provisions of the pass.

Schedule of Events

Recurring Events

Waterfall Talk

May 27–September 4
Every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
11:00 am and 2:00 pm
Dingmans Falls Boardwalk Trail
at Silverthread Falls

Join a ranger for an easy stroll to two waterfalls and learn more about the natural and cultural history of the area.



Evening Campground Programs

May 28–September 3
Every Saturday
7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Dingmans Campground

Join a ranger to learn about the many geologic, natural, and cultural resources found in Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.

Evening Campground Programs

May 28–September 3
Every Saturday
7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Worthington State Forest

Join a ranger to learn about the many geologic, natural, and cultural resources found in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.



Dingmans Falls Boardwalk

May

21 Centennial Event: Centennial Snapshot



5:00 pm–7:00 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Explore the waterfalls and plants along the Dingmans Creek Trail while building skills in water, time lapse, and low-light photography. Bring your own camera. All skill levels are welcome.

21 Summer Lecture Series: Our Ocean Connection



7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center

Fishery Ecologist Rich Evans will discuss the natural and cultural history of migratory fish of the Delaware River.

27 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike



8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

28 Spring Fling at Millbrook Village



10:00 am–3:00 pm
Millbrook Village

Celebrate spring with historic crafts and demonstrations.

28 Making Matters: Fresh Perspectives in Fine Craft

Opening Reception
5:00 pm–7:00 pm
Exhibit runs to August 14
Peters Valley School of Craft
This mixed media exhibition, in the Sally D. Francisco Gallery, features work by the talented Visiting Artists and Summer Artistic Staff at Peters Valley.



Brook Trout

June

3 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll



8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

4 Centennial Event: 100 Year Hike

Come explore the park on National Trails Day. The following hikes will be offered today.

9:00 am–12:00 pm
Raymondskill Trailhead

This hike will include the moderate-to-difficult, 1/3 mile Raymondskill and the moderate, 3-mile Cliff Park trails.

1:00 pm–3:00 pm
Walpack Center Church Parking Lot

This hike will include the moderate, 3-mile Walpack Ridge and the moderate, 1-mile Military Road trails.

6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Mohican Outdoor Center

This is a moderate, 3.5-mile hike along Rattlesnake Swamp to Catfish Fire Tower on the Appalachian Trail.

10 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike



8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

17 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll



8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

18 Marie Zimmermann Open House

10:00 am–2:00 pm
Marie Zimmermann House

Tour the home and learn more about Marie Zimmermann, the artist who called this place home.

19 Father's Day Photography Workshop

10:00 am–12:30 pm
Millbrook Village

Families are invited to hone their architectural, macro, and portrait photography skills. Bring your own camera. All skill levels are welcome.

20 Full Moon Hike to Lookout Rock

9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Lake Lenape Trailhead

Join a park ranger for a moderate moonlight hike to Lookout Rock along the Appalachian Trail on Mt. Minsi. The hike will be approximately 3 miles. Participants should bring water, insect repellent, and sturdy shoes.

24 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike



8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center

Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

25 An Old-Fashioned Independence Day Celebration

10:00 am–3:00 pm
Millbrook Village

Celebrate Independence Day in the 19th century small rural community. The event includes hands-on activities, crafts demonstrations and a watermelon eating contest.

25 Summer Lecture Series: Birds of Prey



7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center

Biologist/Zoologist Bill Streeter will discuss raptors native to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.



Hiking Mount Tammany

July

1 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

8 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

9 Landscape Photography Workshop

10:00 am–2:00 pm
Kittatinny Point Visitor Center
This 3.5 mile, difficult hike on Mt. Tammany Trail will help build skills in landscape, long distance views, plant, and wildlife photography. All skills levels are welcome. Participants should bring water, insect repellent, and sturdy shoes.

15 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

16 12th Annual Zane Grey Festival

10:00 am– 4:00 pm
Zane Grey Museum
The National Park Service and Zane Grey's West Society will host the 12th Annual Zane Grey Festival this summer. The festival is free of charge and will be held at the Zane Grey Museum, 135 Scenic Drive, Lackawaxen, PA.

18 Centennial Event: Delaware River Clean Up

July 18–19
Join us this weekend for Kittatinny Canoes' 27th Annual "On and Under" Delaware River Clean Up. Contact Kittatinny Canoes at www.kittatinny.com or call 800.356.2852 to register or to learn more about this two-day event.

19 Full Moon Hike to Lookout Rock

9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Lake Lenape Trailhead
Join a park ranger for a moderate moonlight hike to Lookout Rock along the Appalachian Trail on Mt. Minsi. The hike will be approximately 3 miles. Participants should bring water, insect repellent, and sturdy shoes.

22 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

23 Hike to Sunfish Pond

9:30 am–3:30 pm (approximate)
Worthington State Forest
Meet us at the Douglas Trailhead parking lot for this strenuous 5-mile hike that follows in the steps of the 1967 hike to Sunfish Pond in protest of the Tocks Island Dam Project.

23 Summer Lecture Series: Human/Wildlife Conflict and Interaction

7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center
Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center director Kathy Uhler will discuss human/wildlife conflict and interaction.

29 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.



Annual River Clean Up

August

5 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

12 Perseid Meteor Shower

8:30 pm–10:30 pm
Milford Beach
Join us to watch the Perseid Meteor Shower. Bring blankets/chairs, insect repellent, and flashlights.

12 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

13 Centennial Event: 100 Mile Paddle Day 10 of 12

9:00 am–4:00 pm
Milford Beach Launch to Dingmans Launch (8 miles)
This event begins in the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River. On August 13, 20, and 27, the event continues in the Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River within the park. For more information or to register, call 570.426.2452/2413.

18 Full Moon Hike to Lookout Rock

9:00 pm–11:00 pm
Lake Lenape Trailhead
Join a park ranger for a moderate moonlight hike to Lookout Rock along the Appalachian Trail on Mt. Minsi. The hike will be approximately 3 miles. Participants should bring water, insect repellent, and sturdy shoes.

19 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

20 Centennial Event: 100 Mile Paddle Day 11 of 12

9:00 am–4:00 pm
Dingmans Launch to Bushkill Launch (10 miles)
This event begins in the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River. On August 13, 20, and 27, the event continues in the Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River within the park. For more information or to register, call 570.426.2452/2413

20 Summer Lecture Series: Park History

7:00 pm–8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center
Independent scholar Ben Cohen will talk about how the park was established.

26 Dingmans After Dark: Lantern Stroll

8:30 pm–9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Experience Dingmans Ravine and waterfalls by the soft glow of lantern light.

27 Centennial Event: 100 Mile Paddle Day 12 of 12

9:00 am–4:00 pm
Bushkill Launch to Kittatinny Launch (16 miles)
This event begins in the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River. On August 13, 20, and 27, the event continues in the Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River within the park. For more information or to register, call 570.426.2452/2413.

27 Contemporary Fiber

Opening Reception
5:00 pm–7:00 pm
Peters Valley School of Craft Exhibit runs to October 30
This exhibition, in the Sally D. Francisco Gallery, is curated by Wendy Haas and showcases the work of artists who utilize long-used textile and basketry techniques in combination with current aesthetic ideas.

Schedule of Events

September - December

September

2 Dingmans After Dark: Night Hike

8:30 pm-9:30 pm
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Walk along Dingmans Creek and use multiple senses to explore the park in a new way.

17 Centennial Event: Millbrook Days

10:00 am-4:00 pm
September 17-18
Millbrook Village
Join us for a celebration of late 19th-century rural America. Millbrook Village comes alive with many demonstrations of agricultural and domestic skills and crafts.

17 Summer Lecture Series: Reflections of the Past

7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center
Photographer Allison Owczarczak will present photographs and provide architectural interpretation of historical park structures.



Cider Making in Millbrook

October

15 Centennial Event: Fall Foliage Hike

1:00 pm-5:00 pm
Camp Mohican Parking Lot
Come view the fall foliage and vistas. The 6-mile hike will start at the Mohican Outdoor Center and proceed to Sunfish Pond along the Appalachian Trail.

16 Van Campen Day

12:00 pm-5:00 pm
Van Campen Inn
Experience the history, culture, and daily life of the late 1750s to 1760s. Watch as military reenactors defend the frontier. Guided tours of three historical cemeteries will also be held.

22 Activities at Millbrook Village

2:00 pm-7:00 pm
Millbrook Village
Engage in hands-on activities during the afternoon, and then see the darker side of Millbrook Village through special lantern tours during the evening.

22 Summer Lecture Series: The Lenape-Delaware Indian Heritage

7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Bushkill Meeting Center
John Kraft, Director of Lenape Lifeways, will present a program on Native Americans.



Activities

November

Centennial Event: Archeology Exhibit

Entire Month of November
8:00 am-4:30 pm
Park Headquarters
Monday-Friday
Closed Federal Holidays
Visit during Native American Heritage Month to see some of the unique artifacts from our museum collection on display.



Lenape Chief Witapanoxwe

December

3 First Weekend Event: A Walpack Christmas

1:00 pm-4:00 pm
December 3-4
Rosenkranz Museum, Walpack Center
Come celebrate and experience the Christmas traditions and displays of a 19th-century farming community.

3 First Weekend Event: A Victorian Christmas

11:00 am-4:00 pm
Millbrook Village
Village buildings, decorated in mid-to-late 19th century style, will be open for demonstrations and tours. Watch holiday meals being prepared over an open fire or woodstove. Enjoy the many children's activities including hands-on period toys, games, and Victorian crafts.

4 First Weekend Event: Christmas Carol Service

5:00 pm-6:00 pm
Millbrook Village Church
Annual Christmas Carol service will be held in the Millbrook church. All are welcome to attend this traditional, carol program.



A Victorian Christmas

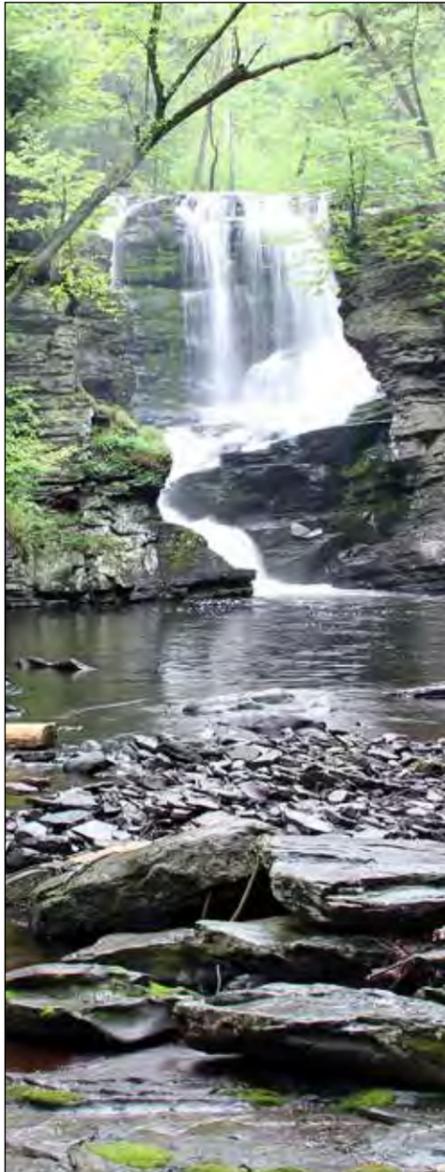
Event GPS Coordinates

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Bushkill Meeting Center (BMC)	PA	41.090584, -75.003550
Dingmans Campground	PA	41.210694, -74.873154
Dingmans Falls Visitor Center	PA	41.229477, -74.887899
Douglas Trailhead	PA	41.012904, -75.082455
Kittatinny Point Visitor Center	PA	40.970188, -75.128242
Lake Lenape Trailhead	PA	40.979754, -75.142189
Marie Zimmermann House	PA	41.251981, -74.857980
Milford Beach	PA	41.311050, -74.796250
Millbrook Village	NJ	41.073683, -74.963117
Park Headquarters	PA	41.070583, -75.016963
Raymondskill Falls	PA	41.290229, -74.841310
Smithfield Beach	PA	41.029750, -75.055117
Van Campen Inn	NJ	41.164567, -74.892217
Walpack Center	NJ	41.158967, -74.880317
Worthington State Forest	NJ	40.583601, 75.080468

Find Your Park

The National Park Service invites you to find your park!

In celebration of the 100th birthday of the National Park Service in 2016, we are launching a movement to spread the word about the amazing places we manage, the inspirational stories that the national parks tell, our country's natural resources, and our diverse cultural heritage.



Fulmer Falls

FIND YOUR PARK

Find Your Park is about more than just national parks! It's about the National Park Service working in your community through education programs, community assistance projects, and more.

It's about state parks, local parks, trails, museums, historic sites, and the many ways that the American public can connect with history and culture, enjoy nature, and make new discoveries.

Visit FindYourPark.com to sample upcoming centennial events near you, share your stories, and find your park!

Participate in Find Your Park Experiences to learn, discover, be inspired, or simply have fun in national parks.



This stamp is a photograph of Everglades National Park by Paul Marcellini of Miami, FL. Everglades National Park's 1.5 million acres of sawgrass prairies, tropical hardwood hammocks, pine rocklands, mangrove forests and marine and estuarine waters provide habitat for a wildlife spectacle like no other.

National Park Service's 100th Anniversary to be Celebrated on 16 Forever Stamps

The U.S. Postal Service will begin celebrating the National Park Service's Aug. 25 centennial just in time for summer vacation letter writing by issuing a pane of stunning Forever stamps depicting 16 examples of our national treasures on June 2.

"This set of stamps will take people on a journey to some of the most amazing places in the world," said National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis. "We are thrilled that the 16 national park stamps issued in '16 for the centennial depict the variety of parks that collectively tell the story of our country."

100th Anniversary Coins To Benefit National Park Service

The 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service Act was signed into law December 19, 2014, directing the United States Mint to strike and issue commemorative coins honoring the National Park Service's century of stewardship of America's treasured national parks.

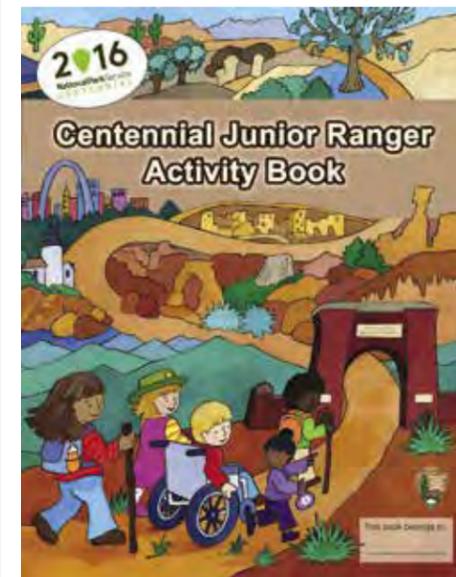
The \$5 gold coin is 90% gold and 10% alloy and weighs 8.359 grams. There is also a difference in price between the proof coin and the uncirculated coin. Proof coins are specially treated, hand-polished, and cleaned to ensure high-quality strikes. By comparison, the uncirculated coin is made like circulating coins, but with a special process that produces a brilliant finish. Both the proof and uncirculated coins, when purchased from the U.S. Mint, come with an official Certificate of Authenticity.

Prices for the coins include surcharges of \$35 for each gold coin, \$10 for each silver coin and \$5 for each half dollar clad coin. The law authorizes the surcharges to be paid to the National Park Foundation for projects that help preserve and protect resources under the stewardship of the NPS and promote public enjoyment and appreciation of these resources. For more information: www.catalog.usmint.gov/coins/commemoratives/.



Centennial Junior Ranger Program

Join in the Centennial celebration by discovering the wonder of our country's majestic national parks in this fun, informative, and adventure-filled Centennial Junior Ranger Activity Book. It is your trusted guide to these special places, filled with color photos, fun facts, cool things to do, conservation tips, and much more.



Ask for your special 2016 Centennial Edition of the Junior Ranger Activity Book at the Visitor Centers.

"Explore, Learn, and Protect!" The Junior Ranger motto is recited by children around the country; each taking an oath of their own to protect parks, continue to learn about parks, and share their own ranger story with friends and family.

Junior Rangers are typically between the ages of 5 to 13, although people of all ages can participate.

"Explore, Learn, and Protect!"

There are currently over 200 Junior Ranger Programs in the National Park Service. Many national parks offer young visitors the opportunity to join the National Park Service "family" as Junior Rangers.

In each of these parks, interested youth complete a series of activities during a park visit, interview Rangers, complete games, and answer questions about the park and the National Park Service.

At the end of their experience in the park, they are sworn in as Junior Rangers and receive a special certificate and official Junior Ranger badge.

A Day on the Delaware River

The Delaware River is the longest undammed U.S. river east of the Mississippi, extending 330 miles from Hancock, NY, to the Atlantic Ocean. The Delaware River Water Trail extends nearly 200 miles from Hancock, NY, to Trenton, NJ. Like a conventional trail, a water trail is a recreational corridor, but instead of hiking, the water trail is for boats, such as canoes, kayaks and small motorized watercraft.

About the River

Average Daily Temp. 64° F / 18° C
 Average High Temp. 79° F / 26° C
 Average Water Temp. 80° F / 27° C
 Average Rainfall 13 in / 32 cm
 Average Water Flow 2 mph / 3 kph
 Average Depth 5 ft / 1 m
 Maximum Depth 45 ft / 14 m

For the latest conditions visit:
www.nps.gov/dewa/planyourvisit/river-conditions.htm

Spend a Day at the Beach

Pack a swimsuit and a picnic and head to the beach – the river beach, that is. Unlike the sandy beaches along the ocean, the beaches here have soft grass to stretch out and enjoy the day.

Milford, Smithfield, and Turtle Beaches are designated swim areas. Lifeguards monitor the beaches daily mid-June through Labor Day. Swimming in other areas of the river is not recommended.



Fishing on the River

The river, several streams, and numerous lakes offer a variety of fishing prospects. Licenses are required in Pennsylvania and New Jersey for those 16 years of age or older. Either a New Jersey or Pennsylvania fishing license is valid when fishing in the Delaware River from either bank. Fishing in a lake or stream requires the appropriate license from the state in which the lake or stream is located in.

PA Fish & Boat Commission
www.fishandboat.com/regs_fish.htm

NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife
www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/njregs.htm



Relax On Our Beaches

Beaches are open 6:00 am to 8:00 pm

Milford Beach - Milford, PA

GPS 41.311050, -74.796250

Smithfield Beach - East Stroudsburg, PA

GPS 41.029750, -75.055117

Turtle Beach - Blairstown, NJ

GPS 41.031783, - 75.036933

Expanded Amenity Fees are collected spring, summer, and fall at these locations. Alcohol is prohibited. Pets are not allowed at the beaches.

Private Vehicle (1 to 7 Occupants)

\$7.00 Weekdays — \$10.00 Weekends & Holidays

Private Vehicle Plus (8 or more Occupants)

\$7.00 Weekdays \$10.00 Weekends & Holidays
 PLUS \$1.00 for each person exceeding 7 occupants

Pedestrian/Bicycle

\$1.00 Per Person/Per Day

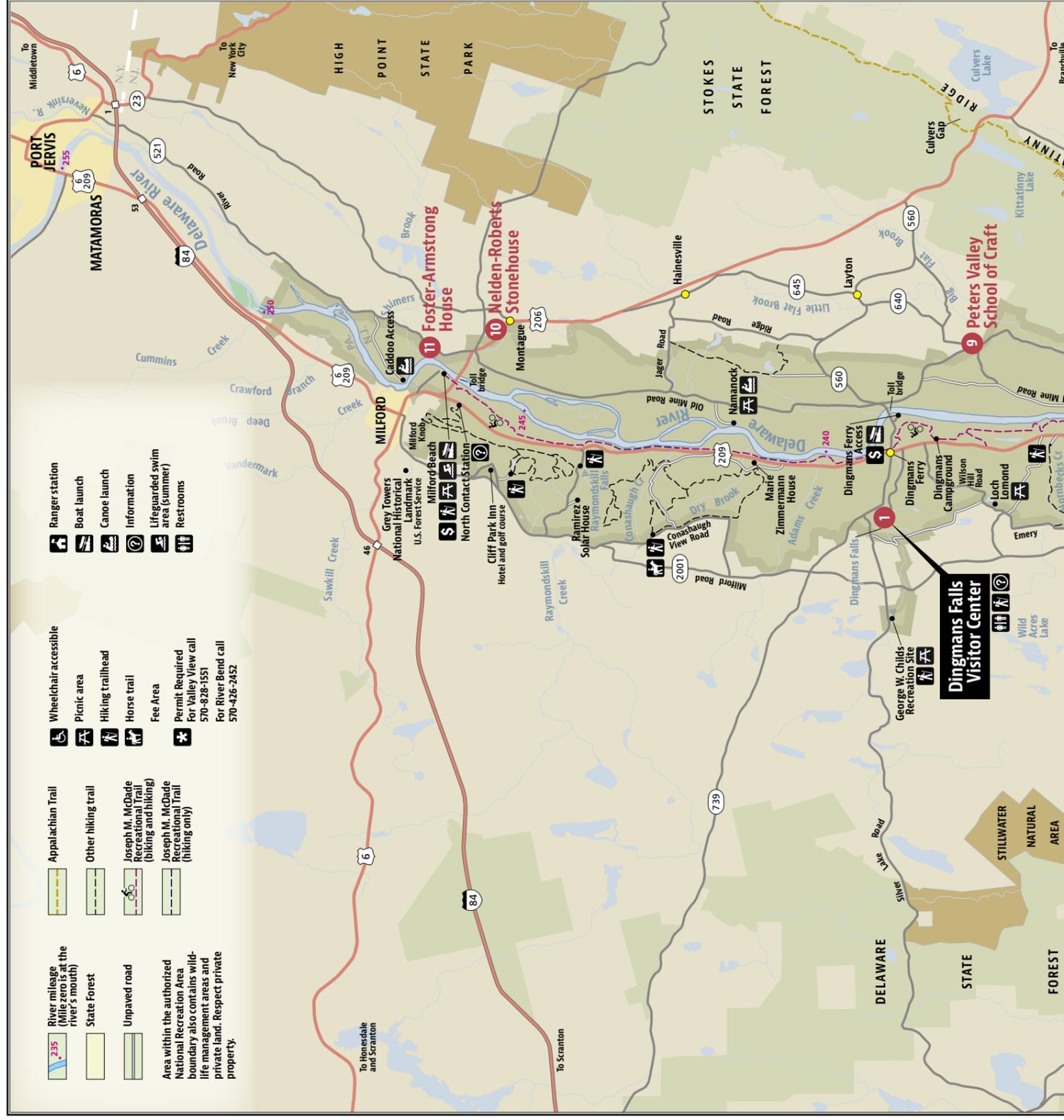
Fees are not charged for persons Age 15 or younger

Good Safety Practices on the River

River hazards include strong currents, boat traffic, and strainers (obstacles that allow water to pass through them, but trap boats and people). Strong unseen currents and drop-offs can make swimming hazardous. For your safety always wear a properly-fitted, US Coast Guard approved life jacket at all times when recreating on or near the water.

- Children 12 years of age and younger **MUST WEAR** a life jacket when on board a vessel.
- Lifejackets must be worn by all boaters in vessels less than 16 feet between November 1 and April 30.
- Wear shoes to protect your feet from sharp stones and from glass.
- Protect yourself from the sun: wear sun screen, a hat, light clothing, and sunglasses.
- Never stand in a canoe. For better balance, kneel in a canoe when going through rapids.
- Bring enough water. Don't drink river water unless it is boiled at least 10 minutes.
- The river has sharp drop-offs and strong currents. Do not try to swim or wade across the river, and never swim alone.
- Plan to be off the river before dark.
- Do not drink alcohol during river activities. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited at Milford Beach, Smithfield Beach, and Hialeah Picnic Area in PA, as well as Turtle Beach, Worthington State Forest, and Tocks and Labar Islands in NJ. Alcoholic beverages are also prohibited between Depew Island on the north and Depue Island on the south.

DELAWARE WATER GAP NATIONAL RECREATION AREA



1 Dingmans Falls Visitor Center
Dingmans Ferry, PA
570.828.6125
nps.gov/dewa

May 27 to September 5
Wednesdays & Thursdays 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays 9:00 am–6:00 pm
Closed Mondays & Tuesdays

Park information, exhibits related to Dingmans Ravine, bookstore, ranger-led programs, trailhead; accessible trail to the waterfalls

2 Pocono Environmental Education Center*
Near Dingmans Ferry, PA
570.828.2319
peec.org

Open Year-Round
Daily
Park information, exhibits related to plants and animals, bookstore, public education, and group programs, trailhead, sensory trail; main facility is accessible

3 Park Headquarters
Bushkill, PA
570.426.2452
nps.gov/dewa

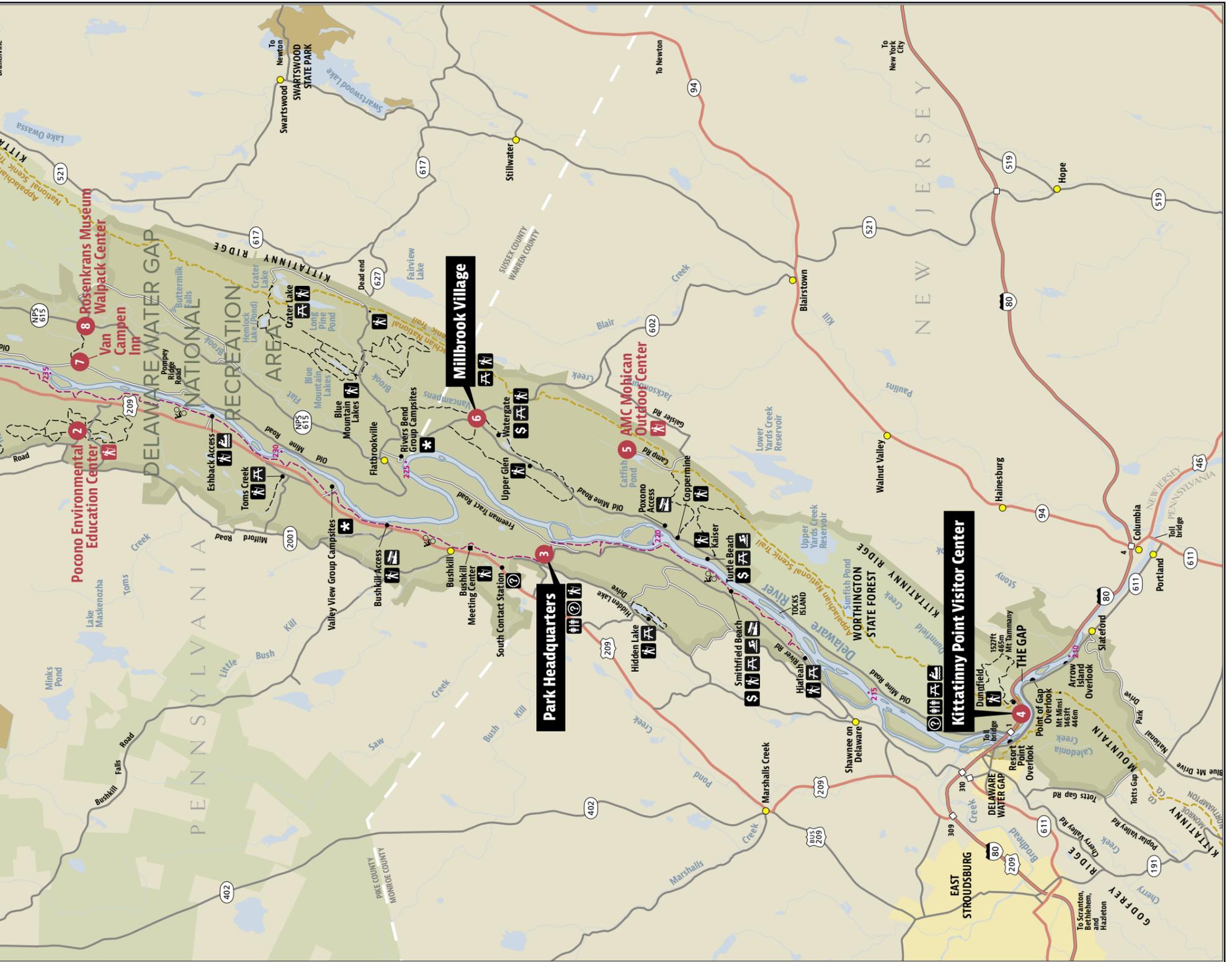
Open Year-Round
Monday–Friday
Closed Federal holidays
Park information, wildlife viewing platforms; reception area is accessible

4 Kittatinny Point Visitor Center
Near Columbia, NJ
908.496.4458
nps.gov/dewa

May 27 to September 5
Mondays & Tuesdays 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays 9:00 am–6:00 pm
Closed Wednesdays & Thursdays
Park information, bookstore, trailhead, Appalachian National Scenic Trail access, canoe launch; visitor center is accessible

5 AMC Mohican Outdoor Center*
Near Blairstown, NJ
908.362.5670
outdoors.org/lodging/lodges/mohican

Open Year-Round
Daily May–September 8:00 am–7:00 pm
Daily October–April 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Park information, Appalachian National Scenic Trail access, outdoor recreation-related programs, basic lodging and camping facilities



- 6 Millbrook Village**
 Millbrook, NJ
nps.gov/dewa
May 23 to September 5
 Saturdays & Sundays
 Park information, exhibits and demonstrations related to 1800s lifeways, self-guided tour of select village buildings, trailhead; grounds are open daily sunrise to sunset
GPS: 41.073524, -74.963349
 10:00 am-4:00 pm
- 7 Van Campen Inn***
 Near Walpack Center, NJ
walpackhistory.org
May 24 to September 5
 Most Sundays
 Check website for schedule
 Park information, house tours, and trailhead
GPS: 41.164648, -74.892164
 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
- 8 Rosenkrans Museum***
 Walpack Center, NJ
walpackhistory.org
May 24 to September 5
 Most Sundays
 Check website for schedule
 Park information, exhibits related to historic Walpack Center; rounds are open dawn to dusk
GPS: 41.158867, -74.880463
 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
- 9 Peters Valley School of Craft***
 Layton, NJ
 973-948-5200
petersvalley.org
May to November
 Thursdays-Tuesdays
GPS: 41.196328, -74.850985
 10:00 am-6:00 pm
December
 Daily
 Park information, art gallery & store, artist demos, and self-guided village tours on Saturdays & Sundays, fine craft workshops during summer; store is accessible
 10:00 am-6:00 pm
- 10 Nelden-Roberts Stonehouse***
 Montague, NJ
 973-293-3106
montaguehistory.org
June 26 to September 18
 Sundays
 Closed July 3, August 28, and September 4
 Park information, exhibits related to the Montague area, public programs, open house and tours
GPS: 41.29304, -74.791698
 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
- 11 Foster-Armstrong House***
 Montague, NJ
 973-293-3106
montaguehistory.org
June 26 to September 18
 Sundays
 Closed July 3, August 28, and September 4
 Park information, exhibits related to the Montague area, public programs, open house and tours
GPS: 41.309053, -74.788919
 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

* Park facility operated by an independent partner organization

Hiking in the Park

More than 100 miles of trails meander through the park, including nearly 26 miles of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. Choosing a trail can be a daunting task. What to see: Waterfalls? Historic landscapes? Inspiring views? There are many trails available throughout the park. For more information and trail maps, stop by one of the visitor centers.



Hikers enjoy the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area during all months of the year; every season offers a special reward.

During winter, the absence of deciduous leaves opens new vistas along trails and reveals stone walls, foundations, and other reminders of past

residents. Spring provides a weekly parade of wild flowers and flowering trees. In summer, hikers can seek out cool retreats among the hemlock forests and follow rolling streams to beautiful falls and cascades. Autumn hikers have crisp air to sharpen the senses and a varied palette of fall colors to enjoy.

Be Alert When on the Trails

Stay on trails: taking short-cuts causes trail erosion, damages native plants, and can be dangerous.

Travel carefully and be sure to pack out what you pack in.

Stay alert in snake habitat; don't put your hands and feet into places you can't see. We have two venomous snakes in the park; timber rattlesnakes and northern copperhead. Both are protected by state law. Watch for snakes, especially when hiking in rocky terrain, and give them space to move off the trail.

Do not feed or approach wildlife.

This is black bear country. It is illegal to intentionally feed black bears. Secure trash in provided bear-proof trash

cans. Make noise when hiking to alert bears to your presence; they'll likely leave before you see them.

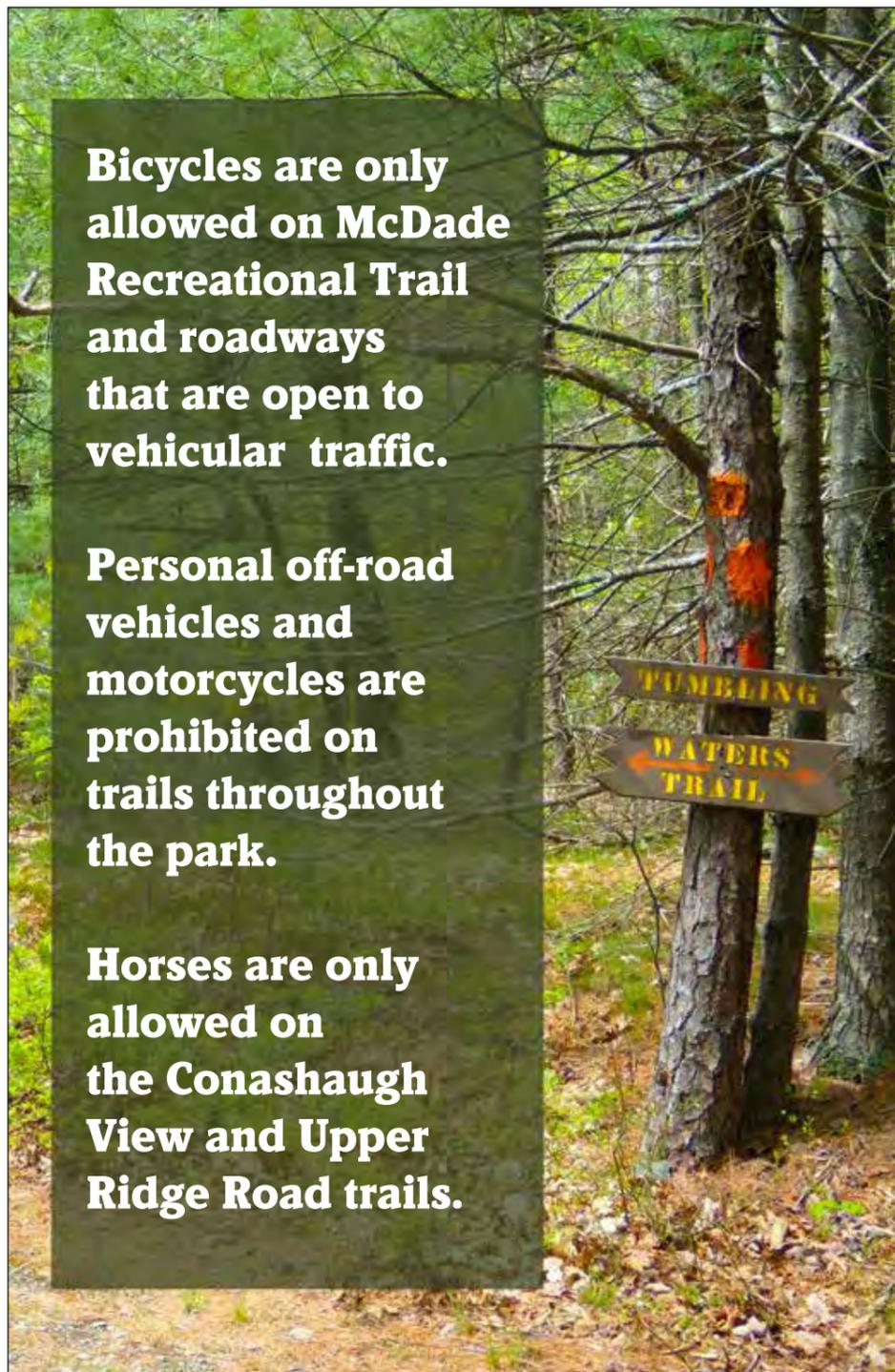
Never approach a black bear. Remain calm, do not run, avoid direct eye contact. Back up slowly and speak in a low, assertive voice.

If a bear aggressively approaches you, make noise, wave your arms, and try to make yourself appear large. Bears will stand on hind-legs to better see and smell – this is not aggressive behavior.

Give bears their space. Don't get between a sow (mother) and cubs; she will protect them.

Digging, collecting, or the removal of artifacts or plants is strictly prohibited.

The use of metal detectors is also prohibited.



Safeguard Your Pets

Pets must be leashed at all times. Additionally, pets are not permitted at Milford, Turtle, and Smithfield beaches and on the McDade Trail between Hialeah and Smithfield Beach from late spring to early fall.

Pets are not permitted at any time along Dingmans Creek, Hackers Falls Trail, George W. Childs Park, and Raymondskill Creek trails, at Watergate Recreation Site, or at the Hialeah Picnic Area.

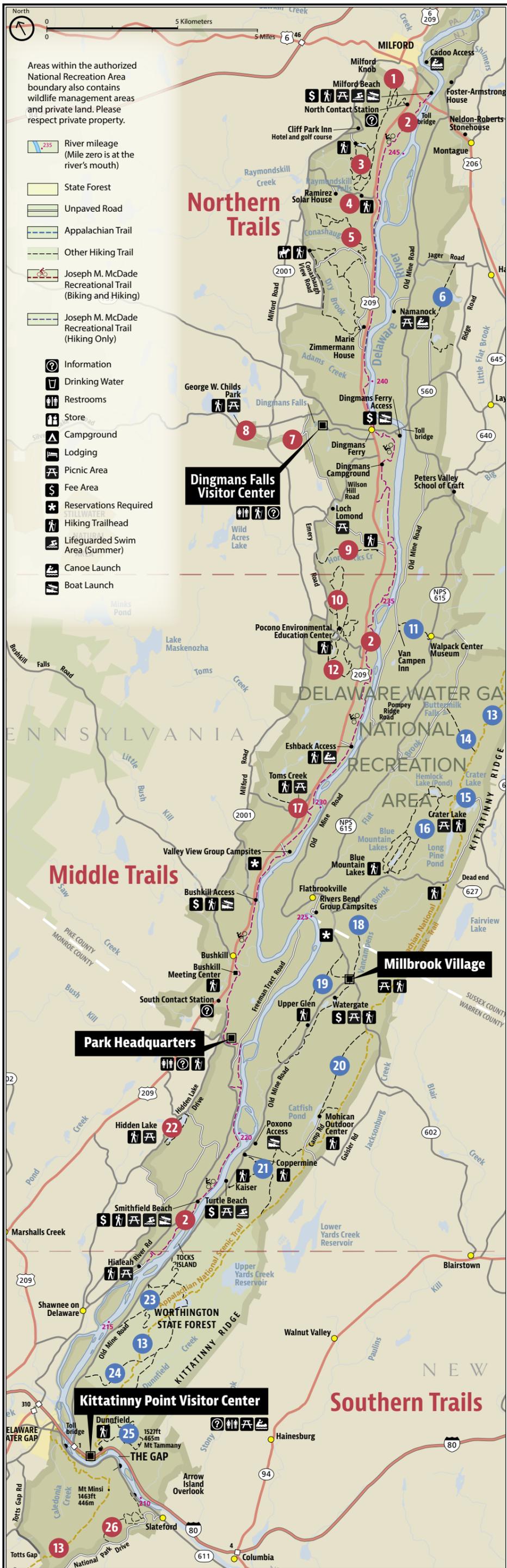
Take Steps to Protect Yourself

Protect yourself from the sun; wear a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen.

Always carry and drink plenty of water; a leading cause of injuries on the trail is dehydration.

Protect yourself from ticks and insects by using insect repellent. Wearing light-colored clothing allows ticks to be spotted more easily; check for and remove ticks frequently and also when you finish your activity.





Trail Name ¹	Distance	Blaze	Rating ⁺
1 Milford Knob	1.3 mi / 2 km	Green	■ ◆
2 McDade Recreational	32 mi / 51.5km	None	● ◆
3 Pond Loop	0.7 mi / 1.1 km	Blue	●
3 Buchanan	1.1 m / 1.8 km	Orange	● ■
3 Hackers	1.4 mi / 2.3 km	Yellow	■
3 Cliff	2.8 mi / 4.5 km	White	■
4 Raymondskill Creek	0.3 mi / 0.4 km	None	■ ◆
5 Conashaugh View	8.7 mi / 14 km	None	■ ◆
6 Upper Ridge Road	2.5 mi / 4 km	None	● ■
7 Dingmans Creek	0.4 mi / 0.6 km	None	●
8 George W. Childs Park	1.4 mi / 2.3 km	None	● ■
9 Hornbecks Creek	1.9 mi / 3 km	None	● ◆

2 McDade Recreational	32 mi / 51.5 km	None	● ■ ◆
10 Fossil	1.3 mi / 2 km	Blue	■
10 Scenic Gorge	2 mi / 3.2 km	Red	■
10 Ridgeline	4.5 mi / 7.2 km	Yellow	■
11 Military Road	1.1 mi / 21.8 km	None	■
11 Walpack Ridge	3 mi / 4.8 km	Red	■
12 Two Ponds	1.5 mi / 2.4 km	White	●
12 Tumbling Waters	2.8 mi / 4.5 km	Orange	■ ◆
13 Appalachian Trail	28 mi / 45.1 km	White	● ■
14 Buttermilk Falls	1.4 mi / 2.3 km	White	■
15 Crater Lake	1.6 mi / 2.6 km	Orange	■
16 Blue Mountain Lakes	14.6 mi / 7.4 km	None	●
17 Toms Creek	0.8 mi / 1.3 km	None	●
18 Donkey's Corner	1.8 mi / 2.9 km	None	■ ◆
19 Van Campen Glen	1.5 mi / 2.4 km	None	■
19 Pioneer	2.5 mi / 4 km	Orange	● ■
19 Hamilton Ridge	2.8 mi / 4.5 km	Blue	● ■
20 Rattlesnake Swamp	2.6 mi / 4.2km	Orange	●
21 Coppermine	2 mi / 3.2 km	Red	■ ◆
21 Kaiser	2 mi / 3.2 km	Blue	■ ◆
22 Hidden Lake	1.9 mi / 3 km	None	●

1 McDade Recreational	32 mi / 51.5 km	None	● ■ ◆
13 Appalachian Trail ²	28 mi / 45.1 km	None	● ■ ◆
23 Garvey Springs*	1.2 mi / 1.9 km	Orange	■
23 Douglas*	1.6 mi / 2.6 km	Blue	■
23 Rockcores*	2.7 mi / 4.3 km	Green	● ■
24 Beulahland*	1.3 mi / 2 km	Yellow	■
25 Red Dot	1.2 mi / 1.9 km	Red	■ ◆
25 Blue Blaze	1.7 mi / 2.7 km	Blue	■ ◆
25 Dunnfield Creek*	3.5 mi / 5.6 km	Green	● ■
26 Slateford Loop	2.5 mi / 4.1 km	None	● ■

* Located within Worthington State Forest

¹ Red numbered circles means the trail is located in Pennsylvania. Blue numbered circles means the trail is located in New Jersey.

² The Appalachian trails moves north from Pennsylvania into New Jersey.

+Trail Rating Legend

● Easy ■ Moderate ◆ Difficult

Hiking the Open Trails



McDade Trail

McDade Recreation Trail

McDade Trail is a 31-mile trail along the Pennsylvania side of the park. The trail passes through forested areas and farm fields and past unspoiled vistas of the river and cliffs. Terrain varies along the gravel multi-use trail from flat and straight to windy and steep; several portions are designated hiking only.

Trailheads provide access every 0.5 to 5.3 miles.

The McDade Trail extends most the length of the park and provides views of the river, charming streams, open farm fields, forests, and historic landscapes.

The trail offers hikers, bikers, and cross-country skiers areas of varied difficulty, from easy to strenuous. Trailheads are distributed between 1/2 and 5 miles apart and are along the park's free bus route that operates summer weekends.

From Hialeah to Owens trailheads, the trail is mostly flat as it traverses former settlements and farms.

From the Owens Trailhead on Freeman Tract Road, the trail switchbacks sharply up the side of the Hogback Ridge to the park's headquarters.

Between park headquarters and Bushkill Access, the terrain becomes rolling hills.

North of Bushkill Access, the trail continues nearly level through agricultural

fields and forests to Schneider Farm.

The next several miles of the trail are dominated by the river to the east and the cliffs to the west.

From Raymondskill Creek to Milford Beach, the Raymondskill Cliff parallels the nearly flat trail.

The northern terminus of the McDade Trail is Milford Beach, a popular recreation site for local residents.

Trail Info

- The trail is open to hiking, biking, cross-country skiing, and restricted pet-walking.
- No motorized vehicles are permitted. Speed limit for bicycles is 15 mph.
- Bikers must yield to hikers.
- Pets are not allowed at Milford and Smithfield beaches and between Smithfield Beach and Hialeah from late spring to early fall.

The Appalachian Trail

The Appalachian National Scenic Trail (AT) traverses the rugged Appalachian Mountain chain from central Maine to northern Georgia, for a distance approximating 2,180 miles. About 28 miles of footpaths follow the ridges in NJ & PA within Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Numerous other trails connect with the AT and are described elsewhere in this guide.

The Appalachian Trail (AT) is marked with white blazes. Side trails to water, scenic viewpoints, or shelters are marked in blue blazes. The AT is a foot-path designated for hiking only.

Appalachian Mountain Club's Mohican Outdoor Center (MOC) offers several self-service cabin options, individual and group campsites, and simple dining options. Numerous weekend hiking activities

are offered through out the year. For more information, contact MOC at (908) 362-5670 or visit their website at www.outdoors.org/lodging/lodges/mohican.

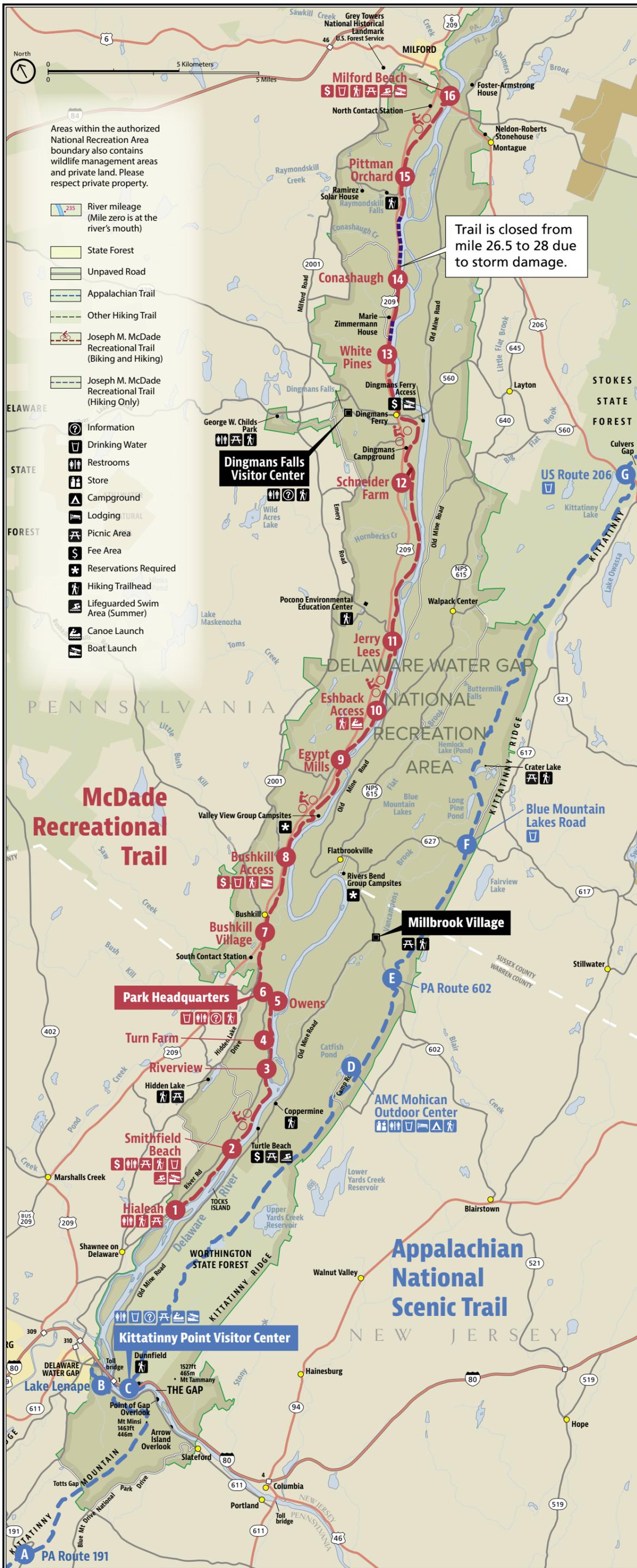
At New Jersey mile 4.6, the Douglas Trail leads from the AT to the Worthington State Forest campground. Individual and group sites are offered along the Delaware River. Interpretive programs are offered seasonally from April to October.



Appalachian National Scenic Trail

Tips When Hiking On the AT

- Camping is restricted to thru-hikers who are hiking for 6 miles per day or more on consecutive days.
- No trail shelters exist within the recreation area.
- Make sure there are no dead limbs or trees in the vicinity of your campsite that might come down during a stiff wind.
- Avoid drinking untreated water. Even clear, spring water can contain harmful bacteria.
- If camping along the AT secure food and food preparation items in a bag and hang it in a tree at least 10 feet off the ground and 5 feet away from the tree.
- Be sure you can identify poison ivy and avoid it!
- Bring a flashlight for nature calls after sunset.
- Make sure that you plan your trip in advance.



Trail is closed from mile 26.5 to 28 due to storm damage.

McDade Trail

	Trailhead	Distance	Rating ⁺
16	Milford Beach	31 mi / 50 km	● ■ ◆
15	Pittman Orchard*	28.7 mi / 46.2 km	■
14	Conashaugh*	26 mi / 41.9 km	◆
13	White Pines*	24.5 mi / 39.4 km	■
12	Schneider Farm	21.4 mi / 34.4 km	■
11	Jerry Lees	16.1 mi / 25.9 km	■
10	Eshback Access	14.3 mi / 23 km	●
9	Egypt Mills	12.5 mi / 20.1 km	■ ◆
8	Bushkill Access	10.1 mi / 16.3 km	● ■
7	Bushkill Village	8.4 mi / 13.5 km	■
6	Park HQ	6.6 mi / 10.6 km	
5	Owens	5.9 mi / 9.5 km	●
4	Turn Farm	5.2 mi / 8.4 km	●
3	Riverview	4.6 mi / 7.4 km	■ ◆
2	Smithfield Beach	2 mi / 3.2 km	■ ◆
1	Hialeah*	0 mi / 0 km	

*Trail ratings begin at the zero point, the first is Hialeah to Smithfield Beach (moderate to difficult). Whites Pines to Pittman Orchard is closed to bicycles from Dec 1st to Aug 15th for resource protection.

Trailhead	Road Mile*	Trail Mile**
Milford Beach	US 209 20.8	31.0
Pittman Orchard	US 209 18.3	28.5
Conashaugh	US 209 15.5	26.0
White Pines	US 209 14.5	24.5
Schneider Farm	US 209 11.5	21.4
Jerry Lees	US 209 8.2	16.1
Eshback Access	US 209 6.4	14.3
Egypt Mills	US 209 4.5	12.5
Bushkill Access	US 209 2.7	10.1
Bushkill Village	US 209 1.4	8.4
Park Headquarters	River Road 5.3	6.6
Owens	Freeman Tract Road 1.9	5.9
Turn Farm (spur)	River Road 4.0	5.2
Riverview	River Road 3.5	4.6
Smithfield Beach	River Road 1.7	2.0
Hialeah	River Road 0.0	0.0

* Road Mileage begins at southern park boundary
** Trail Mileage begins at Hialeah Recreation Site

Appalachian Trail

	Trailhead	Distance	Rating ⁺
G	US Route 206	42.6 mi / 68.6 km	● ■ ◆
F	Blue Mt Lakes Rd	30.3 mi / 46.8 km	■
E	PA Route 602	26.4 mi / 42.5 km	■
D	AMC MOC	23 mi / 37 km	■ ◆
C	Kittatinny Point	14.4 mi / 34.4 km	●
B	Lake Lenape	16.1 mi / 23.1 km	■ ◆
A	PA Route 191*	0 mi / 0 km	

*Trail ratings begin at the zero point, the first is PA Route 191 to Lake Lenape, which is rated from moderate to difficult.

Parking Areas for the Appalachian Trail

Delaware Water Gap/Lake Lenape	40.979878, -75.142064
Dunnfield Creek Natural Area	40.971709, -75.125687
I-80 West, Hardwick, NJ	40.971794, -75.122661
Mohican Outdoor Center/Camp Rd	41.033227, -75.003906
Millbrook Road - Eastbound	41.058078, -74.964373
Millbrook Road - Westbound	41.059316, -74.963477
Blue Mountain Lakes Road	41.089783, -74.911434

*Trail Rating Legend

● Easy
 ■ Moderate
 ◆ Difficult

Camping in the Park

Visitors to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area have opportunities to immerse themselves in an environment of solitude, tranquil natural landscapes, striking river valley scenery, and a substantially undeveloped river corridor that are unmatched among large rivers in the most densely populated region of the United States.

Why Go Camping?

What better way to immerse yourself in this park than to go camping! Camping is a relatively inexpensive way to create lasting memories. Whether you enjoy the services available at a campground or the solitude of hiking or canoeing to pitch a tent away from people, the park offers a campsite for you. The place you park your RV or set up your tent becomes your home away from home – make it a safe one.

- Make sure there are no dead limbs or trees in the vicinity of your campsite that might come down during a stiff wind.
- Avoid drinking untreated water. Even clear, spring water can contain harmful bacteria.
- If in a campground, lock food in your vehicle. Bears and other wildlife have a great sense of smell and might come looking for your goodies.
- Keep your pet on a leash and never leave them unattended.
- Be sure you can identify poison ivy and avoid it!
- Bring a flashlight for nature calls after sunset.

Cherish this time to create wholesome memories with your family and friends.



Rivers Bend Group Campsites

Campgrounds and Campsites

Dingmans Campground

A variety of camping settings, including sites tucked in the forest, in the meadow, or along the river. Sites are available for both tent and RV camping, some with water and electric hook-ups. For more information and reservations, call (877) 828-1551 or visit dingmancampground.com.

Appalachian National Scenic Trail

Within the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, overnight backpacking is only permitted along the Appalachian National Scenic Trail (AT).

Camping is restricted to thru-hikers who are hiking for six miles or more per day. For more information about hiking and camping, see the AT on page 15.

Mohican Outdoor Center

Additionally, the Appalachian Mountain Club's Mohican Outdoor Center offers several self-service cabin options, individual and group

campsites, and simple dining options. Numerous weekend hiking activities are offered throughout the year.

For more information, call (908) 362-5670 or visit outdoors.org/lodging/lodges/mohican.

Valley View Group Campsites

Located in Pennsylvania on US Route 209. For reservations call Dingmans Campground at (877) 828-1551.

Rivers Bend Group Campsites

Located in New Jersey on Old Mine Road north of Millbrook Village, call (570) 426-2452 for more information. Reservations for Rivers Bend is mandatory and require a minimum of two weeks advance notice.

Both Valley View and Rivers Bend campsites are on the river, allowing large groups on overnight canoe trips to camp together.

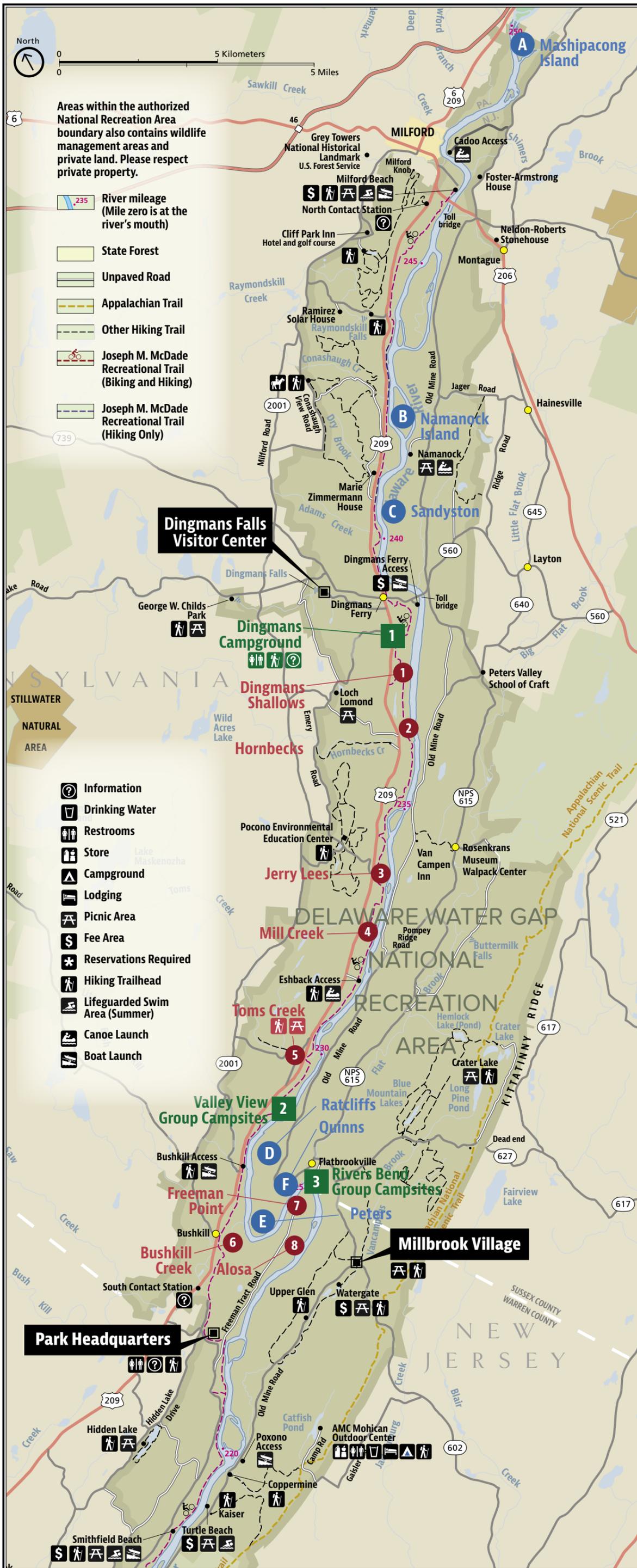
River Camping

For extended boat trips of 14 miles or more, free primitive campsites along the river are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Camping along the river is only permitted in these designated sites and is limited to one night at each location.

For more information about river camping visit www.nps.gov/dewa/planyourvisit/river-camping.htm

The Alosa camp sites, located at river mile 224, are reservation-only and require a fee. Reservations can be made at recreation.gov.

- To use a river campsite, the total river miles traveled must be at least 14 miles for a one-night trip, at least 26 miles for a two-night trip, and at least 34 miles for a three-night trip.
- Camping is limited to one night in each location. The Alosa campsites must be reserved and a fee is required to make a reservation. Visit recreation.gov to do so.
- Small fires are allowed in existing fire grates only. Use dead and down wood only. Cutting standing trees is not allowed. It is illegal to bring firewood into the park due to invasive pests.
- Pack out all trash, including all food and food waste.
- Use soaps sparingly. Soap should be dumped on well-drained soil away from water sources.
- Do not urinate or defecate within 100 feet of any river or stream. Fecal material, including pet waste, must be buried at least 6 inches deep and at least 300 feet away from water.
- Quiet hours are 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. Loud audio devices and fireworks are prohibited.



Camp Locations

Campground/ Campsite	Number of Sites	Persons Per Site
1 Dingmans Campground 1006 Route 209 Dingmans Ferry, PA (570) 828-1551 41.210694, -74.873154 dingmancampground.com	133	up to 40
2 Valley View Group ¹ Campground 41.115366, -74.963938	5	Min of 5
3 Rivers Bend Group ² Campsites NPS (570) 426-2452 41.096118, -74.966632	5	Min of 5 Max of 25

¹ Permits are required. These are primitive campsites. Dingmans Campground can be contacted for Valley View reservations.

² Permits are required. These are primitive campsites. Reservations are mandatory and require a minimum of two weeks notice.

River Campsites*

PA Campsites	No. of Sites/ Persons	Site No.	GPS
1 Dingmans Shallows	1 / 10	2-4	41.185276, 74.880993
2 Hornbecks	3 / 10	27-29	41.178972, -74.885157
3 Jerry Lees	2 / 10	33-34	41.153859, -74.908620
4 Mill Creek	1 / 10	35	41.151045, -74.911284
5 Toms Creek	4 / 10	39-42	41.127015, -74.948574
6 Bushkill Creek	1 / 10	55	41.092099, -74.993005
7 Freeman Point	2 / 10	82-83	41.093276, -74.96757
8 Alosa ¹	6 / 10	R1-R6	41.083544, -74.97629

¹ Reservations are required and a fee applies. Call (877) 444-6777 or go to Recreation.gov and search for Alosa.

NJ Campsites	No. of Sites/ Persons	Site No.	GPS
A Mashipacong Island	1 / 4	1	41.334419, -74.761520
B Namanock Island	4 / 6	14-17	41.264988, -74.843964
C Sandyston	6 / 6	18-23	41.248880, -74.855515
D Ratcliffs	3 / 6	52-54	41.112459, -74.973252
E Peters	12 / 6	56-68	41.093485, -74.989833
F Quinns	7 / 6	73-79	41.090605, -74.981590

*River campsites are only for boaters on thru-trips. These are primitive campsites and are subject to actions of weather and its affect on river height. Ask for the River Trips Site Bulletin at any of the visitor centers for additional specifics on using these campsites.

Exploring Old Mine Road

Constructed in the mid 1700's, Old Mine Road is one of the oldest continuously used roads in America. It connects Kingston, New York to the Delaware Water Gap area, running a distance of 104 miles. In early legend, the road was used by Lenape Indians, Dutch miners and Soldiers from both the French and Indian, and Revolutionary Wars. Today it is used by hikers, bikers and the modern day automobile.

1 Montague Grange

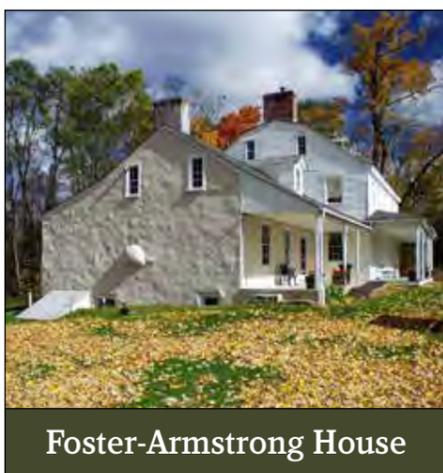
The National Grange, founded in 1867, is an organization that advocates for rural America and agriculture. The local Montague Grange was founded in 1904 and this Hall was built in 1906. The local group remains active and continues to use the building.



Montague Grange

2 Foster-Armstrong House

Owners of this home operated a ferry, sawmill, and gristmill. The house was used as a tavern and inn for river travelers. The house reflects the standard of living of a prosperous family in the early 19th century. The Montague Association for the Restoration of Community History (MARCH) operates this historic house museum for tours weekends and during special events.



Foster-Armstrong House

3 Minisink Dutch Reformed Church

The Minisink Church was the heart, both spiritually and geographically, of the four original Dutch Reformed congregations established in the Upper Delaware Valley in 1737.

The present structure was built in 1899, and tombstones in the cemetery date to 1805. Though it remains small, the vibrant congregation is one of the oldest in the country.



Minisink Reformed Church

4 Neldon-Roberts Stonehouse

Built around 1820, the stonehouse was the home of George Neldon and later the Roberts family and was once used as a schoolhouse.

The Montague Association for the Restoration of Community History (MARCH) offers tours and a museum in the house on summer weekends.

5 Westbrook-Bell House

This is the oldest home located in the recreation area, possibly predating 1730, and was lived in by 9 generations of the family until the acquisition of the property by the federal government.

6 Namanock

While nothing remains today, this was the site of Fort Namanock during the French and Indian War (1754-1763). Forts in this time and era were little more than a sturdy house with a wooden defensive fence surrounding it.

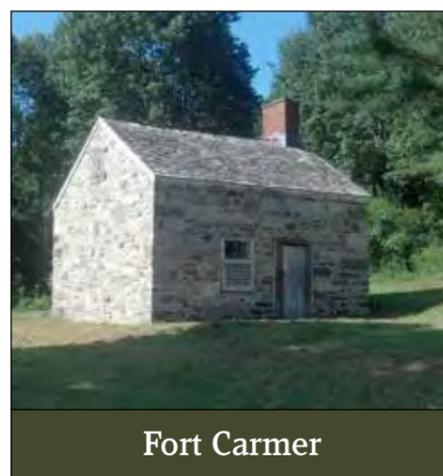
7 Alonzo Depue House

As with other historic homes along Old Mine Road, the landscape would have been quite different one hundred years ago – open fields, a clear view to the river, and several farm outbuildings.

For 48 consecutive years, Alonzo Depue recorded temperature and precipitation readings for the U.S. Weather Service from a weather station near the road without missing a day.

8 Bevans-Hellwig Kitchen

In the late 19th century, this little stone building was the rear kitchen attached to a large farmhouse. Local tradition holds that the original structure was used as a French and Indian War fortification, known as Fort Carmer.



Fort Carmer

9 Peters Valley

Peter Van Nest, a land surveyor, laid out the roads in the area and had them intersect outside of his home in 1867. Over the years, the hamlet's name changed several times, including Hen's Foot Corner and Bevans, before its current name of Peters Valley.

Through a partnership with the National Park Service, Peters Valley School of Craft operates an active school of fine craft. Stop by the Craft Store and Gallery to browse artisan's wares, learn about workshop offerings, and find out more about the weekend self-guided tours of the village.



Greek Revival House
Peters Valley School of Craft

10 Van Campen Inn

While it is called an "inn", it is more accurately a "yough house" – a rural residence in a remote area that was licensed under colonial law to provide food and shelter to travelers.

During the French & Indian War (1754-1763), the Van Campen Inn "provided a safe haven when settlers fled for protection from Indian attack" and in November 1763, 150 settlers sought shelter in the "stout walls" of the house.

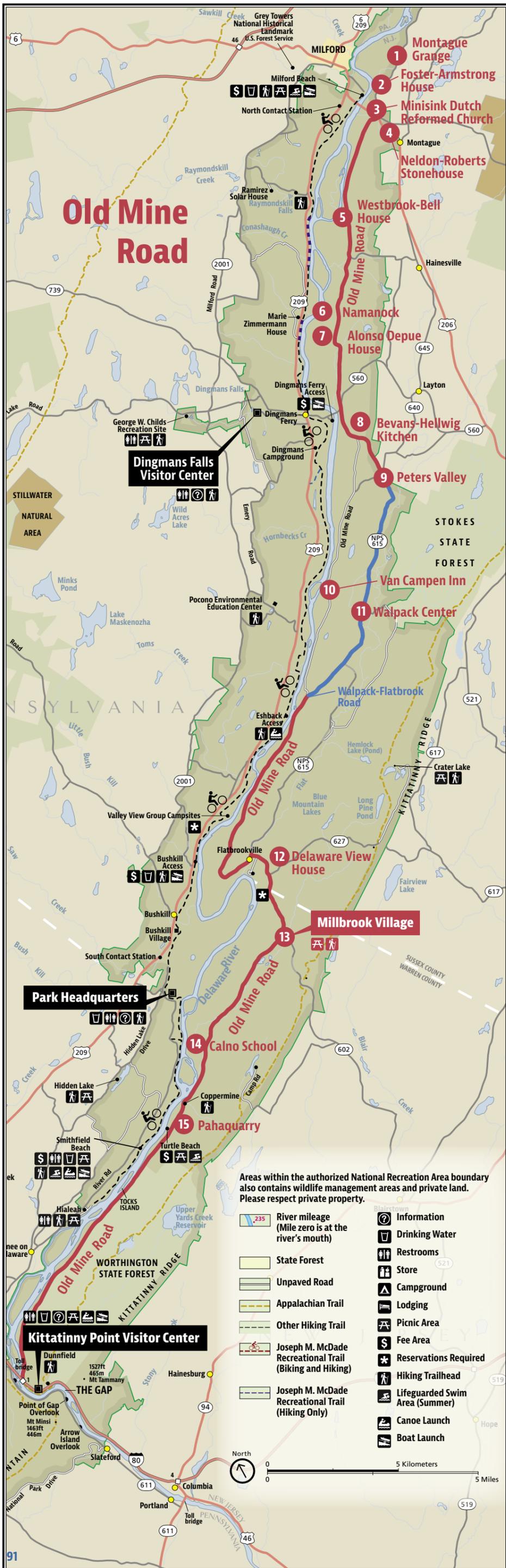
The Walpack Historical Society offers tours of the house on most Sundays during the summer.



Van Campen Inn

11 Walpack Center

Like other villages along the Old Mine Road, the Kittatinny Ridge to the west and the highlands of New



Jersey to the north isolated the hamlet of Walpack Center. Area farmers found what they needed at the village's general store, post office, blacksmith shop, church, and school.

By the early 20th century, however, automobiles and larger farms proved to be too much competition and the village began its decline.

Today, the Walpack Historical Society operates a museum in the First Rosenkrans House on summer weekends.

12 Delaware View House

Constructed in the early 1800s, numerous changes enlarged this once small house. As the house expanded, it also changed uses, including serving as the Flatbrook Hotel hunting lodge, the Losey Boarding House, and Salamovka - a summer retreat for Russian emigrants.

13 Millbrook Village

In 1832, Abram Garis built a grist mill along Van Campen brook. The mill soon attracted other businesses and by 1875, Millbrook was a thriving farm village. By 1910, most businesses had closed their doors.

Today, only a handful of original Millbrook buildings remain. Other buildings have been moved from other sites or are newly built to help depict village life in the valley during the late 19th and early 20th century.

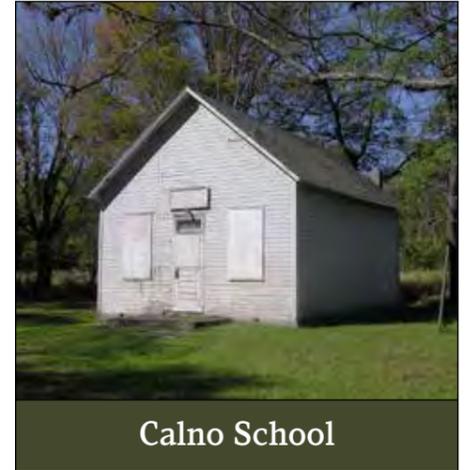
On summer weekends and during special events, several buildings are open and park staff and Millbrook Village Society volunteers demonstrate folk ways of the 1800s.



14 Calno School

In the 19th century, schools were located in places that would allow students to walk no more than four or five miles to attend.

In 1881, the average daily attendance at the Calno school was only 15. The poorly paid teachers boarded with local families and seldom stayed more than a year or two.

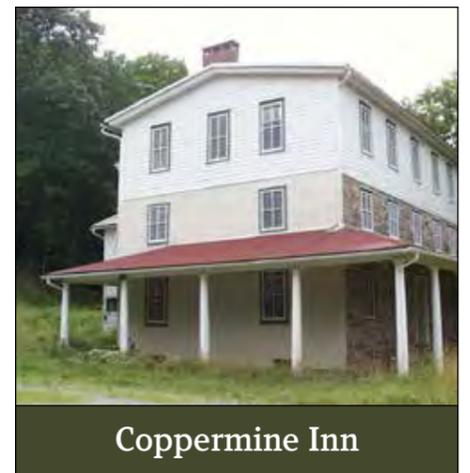


15 Pahaquarry

The Coppermine Trail passes by the foundation of the Pahaquarry Copper Mine processing mill and mineshafts. Brief periods of mining attempted during the past three centuries were never successful, despite improved technology and mineral extraction methods.

In 1925, this area became the Pahaquarra Boy Scout Camp and operated until 1971. It was just one of numerous scout and church camps that once existed within the park boundaries.

NOTE: Mineshafts are closed to protect critical bat habitat.





The River Runner Shuttle

Hiking and biking the McDade Recreational Trail and paddling the Delaware River Water Trail are favorite activities of visitors and residents alike, and miles of safe and scenic trails are a hallmark of Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.

The missing link, however, has always been getting back to your destination once the trip is complete.

To address this issue and, at the same time, encourage visitors to keep their vacations environmentally friendly by reducing vehicle use, free shuttles run throughout the day in opposite directions and can

carry bicycles, canoes, and kayaks. Multiple stop options along the way allow folks the chance to fully enjoy park destinations, all with the freedom of being car-free.

Alternative programs like the shuttle are just one way the national recreation area is working to lighten the footprint we all leave on the planet.

For more information about the shuttle, visit the Monroe County Transit Authority's website at www.gomcta.com.

Bicycle Safety

Before riding make sure you, your family, and the bicycles, are ready to ride.

Wear a bicycle helmet. Children 12 years old and younger are required by law to wear a bicycle helmet.

Before riding make sure that each bicycle has been properly adjusted for each rider. Check your tires for proper inflation and that brakes work properly.

Make yourself visible to others by wearing bright colors or a fluorescent vest when riding. Secure loose clothing to make sure it will not become caught in the chain.

Ride with two hands on the handlebars, except when

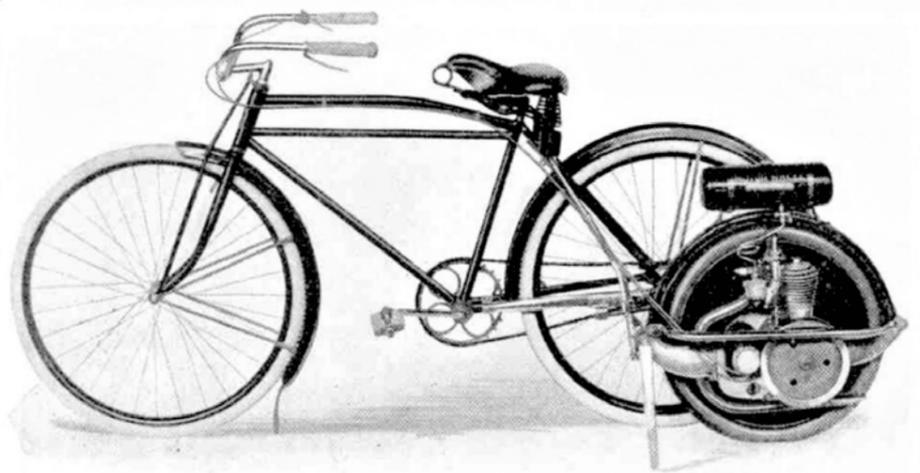
signaling a turn. Place snacks and other items in a bicycle carrier or backpack.

Watch for hazards such as potholes, broken glass, puddles, leaves, and dogs. Point to the hazard to alert the riders behind you.

Always ride with traffic on the right side of road and pass others to your left. Be predictable by riding in a straight line and always signal your intentions.

Obey all traffic laws and yield to vehicles and pedestrians.

Stay alert at all times and look before making turns. Walk bicycles on steep hills and stairs.



2016 RIVER RUNNER SCHEDULE

Runs Weekends From Memorial Day Through Labor Day*

NORTHBOUND SCHEDULE DELAWARE WATER GAP TO MILFORD									SOUTHBOUND SCHEDULE MILFORD TO DELAWARE WATER GAP								
Kittatinny Point Visitor Center	6:55	8:55	9:55	10:55	11:55	12:55	1:55	3:55	Downtown Milford	9:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	6:00
DWG Park and Ride	7:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	12:02	1:02	2:02	4:02	Milford Beach	9:05	11:05	12:05	1:05	2:05	3:05	4:05	6:05
Shawnee Inn	7:08	9:08	10:08	11:08	12:08	1:08	2:08	4:08	Dingmans Access	9:25	11:25	12:25	1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25	6:25
Smithfield Beach	7:23	9:23	10:23	11:23	12:23	1:23	2:23	4:23	PEEC	9:35						4:35	
Fernwood Resort	7:38	9:38	10:38	11:38	12:38	1:38	2:38	4:38	Toms Creek Picnic Area	9:50	11:37	12:37	1:37	2:37	3:37	4:50	6:37
Bushkill Access	7:45	9:48	10:48	11:48	12:48	1:48	2:48	4:48	Bushkill Access	9:55	11:42	12:42	1:42	2:42	3:42	4:55	6:42
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Downtown Milford	8:35	10:55	11:35	12:35	1:35	2:35	3:35	5:55	Kittatinny Point Visitor Center	10:47	12:34	1:34	2:34	3:34	4:34	5:47	7:34

Flagstops - The system is designed with the idea that riders could board the bus just about anywhere along the routes. For this reason, many people choose to flagstop the bus at in-between points not published in the timetable. To flag stop the bus, simply wave to the driver from a safe but observable location along the route. Times are estimates; buses may be delayed as much as 15 minutes. *Times in Bold are PM.