



Sheltowee Trace Sections 31 & 32

Stearns District • Daniel Boone National Forest • Kentucky



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Directions to Trail

To Section 31: From the Stearns Ranger District Office follow US 27 north 1.3 miles.

To Section 32: Take US 27 north from the District Office approximately one mile. Turn left just before Flat Rock Baptist Church. Follow the road over the railroad tracks and bear right. Take the second road (Tom Roberts Road) on your left. Follow this road until it intersects with Big Creek Road. The trail will cross Big Creek Road.

Who's In Charge?

The Sheltowee Trace passes through land and facilities managed by a variety of agencies. These agencies cooperate with each other and private groups to provide recreation opportunities.

This section of the Sheltowee Trace passes through the Daniel Boone National Forest and is managed by the U.S. Forest Service. As you near the Big South Fork, you'll enter the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area, which is managed by the National Park Service.

If you camp in the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area, you will need a backcountry camping permit. Contact the National Park Service at 606-376-5073.

Guides like this are available at fs.usda.gov/dbnf.
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Sheltowee Trace NRT #100, Section 31

From the trailhead follow the sign for the Sheltowee Trace in the direction of Yahoo Falls and Pickett State Park. After a short hike in the woods the trail will emerge on a gravel road. Follow the trail markers past the Flat Rock Baptist Church and cross US 27. Follow the paved road north .3 miles. You will cross railroad tracks and pass residences. Stay right and then turn left onto the trail. It follows the ridge and then goes under a powerline before following the creek, crosses a county road, and passes beneath the bluff behind the falls. The trail continues another two miles, crosses two roads, and passes a private cabin before reaching the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area boundary. The remainder of the trail crosses Big Creek. Along the way you will encounter waterfalls, old mine sites, and steep inclines and descents.

Begins:	US 27	Hiking Difficulty:	Moderate
Ends:	National Park Boundary	Trail Surface:	Road, Dirt
Length:	4.64 miles	Trail Use:	Hiking, Biking
Parking:	US 27, turnaround on Forest Road 663A	Connections:	Sheltowee Trace, Sections 30 and 32
Quad:	Wiborg, Nevelsville,	Latitude:	36.785171
County:	McCreary	Longitude:	-84.482065

Sheltowee Trace NRT #100, Section 32

This section follows Big Creek downstream to the Big South Fork River. Notice the mature beech trees and overhanging cliffs above the trail. Be careful of your footing as you weave around large boulders on your way. This section ends at the junction of the Yahoo Arch Trail. Both Yahoo Arch and Yahoo Falls are worth the short hike.

Begins:	National Park Service Boundary near Big Creek	Hiking Difficulty:	Easy - Moderate
Ends:	Yahoo Arch Trail #602	Trail Surface:	Dirt
Length:	2.1 miles	Connections:	Yahoo Arch Trail; Sheltowee Trace, Sections 31 and 33
Quad:	Nevelsville	Trail Use:	Hiking
County:	McCreary	Latitude:	36.78894
Parking:	Turnaround on Forest Road 663A; Yahoo Falls Day Use Area	Longitude:	-84.526135

Storing Your Food and Trash in Bear Country

Food and trash storage is mandatory, to reduce odors that attract bears. Unless cooking or eating, store your food inside a hardtop vehicle, the trunk of a car or a bear-resistant container. Store your food garbage in the same manner where trash cans are not installed. When camping in the backcountry hang your food at least 10 feet off the ground and four feet away from a tree.



You are responsible for your own safety. All outdoor activities have inherent risks and you may encounter a variety of unexpected and/or dangerous conditions. It is your responsibility to be informed and take precautions. Learn more at www.fs.usda.gov/r8



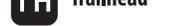
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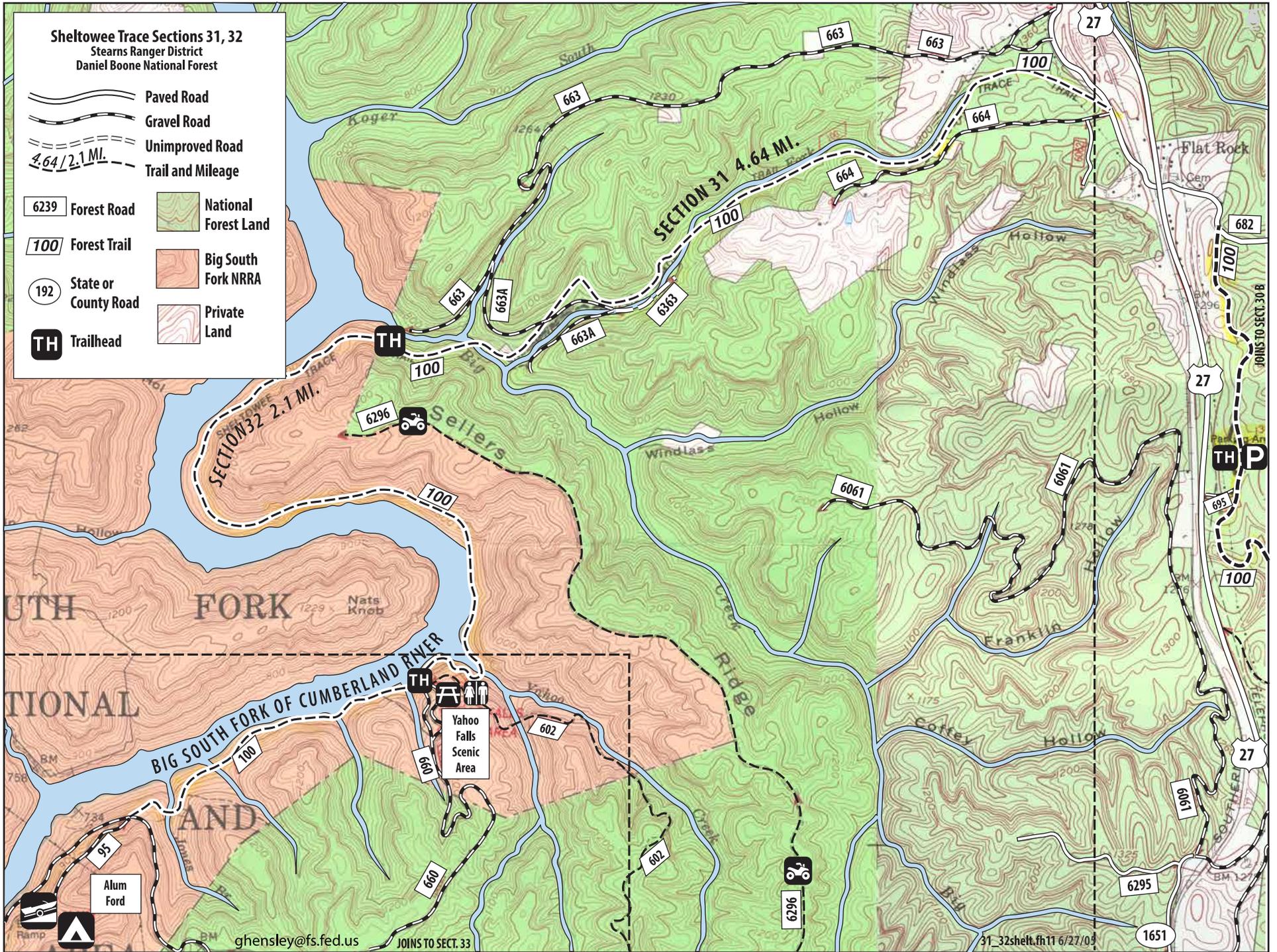
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-  Paved Road
-  Gravel Road
-  Unimproved Road
-  Trail and Mileage

-  6239 Forest Road
-  National Forest Land
-  100 Forest Trail
-  Big South Fork NRRA
-  192 State or County Road
-  Private Land
-  TH Trailhead



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