

Boardstand Road & Old Military Road Trail

Ouachita National Forest



Motorcycle Hiking Equestrian Biking

Trail Highlights: The Old Military Trail starts along Holson Valley Road and connects with the Ouachita National Recreation Trail on the south side of Winding Stair Mountain. These two trails, along with Boardstand Trail, can be combined to form a looped hike of about 23 miles.

The trails travel through the western end of Holson Valley and the Indian Nations Scenic and Wildlife Area.

Surrounding Areas:

- **Winding Stair Mountain Recreation Area**
- **Talimena Scenic Drive**
- **Ouachita National Recreation Trail**
- **Cedar Lake Campground**
- **Indian Nations National Scenic and Wildlife Area**

For More Information Contact:

US Forest Service
Choctaw Unit—Oklahoma Ranger District
52175 US Hwy. 59
Hodgen, OK 74939

(Ten miles south of Heavener on Hwy 59/270)

(918) 653-2991

Length: 23.1 mile loop trail.

Directions: From US Hwy 271, take either Oklahoma Hwy 1 for 1/4 mile east to the Old Military Picnic Ground, or take Holson Valley Road 3 miles from US Hwy 271 to trailhead.

Trail Information: The Old Military Road Trail partially follows the road that was built by the military in 1832 between Fort Smith, AR and Fort Towson, OK.

Many features of the original military road can still be seen from the trail just north of the picnic area. This old road also provided access to settlers in the area and wagon trains headed west.

This is a more difficult trail where it climbs Winding Stair Mountain.

Boardstand and Old Military Road Trail is marked with white rectangles; blue rectangles mark the Ouachita National Recreation Trail.

Horse and Motorcycle Restriction: The Ouachita National Recreation Trail section of the loop is closed to horses and motorcycles.

Site Amenities: Accessible picnicking, picnic shelter, vault toilet, and national historic site at Old Military Road Picnic Ground.

Recommended Seasons: Autumn through spring.



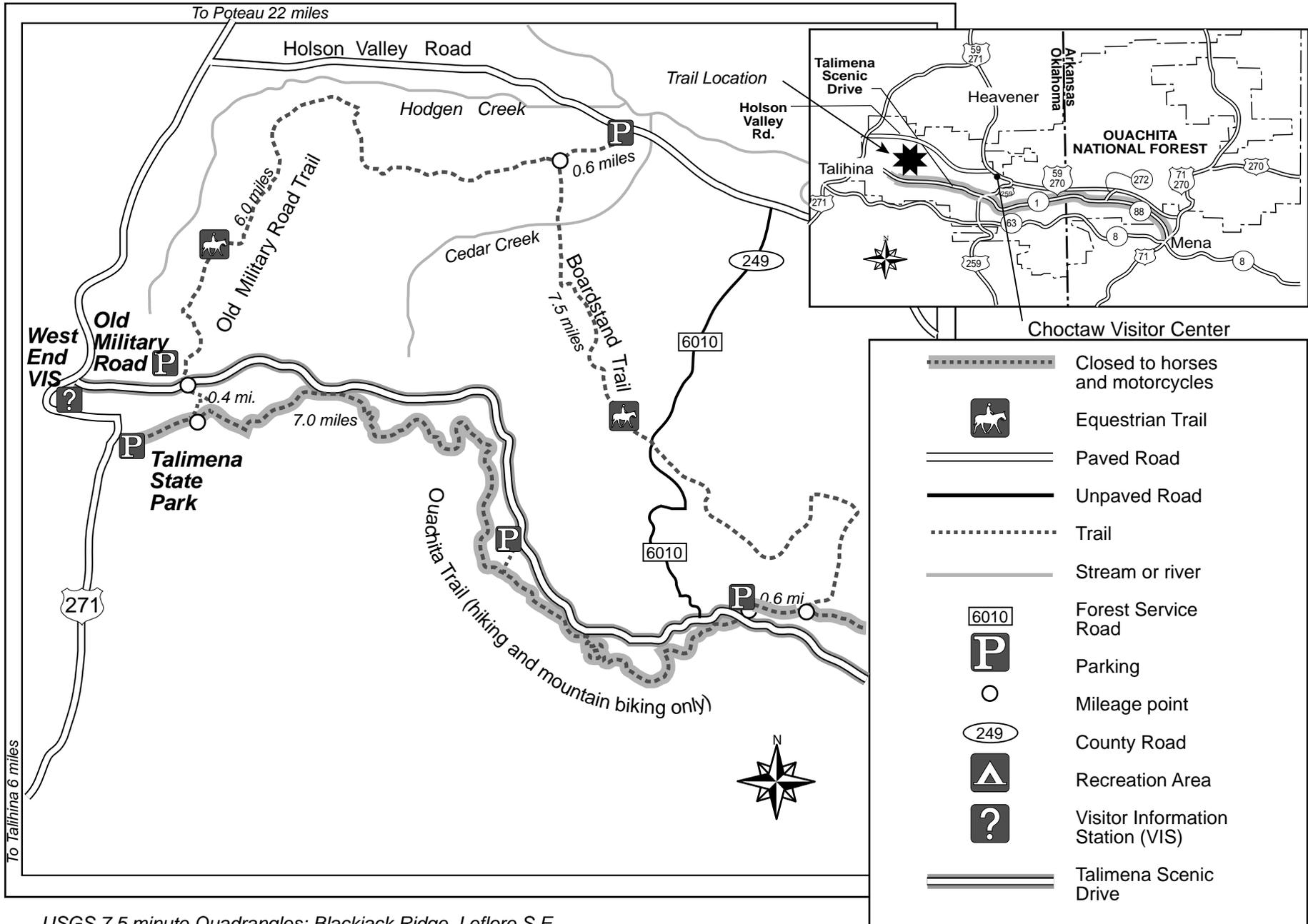
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USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangles: Blackjack Ridge, Leflore S.E.