Winding Stair Campground
Ouachita National Forest

Attractions:

Visitors enjoy the peaceful setting of this campground located within three miles of several trail systems, including Horsethief and Billy Creek Trails. The Mountain-top Trail has a one-mile loop and a two-mile loop adjacent to the campground. The 192-mile Ouachita National Recreation Trail passes the campground as it extends from Talimena State Park in Oklahoma to Pinnacle Mountain State Park in Arkansas.

This campground is one of many attractions along the Talimena Scenic Byway, a 54-mile highway winding along the crests of Winding Stair and Rich Mountains.

Emerald Vista, north of this campground, boasts a birds-eye view of the Ouachita National Forest from atop the Scenic Byway. Picnic tables are available.

A backpacker’s camp, located about 300 feet west of the main campground, is open year-round. Facilities include five tent pads, table, fire ring, lantern poles and pit toilet.

Location:

The campground is located on the Talimena Scenic Drive (Oklahoma State Highway 1), two miles west of US Highway 259 junction. At mile post 23.7 on the Ouachita National Recreation Trail, the campground is accessed by a short spur trail blazed in white.

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Facilities:

- 23 campsites with paved spurs, grills, fire rings, lantern poles and tent pads.
- Two campsites are accessible to people with disabilities.
- Four campsites are doubles accommodating two campers.
- Four of the campsites are “pull-throughs.”
- Vault toilets are available. No water is available at this time.

Fees: Current fees and regulations are posted at the self-service pay station.

Season of Use: Closed in the winter.

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