Palmetto Trail: Croft Passage

Explore part of the 'Mountains-to-the-Sea' Trail. This multi-use trail serves hikers, mountain bikers, and horse riders. Hikers can use the entire trail, but horses and bikers only parts of it. The 12.6-mile trail enters Croft at the Glenn Springs Passage trailhead and crosses the 65-foot Advance America Bridge over Fairforest Creek. This is the longest footbridge in any SC State Park. Hikers and equestrians follow established trails to the east and north while mountain bikers follow roads to the west and north until all join at Henningston Road. The newly built trail from mile 8.5 to the northern trailhead follows ridges, crosses drainages, and hugs Kelsey Creek to the historic Cedar Springs area. Be on the lookout for remains of old homesteads.

Length: 12.6 miles
Difficulty: Moderate

Nature Trail

This is a quiet, foot-traffic-only, 1.5 mile loop trail through varying wildlife habitats. You will descend through mixed pine and hardwood trees, wind along the rocky shoals of Fairforest Creek which gives a sense of a mountain trail, and then loop back uphill. Remains of an old mill site along Fairforest Creek and a bridge crossing are two historical points to view along this trail. Trail signs at intersections will help you find your way back. You may see a variety of wildlife including birds, deer, squirrels, and snakes.

Length: 1.5 miles
Difficulty: Easy

Rocky Ridge/Whitestone Springs

This trail takes you through a variety of habitats and is used for part of the Camp Croft Half Marathon route. Rocky Ridge bears off of Foster Mill just past the Kelsey Creek Bridge crossing. It offers several scenic passages through hardwood forest along with views of rollings hills and creeks.

Whitestone Springs Spur Trail is a one way route to the historic location of Whitestone Springs. Here you'll find evidence of the bottling business and the foundation of the 4 story hotel from the late 1800's. Plus enjoy a cool drink from the spring!

Length: Rocky Ridge 3.4 miles,
Whitestone Springs Spur (one way) ¾ mile
Difficulty: Moderate

Foster Mill

From the stable area, take the fourth trailhead off the gravel road for the Foster Mill Trail. Much of it travels along an old road bed. It is the widest trail in the Park with portions going from single wide to double wide, making it perfect for both equestrian and hiking beginners. You will pass through some of the best historical areas in the Park, where you will see old trestle bridges as well as cemetery sites. This trail will take you along ridges, crossover beautiful Kelsey Creek and take you along the shore of Lake Craig.

Length: 6.5 miles
Difficulty: Moderate due to length

Southside Loop

This is the longest trail in the Park and can be accessed either by crossing the Advanced America Bridge on the Palmetto Trail or from the Southside Parking lot at the end of Groce Road. It offers access to many other mountain bike and hiking trails in this extensive trail system totaling over 16 miles. You'll travel through rolling terrain, across hills, and along creeksides. In the lower elevations, the trail winds along Fairforest Creek

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Trail Map

and you'll see huge hardwoods growing in the moist environment. As you gain elevation look for massive white oaks throughout the forest.

Length: 9.7 miles
Difficulty: Moderate to Strenuous, due to length and varying technical terrain

History of The Park

This land was once home to a farming community and old farmsteads can still be found throughout the Park. Whitestone Springs attracted visitors in the late 1800's and early 1900's. You can have a drink from the Spring today and see the foundation of a 4 story hotel and evidence of the bottling business (Rocky Ridge/Whitestone Spring Trail).

World War II brought about the need for more training facilities. The first troops began training on March 7, 1941 and the camp eventually housed 250,000 soldiers. The facility was shut down after the war and opened as a State Park in 1949. Today it is one of the largest tracts of land in the SC State Park Service.

About Spartanburg

Located in the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains, Spartanburg, SC is known for its Revolutionary War battles, as well as a rich textile and agricultural history. Located along two major interstates Spartanburg is a hub of activity, including rich cultural offerings, extensive educational opportunities, musical heritage, and the abundance of stunning landscapes. It is at the crossroads of the modern South.

Stuff like this only happens in a place that's truly Revolutionary. Come see for yourself.

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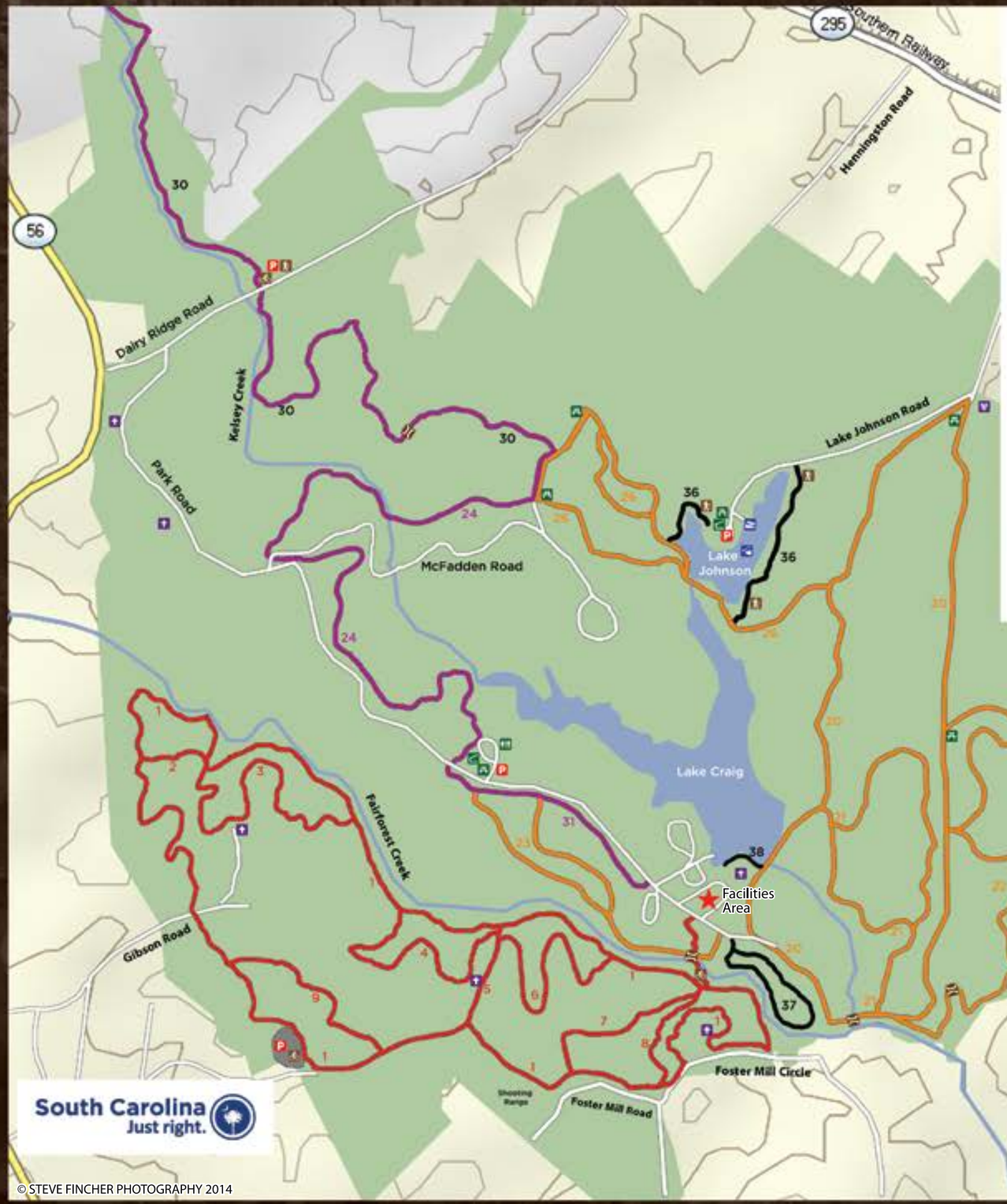
Rules and regulations are posted throughout the park. In case of an emergency, call 911.



Things To Do in the Park:

Hiking-all trails are open to hikers.

Horseback Riding-dedicated trails for riders. Horse stalls are available for campers and a Show Ring is available for rent.

Mountain Biking-the longest trail in the Park is dedicated for bikers. From novice to professional, you'll find a challenge at the Park.

Childrens Playground

Fishing-available on two lakes. Canoes, kayaks, jon boats along with life jackets and paddles available for rent.

Camping-primitive and full-hook sites available. All sites have power, water, fire ring, grill and picnic tables.

Picnic Shelters-available for rent. All have water/restrooms nearby.

Geocaching-several caches are located within the Park.

Shooting Range-bring your own equipment and enjoy shooting skeet, pistols, rifles and archery.

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HIKING TRAILS*

36 Lake Johnson Trail ..... 1.5 mi.
37 Nature Trail ..... 1.5 mi.
38 Lake Craig Trail ..... 0.75 mi.

MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAILS

1 Southside Loop Trail ..... 9.7 mi.
2 Flat Pass Trail ..... 0.5 mi.
3 High and Dry Trail ..... 1 mi.
4 Rock Creek Trail ..... 1 mi.
5 Centerline Trail ..... 1 mi.
6 Lizard Trail ..... 1 mi.
7 Outlaw Trail ..... 0.5 mi.
8 Idaho Trail ..... 0.5 mi.
9 Fern Gully Trail ..... 1 mi.

MULTI-USE TRAILS

24 Lake Johnson Fairforest Creek Connector ..... 4.5 mi.
30 Palmetto Trail ..... 12.6 mi.
31 Craig Trail ..... 1.5 mi.

HORSE TRAILS

20 Foster Mill Loop ..... .5 mi.
21 Beech Tree Trail ..... .2 mi.
22 Rocky Ridge Trail ..... 3.5 mi.
23 Fairforest Creek Trail ..... 3.5 mi.
25 Whitestone Springs Spur ..... 1mi.
26 Lake Johnson Loop Trail ... 2.4 mi.

* ALL TRAILS ARE OPEN TO HIKING

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RV Campground
Restrooms
Sanitary Disposal
Shelter
Showers
Stable
Radio Tower
Trailhead

Not all trails are represented on this map. Trails not on this map are closed to the public. Pets must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet at all times. Owners will be asked to remove noisy or dangerous pets or pets that threaten or harass wildlife. Please clean up after your pet.