Pisgah State Park

Pisgah State Park includes over 13,300 acres of rough forested terrain, encompassing a complete watershed north of the Ashuelot River. Within the Cheshire County, the park protects seven ponds (popular for fishing), four highland ridges and numerous wetlands. The area’s 21 square miles make it the largest property in the NH State Park System.

Six trailheads around the park disperse use, reducing guest impact and encouraging the discovery of Pisgah’s natural and cultural features. Year-round trailheads for hiking, mountain biking, ATV and snowmobile use provide options for short, moderate, and long treks into the backcountry. Please be advised that trails may be closed for mud season or as other conditions warrant. For information about trail status or about equestrian use, call the Bureau of Trails at 603-271-3254.

Hiking Information - For Your Safety

To hike safely, you should have good hiking shoes or boots, a waterproof jacket or windbreaker and a sweater. Remember, the higher the elevation, the colder, windier, and wetter the weather. Be sure to carry drinking water, a first aid kit, and a flashlight in your pack, as well as an emergency supply of foods such as cheese, chocolate, raisins, or other high-energy snacks. Use common sense and good judgment when hiking in inclement weather, especially during late fall, winter, and early spring. If in doubt...turn back. When preparing for a hike, check the approximate time that darkness falls and take a flashlight just in case. The average hiker should allow approximately one hour for each trail mile.

If You Become Lost, S.T.O.P.

Stop, Think, Observe and Plan. Decide on a plan and stick to it. If the last known location of the trail is within a reasonable distance, try and backtrack to it. If you can't find the trail, do not panic, stay put and seek cover from adverse weather. If notified, rescuers will begin a search of the areas near your original planned route. Listen for whistles and respond to them or other signals. It is important to leave your plans with a responsible person. Adults hiking with children should not let them stray ahead or lag behind.

If You Have an Accident and Need Help - Call 911

Trail Use Reminders:

- Respect the rights of owners of private roads and property adjacent to the park and access trails.
- Trails are multi-use so be aware and respectful of other users.
- ATV’s must only travel on designated trails and roads and must obey the posted speed limit of 25mph. It is recommended to always drive with your lights on.
- It is unlawful to cut any standing trees or their limbs, shrubs, or any other vegetation in the park.
- Do not litter. Carry out what you carry in.
- Camping is not allowed anywhere in the park.

The parking lot at the park headquarters is kept open year round.

Park trails are maintained with the help of volunteers, including the Friends of Pisgah. For more information about volunteering at Pisgah please contact the Park Manager at 603-239-8153, our website at nhstateparks.org or the Friends of Pisgah at friendsofpisgah.org.

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