

Catoctin Mountain Park

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Simple Pleasures For All Seasons

Nestled within the Blue Ridge Mountains near Thurmont, Maryland and just an hour away from Baltimore and Washington D.C., Catoctin Mountain Park is one of over 412 units of the National Park System. At Catoctin Mountain Park, outdoor recreation, nature, and history await you. Twenty-five miles of maintained trails will rejuvenate the mind, body, and spirit regardless of whether you are a first time hiker or a veteran of the trail. Premiere trout streams will challenge fishermen of every skill level. Thinking about camping? Introduce your family and friends to the great outdoors at one of our wooded campsites, or stay in a historic cabin. When it snows, break out your XC skies or snowshoes and head to the park. Regardless of the season, there is something here for everyone. Come and make memories at Catoctin Mountain Park. Plan your visit today. We'll see you in the park!

Recreation, Relaxation, & Retreat

Scenic Drives - Park roads wind through woods and along streams. Note that portions of Park Central Road and Manahan Road may be closed to vehicle traffic in winter.

Hiking - Challenge yourself with over 25 miles of trails covering easy to strenuous terrain.

Camping/Cabins - Individuals, families and groups can find the right spot for an overnight stay in the great outdoors at one of our tent camping sites or historic cabin camps.

Tent Camping: Owens Creek Campground has 49 wooded sites for families and small groups; Poplar Grove has 3 sites for larger youth groups; and there are 2 remote Adirondack shelters for hike-in campers. **Historic Cabins:** Camp Misty Mount has 29 cabins for rent to individuals, families or groups; Camp Greentop cabins and Camp Round Meadow dorms are designed for larger groups. For more information and reservations, visit www.recreation.gov.

Ranger Programs - Scheduled programs, special events, education programs, and self-guided trails are offered throughout the year. Visit www.nps.gov/cato for more information.

Picnicking - Owens Creek picnic area offers picnic tables and grills. Chestnut picnic area offers rest rooms, picnic tables and grills. Tables are also available at the Thurmont Vista parking area, Hog Rock parking area, and near the Visitor Center, but grilling is permitted only at developed picnic areas where grills are provided.

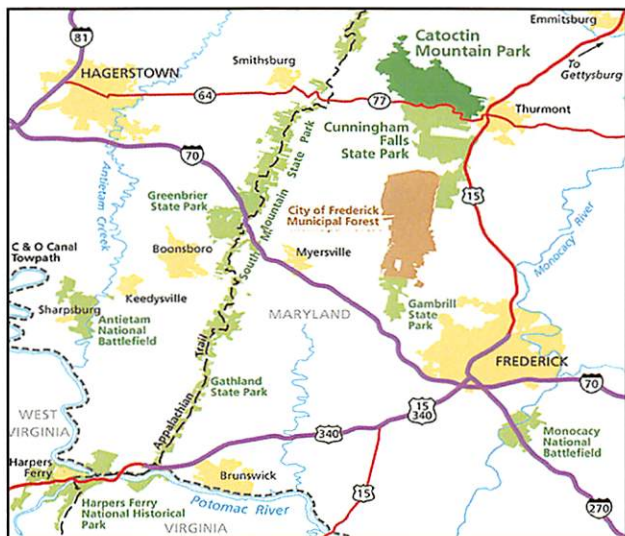
Fishing - Big Hunting Creek (catch & release - fly fishing only) and Owens Creek (creel limit 2) are premium trout streams that will challenge even the most experienced fisherman. MD Fishing License and Trout Stamp are required.

Rock Climbing & Bouldering - For the beginner and recreational climber the park offers challenges in a beautiful mountain setting. A permit can be acquired for top-rope climbing at Wolf Rock at www.recreation.gov.

X-Country Skiing - With a 3-4" base of packed snow, x-country skiers will find the closed portions of Park Central and Manahan Roads perfect for outdoor fun.

Wildlife Viewing - Bring your binoculars to observe the many species of birds and other animals that call the park home.

Accessibility - Contact the Visitor Center or check the park's website for accessible recreational opportunities.



Visitor Center/GPS Address:
14707 Park Central Road
Thurmont, MD 21788

Mailing Address:
6602 Foxville Road
Thurmont, MD 21788

For more information, stop at the Visitor Center, call 301-663-9388, or check the park website: www.nps.gov/cato.