



Day Hikes

Wesser Tower: Three ways. Nantahala National Forest Map

1. Trailhead at end of Wesser creek, 4.5 miles to tower. Creek walk to headwaters of Wesser creek. Panoramic view from tower.
2. From NOC go south on AT, 3.5 miles to Jump Up, 7.5 miles to tower. Ridge hike to rock outcrop. View Nantahala Gorge, Great Smoky Mountain Park.
3. Trailhead at Otter Creek Road, go North on AT 1.5 miles to tower.

Bartram Trail: Bartram Trail maps Section 6 and 7

1. Trailhead at Winding Stairs Road, 5 miles one way to Cheoah Bald up Ledbetter creek. Yellow blazes.
2. Trailhead at Nantahala Launch Site, Laurie's Trail – 1.5 mile paved trail along Nantahala River.
3. Trailhead at Nantahala Launch Site, Bartram/Piercy creek loop. 7 miles, bring stream crossing shoes.

Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest: Joyce Kilmer Map

1. Joyce Kilmer Memorial Loops. 1 & 2.5 mile loops through Old growth forest. Great on a rainy day.
2. Naked Ground Trail from Memorial Loops, 4.3 miles one way to Haeo Lead trail along Santeetlah Creek.
3. Trailhead at Tapoco. Slickrock Creek trail along Calderwood Lake and up past lower falls (3miles) & Wildcat falls (7miles), bring stream crossing shoes. A loop can be made using Ike Branch Trail at 3.8 miles (6.6 mile loop)

Wayah & Siler Balds: Nantahala National Forest Map

1. Wayah Bald: From Wayah Gap picnic area go 4.2 miles north on the AT.
2. Siler Bald: From Wayah Gap picnic area go 2.2 miles south on the AT and turn right up grassy field.

Great Smoky National Park: GSMNP map

1. Deep Creek Trail to Indian Creek Falls, 1.5 miles one way.
2. At the End of Road to Nowhere, walk through the tunnel to Forney Creek, 3.3 miles one way.
3. Smokemount Loop Trail, 3.8 miles. In Cherokee along parkway.
4. Mount LeConte via Alum Cave Trail, 4.9 miles one way.
5. Chimney Tops Trail, 2 mile climb to awesome rocky pinnacles.
6. AT North from Newfound Gap to Charlies Bunion, 4 miles one way.

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