

STEVENS GLEN TRAIL MAP



Trail Description:

Trail: 1.2 miles, roundtrip

Difficulty: Moderate (uneven footing, elevation changes)

Stevens Glen is a short, 45-minute jaunt on a partially looped trail. Visitors walk under 100-foot tall white pines and majestic hemlocks that have long since replaced the American chestnut trees that were felled almost a century ago in an effort to arrest the devastating chestnut blight. From the trailhead, visitors walk a short distance to a juncture and can choose to proceed either clockwise or counter-clockwise on paths that then converge at a point where a spur trail leads to the overlook platform at the glen.

Natural History:

The trail begins by winding through an abandoned Christmas tree farm. Take note of the sizeable northern red oak, sugar maple, white pine, and hemlock as the forest transitions. Along the trail the filtering of light through the full canopy changes daily and seasonally. The quick-moving water and mature-forest slope harbor a range of wildlife, including fishers, chipmunks, red squirrel and deer. The glen is a jagged cleft of gray-green rock that rushes **Lenox Mountain Brook** through crags and pitches to the level landscape far below.