Welcome to the Boston Mountain Ranger District

The Buckhorn Trail system is a 60 mile network of trails that lead riders, hikers and cyclists through areas of the Lee Creek Unit of the Boston Mountain Ranger District. Two loops with interconnecting shortcuts wind through the Boston Mountains in northern Crawford County and offer riding opportunities ranging from beginner to challenging. The trails change from clay/dirt to very rocky sections and pass through the hills and valleys of a beautiful hardwood forest.

The elevation changes from lower creek valleys to mountain top vistas with beautiful north Arkansas scenery at every turn. Look for such points of interest as the Devil’s Kettle, Lee Creek Beach, Lee Creek Overlook, Ben Doodle Falls, the Steam Boiler, Yellow Jacket Ridge, Hart Creek Hollow and technical spots called the Rock Garden, Slippery When Wet Hill climb, Tombstone Hill, The Three Toed Monkey and the Fall Creek trail.

Look for improvement to stream crossings, and trail-head parking by 2022.

Traveling through the Ozark-St. Francis National Forests

Use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs) within the Buckhorn OHV Trail Complex is limited to designated roads and trails. Please camp only at designated camp sites. Trailheads are not designated camp sites. For your safety, helmet use is highly recommended. Pick up a free Motorized Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) or Traveling the Backcountry publication at the Boston Mountain Ranger District Office to help you know the designated routes. Maps are also available online at http://fs.usda.gov/osfnf.

General Information

- Trails are clay/dirt rock to natural surface.
- A toilet is located at the main trail head off of Hwy 220.
- The main trailhead is graveled and built for 16 foot trailers.
- Trails are easy to most difficult.
- OHV’s are restricted to 72” on the Buckhorn OHV trail.

Location Directions

From Van Buren: Take Hwy 59 North 12.2 miles, then turn on Hwy 220 North for 10.2 miles. The trailhead is on the right.

From Fayetteville: Take I-49 South for 26.3 miles, then take exit 35 toward Chester. Turn on Old 12 Cross Road and travel for 10.3 miles. Turn right on Hwy 220 for 2.1 miles. The trailhead is on the left.

Hours of Operation

Designated routes are open 24/7 year round.

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