Windy Ridge Trail

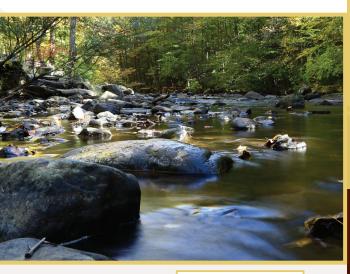
Yellow • 0.5 miles • Hiking

Easy • Mostly narrow single-track dirt path
Trailhead: On Main Trail just after passing
playground area. Windy Ridge Trail follows along
the hillside bounded between the Black River and
Rhinehart Brook, and then begins to descend and
turn south and east to follow Rhinehart Brook. It
joins with Main Trail and Riverside Trail at a bridge
over Rhinehart Brook.

Wintershine Trail

Orange • 0.35 miles • Hiking Easy • Crosses Hemlock hillside

Trailhead: On Riverside Trail 0.5 miles from its start. Wintershine Trail travels along the hillside above the Black River through hemlock and mixed hardwood trees. The trail starts on a four-foot-wide gravel and dirt path and narrows to singletrack over rocky terrain as it nears Trout Brook. As it crosses Trout Brook, large boulders create a few pools just near the bridge. The trail turns east, heads downstream and joins with Haki Trail.



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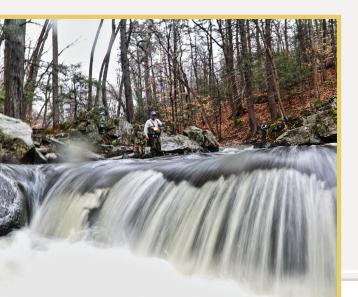
TRAILS OF HACKLEBARNEY STATE PARK

Tucked within Hacklebarney State Park are nine official trails, totaling almost five miles. For such a small area, the terrain is quite diverse and encompasses mixed hardwood upland forests, hillsides, a hemlock ravine, and freshwater stream environments. The Black River, fed by the Trout and Rhinehart Brooks, runs through the middle of the park. The Black River is flanked by massive boulders that create scenic pools and waterfalls. There are numerous picnic tables tucked in among the forest and along the stream. The trails of Hacklebarney allow for exploration and enjoyment of this glacial valley.

Haki Trail

Lt. Blue • 0.32 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Connector trail to river on gravel path Trailhead: On Main Trail about 0.4 miles from the parking lot. Haki Trail gently descends along the forested hillside above the Black River. The trail joins with the river just at the confluence where Trout Brook and the Black River meet. The confluence of the brook and river is a very scenic location.



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. Be aware of changing trail conditions.

Be Prepared: 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.

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 and take the waste with you.

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.

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 the New Jersey DEP Fish & Wildlife at dep.nj.gov/njfw/bears for additional information on bear safety.

Emergency Numbers

1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337) or 911



Hacklebarney State Park is administered by Spruce Run Recreation Area 68 Van Syckles Road Clinton, NJ 08809 908-638-8572



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TRAILS

Hacklebarney State Park



Main Trail

White • 0.7 miles • Hiking Easy • connects to all trails

Trailhead: At the southeast corner of the main parking lot. Main Trail travels the forested ravine hillside beginning along Trout Brook, turns south above the Black River and ends alongside Rhinehart Brook. The five-foot-wide packed gravel trail runs through the middle of the park providing access to most of the other trails. The high point of the trail is on a shallow ridge with picnic tables among a grove of trees. A walk down Main Trail and returning on Riverside Trail is a great way to see much of the park and its unique areas.

Playground Trail

Green • 0.35 miles • Hiking Easy • Shortcut to Main Trail

Trailhead: Off park entrance road just past the maintenance building. Look for small road and gate on left. **Playground Trail** heads southeast on a five-foot-wide partially paved path through a hardwood forest. The trail runs along a hillside and then continues to join with Main Trail across from the picnic area.

Riverside Trail

Red • 1.8 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Follows along river edge
Trailhead: On left (east) side of Main Trail,
approximately 75 yards from the parking lot.
Riverside Trail, the longest trail, leads the visitor
along the three major waterways in the park. Trout
Brook and Rhinehart Brook are both tributaries
which flow into the Black River. Riverside Trail
follows a single-track, dirt path with natural
obstacles as it travels alongside the creeks of this
rocky ravine. Riverside Trail is very scenic with
vistas, waterfalls and pools, fishing access, and many
picnic tables along the way. Trail conditions vary
depending on weather and water levels.

Three Pools Trail

Blue • 0.12 miles • Hiking Easy • Six-foot-wide-packed gravel

Trailhead: On Main Trail approximately 0.5 miles from the parking lot. **Three Pools Trail** descends a moderate grade hillside and leads down into the ravine along the Black River to a series of large scenic flat-water pools between small drops and cascades.

Upland Trail

Pink • 0.5 miles • Hiking Easy • Loop trail along ridge

Trailhead: On Playground Trail. **Upland Trail** loops around the wooded uplands above the Black River. The trail leaves and rejoins Playground Trail and travels through hardwoods and cedar trees on a packed gravel and grass-covered path. There is a viewing platform and overlook on the north side.

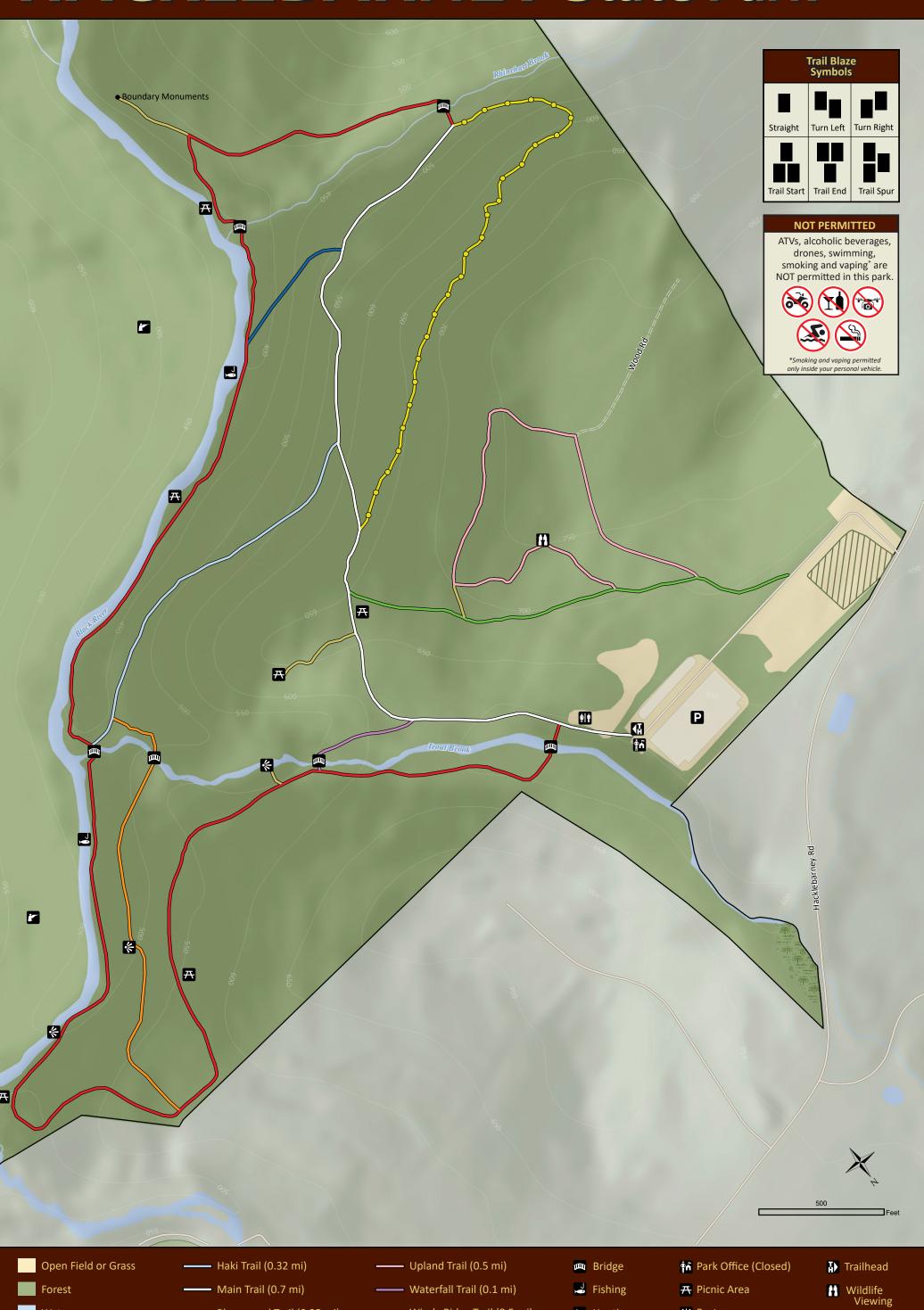
Waterfall Trail

Purple • 0.1 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Short trail to waterfalls on Trout Brook
Trailhead: On Main Trail. Waterfall Trail is a short
trail that descends from Main Trail and joins Trout
Brook just above a series of waterfalls and pools. The
trail is a six-foot-wide asphalt and gravel path that
descends a moderate grade slope to meet with Trout
Brook. There is a wide bridge to cross to connect to
Riverside Trail. Just downstream of the bridge, the creek
drops over a series of large boulders with small pools
and cascades.



HACKLEBARNEY State Park



—• Windy Ridge Trail (0.5 mi)

Trail Connector

Wintershine Trail (0.35 mi)

Hunting

P Parking Lot

♦|**♦** Restrooms

Scenic View

Water

Restricted Area

Playground Trail (0.35 mi)

Three Pools Trail (0.12 mi)

Riverside Trail (1.8 mi)

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