

Hiking Tips

- Some destinations will require you to drive on stretches of forest roads. These roads are narrow, unpaved, and not maintained during the winter. Proceed with caution in an appropriate vehicle.
- Wear appropriate clothing and footwear such as hiking boots or athletic sneakers to protect your feet from rocks and roots along trails.
- Take an adequate supply of water and food.
- Take a map and know how to follow trail blazes.
- Bring other safety items like a 1st aid kit, pocket knife, fire starter, whistle, etc.
- Check the weather before you go.
- Take a friend in case you need help. Cell service is very limited in the forest.
- Watch your step and listen carefully—wild animals (including rattlesnakes) make their home in the forest.
- Leave no trace, take nothing but pictures.
- Removing historic artifacts is strictly forbidden.



Self Guided Lumber History Hikes

Tioga and Tiadaghton State Forests



(Directions & travel times in brochure based on departure from the PA Lumber Museum)



Darling Run CCC Camp

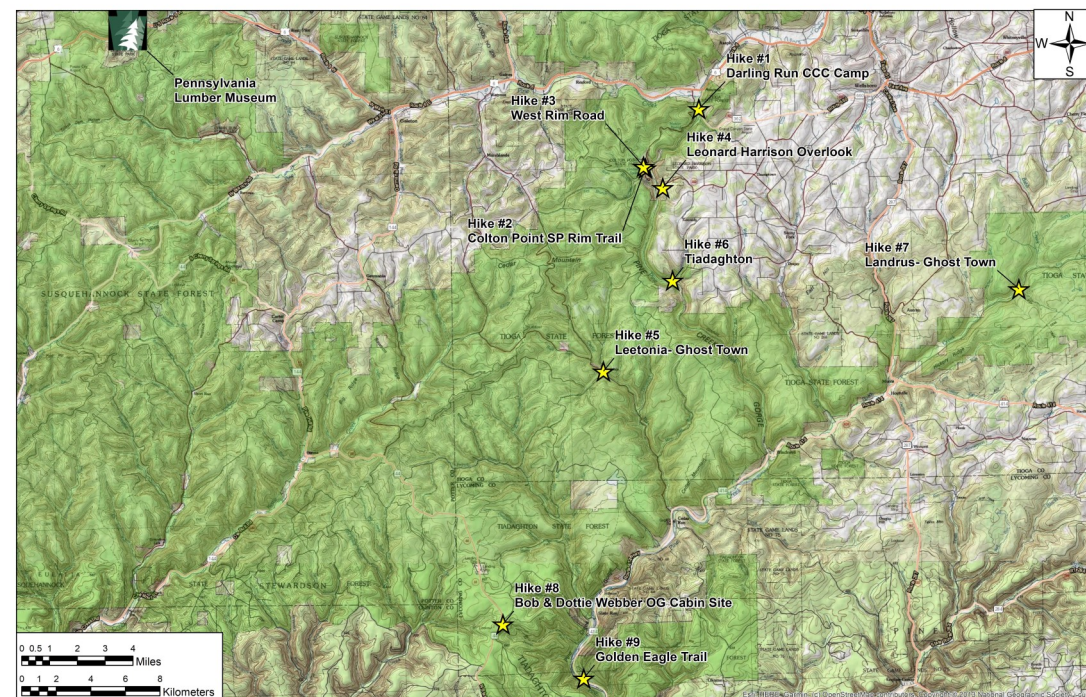
Travel time 30 min. The Darling Run CCC Camp (S-155) operated from 1933-1941. The camp location is now a DCNR primitive campground and picnic area adjacent to the Pine Creek Rail Trail. Interpretive signage and building foundations give a sense of what camp life was like.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23.5 miles. Turn right onto Route 362, just past the bridge over Marsh Creek. Parking for the Darling Run Access Area on the Pine Creek Rail Trail is 0.8 mile south/ SE on Route 362 on the right. Restrooms and an eVehicle charging station are available at the access area. The site of the Darling Run CCC Camp is about ½ mile south of the access area along the west side of the Pine Creek Rail Trail, reached by bicycle or on foot.

Leonard Harrison Overlook

Travel time: 40 min. CCC enrollees from Darling Run Camp S-155 assisted in the creation of Leonard Harrison State Park, which started as a private picnic grove. Take the Overlook Trail to pass by a garbage incinerator constructed by the CCC for use by the visiting public. One of the seven bronze CCC Worker Statues in Pennsylvania can be found near the PA Grand Canyon viewing area.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23.5 miles. Turn right onto Route 362, just past the bridge over Marsh Creek. In 3.4 miles, turn right on Airport Road (SR 3029). Go straight at the stop sign and follow Route 660 for 5.6 miles. Leonard Harrison State Park is at 4797 Route 660, Wellsboro, PA 16901.



West Rim Road

Travel time: 38 min. The West Rim Road extends south from Colton Point State Park to Route 414 near Blackwell in the PA Grand Canyon. Much of the road was constructed by CCC enrollees, who used the former railbeds for the logging railroads that operated in the area a century ago. DCNR Bureau of Forestry has erected several interpretive signs along the southern portion of West Rim Road with information regarding sustainable forestry operations. A vista at the Bradley Wales Picnic Area provides an exceptional view of the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon and looks down at the Tiadaghton campground; the site of the former lumber town of Tiadaghton.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23 miles. At Ansonia, turn right onto Colton Road and follow it to Colton Point State Park. At the park entrance, bear right to stay on Colton Road. Follow Colton Road to Painter-Leetonia Road and on to the West Rim Road. The total distance to Blackwell is 23 miles, which takes about an hour without stops.

The West Rim Road and those leading to it are well-maintained dirt roads with switchbacks and sharp turns. The speed limit is 25mph. Watch for oncoming traffic and keep right. Do not attempt this route in winter as the road is not maintained.

Tiadaghton: Lumber Town

Travel time: 50 min. Tiadaghton, once the location of a sawmill town, is now home to a few private hunting camps and a DCNR primitive campground and picnic area along the Pine Creek Rail Trail. At low water, the pilings of a railroad bridge dismantled in 1930 can be found in Pine Creek about 3/8 of a mile

north of the current campground. When vegetation is low, several stone foundations and cellar holes along the east side of the rail trail evidence the former footprint of the town. More foundations can be seen along the trail leading to Campbells Run Falls.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23.5 miles. Turn right onto Route 362, just past the bridge over Marsh Creek. In 3.4 miles, turn right on Airport Road (SR 3029). Go straight at the stop sign and follow Route 660 west to West Branch Road (SR 3007). West Branch Road ends at a right turn onto Tiadaghton Hill Road. Head east with a steep descent into the PA Grand Canyon. This dirt road is at times muddy and deeply rutted and has no winter maintenance. Attempt the drive only during fair weather and in a suitable vehicle. The easiest and safest way to get to Tiadaghton is via bicycle using the Pine Creek Rail Trail. By bicycle: Get on the Pine Creek Rail Trail at the Darling Run Access Area. Tiadaghton campground is approximately 8 miles south, near mile marker 16. Know your cycling capabilities; this will be a 16-mile round trip.

Colton Point State Park Rim Trail

Travel time: 30 min. Colton Point State Park was developed by CCC enrollees from Painter Run Camp S-91. Follow the Rim Trail to pass by five stone and timber pavilions constructed by the enrollees which are still used today. A CCC-built garbage incinerator, formerly used by the public, is located along the right side of Colton Road, just past the park.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23 miles. At Ansonia, turn right onto Colton Road and follow it for 4.5 miles. Park entrance is on the left at 927 Colton Road, Wellsboro, PA 16901.

Leetonia: Former Lumber Town & CCC Camp

Travel time: 50 min. Named for W. Creighton Lee who built a large tannery here in 1879, Leetonia grew to include sawmills, over 50 homes and businesses, and a school. A painted marker designates the former location of CCC Camp S-90, which operated here from 1933-1941.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 15 miles. At the town of Watrous, turn right on Elk Run Road. Proceed south on Elk Run Road to Leetonia Road. You will reach Leetonia in 12 miles. Leetonia Road is unimproved, narrow, and winding, with no winter maintenance. There is also no cell service along the route so ensure travel conditions are safe before you go.

Landrus: A Ghost Town

Travel time: 70 min. Foundations, roadbeds, and a railroad grade are all that remain of the once thriving lumbering and coal mining town of Landrus. A 1995 stone monument marks the location of the town center, and the Mid-State Trail passes through its footprint. DCNR has erected several interpretive panels along Landrus Road that explain ongoing sustainable forest management efforts in this area.

Directions: Go east on Route 6 for 23.5 miles. Turn right onto Route 362, just past the bridge over Marsh Creek. At the traffic light in Wellsboro, turn right onto Route 287 (Central Avenue). Go 10 miles south on Route 287 to Morris and turn left onto Landrus Road. Go east on Landrus Road for 6 miles, heading towards Arnot. A parking area will be on the left, near the historical marker.

Bob & Dottie Webber Original Cabin Site Hike

Travel time: 60 min. Visit the original location of Bob & Dottie Webber's cabin, on a ridge top overlooking the village of Slate Run and the PA Grand Canyon.

Directions: Go west on Route 6 for 7 miles. At the community of Sweden Valley, turn left to on PA 44 South. Follow PA 44 for 35 miles. Turn left onto Manor Fork Road (flanked by mature pine trees). Parking is available on the right in a DCNR maintenance facility lot after the two private camps with white houses. Continue following Manor Fork Road on foot. Cross over a dirt road and go around the swinging metal gate to follow the Gas Line Trail. In 2 miles, what remains of the Webber's homestead will be on the left, along with a beautiful vista.

Golden Eagle Trail

Travel time: 80 min. This is one of several trails designed, built and maintained by Bob Webber. It features steep climbs with the reward of amazing vistas providing breathtaking views of the PA Grand Canyon.

Directions: The trailhead is located on Route 414, four miles south of the town of Slate Run. Parking is available at Clark Farm/Utceter Station Recreational Parking area, along the Pine Creek Rail Trail. The Golden Eagle Trail is a 9-mile loop with 5 vistas, the most famous being "The Raven's Horn." At mile 5, pass by the remains of a stove which was left behind by an old logging camp. Old growth hemlock and white pine appear on the trail shortly after the stove. At mile 6.4, evidence of a log slide is visible in the hollow. Watch your step! Rattlesnakes are often spotted on this trail.