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**AMERICAN GOTHIC TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historic, varies in length, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** None

**STARTING POINT:**
Eldon or Selma, Iowa

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Sax-Fox and Ioway Indian battleground
American Gothic House - original as seen in the classic “American Gothic” pictures
Old Bearing Tree
Iowaville cemetery - one of the oldest west of the Mississippi River
Sioc cemetery - Indian mounds
Camp Strother - Girl Scouts of America
Old Log Cabin
Vesser Creek - Indian arrowhead & dinosaur bone site

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** None

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Any 10 miles along the route will qualify for patch, wearing of proper uniform is encouraged. A bicycle patch is available for anyone completing 10 miles on bicycle also.

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Any organized groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** No

**TRADE WELL MARKED:** Not applicable

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Not applicable

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch(es)

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** None

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
American Gothic Trail, PO Box 84, Eldon, IA 52554,
Phone (641) 652-3148 or (641) 652-7729

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**BATTLE OF WESTPORT HISTORICAL TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical, scenic and nature, 20 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 5 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Loose Park, Kansas City, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Minor Park, Kansas City, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Loose Park
Wornall home
Swope Park
Swope Park Nature Lodge
Bryam’s Ford industrial park
Minor Park
Rock cliffs along Big Blue River

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Drinking water, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** No

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must make advance application

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRADE WELL MARKED:** No

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Not available

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Bobby Sims, 8604 Arlington, Raytown, MO 64138,
Phone (816) 358-1333
**BELL MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS HIKING TRAILS**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:** Scenic and nature, varies in length, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** All

**STARTING POINT:** In Iron County Missouri on Hwy. A

**ENDING POINT:** Varies

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Bell Mountain in the St. Francois Mountain range
- Steep felsite and rhyolite outcroppings
- Many species of animals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians
- Wide range of typical Ozark trees

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes, along the trail

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Primitive

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:** Have proper adult leadership and be proficient with a map and compass

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:** Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Trails not marked, use of map and compass essential

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** None

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** None

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
- Potosi Ranger District, Hwy 8 West, PO Box 188, Potosi, MO 63664, Phone (573) 438-5427

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**BERRYMAN TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:** Scenic and nature, 24 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 24 miles

**STARTING POINT:** Berryman camp, near Potosi, MO

**ENDING POINT:** Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Excellent Ozark topography, scenery, and timber types.
- A variety of Ozark flora and fauna abound.
- Old oil fields.
- Healthy populations of deer and turkey.
- Mark Twain National Forest.
- Small spring flowing from a cave

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Toilets and firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:** Follow good backpacking practices.

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:** Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Post with mile marker on it

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch and choice of repeater patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** None

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
- Special Awards Co., 811 Lafayette, Webster Groves, MO 63119, Phone (314) 961-2610
BIG PINEY TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 15 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 15 miles

STARTING POINT:
Paddy Creek picnic area and campground

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Opportunity to explore a variety of Ozark terrain, and scenery. Can be hiked, backpacked, or rode on horseback. An ideal backpacking trail.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood at campground

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Follow Missouri State Park rules

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Red paint blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Patch and repeater patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Special Awards Co., 811 Lafayette, Webster Groves, MO 63119, Phone (314) 961-2610

BUFFALO BILL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 7 and 10 mile trails, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Site of the “Green Tree” in LeClaire, IA

ENDING POINT:
Museum in LeClaire, IA

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Green Tree Memorial
Old limestone quarry from the Civil War period
Home of river pilots John E. Smith and Orrin Smith - built 1850
Home of Capt. Daniel V. Dawley - built 1855
Old Market Square Park
Glendale cemetery
Buffalo Bill Cody Museum
Lone Star Steamboat - tours 10 am until 5 PM on Saturday and Sunday
Cody Homestead

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED:
In the process - can follow map easily
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Shield with picture of Buffalo Bill Cody

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:
Yes, but not necessary
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Bronze medal with ribbon, patch, anniversary patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
None required

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Buffalo Bill Trail Office, c/o BSA Troop #95, 4908 Lorton Ave, Davenport, IA 52807, Phone (563) 359-0814
**BUTTERFIELD OVERLAND GOLD TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical and scenic, 12 miles, Open All Year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 2 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Lincoln fire tower, south of Cole Camp, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Warsaw City Park, Warsaw, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Lincoln fire tower
- Ruts of old wagon trail
- Truman Dam overlook
- Warsaw, Missouri

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Have proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
1" x 3" orange metal tags on trees and poles

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Yes
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Reservations required, but no time limit

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
John Miller, Rt 2, Box 390, Warsaw, MO 65355, Phone (816) 438-5081

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**BUTTERFIELD OVERLAND GREEN TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical and scenic, 8.6 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** None

**STARTING POINT:**
Cole Camp park, Cole Camp, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Lincoln fire tower, south of Cole Camp, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Cole Camp, MO
- Union Church - first church in Benton County
- Old Ferguson Inn – stage stop of the Butterfield Overland
- Ruts of old wagon trail
- Lincoln fire tower

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
1" x 3" orange metal tags on trees and poles

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Yes
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Reservations required, but no time limit

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
John Miller, Rt 2, Box 390, Warsaw, MO 65355, Phone (816) 438-5081
**BUTTERFIELD OVERLAND ORANGE TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 12 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 8 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Little Pomme de Terre River, south of Fairfield, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Quincy, Mo

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Union Church
Indian burial mounds
Log cabin
Wildlife, including deer and wild turkeys
Scenic Ozark beauty

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must have proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
1” x 3” orange metal tags on trees and poles

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Yes
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Reservations required, but no time limit

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
John Miller, Rt 2, Box 390, Warsaw, MO 65355, Phone (816) 438-5081

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**CEDAR CREEK HIKING TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 22 miles, Open all year except deer and turkey seasons

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** Most

**STARTING POINT:**
Pine Ridge Recreation Area near Guthrie in Callaway County, Missouri

**ENDING POINT:** Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Stands of mature oak and hickory
Large pastures
Paris Fork Church and Cemetery
Cedar Creek
Ashland Wildlife Research Area
Excellent trail near Jefferson City, Missouri

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Firewood, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes, only on Federal land
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must make reservations

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
Distinct slash blaze and white paint marks

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Levi White, 2013 Southridge Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109, Phone (573) 592-1400
**CHIEF WAPELLO TRAIL**

This Trail is maintained by a BSA Troop

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical and scenic, 11 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 10 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Ottumwa Park, Ottumwa, Iowa

**ENDING POINT:**
Chief Wapello’s grave, Agency, Iowa

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Chief Wapello grave - Chief of the Fox Indian tribe
Garrison Rock - site of garrison of soldiers who guarded settlers
Horsethief Cave - cave that sheltered stolen horses, now closed
Garrison Cemetery - early cemetery of settlers
Cliffland - picturesque bluffs of sand and stone
Excellent fishing in Des Moines River and Ottumwa Park and lagoons

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, toilet, firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Wear official uniform, register at the start of the trail in Ottumwa Park. All hikers must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Only Scout units

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Not available

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Bronze medal, patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Chief Wapello Trail Committee, 111 N Webster, Ottumwa, IA 52501, Phone (641) 684-6255

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**CUIVRE RIVER TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, over 10 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** All

**STARTING POINT:**
Campground at Cuivre River State Park

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Heavily wooded foot trails
Frenchman’s Bluff
Big Sugar and Little Sugar Creeks

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, toilets, firewood at campground

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Follow Missouri State Park rules

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Yellow or Blue paint markings on trees

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch and repeater patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
None

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Special Awards Co., 811 Lafayette, Webster Groves, MO 63119, Phone (636) 525-7247
COVERED BRIDGE TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and Nature, 14 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Opal’s cafe, Lemay Ferry Rd., near Hillsboro, MO

ENDING POINT:
Lion Den Camp, Seckman, MO

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Hand hewn stone survey marker
Antonio, Missouri
Frisco Hill cycle marker
Lion Den

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Reservations not required

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Allen McKenzie, Hwy 21, Imperial, MO 63052

DEVIL’S BACKBONE WILDERNESS TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, varies in length, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: All

STARTING POINT:
Near Dora in Ozark county in south central Missouri

ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Rugged topography
North Fork River
Heavy Ozark forest
Blue Spring, McGarr Spring, and Amber Spring
Common Ozark wildlife along with beaver and muskrats, hawks, owls, turkey vultures, pileated woodpeckers, and song birds
Ruffed Grouse, Blue & Green Herons
Excellent fishing in the North Fork River

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, along the trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership and be proficient with a map and compass

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Trails not marked, map and compass skills essential

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Willow Springs Ranger District, Old Springfield Rd, PO Box 99, Willow Springs, MO 65793, Phone (417) 469-3155
FORT RILEY HISTORIC TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 7 miles

STARTING POINT:
Great War Monument, Camp Funston, Fort Riley, KS

ENDING POINT:
Camp Moon Camp site, Fort Riley, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Great War Monument – memorial to soldiers of WWI
First territorial Capitol of Kansas – historic mementos
Post home of General George Armstrong Custer,
Civil & Indian War hero
Trooper Monument - memorial to cavalry troopers
Bison pen - live bison from Colorado
Home of First Army Division and Post Museum

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Wear official Scout uniform, have two deep adult leadership and at least one adult with every ten Scouts, camp overnight at Camp Moon, hike the entire trail and visit the Post Museum at 1:00 PM

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout, Explorer, and Cub groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: 45 days

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Scout Project Coordinator, Youth Services,
Building 304, Main Post, Ft Riley, KS 66442,
Phone (785) 239-2840 or (785) 239-2034

GATEWAY WEST HISTORICAL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Wharf Street near Eads Bridge, St. Louis, MO

ENDING POINT:
Near starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Eads Bridge
Deminil Mansion
St. John the Apostle
Gateway Arch
Soulard Market
Kiel Auditorium
Eugene Field House
City Hospital
Campbell House
Old Cathedral
Union Station
Kasner House
Soldiers Memorial
City Hospital
Busch Stadium
Campbell House
Christ Church Cathedral
Old Cathedral
Anheuser-Busch Brewery
St. John Nepomuk Church

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout, Cub, Webelos, and Explorers

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED:
No, follow map provided
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
No time limit, but must make reservations

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108,
Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895
GENERAL WALT MEMORIAL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 32 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
0.8 mile south of Harveyville, KS

ENDING POINT:
Wabaunsee County Historical Museum in Alma, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Birthplace of Deputy Commandant of US Marine Corps
First Four-Star General Lewis W Walt; Scenic Flint Hills
Former Indian Reservation & artifacts in the Alma museum
BSA Camp at Lake Wabaunsee
Former German Prisoner of War Camp
Trail passes former cattle shipping tower
Col. Sanders pioneer store containing - store, post office, barber shop, shoe and harness shop, fire fighting equipment, dentist office, blacksmith shop, etc.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes

CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, firewood, toilets, swimming, fishing, and shelter houses

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: See “Campsite Facilities”

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
The trail has campsite in middle of the trail. Suggested 2 days for hiking 16 miles each day. Have proper adult leadership. Obtain trail map before starting.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL: All

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes

TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes - maintained by Marine Corps League

TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Not regularly needed

SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Patch available at Wabaunsee County Historical Museum

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week for campsite

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
General Walt Memorial Trail, 328 Lakeshore Dr, Rt 2, Alma, KS 66401

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 1 mile

STARTING POINT: Neosho, MO

ENDING POINT: Diamond, MO

POINTS OF INTEREST:
The school George Washington Carver attended
Bust and Statue of G.W. Carver
Cabin site of Carver’s birth
Carver Family Cemetery
Rock wall overlook
Boy Carver statue
GW Carver National Monument visitor center
Wildlife visible in the morning

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No

CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have proper BSA tour permit
Must have registration form in

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scouting groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes

TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes

TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Not specified

SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Not specified

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch and medal

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
National Park Service, Superintendent, Box 38, Diamond, MO 64840, Phone (417) 325-4151 Fax: (417) 325-4231
**GREEN-ROCK TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature. 10 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 10 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Rockwoods Range Tract, near Allenton, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Rockwoods Reservation, near Grover, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Rockwoods Firetower
Rockwoods Reservation
Many forms of wildlife
Round House - available for group use by reservation

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** No
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** None

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must have two-deep adult leadership, use map and compass

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All Scout and Explorer groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
“Green Rock Trail, St. Louis Area”

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
No time limit, but must make reservations

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

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**HENRY ROWE SCHOOLCRAFT TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 13.5 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 13 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
On MO hwy P, southwest of Potosi, MO

**ENDING POINT:** Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Rugged wildlife trail in Mark Twain National Forest
Trail is a challenge to follow. Compass directions with measurements given in paces to natural objects
Not a woodland trail, but rather a compass trail.

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes
**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Primitive

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes
**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must have two-deep adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All Scout and Explorer groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No, trail is a compass hike
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** None

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895
HERBERT HOOVER TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 17 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 15 miles

STARTING POINT:
Cedar Valley Park, Cedar Valley, IA

ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Lime kiln; Cedar Valley rock quarries
Scattergood School Cabin
Friend’s Log Cabin - completed 1969 using “pioneer” workmanship
Cedar River - open for canoeing
Maxon Farm - underground slave railway stop

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, and firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Register in advance, provide tour permit, registered in the Boy Scouts of America or in Girl Scouts of the USA, tour Hoover Park and library, and camp overnight in assigned area. Wearing the official uniform or at least a Scouting T-shirt is encouraged

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
White paint marks on trees

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Medal on ribbon, series of patches

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Hoover Trail Committee, Box 444, West Branch, IA 52358, Phone (319) 643-2541

HERCULES GLADES WILDERNESS HIKING TRAILS

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, varies in length, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: All

STARTING POINT:
The area is located in Taney County in Missouri
ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Hercules Glades Wilderness a network of well-worn trails
Limestone rock outcroppings
Open glades supporting native tall prairie grasses
Wide assortment of typical Missouri trees
Pilot knob and Coy Bald mountains
Long Creek and Cane Creek
Steep rocky hillsides
Wildlife includes roadrunners, lizards, and tarantulas
Some of the most unique country in the Midwest

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Only along the trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Group size is limited to 10 people or less

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:
Yes, use of a topographic map is suggested
TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
No trail markers; map and compasses are essential

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Ava Ranger District, BS Route 5 South, PO Box 188, Ava, MO 65608
Mark Twain National Fort (573) 364-4621
JOHN J AUDUBON TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic, and nature, 12 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 12 miles

STARTING POINT: Clark National Forest, north of Womack, MO
ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Rough wilderness terrain with creeks and open glades

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian Trail style, with 2" x 6" white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
No time limit, but must make reservations

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

KANSAS CAPITOLS TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 22 miles, Open all year
(no campsite facilities October 1 through March 31)

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT: Coon Point campground, east of Topeka, KS
ENDING POINT: State Capitol building, Topeka, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Constitution Hall in LeCompton, KS
LeCompton cemetery
Where Kansas Capitals Trail crosses the Oregon Trail
Theodore Kriepe home - built in 1868
Hoagland Castle - 8 sided home of Judge Hoagland - built 1850
State Capitol Building - includes the State Historical Museum and the Kansas Historical Society.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, at Tecumseh Park
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Wear official uniform of the group; Trail must be hiked on foot and one night spent camping

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Boy Scout, Girl Scout, church, and family

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Sign with “Kansas Capitals Trail”

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Troop #18, Tecumseh, KS 66542, Phone (913) 379-0521
Jayhawk Council (785) 354-8541
KATE SHELLEY TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, 25 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 20 miles

STARTING POINT:
Scout Cabin in Melrose Park, Boone, Iowa
ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Nathan Boone campsite
Mamie Eisenhower birthplace
Milton Lott’s gravesite
The Kate Shelley High Bridge - highest and longest double railroad bridge in the world
Kate Shelley homesite - railroad disaster heroine
Des Moines River valley
First log cabin schoolhouse in Boone County

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
File application

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Blue bull’s eye markers
Blue and white steel fence posts

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Medal and patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Depends on accommodations desired

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kate Shelley Trail, Inc, PO Box 134, Boone, IA 50036, Phone (515) 432-1907

KATY TRAIL

SEDALIA TO BOONVILLE

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, Varies In Length, Open all year during daylight hours

LENGTH OFF ROADS: Varies

STARTING POINT:
Varies
ENDING POINT:
Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Majority of trail is accessible to persons w/disabilities
Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, MO
Former MKT Railroad Depot
Landscape along this section is more open and provides vistas across gently rolling pasture and farm land.
Hikers and Bicyclists are likely to see or hear birds associated with open areas such as bobwhite, killdeer, mourning doves and meadowlarks.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Available, but not on Trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
None, but trail facilities are plenty

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: None
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
State Symbols

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
MO Department of Natural Resources
Phone (800) 334-6946 or TDD (800) 379-2419
www.mostateparks.com
KATY TRAIL
BOONVILLE TO
JEFFERSON CITY

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, Varies In Length, Open all year during daylight hours

LENGTH OFF ROADS: Varies

STARTING POINT: Varies
ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Majority of trail is accessible to persons w/disabilities
Route closely parallels the route of the Missouri River
Remnants of booming railroad town era in Boonville
Restored MKT depot
Town of New Franklin (previous site of historic town of Franklin that washed away by the river)
243-foot stone arched tunnel in Rocheport

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Available, but not on Trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
None, but trail facilities are plenty

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: None
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
State Symbols

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None
ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
MO Department of Natural Resources
Phone (800) 334-6946 or TDD (800) 379-2419
www.mostateparks.com

KATY TRAIL
JEFFERSON CITY TO
MARTHASVILLE

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, Varies In Length, Open all year during daylight hours

LENGTH OFF ROADS: Varies

STARTING POINT: Varies
ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Majority of trail is accessible to persons w/disabilities
Capitol of Missouri, Jefferson City
Jefferson Landing State Historic Site
Limestone to sandstone bluffs, 250 ft at some points
Birds and wildflowers
Deutschheim State Historic Site
Close to Daniel Boone gravesite

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Available, but not on Trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
None, but trail facilities are plenty

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: None
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
State Symbols

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None
ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
MO Department of Natural Resources
Phone (800) 334-6946 or TDD (800) 379-2419
www.mostateparks.com
KATY TRAIL
MARTHASVILLE TO ST CHARLES

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, Varies In Length, Open all year during daylight hours

LENGTH OFF ROADS: Varies

STARTING POINT:
Varies

ENDING POINT:
Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Majority of trail is accessible to persons w/disabilities
Shadow of railroad in Defiance
Wineries
First Missouri State Capitol Historic Site
Weldon Spring Wildlife Area
Klondike Quarry

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Available, but not on Trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
None, but trail facilities are plenty

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
None
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
State Symbols

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
MO Department of Natural Resources
Phone (800) 334-6946 or TDD (800) 379-2419
www.mostateparks.com

KAW RIVER TRAIL - 1

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 4 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 4 miles

STARTING POINT:
Junction of Highways 24-40 inside the Lawrence Riverfront Park

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Wide variety of forests including willow marshes; Chance to see beaver, woodchuck, coyote, deer and many others; The Kansas (Kaw) River; Bald Eagles during winter months

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
None, camping permit required
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trail signs and orange paint on trees

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
None specified

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department,
PO Box 708, 6 East 6th St, Lawrence, KS,
Phone (785) 832-7999
**KA W VALLEY TRAIL - 2**

*See Also Rimrock Trail

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical and scenic, 12 miles, Open all year

**TOTAL LENGTH OF TRAIL:** 12 miles
**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 2 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Agricultural Hall of Fame, near Bonner Springs, KS

**ENDING POINT:**
Grinter House State Historic Site on Highway K-32

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Agricultural Hall of Fame – open April 1 to Dec 1
Camp Theodore Naish, BSA
Christmas tree farm
St. Martin’s n the Field Church
Edwardsville cemetery
Grinter Chapel and cemetery
Grinter House State Historic Site
(old house in Wyandotte County)

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes, at Camp Naish
*Except between Memorial and Labor Days

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water and firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:**
At Camp Naish

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:**
Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
A provided Trail Guide is required
Wear the proper uniform of the group
Hike in daylight hours only

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All organized youth groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes
**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes
**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Not specified

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Required
**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch and medal

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Paul Thomas, 10116 Steele Road,
Edwardsville KS 66111, Phone (913) 441-6786

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**KIT CARSON TRAIL –1**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 8 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 8 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Hohn Scout Reservation, Laurie, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
The trail is located over a wide range of topography -
forests, hollows, lake shore of the Lake of the
Ozarks, and an adventurous bluff. Very physical and
rough.

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** No

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** None

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Registration required

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All Scouting groups except Cub Scouts

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:**
No, follow descriptive leaflet

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
Orange spots on trees

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
District Ranger, US Forest Service, 1104 Walnut St,
Doniphan, MO 63935, Phone (314) 996-2153
KIT CARSON TRAIL - 2

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 8 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 8 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Hohn Scout Reservation, Laurie, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
The trail is located over a wide range of topography - forests, hollows, lake shore of the Lake of the Ozarks, and an adventurous bluff. Very physical and rough.

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** No

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** None

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Registration required

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All Scouting groups except Cub Scouts

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:**
No, follow descriptive leaflet

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
Orange spots on trees

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Great Rivers Council, PO Box 736, Columbia, MO 65205, Phone (314) 449-2561

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LARSON-GANT RANCHES

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic wilderness area - not a defined trail, Open March through May, September and October

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** All

**STARTING POINT:**
9 miles west of Medicine Lodge, KS on US Hwy 160

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
Wilderness area, very good for backpacking
Rugged terrain
Twin peaks
Canyons
Various wildlife
Ponds and creeks
The area is two adjoining cattle ranches, approx 25,000 acres
The area is open to horseback riding - must provide own horses

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water and firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Make advance reservations and have proper adult leadership.

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All organized groups-no charge for Scouts

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:**
Open area, no markers needed

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** None

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** None

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Three weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Bob Larson, RR 1, Box 27, Medicine Lodge, KS 67104 Phone (316) 886-5390
**LES PETITE COTES TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical, 10 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** None

**STARTING POINT:**
First State Capital of Missouri, St. Charles, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Blanchette Park in St. Charles, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Historical St. Charles, MO
- First State Capital of Missouri
- Missouri River

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** None

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** None

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** None

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** None

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Must have two-deep adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Webelos, Scout, and Explorer groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No, follow map

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** None

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKE AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patches

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

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**LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical and scenic, 17 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** None

**STARTING POINT:**
La Benite Park, Jackson County, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Sibley, MO

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- La Benite Park
- Missouri River overlook
- Little Blue River
- Pemberton House
- Fort Osage - restoration of old trading post and fort
- Sibley cemetery
- Hayes Park

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** Firewood

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:**
Firewood. May set up camp at a campsite twelve miles along trail.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Follow the Lewis and Clark Trail rules sent with brochure.

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
All youth groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Signs with “Lewis and Clark Trail”

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKE AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch and medal

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Historic Trails Committee, PO Box 9523, Raytown MO 64133
LINCOLN TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic and nature, 20 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT: New Salem State Park, Illinois
ENDING POINT: Springfield, Illinois

POINTS OF INTEREST:
- New Salem State Park
- Village of New Salem
- Lincoln’s tomb
- Restored Illinois State Capitol
- State Capitol building
- State Museum
- Lincoln home in Springfield

Allow two days - the hike is a full day event in itself

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, New Salem State Park
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, firewood, toilets

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Registration fee and 300 word book report from a designated list on Lincoln books and be at least 11 years old.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch and medal

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One month

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Abraham Lincoln Council, 1911 W Monroe, Springfield, IL 62704, Phone (217) 546-5570

LOG CABIN TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 13 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT: Troop 300 Scout cabin, Pleasant Hill, MO
ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
- Old opera house
- One wooden floored bridges
- Slave built stone fence
- Mural depicting Bingham’s painting of Order #11
- Two wooden silos
- Log cabin

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Firewood, outside lights

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Drinking water; Camping is at Pleasant Hill City lake. Must make arrangements with the City of Pleasant Hill in advance.

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Any organized group

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Questionable
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: 2 different patches

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Harry Dyke, RR %, Box 115, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080, Phone (816) 987-5788
LONE JACK
CIVIL WAR TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic and nature, 17 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 3 miles

STARTING POINT:
Fleming Park (Lake Jacomo), Jackson County, MO
ENDING POINT:
Lone Jack Museum, Lone Jack, MO

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Missouri Town - 1855
Native animal enclosure
Lake Jacomo - boating, swimming and fishing
Adams cemetery
Blue and Gray park
Lone Jack Battlefield Museum and cemetery

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, firewood, and toilets

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Toilets, firewood,
May set up camp twelve miles along trail

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Follow Lone Jack Civil War Trail rules sent with brochure

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All youth groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
“Lone Jack Civil War Trail”, with cannon and balls.
Cannon points in direction of trail

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch and medal

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historic Trails Committee, PO Box 9523,
Raytown MO 64133

LOST BRIDGE
HIKING TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic, and nature, 5 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 5 miles

STARTING POINT:
Lost Bridge Park on Beaver Lake near Garfield, Ark.
ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Two river overlooks
Beaver Lake
Overhanging bluff shelter
Scenic lakeside walk
General lake activities
Pea Ridge National Military Park with Pea Ridge Military trail nearby
Old houseplace

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, and electricity

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Make reservations
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: White markers on trees

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:
Occasionally

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One month

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Resident Manager, Bear Resident Office, Corps of Engineers, PO Drawer H, Rogers, AR 72757, Phone (501) 636-1210
LOST CREEK TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 20 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT: Pendleton, MO
ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Primitive country
Kimmich Cemetery
Miller Cemetery
Lost Creek
Roundabout Hill
Claypits

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian Trail style, with 2” x 6” white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

MARK TWAIN HISTORICAL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 5 miles

STARTING POINT:
Mark Twain Cave near Hannibal, MO
ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Mark Twain Cave
Mark Twain Home and Museum
Mark Twain statue
Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn statues
Riverview Park
Mississippi River overlook
Lighthouse
Rough terrain

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, firewood, and toilets

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: None

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL: All Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Round orange markers

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historic Trails Committee, PO Box 9523, Raytown MO 64133
Mark Twain State Park (573) 565-3440
**MERAMEC WILDERNESS TRAILS**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 10 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 10 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Museum parking area, Meramec State Park in Sullivan

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting Point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Meramec State Park Museum
- Break-In cave – off limits to hikers, spring flows out of cave
- Fishers cave - may be explored
- Meramec River (renowned canoe stream)
- Pine forest

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
Drinking water, toilets, firewood at campground

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** No

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** N/A

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
Follow Missouri State Park rules

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Paint marks on trees

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch and repeater patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** None

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Special Awards Co., 811 Lafayette, Webster Groves, MO 63119, Phone (573) 961-2610

**MONITEAU WILDERNESS TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical, scenic, and nature, 15 miles, Open all year except during firearms, deer and turkey seasons and first 10 days of quail season

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 14.8 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Rudolph Bennitt Wildlife area, south of Moberly, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Boyhood home of Army General - Omar Bradley
- Cemetery where Revolutionary War veteran is buried
- Indian burial grounds; Monkey Bridge river crossings
- Some of Missouri’s richest wildlife including: turkey, fox, deer, coyotes, bobcat, skunk, quail, and snakes and many more

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
None, no open fires allowed

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
No swimming. No knives, guns, or firearms allowed. Must have proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Yes

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Paint markings on trees. It is suggested that groups use map and compass frequently

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:**
Patch, medal, and repeater patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:** Two weeks

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Moniteau Wilderness Trail, Inc,
PO Box 463, Moberly, MO 65270
MOSES AUSTIN TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic, and nature, 14 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 14 miles

STARTING POINT:
Clark National Forest, west of Potosi, MO

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Wilderness forest
Little Pilot Knob Mountain
Floyd Lookout Tower

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water (must be treated), firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian Trail style, with 2" x 6" white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
No time limit, but must make reservations

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

NEODESHA HISTORICAL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, nature, and scenic, 14 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 2 miles

STARTING POINT:
Norman #1, historic oil well

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
First oil well west of Mississippi River
Sandstone cliffs
Historic Stone Arch Bridge
Neodesha Cemetery, Civil War cannon and monuments
Old oil wells still in active use
Norman #1 Museum
Historic buildings
Little Bear Mound, Chief Little Bear of the Osages

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, and firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Hike in daylight hours only. Must have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Easy to follow
TRAIL Marker DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Neodesha Chamber of Commerce, 102 South 1st, Neodesha, KS 66757, Phone (620) 325-2055
OLD CAPITOL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic, and nature, 17 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Coraville Dam, Iowa City, Iowa

ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Old Capitol - first State Capitol of Iowa
Coraville Dam and Reservoir
University of Iowa campus
Plum Grove - home of Iowa’s first territorial Governor, Robert Lucas
Iowa Hall - University of Iowa Museum of Natural History
3 mile nature trail through typical Iowa timber
Iowa River
Downtown Iowa City, Iowa

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes

CAMPsite FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Advance registration, follow trail map for the trail, hike in uniform

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Cub, Scout, Explorer, Girl Scout, & Camp Fire Girls

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes

TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes

TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes

SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Medal and patches

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Old Capitol Trail, Box 2060, Iowa City, IA 52244,
Phone (319) 337-9623

OLD SANTE FE TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 50 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT: Burlingame, Kansas

ENDING POINT: Council Grove, Kansas

POINTS OF INTEREST:
1835 Dragoon grave
Stone Inn
Elm Creek Mail station
1879 Stone House
Stone Cave
ICBM site
Wagon wheel ruts of the Sante Fe Trail

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes

CAMPsite FACILITIES:
Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Proper adult leadership, advance registration

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All organized youth groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes

TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes

TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Wagon wheel with “Old Sante Fe Trail” and “Boy Scout Historic Trail”

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No

SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Bob Buek, RR 2, Burlingame, KS 66413,
Phone (785) 654-3600
OSAGE WILDERNESS TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and Nature, 14 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 14 miles

STARTING POINT:
Reservation Office, H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation near Osceola, MO

ENDING POINT:
Same as starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Harry S. Truman Lake
Ozark forest
Rugged wildlife trail
"The point"

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Approved water supply

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Firewood

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must be a registered Scout, Explorer, or leader of the Boy Scouts of America.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout, Varsity Scout, and Explorer

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked Appalachian Trail style with 2" x 6" white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Camping Service, Heart of America Council, 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131, Phone (816) 942-9333

OZARK TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic & nature, Five 30-mile sections, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: All; 2-15 mile sections

STARTING POINT: Varies
ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Lots of prime Ozark forest
Each of the 7 sections have their own highlights
The complete trail connecting all of the sections is planned to be completed around the year 2000
Much of the trail is on National and State land
Horseback riding will be available on some sections

OVERNIGHT CAMPING:
Yes, at State and National parks
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Generally, drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Be in good physical condition and have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: "T" within an "O"

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Ozark Trail patch and section patches through the Special Awards patch company in St. Louis

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Ozark Trail Coordinator, PO Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102, Phone (800) 334-6946
PEA RIDGE BATTLEFIELD TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historic and scenic, 10 miles, Open all year except New Year’s, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 7 miles

STARTING POINT: Park Visitor Center
ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Interpretive exhibits
Elkhorn Tavern
Civil War cannons
Abundant wildlife
Beaver Lake nearby

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, at nearby Beaver Lake
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Drinking water, toilets, Group Camping area

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: No

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Troop leader should register at the Park Visitor’s Center and pick up pamphlets

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL: Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch and medal

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historian, Pea Ridge National Military Park, Pea Ridge, AR 72751, Phone (479) 451-8122

PEDRO SCOUT HIKE, BSA

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 20.8 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Fountain, corner of Main & Jefferson, Clinton, MO

ENDING POINT:
Truman Mall, Clinton, MO

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Jane Froman home
Harry S. Truman home
Indian fighter and Plains Scout under General Custer
Jesse James house
Civil War Union Army Prison Camp ridge

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Toilets only

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Toilets only

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: none
GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public, Scouts especially

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: No, follow detailed map
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Pedro Scout Hike Patch, BSA

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
None, unless use of Henry County Fox Hunters Lodge with gas cooking, then two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
A Ralph Boxell, 304 N Mabel, Clinton, MO  64735, Phone (660) 885-2086
PINEY CREEK WILDERNESS HIKING TRAILS

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, varies in length, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS:  All

STARTING POINT:
32 miles west of Branson, Missouri
ENDING POINT:
Varies, can be starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Narrow ridge tops with long steep slopes
Narrow hollows
Bald Eagles may be present in the winter months
Blue Herons
Piney Creek
Wide range of Missouri trees
Typical Ozark wildlife including roadrunners, three species of poisonous snakes and collared lizards

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, along the trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trails are not marked, so use of a topographic map and compass are suggested. It is also suggested that hikers develop their own route

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Cassville Ranger District, HWY 248 West, Cassville, MO 65625, Phone (417) 847-2144 or (417) 847-2145

PIioneer Trace

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 17 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS:  17 miles

STARTING POINT:
Beaumont Scout Reservation, southwest of St. Louis, MO
ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Rugged wildlife trail
Old homesites
Den Trees
Flint ridges
Largest tree in Beaumont Scout Reservation
Indian thong tree markers

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water and firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership, must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian Trail style, with 2" x 6" orange rectangular blazes, with mile numbers on 2" x 3" silver blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895
RIDGE RUNNER TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 23 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 23 miles; Two loop trails
(one 8.8 miles, the other 14 miles)

STARTING POINT:
One trail head on Hwy. AP in Douglas County, MO;
One trail head 4 miles east of Dora, MO

ENDING POINT: Varies

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Terrain ranging from gently rolling to steep hills
Wide variety of typical Ozark trees and wildlife
Area of a devastating fire in 1965
Horton Cemetery
(Horton was a thriving lumber town around 1900)
Blue Hole
Hurricane Hill
Steam Mill Hollow

OVERNIGHT CAMPING:
Yes, at either trailhead

CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Toilets, firewood, drinking water

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trail may be marked in sections, but use of map and
compass is suggested

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING
POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR
RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Willow Springs Ranger District, Old Springfield Rd,
PO Box 99, Willow Springs, MO 65793,
Phone (417) 469-3155

RIMROCK TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and Nature, 12.5 miles, Open all year with
exceptions noted in Council Calendar

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 12.5 miles

STARTING POINT:
Campmaster Cabin, Central Camp, Camp Naish near
Bonner Springs, KS

ENDING POINT:
Same as starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Beautiful rolling hills
Rugged trail
Lake of the Forest
Kaw River Valley

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Approved water in the main camp area

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Firewood

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must be a registered Scout, Explorer,
Varsity Scout, or leader of the Boy Scouts of America

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL: All Scout,
Varsity Scout, and Explorers

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Orange paint on trees or signs nailed on trees
with Scout logo and Rimrock Trail on them.

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING
POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR
RESERVATIONS: Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Camping Service, Heart of America Council, 10210
Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131, Phone (816)
942-9333

*Cannot hike during summer months
## Rock Pile Mountain Wilderness Hiking Trail

**Type, Length and Season of Trail:**
Scenic and nature, varies in length, Open all year

**Length Off Roads:** All

**Starting Point:**
Near Fredericktown in Madison County Missouri

**Ending Point:**
Varies, can be starting point

**Points of Interest:**
- Rock Pile Mountain
- Steep limestone bluffs
- Rock formations
- Caves along the St. Francis River
- Many narrow gorges or “shut-ins”
- Wildlife of all kinds abound in this isolated forest area
- Saltpeter Cave - special caving gear is required
- Abandoned sawmill site
- Black granite streambed

**Overnight Camping:**
Only along the trail

**Campsite Facilities:**
Primitive

**Backpacking Camp Along Trail:** Yes

**Trail Camp Facilities:**
Primitive

**Requirements for Hiking Trail:**
Have proper adult leadership

**Groups Permitted on Trail:**
Open to the public

**Trail Maps Available:**
Yes, use of a topographic map is suggested

**Trail Well Marked:**
Trail is not marked

**Trail Marker Design:**
No markers, use of map and compass are essential

**Guides Available if Requested:**
No

**Someone to Meet Hikers at Starting Point if Requested:**
No

**Available Awards:**
None

**Advance Time Required for Reservations:**
None

**For More Information Contact:**
Fredericktown Ranger District, Hwy 72 & OO, Rt 2
Box 175, Fredericktown, MO  63645

## Rockywood Backpack Trail

**Type, Length and Season of Trail:**
Nature and wilderness, 10 miles, Open all year

**Length Off Roads:** 10 miles

**Starting Point:**
Washington State Park near Blackwell, MO

**Ending Point:**
Starting point

**Points of Interest:**
- Big River, a canoe stream
- Indian petroglyphs
- High bluffs
- Picnic area, Swimming pool
- State Park campground
- Oak and hickory forest
- Rocky outcrops, Dolomite glades

**Overnight Camping:** Yes

**Campsite Facilities:**
Drinking water, firewood, and toilets

**Backpacking Camp Along Trail:** Yes

**Trail Camp Facilities:**
Primitive

**Requirements for Hiking Trail:**
No open fires

**Groups Permitted on Trail:**
Open to the public

**Trail Maps Available:** Yes

**Trail Well Marked:** Yes

**Trail Marker Design:**
Orange ribbons

**Guides Available if Requested:**
No

**Someone to Meet Hikers at Starting Point if Requested:**
No

**Available Awards:**
Patch

**Advance Time Required for Reservations:**
None required

**For More Information Contact:**
Superintendent, Washington State Park, RR 2, Box 450, DeSoto, MO  63020, Phone (314) 586-2995
SANTE FE TRAIL –
BISON ROUTE

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 20 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
South of McPherson, KS

ENDING POINT:
County line west of McPherson, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Oil field
Little Arkansas River
Ruts of old Sante Fe Trail in pastures

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:
Yes, only south of McPherson, KS
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Suitable footwear, proper adult leadership, must wear proper uniform, must carry first aid kits, and must respect private property.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Any organized groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Gene Ewing, 1215 Eastmoor, McPherson, KS 67460,
Phone (620) 241-4387

SANTE FE TRAIL - EMPIRE ROUTE

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 20 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
County line east of McPherson, KS

ENDING POINT:
County line south of McPherson, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Big Turkey Creek crossing
Monument marking Charles O. Fuller ranch of 1855
Old town of Empire, KS
Empire cemetery with graves dating back to 1873
Oil fields and pipelines
Oil refinery
Ruts of Sante Fe Trail in pastures

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:
Yes, only south of McPherson, KS
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Suitable footwear, proper adult leadership, must wear proper uniform, must carry first aid kits, and must respect private property.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Any organized groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Gene Ewing, 1215 Eastmoor, McPherson, KS 67460,
Phone (620) 241-4387
SANTE FE - OREGON - CALIFORNIA TRAIL INDEPENDENCE SECTION

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Kentucky Road and North River Blvd, Indep., MO

ENDING POINT:
Blue Ridge Blvd. and 47th St. Raytown, MO

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Missouri River overlook
Mound Grove cemetery
Harry S. Truman Museum and library
Harry S. Truman boyhood home
Harry S. Truman and Bess Truman home

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Follow all rules sent in the brochure

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:
Yes, and follow descriptive brochure

TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historic Trails Committee,
PO Box 9532, Raytown MO 64133,

SANTE FE - OREGON - CALIFORNIA TRAIL RAYTOWN SECTION

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 8 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Blue Ridge Blvd. and 47th St.

ENDING POINT:
Blue Ridge Blvd and Bannister Rd.

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Raytown, MO
William Ray’s blacksmith shop
Raytown Historical Society Museum
Archibald Rice Home - early 1800’s
William M. Klein Park
Kansas City, MO

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Follow all rules sent in the brochure

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Any Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:
Yes, and follow descriptive brochure

TRAIL WELL MARKED: No
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: None

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historic Trails Committee,
PO Box 9532, Raytown MO 64133,
SANTE FE - OREGON - CALIFORNIA TRAIL
KANSAS CITY SECTION

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 8.8 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 8.8 miles

STARTING POINT:
Blue Ridge Blvd and Bannister Rd.

ENDING POINT:
Approx. Oak St. and State Line Rd.

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Edwin Hickman’s Mill - 1850’s
Old St. Louis - San Francisco Railroad tracks
Blue River
Main line of the Missouri Pacific Railroad
Kansas City, MO

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Follow the rule sent with the brochure

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Any Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:
Yes, and follow descriptive leaflet

TRAIL WELL MARKED: No

TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Historic Trails Committee,
PO Box 9532, Raytown MO  64133,
THREE NOTCH TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, scenic, and nature, various lengths, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: All

STARTING POINT:
S-F Scout Ranch, near Fredericktown, MO

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Rugged wilderness trail, with options for a 10 mile "East Loop” or an 11 mile "West Loop”, both loops for 21 miles, or a 17 mile route with both loops and a “Cut-off”
Whiteoak Spring Branch  Little St. Francis River
High cliff overlooks  Nims Lake
Castle Rock  Old settlers cabin
Fern grotto

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water (must be treated), toilets, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Firewood

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership, must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian trail style, with 2” x 6” white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch with segments corresponding to the cut-off or Loops hiked

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895

TOMAHAWK TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 9.5 miles

STARTING POINT:
Beaumont Scout Reservation, southwest of St Louis, MO

ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Mud Cave
Blackberry Hollow outpost
Toad Hollow outpost
Chipping arrowhead pits
Rugged wildlife trail

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Drinking water, firewood

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership, must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Webelos and Scout groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Trees are marked, Appalachian Trail style, with 2” x 6” white rectangular blazes

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
No time limit, but must make reservations

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895
TRACE CREEK HIKING & HORSEBACK RIDING TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 17 miles, Open all year except deer hunting season

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 17 miles

STARTING POINT:
Hazel Creek Camp, Washington County, Missouri

ENDING POINT:
Highway 32 Access, Iron County, Missouri

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Winding timbered ridges with oak, hickory, and hard shortleaf pine trees.
Picturesque stream bottoms containing old farm fields no longer in cultivation.
Trail can be used for hiking or horseback riding.

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Protect all living things. Use only downed, dead wood for fires. Extinguish fires with water and cover with soil before leaving. Bury all garbage if there is no container. No motorized vehicles on trail.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Anyone in reasonable physical condition

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Either a diamond shaped gray/white or silver blaze on trees, or a diamond shaped plastic marker showing a man on horseback or with pack. Carrying a topographic map is advised

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch & repeater patch

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Special Awards Co., 811 Lafayette, Webster Groves, MO 63119, Phone (573) 961-2610

VICTORY HORSE TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and nature, 33 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: All

STARTING POINT:
6 miles northwest of Poplar Bluff, Missouri

ENDING POINT:
Near Leeper in Wayne County

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Located in the Mark Twain National Forest
Great variety of forest and wildlife communities
Many high-point vistas
Deep oak-hickory forested areas
Excellent horse riding trail
Excellent backpacking trail because of its length

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: Yes, along the trail
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: Primitive

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: Primitive

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Have proper adult leadership

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: Not available

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: None

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Poplar Bluff Ranger District, 1420 Maud, PO Box 988, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901, Phone (573) 785-1475
WATKINS MILL TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Scenic and Nature, 3.75 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 3.75 miles

STARTING POINT:
Watkin’s Mill State State Park near Lawson, MO

ENDING POINT:
Starting point of chosen trail

POINTS OF INTEREST:
19th Century Woolen Mill
Original Mill, School, Church and Workshops
Living history farm experience in summer months
State Park campground
Lake, Picnic Area, Beach (Seasonal), and Fishing
Geo-Caching

OVERNIGHT CAMPING:
Yes, Primitive and Family area sites

CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Primitive: firepits, outhouse, no water
Family: toilets, showers, laundry; Firewood for sale

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: None

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Proper adult leadership, Scout t-shirts encouraged

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
State Symbols

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Patch through trailmaster. Not available at Visitor’s Center. Allow mailing time.

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None for Trail Hike

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Trailmaster, watkinsmilltrailhike@gmail.com
Primitive Camping: 816-580-3387 and Family:
http://www.mostateparks.com/wwmill/camp.htm

WHISPERING PINE TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Nature and wilderness, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: 10 miles

STARTING POINT:
Hawn State Park near Ste. Genevieve, MO

ENDING POINT:
Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Pickle Creek Trail
Pine forest
Extensive exposures of sandstone and granite
State Park campground
Wild Area
Natural Areas

OVERNIGHT CAMPING:
Yes, in campground

CAMPSITE FACILITIES:
Firewood, water, electricity, tables

BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: Yes

TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:
Primitive, no open fires allowed, must use backpacking stoves

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL: None

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
Open to the public

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Colored arrows on posts

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS:
Patch may be ordered from private supplier

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS: None

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Superintendent, Hawn State Park, RT 3, Box 124, St Genevieve, MO  63670, Phone (573) 883-3603
**WHITES CREEK TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Scenic and nature, 18.5 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** 18 miles

**STARTING POINT:**
Camp 5 pond on Hwy MO-1, 20 miles south of Fremont, MO

**ENDING POINT:** Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Eleven Point scenic river
- Whites Creek cave
- Geologic sink holes
- Fiddler Spring
- Forest trail through the Irish Wilderness

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** Yes

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:** None

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** Primitive

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
- Hike in daylight hours only
- Must have proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:**
Open to the public, 10 person limit enforced

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** No

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:**
Minimal marking, bring map and compass

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** No

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** None

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Not required

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
District Ranger, US Forest Service, 1104 Walnut St, Doniphan, MO 63935, Phone (314) 996-2153

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**WILSON’S CREEK NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD HISTORIC TRAIL**

**TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:**
Historical, 6 miles, Open all year

**LENGTH OFF ROADS:** Unknown

**STARTING POINT:**
Visitor’s Center in Republic, MO

**ENDING POINT:**
Starting point

**POINTS OF INTEREST:**
- Designed as an Eagle Scout Project in 1992 and 1993, Officially opened as part of 1993 Trailblazer District Spring Camporee.
- West Overlook, Bloody hill, Civil War Era Cabin, Pulaski Battery, Gibson Mill site, Edgar Cemetery

**OVERNIGHT CAMPING:** No

**CAMPSITE FACILITIES:**
- Drinking water, toilets

**BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL:** Yes

**TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES:** No

**REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:**
- Hike in daylight hours only
- Must have proper adult leadership

**GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:** All groups

**TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE:** Yes

**TRAIL WELL MARKED:** Easy to follow

**TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:** Not available

**GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED:** No

**SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED:** Yes

**AVAILABLE AWARDS:** Patch

**ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:**
Unknown

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**
Wilson’s Creek National Battlefield, 6424 W Farm Rd 182, Republic, MO 65738, Phone (417) 732-2662 or (417) 732-2862
WOOD-LANE TRAIL

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical, 16 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
63rd and Nieman Road, Shawnee, KS

ENDING POINT:
Shawnee Mission Park, Shawnee, KS

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Original site of Gum Springs
Laird Park
First Governor of Kansas Mansion
Old castle
Chief Blue Jacket burial site
Toma-Shaw Lake
Shawnee's oldest building
Shawnee Mission Park
Shawnee Historical Museum
Methodist Church
St. Joseph’s Catholic Church
Shawnee Baptist Church
Old Shawnee Town

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None
BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Make prior reservations

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Scout groups with proper leadership

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Yes
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN:
Tan sign with “Wood-Lane Trail”

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: Yes
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: Yes

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
One week

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Wood-Lane Trail Committee, Herb Wood, 26030 W 83rd St, Lenexa, KS 66227, Phone (913) 441-1758

WORLD’S FAIR

HISTORICAL TRAIL (1904)

TYPE, LENGTH AND SEASON OF TRAIL:
Historical and scenic, 10 miles, Open all year

LENGTH OFF ROADS: None

STARTING POINT:
Forest Park in St. Louis, MO

ENDING POINT: Starting point

POINTS OF INTEREST:
Forest Park, site of the 1904 World’s Fair
Confederate Memorial
McDonnell Planetarium
Jewel Box
World’s Fair Pavilion
Zoo
Jefferson Memorial
Statue of St. Louis

OVERNIGHT CAMPING: No
CAMPSITE FACILITIES: None
BACKPACKING CAMP ALONG TRAIL: No
TRAIL CAMP FACILITIES: None

REQUIREMENTS FOR HIKING TRAIL:
Must have two-deep adult leadership. Trail is on public property and such is open to the public.

GROUPS PERMITTED ON TRAIL:
All Webelos, Scout, and Explorer groups

TRAIL MAPS AVAILABLE: Yes
TRAIL WELL MARKED: Not necessary
TRAIL MARKER DESIGN: None

GUIDES AVAILABLE IF REQUESTED: No
SOMEONE TO MEET HIKERS AT STARTING POINT IF REQUESTED: No

AVAILABLE AWARDS: Patch

ADVANCE TIME REQUIRED FOR RESERVATIONS:
Two weeks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
St Louis Area Council, 4568 W Pine, St Louis, MO 63108, Phone (314) 361-0600 or (800) 392-0895