

Favorite Trails - by Location

Workshop	Trail	Use type	Location	What makes it special for you?	Other use
Brevard	All are great	bike	Pisgah/DuPont/Bent Creek	Endless options	
Franklin	Any horse trail	horse	Nantahala- Standing Indian, Wine Spring		
Brevard	Any single track leading to a waterfall	hike	Pisgah and DuPont	I enjoy the wilderness experience, wildlife, beautiful views, wild flowers.	
Brevard	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	The part I like is at a fairly high elevation. There are expansive views. I like the variety of plant life. It is a magical place.	
Franklin	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Cold Mnt ->Narrows->Shining Rock Gap		
Franklin	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Pisgah RD	It was my first multi-day solo backpacking trip as a teenager. Changed my life.	
Mars Hill	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Waterside all the way up the ridgeline	wilderness, views	
Mars Hill	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Brevard to Waynesville	A mid-range thru hike	
Morganton	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Davidson River to Daniel Boone	perfect distance for a day, diverse environment over trail length, Shining Rock is highlight	run
Mars Hill	AT	hike	NC-Tenn.		
Andrews	AT	hike	Clingmans Dome to Icewater Springs	views	
Andrews	AT	hike	Wayah Rd to Wayah Bald	terrain and views	
Brevard	AT	hike	Max Patch to Roan Mnt	Beauty, vistas, remoteness, beauty, wilderness, uniqueness, challenge & beauty!	backpacking
Brevard	AT	hike	GA->ME	America's first National Scenic Trail, a footpath for those who seek fellowship with the wilderness; traversing many of the most beautiful parts of the Appalachian Mts.	
Franklin	AT	hike	Macon Cnty GA line to NOC		
Franklin	AT	hike	Georgia to Maine	views, forest environment, history	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Along NC/TN border	I've hiked the full length of the AT and am now a member of the ATC Board and a AT trail maintainer.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	from Tanyard Gap to Hot Springs	Beautiful woods, French Broad River and mountain views. I also am the section maintainer.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike		length, loop options	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Springer Mt, GA to Katahdin At, ME	The unique majesty it commands.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Western NC	It's the AT!	
Franklin	AT- GSMNP	hike	Maine to GA, esp. NC, TN	relaxation, psychiatric cure, service	
Mars Hill	AT near Snowbird	hike	near where AT crosses I-40	I am the AT section maintainer for this section	maintain
Andrews	AT to Slickrock fire tower	hike	near Fontana Dam	The challenge of the hike and reward of the view at the tower.	
Morganton	Babel Tower	hike	Old Kisler Hwy to Linville River	Linville River access for kayaking. (hike with my kayak)	kayak
Franklin	Bartram- Jones Gap to Buckeye Creek TH	hike	Central Macon Cnty	Nature, exercise, beauty, its GREAT- keeps us young!!	
Andrews	Bartram Trail	hike	paved part along Nantahala	riverside, relatively flat	wheelchair
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	Nantahala RD	Wilderness area, remote, long distance	
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	S. Macon below Scaly Franklin, Wayah Bald, Cheoah Bald	Started my trail working experience 12 years ago and haven't looked back.	maintain
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	Macon & Jackson Counties	Very natural scenery, outdoor experience and not too contrived.	
Mars Hill	Bartram Trail	hike	NC, SC, GA	The length and lack of people.	
Andrews	Bear Creek S. toward Rim Trail	hike	off Junaluska Rd ~ 25 miles from intersection of 19 & Junaluska Rd	small streams, colors, trees	
Mars Hill	Bearwallow Trail	hike	near Gerton, NC	we built it	maintain
Andrews	Beaver Creek	bike	along top of Snowbird Mnts parallel the Valley River	views, fairly good surface	
Brevard	Bennett Gap	bike	FS477 (top near 276 bottom near stables)	technical, long, ridgeline, accessibility, -> need to not be seasonal	
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Morganton	Bent Creek-side hill	bike	Bent Creek	Bent Creek's accessibility to town makes for more frequent biking.	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike		old forest	
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Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike	Unaka, Cherokee Cnty	The wilderness, old growth timber, altitude and steep mountainsides. Hardwoods including white oak. Biodiversity, long views through timber.	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike	Cherokee Cnty	view, solitude, old trees, always wild animals to see	
Mars Hill	Betty Place	hike	Upper Shut-in/Hot Springs	Quiet/pretty/we built it.	
Morganton	Big Creek	horse	GSM	scenery	
Mars Hill	Big East Fork	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	The river and quality of the trail.	
Andrews	Big Huckleberry Knob	hike	Cherohala Skyway, Graham Cnty	views	
Franklin	Big Indian Loop	hike	Standing Indian near Hurricane Ck	It's a loop ride approx. 5 hrs. Good views, change in scenery and some water on trail for horses to drink	
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Franklin	Big Indian Trail	horse	Macon Cnty		
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Andrews	Big Snowbird Trail #64	hike	Big Snowbird area- Sassafras, Mouse Knob, Meadow Branch, Bear Pen	My Dad worked in this area, logging, during the early 40s. Lot of memories and building memories with my son.	camp
Franklin	Big Tuni Creek	hike	NE Hayesville	Great views of Lake Chatuge and rolling Mnt vistas.	
Franklin	Blachock Trail	hike	Panther town	wildflower, access not over used	
Brevard	Black Mnt	bike	Pisgah Ranger District	length, variety of terrain, technical, challenge- not because it is eroded, but because the elevation change provides technical challenge- elevation gain, accessibility	
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Mars Hill	Black Mnt Crest Trail	hike	Mt. Mitchell to Celo Knob	Views	
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Mars Hill	Black Mnt Crest Trail	hike	Black Mnts, Yancey Cnty	Highest trail in eastern N. America.	
Brevard	Black Mnt/Mt. Mitchell, cg to summit	hike	Black Mnt campground	The trail started my love of hiking 36 years ago.	
Franklin	Black Mountain	bike	Pisgah Forest	Amazing long range views. Remote- Ridge Trail.	
Franklin	Bonas Defeat Gorge	hike	upper E.Fk of the Tuckasegee	it is one of a handful of places in NC where canyoneering is possible. This tract is truly one-of-a-kind. Access to this gorge is almost non-existent. Duke Power owns all access to this area. One must trespass to gain access to the FS land. Please take steps to ensure public access to this parcel.	canyoneering/bouldering
Morganton	Boone Fork Area	hike	Mulberry Area, Caldwell Cnty	views, creeks, different difficulty levels, beauty of trails, solitude and riding there with friends	
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Brevard	Bradley Creek, Riverside	horse	Turkey Pen	Sound of the creek, mt. Views, quiet. Hate the road.	
Morganton	Buckeye Knob	hike	Curtis Creek Rec. Area, McDowell Cnty	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Franklin	Buckwheat Knob	bike	Pisgah Forest	Lots of drops at end as it descends to FS 477.	
Franklin	Burnt Mountain	bike	DuPont State Forest	Good flow. Table top jumps. Good drainage. Technical.	
Brevard	Butter Gap	bike	fish hatchery	creek side, waterfalls, high point. All ride-able.	
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Morganton	Cataloochie Divide	horse	Cataloochee, Great Smoky Mountains	scenery	
Franklin	Chatooga River Trail, Whiteside Rd to Iron Bridge	hike	South Jackson & Macon Counties	Nature, exercise, beauty, its GREAT- keeps us young!!	
Andrews	Cherohala Skyway-trails off	hike	Graham Cnty	High elevation forest	
Brevard	Chunky Gal	hike	Clay Cnty	Remote character, high Quality forest, wildlife, wildflowers, incredible scenery	
Franklin	Chunky Gal/ Boeteller Peak	hike	NE Hayesville	Solitude- but noisy water!	
Franklin	Chunky Gal/Boeteller Peak	hike	Tusquitee RD	Beautiful views, remoteness, large ridgeline seen on trails.	
Brevard	Clawhammer Rd-trails off of	bike	off 477	Variety of terrain, good views, well maintained.	

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Franklin	Clifftop Vista Trail and Ranger Falls	hike	Cliffside Lake Rec site	Clifftop Vista wanders along a stream then gains elev. To a white oak grove- it is short, but strenuous. It makes a good trail run too. It has a nice view of Cliffside and the lake. It also has a trailhead next to Ranger Falls approx. 3 mi. to nice little waterfall and you can combine the two for a longer hike. Superb trail qualities- shady, some level spots near woodland wildflowers, crosses stream-has sturdy bridge, and then transitions through conifer planting, trail gets steep- contributes to cardio-exercise! ;) Then has top ridge of oaks! BIG trees and a scenic rest area (a gazebo- not a bathroom!) and then down hill through slightly different forest types.	run
Morganton	Cragg Prong	hike	Roseboro area of Grandfather RD, MTS trail	scenic, waterfalls	
Franklin	Cullasaja- trails along	hike	Macon & Jackson Counties	Very natural scenery, outdoor experience and not too contrived.	
Brevard	Daniel Creek- Lanning Ridge	hike	Off Davidson River Rd.	Water and waterfalls. Good climb.	
Brevard	Daniel Ridge	hike	Pisgah off 475 beyond fish hatchery	water, views	
Brevard	Daniel Ridge Loop	hike	Pisgah Ranger District	Beautiful streams, diversity, waterfall	
Morganton	Douglas Falls	hike	Craggy Mountain	Solitude, unique interesting landscape, diverse flora	
Brevard	Farlow Gap	bike	fish hatchery	difficulty, remoteness, ruggedness, speed!	
Franklin	Fires Creek Rim Trail	hike	Tusquitee RD	Rugged, remote, scenic	
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Brevard	Flat Laural Creek	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	scenic beauty, good footing	
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Andrews	Fodderstack to Farr Gap	hike	TN/NC line off Cherohala	isolation and remoteness	
Brevard	Foothills Trail	hike	NW SC & SW NC, 76 miles from Table Rock to Oconee State Park	length- more than just a short trail. Remote- backcountry experience. Variety- rivers, mountains, views, ups/downs. Well maintained - quality trail.	
Brevard	Foothills Trail	hike	Near Lake Jocassee	A long, continuous trail with varied terrain & wonderful scenery. It is well marked & well-maintained.	
Franklin	Foothills Trail	hike	Jocassee Gorge to Ellicott Rock Wilderness	Length and variety of terrain	
Brevard	Fork Mnt Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	Wide range of habitats, some rare. Remote, lightly used. Views.	
Brevard	Funnel Top, Riverside Tr	horse	Above Pink Beds, Turkey Pen	Views. Remoteness, next to river.	
Franklin	gated roads all over NF lands	hike		We use FS gated roads all over the NF lands for grouse hunting. It is very important to maintain access. Good grouse populations. Scenery, ability to get way back into NF lands. Ability to use and train my bird dog on NF land.	hunting
Franklin	Goat Bald Trail	horse	Wine Spring Area	Remote, has great views, a variety of different aspects- most beautiful in spring.	
Franklin	Goat Bald Trail	horse	Wine Spring, Nantahala RD	views, challenges of back country	
Brevard	Graveyard Fields	hike	SE of Shining Rock	Easy access, family friendly, water features, loops	
Mars Hill	Graveyard Fields	hike		unusual landscape, waterfalls, the story of the landscape	
Brevard	Green Ridge Trail	hike	Shelton Laurel	Remote character, high Quality forest, wildlife, wildflowers, incredible scenery	
Brevard	Greenland Creek-Big Green-Little Green-Schoolhouse Falls	hike	Panther town	Beauty-waterfalls & views- in a wilderness setting	
Andrews	Hanging Dog	bike	Murphy, NC	It is local-trails system is challenging	
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Andrews	Haoe Lead Trail	hike	Graham Cnty	beauty and vistas	
Brevard	Haywood Gap ->Buckeye Gap->MTS Loop	hike	Middle Prong Wilderness, PSG NF	remote, diverse, relatively untraveled	
Andrews	Haywood Gap Trail	hike	Middle Prong Wilderness, PSG NF	solitude, water, views, Wilderness, biodiversity, big trees	
Morganton	Heartbreak Ridge	hike	Blue Ridge Parkway- Mill Creek	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Morganton	Hickory Branch	hike	Curtis Creek Rec. Area, McDowell Cnty	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Morganton	Hickory Branch	hike	Mackey Mountain	Old growth, waterfalls, wildlife, diverse flora	
Brevard	Horse Cove	horse	Pink Beds area	beautiful, peaceful	
Morganton	Hwy 105	horse	Off hwy 105 at forest road gate	Ride down to river.	
Mars Hill	I love all trails	bike	Black Mnt/Old Fort area	Beautiful places, diversity in trail condition, forest type, and features. Also connectivity to special places and other trails.	
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Brevard	Ivester Gap	horse	Black Balsam Rd/Shining Rock	open balds, Wilderness, views	
Andrews	Jackrabbit	bike	Clay Cnty	Flow-stacked loops (can do as few as 3-4 miles if only have limited time or up to 20+ miles) accommodate all skill levels but have challenge. Scenery, etc.	
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Mars Hill	Jim Branch	bike	DuPont State Forest	Well built with fun flowy sections and a little bit of technical (which was built into the trail).	
Franklin	Jones Knob	hike	Turtle Pond Rd, Highlands	Quiet with no fear of horses or motors.	
Mars Hill	Joyce Kilmer area	hike	Joyce Kilmer	The forest.	
Andrews	Joyce Kilmer Memorial Loop	hike	Joyce Kilmer	Large trees, wildflowers, water	
Andrews	Joyce Kilmer- Slickrock	hike	Graham Cnty	Easy access- biodiversity	
Morganton	Kitsuma	bike	Ridgecrest/Old Fort	I don't have to get off of my bicycle. Killer scenery. Post Reinvestment repairs- smooth, nice.	
Brevard	Laurel Creek	horse	Turkey Pen	Lovely trail along the creek; climbing & long views.	
Brevard	Laurel Mountain	bike	FS 1206 & FS 5015 btw. Pisgah Inn and Buck Springs Overlook	Remote location; rugged but sustainable; beautiful woods & views; links to Pilot Rock trail.	
Brevard	Laurel Mountain	bike	off Yellow Gap Rd- off 276		
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Morganton	Limekiln	hike	Dobson Knob, McDowell Cnty.	I hunt along it	hunt
Morganton	Little Cataloochee	horse	GSM	history	
Mars Hill	Little Hickory Top-Bent Creek	bike	Bent Creek	long, fun downhill, closeness to town	
Morganton	Lost Cove Creek	hike	between Little Lost Cove Ck and Hunt Fish Falls	You can usually get away from the crowds at Hunt Fish Falls through beautiful open woods, some challenging creek crossings, water availability.	
Morganton	Mackey Mountain	hike	McDowell Cnty	not lots of people, not lots of erosion, see lots of different birds, see lots of different habitats, no trail markers.	bird watching
Mars Hill	Max Patch to Lemon Gap	hike	Madison County	Abundance of wildflowers in spring.	
Brevard	Moore Cove	hike	Pisgah District- TH on US276	All 3 versions: in & out, loop and figure 8. Water, rocks, woods, variety and choices for distance.	
Brevard	Moore Cove Loop Extended	hike	Near Moore Cove Falls, Pisgah	Good climbs, nice terrain.	
Brevard	Moore's Cove Loop	hike	extension of Moore Cove	View, waterfall, elevation changes	
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Brevard	MST	hike	Mt. Mitchell Rd to Glassmine Falls Overlook	Views, variety of environments, good trail condition, flowers in several seasons, remote feel but easy access- disadvantage- not a loop.	
Mars Hill	MST	hike	Folk Arts Center to Mt. Mitchell	Views, different types of tread, convenient.	
Morganton	MST	hike	throughout the forest	long distance trail opportunity	
Mars Hill	MST-NC215-Mt Hardy	hike	N/o BRP and W/o NC 215	Spruce-fir forests, remoteness and variety of environments- ridges, stream valleys, views, bog. Unique!	
Brevard	Mt. Hardy Trail		side of Mt. Hardy	High country trail with great mix of trees, shrubs and flowers. Never crowded. Relatively primitive.	
Brevard	MTS	hike	Clingman's Dome to Grandfather Mnt	Beauty, vistas, remoteness, beauty, wilderness, uniqueness, challenge & beauty!	backpacking
Brevard	MTS	hike	PRD	Diversity of terrain and flora.	maintain
Brevard	MTS	hike	Btw French Broad & Ox Creek Rd	access to Asheville	run
Brevard	N. Mills River	horse	N. Mills river	So many awesome trails. Wonderful footing, 11 water crossings, well maintained, people.	
Andrews	Naked Ground	hike	JK-S Wilderness	solitude, views, old growth forest, biodiversity, wilderness	
Franklin	NC Bartram Trail	hike	Rabun Bald, GA through Macon Cnty, to Cheoah Bald in Smokies	No bikes, No horses, peaceful and beautiful walking.	
Franklin	No lands Creek	bike	GSMNP	Nice access sufficiently maintained- connects with longer rides- camp sites water access.	
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Morganton	Off fish hatchery rd	horse	Sometimes referred to as Blue Conavel Rd (?); Back Irish Creek?	Lots of varying degrees of trails. Lots of loops. Solitude.	
Morganton	Over Mountain Victory Trail	hike	Dobson Knob, McDowell Cnty.	I hunt along it	hunt

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Morganton	Pantherstown	hike	Pantherstown	Pantherstown trails are spectacularly beautiful, accessible, remote.	
Brevard	Pantherstown trails	hike	Pantherstown	It actually is several interconnecting trails that takes you to 4 waterfalls, and up and over Little Green Mountain.	
Brevard	Pea Gap, Mullinax, etc	horse	Turkey Pen	Beautiful environment.	
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Mars Hill	Perkins/Walker Creek	hike	Big Ivy-Coleman Boundary, Barnardsville	Loops. Main connection through center of Boundary- ties trails together. Not too difficult and beautiful.	
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Morganton	Persimmon Ridge	bike	PNF- btw N. Harpers Creek and SR 58	Hard climb and a big descent. Tight and flowing single-track with great banked turns.	
Brevard	Pilot Cove- Slate Rock Loop	hike	N. Mills River Area- Yellow Gap Rd	Old growth forest; chestnut remnants; scenic views 3-plus forest communities; education in old (damaging) clearcuts; beaver-created habitat; monarch migratory route over outcrop; granite ("pluton") geology.	
Brevard	Pilot rock	hike	off Yellow Gap Rd- off 276	Tough climb with views. Shorter out rt.	
Mars Hill	Pilot Rock	bike	PRD	The challenge.	
Mars Hill	Pink Beds	hike	PRD	Flat, easy hiking for families with small kids. Lots of stream access.	
Franklin	Pisgah area	bike		More technical than Tsali.	
Morganton	Pisgah NF	hike	Pisgah NF	Huge variety of terrain, vegetation, views. Lots of beautiful streams, waterfalls, chance for re-connecting with nature & solitude. Simplicity.	
Morganton	Profile Trail	hike	Grandfather Mnt	wildflowers, pretty rock work, scenic views	
Brevard	Reasonover Creek Trail	bike	DuPont State Forest	sweet flowing single track long loop, challenging	
Andrews	Rim and adjoining trail to the rim	horse	Fires Creek	Search & Rescue and pleasure and trail training. Camping	camp
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Clay Cnty	Easy access- biodiversity	
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek	Riding the ridge, seasonal changes in forest, diversity of trails from gentle to challenging	
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek	vies, trail maps, info board	
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Franklin	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek Watershed, Hayesville	Remoteness & scenic	
Mars Hill	Roan Mnt	hike	Spruce Pine	Long range views. Differences in the seasons.	
Mars Hill	Roan Mnt- AT: Carvers Gap to Cloudland	hike	Mitchell Cnty, TN border	It's also designated and used for back country skiing. Excellent for winter camping.	
Franklin	Rocky Bald	horse	Wine Spring, Nantahala RD	views, challenges	
Brevard	S. Mills ->Mullinax->Squirrel->S. Mills->Pilot Rock->Laurel Mnt	bike	PISGAH- Turkey Pen area	Remote(ish). No or very little road/car conflict. Water crossings for my dogs. Built well. Thin. Narrow. Single track.	
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Brevard	S. Mills River	horse	Davidson River & Pink Beds	The river.	
Morganton	S. Mills River	hike	N. Henderson Cnty	access to trout fishing	fishing
Morganton	S. Mills River	horse	Pisgah	The river crossings.	
Brevard	S. Mills River area	horse	Turkey Pen and Wolf Ford	Access and appropriate parking for horse trailers- loop trails- horse camping along with fly fishing, hunting- quality trails and great views.	fishing hunting
Brevard	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Turkey Pen to Wolf Ford	I love being close to the river.	
Brevard	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Turkey Pen, Wolf Ford	Water, wildflowers, wildlife, scenery	
Mars Hill	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Pisgah RD	Remote and can be combined with other horse trails to make a loop.	
Brevard	S. Mills river-Mullinax-Bradley Creek-Riverside	hike	Turkey Pen	Location (close), rhododendrons & hemlocks, the river	

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Mars Hill	Sam Knob	hike	Black Balsam area	Easy summit hike. Nice place to take "non-hikers". They're awed!	
Franklin	Sam's Knob & Black Balsam	hike	Blue Ridge Pkwy, Shining Rock Wilderness	Solitude, long range views, varied terrain and difficulty, fresh water, blueberries, wildflowers, camping, beautiful, spiritual, clean (usually), primitive	
Franklin	Scaly Mountain	hike	Macon Cnty	Well kept- fun for all levels.	
Andrews	Schoolhouse	hike	off Junaluska Rd	...	
Brevard	Shining Creek to Shining Rock	hike	Along Shining Creek	Scenery, views from Shining Rock	
Morganton	Shining creek Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	solitude, access to water, old growth forest	
Andrews	Siler Bald- AT	hike	Winding Stair Gap, NC	terrain and views	
Andrews	Slick Rock	hike	Graham Cnty	Rugged and remote	
Andrews	Snowbird Trail System	hike	Big Snowbird Area of Graham Cnty	Creeks and waterfalls	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap	bike	Turkey Pen	narrow, flowy, remote single track. It's fun in both directions.	
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Brevard	Squirrel Gap	horse	PRD	view, trail design	
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Morganton	Squirrel Gap	bike	Pisgah Ranger District	technical, not because of erosion, maintained	
Morganton	Staire Creek	hike	Big Ivy, Buncombe Cnty	solitude, scenic, creek, old forest, easy access year-round	
Andrews	Standing Indian area	hike		...	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	bike	FS 713, Coweeta Lab	We can actually ride there. Limited to areas to ride in Macon Co. We travel to Hayesville and Almond for nice mountain bike trails.	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	in and around the horse camp	This is just a beautiful location where we can take our children camping and horseback riding. It serves as a wonderful opportunity to help our	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	Standing Indian	everything	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	Nantahala, 64 W, Franklin	Close but limited parking	
Andrews	Tatham Gap Rd & Robbinsville	hike	N. of Andrews. Left at Gap along Ridge and connect at Beaver Creek	high altitude, quiet, views	
Mars Hill	The last one I was on	bike	Pisgah NF	I like the diversity the quantity of trails the area offers. The quantity makes the quality.	
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Brevard	The one I'm on!	bike		scenery, solitude	
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Brevard	Thompson River Trail	hike	off Brewer Rd (281), Nantahala NF	The waterfalls concentrated along the river corridor. Its "remoteness" is also a draw.	
Brevard	Trace Ridge	bike	Pisgah- N. Mills River	Favorite trail varies depending on hunting or fishing season. Easy access to trailheads. Variety of recreational pursuits.	
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Mars Hill	Trail complex on PRD	hike	bound by Rt 191-273 (Pisgah Forest), BR Pkwy-N. Mills River	Great diversity-wonderful back country good access.	
Andrews	Tsali	bike	Graham/Swain line	Awesome trails to ride and good single track.	
Andrews	Tsali	bike	Graham Cnty	Easy to get to and fun.	run
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Franklin	Tsali	bike	Fontana Lake	Fun, accessible, beautiful. Lots of options for distance.	run
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Franklin	Tsali	bike	in the mountains	Close to home and fun to ride.	
Franklin	Tsali	bike	Almond	length , scenic	
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Franklin	Tsali- many	horse	off Hwy 28	Diversity- beauty.	

Favorite Trails - by Location

Brevard	Turkey Pen	hike	PNF	beautiful	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	off Hwy 280	flora, vistas, natural area- Major problem is access by horse trailer.	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	off 280	There are several good trails.	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	PNF	beautiful	
Andrews	Twenty Mile Loop	hike	6 miles west of Fontana	Ability to easily get away and the river and waterfalls. Wildlife in the area.	
Brevard	Twin Falls to Buckhorn Gap to Maxwell Gap	hike		scenic beauty, good footing	
Brevard	Twin Falls to Buckhorn Gap to Maxwell Gap	horse		scenic beauty, good footing	
Morganton	Upper Creek Trail 268A	hike	Burke County along Upper Creek	Access to Upper Creek for kayaking (hike with my kayak)	kayak
Morganton	Walnut Bottom	bike		Remote, challenging, fast, fun	
Andrews	Webb Creek Rd	hike	west of Andrews then N. along Webb Creek (Private to other trails)	stream/forests	
Franklin	Wesser Bald	hike	Swain Cnty	beauty, accessible views	
Franklin	Wet Stone- SC & GA	horse	Chatooga River off Hwy 76	1. Excellent parking for horse trailers- gravel parking lot & adequate for multiple rigs- H2O for horses. 2. Trails well maintained, pretty with views, wildlife, H2O at crossings-loops-some shorter-some longer & different levels of experience.	
Morganton	Woodruff Ridge	bike	Globe	close to home, very scenic, many sustainable sections (only a few sections that are not), connectivity to Wilson Ridge to the trails, solitude	
Morganton	Woodruff Ridge	bike	between Globe and Edgemont	challenge, scenery, lightly used, loop layout, most climbing on gravel roads	

Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Workshop	Trail	Use type	Location	What makes it special for you?	Other use
Andrews	Beaver Creek	bike	along top of Snowbird Mnts parallel the Valley River	views, fairly good surface	
Andrews	Hanging Dog	bike	Murphy, NC	It is local-trails system is challenging	
Andrews	Jackrabbit	bike	Clay Cnty	Flow-stacked loops (can do as few as 3-4 miles if only have limited time or up to 20+ miles) accommodate all skill levels but have challenge. Scenery, etc.	
Andrews	Jackrabbit	bike	Hayesville, NC	The trail system is sustainable, flows well and appeals to all users- local; good mileage.	
Andrews	Jackrabbit	bike	Hayesville, NC	great layout	
Andrews	Tsali	bike	Graham/Swain line	Awesome trails to ride and good single track.	
Andrews	Tsali	bike	Graham Cnty	Easy to get to and fun.	run
Brevard	All are great	bike	Pisgah/DuPont/Bent Creek	Endless options	
Brevard	Bennett Gap	bike	FS477 (top near 276 bottom near stables)	technical, long, ridgeline, accessibility, -> need to not be seasonal	
Brevard	Black Mnt	bike	Pisgah Ranger District	length, variety of terrain, technical, challenge- not because it is eroded, but because the elevation change provides technical challenge- elevation gain, accessibility	
Brevard	Butter Gap	bike	fish hatchery	creek side, waterfalls, high point. All ride-able.	
Brevard	Clawhammer Rd-trails off of	bike	off 477	Variety of terrain, good views, well maintained.	
Brevard	Farlow Gap	bike	fish hatchery	difficulty, remoteness, ruggedness, speed!	
Brevard	Laurel Mountain	bike	FS 1206 & FS 5015 btw. Pisgah Inn and Buck Springs Overlook	Remote location; rugged but sustainable; beautiful woods & views; links to Pilot Rock trail.	
Brevard	Laurel Mountain	bike	off Yellow Gap Rd- off 276		
Brevard	Reasonover Creek Trail	bike	DuPont State Forest	sweet flowing single track long loop, challenging	
Brevard	S. Mills ->Mullinax->Squirrel->S. Mills->Pilot Rock->Laurel Mnt	bike	PISGAH- Turkey Pen area	Remote9ish). No or very little road/car conflict. Water crossings for my dogs. Built well. Thin. Narrow. Single track.	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap	bike	Turkey Pen	narrow, flowy, remote single track. It's fun in both directions.	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap	bike	Turkey Pen	Single-track, hand built, technical, wild	
Brevard	The one I'm on!	bike		scenery, solitude	
Brevard	They're all good	bike	all over Pisgah	There is no one specifically. They are all good and beautiful. Having lived all over the US I am always drawn back to Pisgah for the trails. There are few places where you can bike such quality trails for the amount of mileage.	kayak
Brevard	Trace Ridge	bike	Pisgah- N. Mills River	Favorite trail varies depending on hunting or fishing season. Easy access to trailheads. Variety of recreational pursuits.	
Franklin	Bent Creek Trails	bike	Pisgah near Asheville	Single track, flowy, close to towns	
Franklin	Black Mountain	bike	Pisgah Forest	Amazing long range views. Remote- Ridge Trail.	
Franklin	Buckwheat Knob	bike	Pisgah Forest	Lots of drops at end as it descends to FS 477.	
Franklin	Burnt Mountain	bike	DuPont State Forest	Good flow. Table top jumps. Good drainage. Technical.	
Franklin	No lands Creek	bike	GSMNP	Nice access sufficiently maintained- connects with longer rides- camp sites water access.	
Franklin	Pisgah area	bike		More technical than Tsali.	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	bike	FS 713, Coweeta Lab	We can actually ride there. Limited to areas to ride in Macon Co. We travel to Hayesville and Almond for nice mountain bike trails.	
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Franklin	Tsali- all of	bike		close to home (45 min). Lake. Sweet single track. Lots of mileage, loops, beautiful.	
Mars Hill	I love all trails	bike	Black Mnt/Old Fort area	Beautiful places, diversity in trail condition, forest type, and features. Also connectivity to special places and other trails.	
Mars Hill	Jim Branch	bike	DuPont State Forest	Well built with fun flowy sections and a little bit of technical (which was built into the trail).	
Mars Hill	Laurel Mountain	bike	Mills River/Turkey Pen	Challenging, good connections for loops, little traffic, fun! Good drainage/mostly sustainable, rideable year-round.	
Mars Hill	Little Hickory Top-Bent Creek	bike	Bent Creek	long, fun downhill, closeness to town	
Mars Hill	Overmountain Victory NHT	bike	Avery, Mitchell, McDowell, Burke	The history and the experience of retracing the patriots route.	
Mars Hill	Pilot Rock	bike	PRD	The challenge.	
Mars Hill	The last one I was on	bike	Pisgah NF	I like the diversity the quantity of trails the area offers. The quantity makes the quality.	
Morganton	Benson Hollow, Buckeye and joining trails	bike	Boone Fork area	I take my dog on the trail with me and its just the best time and place to bond with animal and nature.	

Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Morganton	Bent Creek-side hill	bike	Bent Creek	Bent Creek's accessibility to town makes for more frequent biking.	
Morganton	Kitsuma	bike	Ridgecrest/Old Fort	I don't have to get off of my bicycle. Killer scenery. Post Reinvestment repairs- smooth, nice.	
Morganton	Persimmon Ridge	bike	PNF- btw N. Harpers Creek and SR 58	Hard climb and a big descent. Tight and flowing single-track with great banked turns.	
Morganton	Squirrel Gap	bike	Pisgah Ranger District	technical, not because of erosion, maintained	
Morganton	Walnut Bottom	bike		Remote, challenging, fast, fun	
Morganton	Woodruff Ridge	bike	Globe	close to home, very scenic, many sustainable sections (only a few sections that are not), connectivity to Wilson Ridge to the trails, solitude	
Morganton	Woodruff Ridge	bike	between Globe and Edgemont	challenge, scenery, lightly used, loop layout, most climbing on gravel roads	
Andrews	Appalachian Trail	hike	Clingmans Dome to Icewater Springs	views	
Andrews	AT	hike	Wayah Rd to Wayah Bald	terrain and views	
Andrews	AT to Slickrock fire tower	hike	near Fontana Dam	The challenge of the hike and reward of the view at the tower.	
Andrews	Bartram Trail	hike	paved part along Nantahala	riverside, relatively flat	wheelchair
Andrews	Bear Creek S. toward Rim Trail	hike	off Junaluska Rd ~ 25 miles from intersection of 19 & Junaluska Rd	small streams, colors, trees	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike		old forest	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike	Cherohala/JK-S into national park	views, isolation	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike	Unaka, Cherokee Cnty	The wilderness, old growth timber, altitude and steep mountainsides. Hardwoods including white oak. Biodiversity, long views through timber.	
Andrews	Benton Mackaye	hike	Cherokee Cnty	view, solitude, old trees, always wild animals to see	
Andrews	Big Huckleberry Knob	hike	Cherohala Skyway, Graham Cnty	views	
Andrews	Big Snowbird Trail #64	hike	Big Snowbird area- Sassafras, Mouse Knob, Meadow Branch, Bear Pen	My Dad worked in this area, logging, during the early 40s. Lot of memories and building memories with my son.	camp
Andrews	Cherohala Skyway-trails off	hike	Graham Cnty	High elevation forest	
Andrews	Fodderstack to Farr Gap	hike	TN/NC line off Cherohala	isolation and remoteness	
Andrews	Hanging Dog	hike	Murphy, NC	It is local-trails system is challenging	
Andrews	Haoe Lead Trail	hike	Graham Cnty	beauty and vistas	
Andrews	Haywood Gap Trail	hike	Middle Prong Wilderness, PSG NF	solitude, water, views, Wilderness, biodiversity, big trees	
Andrews	Jackrabbit	hike	Clay Cnty	Flow-stacked loops (can do as few as 3-4 miles if only have limited time or up to 20+ miles) accommodate all skill levels but have challenge. Scenery, etc.	run
Andrews	Jackrabbit	hike	Hayesville, NC	The trail system is sustainable, flows well and appeals to all users- local; good mileage.	
Andrews	Joyce Kilmer Memorial Loop	hike	Joyce Kilmer	Large trees, wildflowers, water	
Andrews	Joyce Kilmer- Slickrock	hike	Graham Cnty	Easy access- biodiversity	
Andrews	Naked Ground	hike	JK-S Wilderness	solitude, views, old growth forest, biodiversity, wilderness	
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Clay Cnty	Easy access- biodiversity	
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek	Riding the ridge, seasonal changes in forest, diversity of trails from gentle to challenging	
Andrews	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek	vies, trail maps, info board	
Andrews	Schoolhouse	hike	off Junaluska Rd	...	
Andrews	Siler Bald- AT	hike	Winding Stair Gap, NC	terrain and views	
Andrews	Slick Rock	hike	Graham Cnty	Rugged and remote	
Andrews	Snowbird Trail System	hike	Big Snowbird Area of Graham Cnty	Creeks and waterfalls	
Andrews	Standing Indian area	hike		...	
Andrews	Tatham Gap Rd & Robbinsville	hike	N. of Andrews. Left at Gap along Ridge and connect at Beaver Creek	high altitude, quiet, views	
Andrews	Tsali	hike	Graham/Swain line	Awesome trails to ride and good single track.	
Andrews	Twenty Mile Loop	hike	6 miles west of Fontana	Ability to easily get away and the river and waterfalls. Wildlife in the area.	
Andrews	Webb Creek Rd	hike	west of Andrews then N. along Webb Creek (Private to other trails)	stream/forests	
Brevard	Any single track leading to a waterfall	hike	Pisgah and DuPont	I enjoy the wilderness experience, wildlife, beautiful views, wild flowers.	
Brevard	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	The part I like is at a fairly high elevation. There are expansive views. I like the variety of plant life. It is a magical place.	
Brevard	AT	hike	Max Patch to Roan Mnt	Beauty, vistas, remoteness, beauty, wilderness, uniqueness, challenge & beauty!	backpacking

Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Brevard	AT	hike	GA->ME	America's first National Scenic Trail, a footpath for those who seek fellowship with the wilderness; traversing many of the most beautiful parts of the Appalachian Mts.	
Brevard	Bennett Gap	hike	FS477 (top near 276 bottom near stables)	technical, long, ridgeline, accessibility, -> need to not be seasonal	
Brevard	Black Mnt	hike	Pisgah Ranger District	length, variety of terrain, technical, challenge- not because it is eroded, but because the elevation change provides technical challenge- elevation gain, accessibility	run
Brevard	Black Mnt/Mt. Mitchell, cg to summit	hike	Black Mnt campground	The trail started my love of hiking 36 years ago.	
Brevard	Butter Gap	hike	fish hatchery	creek side, waterfalls, high point. All ride-able.	
Brevard	Chunky Gal	hike	Clay Cnty	Remote character, high Quality forest, wildlife, wildflowers, incredible scenery	
Brevard	Daniel Creek- Lanning Ridge	hike	Off Davidson River Rd.	Water and waterfalls. Good climb.	
Brevard	Daniel Ridge	hike	Pisgah off 475 beyond fish hatchery	water, views	
Brevard	Daniel Ridge Loop	hike	Pisgah Ranger District	Beautiful streams, diversity, waterfall	
Brevard	Flat Laural Creek	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	scenic beauty, good footing	
Brevard	Foothills Trail	hike	NW SC & SW NC, 76 miles from Table Rock to Oconee State Park	length- more than just a short trail. Remote- backcountry experience. Variety- rivers, mountains, views, ups/downs. Well maintained - quality trail.	
Brevard	Foothills Trail	hike	Near Lake Jocassee	A long, continuous trail with varied terrain & wonderful scenery. It is well marked & well-maintained.	
Brevard	Fork Mnt Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	Wide range of habitats, some rare. Remote, lightly used. Views.	
Brevard	Graveyard Fields	hike	SE of Shining Rock	Easy access, family friendly, water features, loops	
Brevard	Green Ridge Trail	hike	Shelton Laurel	Remote character, high Quality forest, wildlife, wildflowers, incredible scenery	
Brevard	Greenland Creek-Big Green-Little Green-Schoolhouse Falls	hike	Panthertown	Beauty-waterfalls & views- in a wilderness setting	
Brevard	Haywood Gap ->Buckeye Gap->MTS Loop	hike	Middle Prong Wilderness, PSG NF	remote, diverse, relatively untraveled	
Brevard	Laurel Mountain	hike	FS 1206 & FS 5015 btw. Pisgah Inn and Buck Springs Overlook	Remote location; rugged but sustainable; beautiful woods & views; links to Pilot Rock trail.	
Brevard	Moore Cove	hike	Pisgah District- TH on US276	All 3 versions: in & out, loop and figure 8. Water, rocks, woods, variety and choices for distance.	
Brevard	Moore Cove Loop Extended	hike	Near Moore Cove Falls, Pisgah	Good climbs, nice terrain.	
Brevard	Moore's Cove Loop	hike	extension of Moore Cove	View, waterfall, elevation changes	
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Brevard	MST	hike	Mt. Mitchell Rd to Glassmine Falls Overlook	Views, variety of environments, good trail condition, flowers in several seasons, remote feel but easy access- disadvantage- not a loop.	
Brevard	MTS	hike	Clingman's Dome to Grandfather Mnt	Beauty, vistas, remoteness, beauty, wilderness, uniqueness, challenge & beauty!	backpacking
Brevard	MTS	hike	PRD	Diversity of terrain and flora.	maintain
Brevard	MTS	hike	Btw French Broad & Ox Creek Rd	access to Asheville	run
Brevard	Panthertown trails	hike	Panthertown	It actually is several interconnecting trails that takes you to 4 waterfalls, and up and over Little Green Mountain.	
Brevard	Pea Gap, Mullinix, etc	hike	Turkey Pen	Beautiful environment.	
Brevard	Pilot Cove- Slate Rock Loop	hike	N. Mills River Area- Yellow Gap Rd	Old growth forest; chestnut remnants; scenic views 3-plus forest communities; education in old (damaging) clearcuts; beaver-created habitat; monarch migratory route over outcrop; granite ("pluton") geology.	
Brevard	Pilot rock	hike	off Yellow Gap Rd- off 276	Tough climb with views. Shorter out rt.	
Brevard	S. Mills ->Mullinax->Squirrel->S. Mills->Pilot Rock->Laurel Mnt	hike	PISGAH- Turkey Pen area	Remote(ish). No or very little road/car conflict. Water crossings for my dogs. Built well. Thin. Narrow. Single track.	run
Brevard	S. Mills river-Mullinax-Bradley Creek-Riverside	hike	Turkey Pen	Location (close), rhododendrons & hemlocks, the river	
Brevard	Shining Creek to Shining Rock	hike	Along Shining Creek	Scenery, views from Shining Rock	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap	hike	Turkey Pen	narrow, flowy, remote single track. It's fun in both directions.	run
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Favorite Trails - by Use Type

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Brevard	Turkey Pen	hike	PNF	beautiful	
Brevard	Twin Falls to Buckhorn Gap to Maxwell Gap	hike		scenic beauty, good footing	
Franklin	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Cold Mnt ->Narrows->Shining Rock Gap		
Franklin	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Pisgah RD	It was my first multi-day solo backpacking trip as a teenager. Changed my life.	
Franklin	AT	hike	Macon Cnty GA line to NOC		
Franklin	AT	hike	Georgia to Maine	views, forest environment, history	
Franklin	AT- GSMNP	hike	Maine to GA, esp. NC, TN	relaxation, psychiatric cure, service	
Franklin	Bartram- Jones Gap to Buckeye Creek TH	hike	Central Macon Cnty	Nature, exercise, beauty, its GREAT- keeps us young!!	
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	Nantahala RD	Wilderness area, remote, long distance	
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	S. Macon below Scaly Franklin, Wayah Bald, Cheoah Bald	Started my trail working experience 12 years ago and haven't looked back.	maintain
Franklin	Bartram Trail	hike	Macon & Jackson Counties	Very natural scenery, outdoor experience and not too contrived.	
Franklin	Bent Creek Trails	hike	Pisgah near Asheville	Single track, flowy, close to towns	
Franklin	Big Indian Loop	hike	Standing Indian near Hurricane Ck	It's a loop ride approx. 5 hrs. Good views, change in scenery and some water on trail for horses to drink	
Franklin	Big Tuni Creek	hike	NE Hayesville	Great views of Lake Chatuge and rolling Mnt vistas.	
Franklin	Blachock Trail	hike	Panther town	wildflower, access not over used	
Franklin	Bonas Defeat Gorge	hike	upper E.Fk of the Tuckasegee	it is one of a handful of places in NC where canyoneering is possible. This tract is truly one-of-a-kind. Access to this gorge is almost non-existent. Duke Power owns all access to this area. One must trespass to gain access to the FS land. Please take steps to ensure public access to this parcel.	canyoneering/bouldering
Franklin	Chatooga River Trail, Whiteside Rd to Iron Bridge	hike	South Jackson & Macon Counties	Nature, exercise, beauty, its GREAT- keeps us young!!	
Franklin	Chunky Gal/ Boeteller Peak	hike	NE Hayesville	Solitude- but noisy water!	
Franklin	Chunky Gal/Boeteller Peak	hike	Tusquitee RD	Beautiful views, remoteness, large ridgeline seen on trails.	
Franklin	Clifftop Vista Trail and Ranger Falls	hike	Cliffside Lake Rec site	Clifftop Vista wanders along a stream then gains elev. To a white oak grove- it is short, but strenuous. It makes a good trail run too. It has a nice view of Cliffside and the lake. It also has a trailhead next to Ranger Falls approx. 3 mi. to nice little waterfall and you can combine the two for a longer hike. Superb trail qualities- shady, some level spots near woodland wildflowers, crosses stream-has sturdy bridge, and then transitions through conifer planting, trail gets steep- contributes to cardio-exercise! ;) Then has top ridge of oaks! BIG trees and a scenic rest area (a gazebo- not a bathroom!) and then down hill through slightly different forest types.	run
Franklin	Cullasaja- trails along	hike	Macon & Jackson Counties	Very natural scenery, outdoor experience and not too contrived.	
Franklin	Fires Creek Rim Trail	hike	Tusquitee RD	Rugged, remote, scenic	
Franklin	Fires Creek Rim Trail	hike	Tusquitee RD	great views, isolation, wildlife, lack of human footprint.	
Franklin	Foothills Trail	hike	Jocassee Gorge to Ellicott Rock Wilderness	Length and variety of terrain	
Franklin	gated roads all over NF lands	hike		We use FS gated roads all over the NF lands for grouse hunting. It is very important to maintain access. Good grouse populations. Scenery, ability to get way back into NF lands. Ability to use and train my bird dog on NF land.	hunting
Franklin	Jones Knob	hike	Turtle Pond Rd, Highlands	Quiet with no fear of horses or motors.	
Franklin	NC Bartram Trail	hike	Rabun Bald, GA through Macon Cnty, to Cheoah Bald in Smokies	No bikes, No horses, peaceful and beautiful walking.	
Franklin	No lands Creek	hike	GSMNP	Nice access sufficiently maintained- connects with longer rides- camp sites water access.	
Franklin	Rim Trail	hike	Fires Creek Watershed, Hayesville	Remoteness & scenic	
Franklin	Sam's Knob & Black Balsam	hike	Blue Ridge Pkwy, Shining Rock Wilderness	Solitude, long range views, varied terrain and difficulty, fresh water, blueberries, wildflowers, camping, beautiful, spiritual, clean (usually), primitive	
Franklin	Scaly Mountain	hike	Macon Cnty	Well kept- fun for all levels.	
Franklin	Tsali	hike	Fontana Lake	Fun, accessible, beautiful. Lots of options for distance.	run
Franklin	Tsali- all of	hike		close to home (45 min). Lake. Sweet single track. Lots of mileage, loops, beautiful.	

Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Franklin	Wesser Bald	hike	Swain Cnty	beauty, accessible views	
Mars Hill	Appalachian	hike	NC-Tenn.		
Mars Hill	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Waterside all the way up the ridgeline	wilderness, views	
Mars Hill	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Brevard to Waynesville	A mid-range thru hike	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Along NC/TN border	I've hiked the full length of the AT and am now a member of the ATC Board and a AT trail maintainer.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	from Tanyard Gap to Hot Springs	Beautiful woods, French Broad River and mountain views. I also am the section maintainer.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike		length, loop options	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Springer Mt, GA to Katahdin At, ME	The unique majesty it commands.	
Mars Hill	AT	hike	Western NC	It's the AT!	
Mars Hill	AT near Snowbird	hike	near where AT crosses I-40	I am the AT section maintainer for this section	maintain
Mars Hill	Bartram Trail	hike	NC, SC, GA	The length and lack of people.	
Mars Hill	Bearwallow Trail	hike	near Gerton, NC	we built it	maintain
Mars Hill	Betty Place	hike	Upper Shut-in/Hot Springs	Quiet/pretty/we built it.	
Mars Hill	Big East Fork	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	The river and quality of the trail.	
Mars Hill	Black Mnt Crest Trail	hike	Mt. Mitchell to Celo Knob	Views	
Mars Hill	Black Mnt Crest Trail	hike	Mt. Mitchell to Bolens Creek, Yancey Cnty	Vistas, natural diversity, highest trail east of the Mississippi!! Needs to be a loop trail!!	
Mars Hill	Black Mnt Crest Trail	hike	Black Mnts, Yancey Cnty	Highest trail in eastern N. America.	
Mars Hill	Graveyard Fields	hike		unusual landscape, waterfalls, the story of the landscape	
Mars Hill	I love all trails	hike	Black Mnt/Old Fort area	Beautiful places, diversity in trail condition, forest type, and features. Also connectivity to special places and other trails.	run, backpack
Mars Hill	Joyce Kilmer area	hike	Joyce Kilmer	The forest.	
Mars Hill	Laurel Mountain	hike	Mills River/Turkey Pen	Challenging, good connections for loops, little traffic, fun! Good drainage/mostly sustainable, rideable year-round.	
Mars Hill	Max Patch to Lemon Gap	hike	Madison County	Abundance of wildflowers in spring.	
Mars Hill	MST	hike	Folk Arts Center to Mt. Mitchell	Views, different types of tread, convenient.	
Mars Hill	MST-NC215-Mt Hardy	hike	N/o BRP and W/o NC 215	Spruce-fir forests, remoteness and variety of environments- ridges, stream valleys, views, bog. Unique!	
Mars Hill	Overmountain Victory NHT	hike	Avery, Mitchell, McDowell, Burke	The history and the experience of retracing the patriots route.	
Mars Hill	Perkins/Walker Creek	hike	Big Ivy-Coleman Boundary, Barnardsville	Loops. Main connection through center of Boundary- ties trails together. Not too difficult and beautiful.	
Mars Hill	Pink Beds	hike	PRD	Flat, easy hiking for families with small kids. Lots of stream access.	
Mars Hill	Roan Mnt	hike	Spruce Pine	Long range views. Differences in the seasons.	
Mars Hill	Roan Mnt- AT: Carvers Gap to Cloudland	hike	Mitchell Cnty, TN border	It's also designated and used for back country skiing. Excellent for winter camping.	
Mars Hill	Sam Knob	hike	Black Balsam area	Easy summit hike. Nice place to take "non-hikers". They're awed!	
Mars Hill	The last one I was on	hike	Pisgah NF	I like the diversity the quantity of trails the area offers. The quantity makes the quality.	run, dog walk, geocache, photography
Mars Hill	Trail complex on PRD	hike	bound by Rt 191-273 (Pisgah Forest), BR Pkwy-N. Mills River	Great diversity-wonderful back country good access.	
Morganton	Art Loeb Trail	hike	Davidson River to Daniel Boone	perfect distance for a day, diverse environment over trail length, Shining Rock is highlight	run
Morganton	Babel Tower	hike	Old Kisler Hwy to Linville River	Linville River access for kayaking. (hike with my kayak)	kayak
Morganton	Benson Hollow, Buckeye and joining trails	hike	Boone Fork area	I take my dog on the trail with me and its just the best time and place to bond with animal and nature.	
Morganton	Boone Fork Area	hike	Mulberry Area, Caldwell Cnty	views, creeks, different difficulty levels, beauty of trails, solitude and riding there with friends	
Morganton	Buckeye Knob	hike	Curtis Creek Rec. Area, McDowell Cnty	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Morganton	Cragg Prong	hike	Roseboro area of Grandfather RD, MTS trail	scenic, waterfalls	
Morganton	Douglas Falls	hike	Craggy Mountain	Solitude, unique interesting landscape, diverse flora	
Morganton	Heartbreak Ridge	hike	Blue Ridge Parkway- Mill Creek	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Morganton	Hickory Branch	hike	Curtis Creek Rec. Area, McDowell Cnty	Relatively uncrowded, scenery, relatively remote, and amidst high quality forest communities.	
Morganton	Hickory Branch	hike	Mackey Mountain	Old growth, waterfalls, wildlife, diverse flora	
Morganton	Limekiln	hike	Dobson Knob, McDowell Cnty.	I hunt along it	hunt
Morganton	Lost Cove Creek	hike	between Little Lost Cove Ck and Hunt Fish Falls	You can usually get away from the crowds at Hunt Fish Falls through beautiful open woods, some challenging creek crossings, water availability.	
Morganton	Mackey Mountain	hike	McDowell Cnty	not lots of people, not lots of erosion, see lots of different birds, see lots of different habitats, no trail markers.	bird watching
Morganton	MST	hike	throughout the forest	long distance trail opportunity	
Morganton	Over Mountain Victory Trail	hike	Dobson Knob, McDowell Cnty.	I hunt along it	hunt

Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Morganton	Panthertown	hike	Panthertown	Panthertown trails are spectacularly beautiful, accessible, remote.	
Morganton	Pisgah NF	hike	Pisgah NF	Huge variety of terrain, vegetation, views. Lots of beautiful streams, waterfalls, chance for re-connecting with nature & solitude. Simplicity.	
Morganton	Profile Trail	hike	Grandfather Mnt	wildflowers, pretty rock work, scenic views	
Morganton	S. Mills River	hike	N. Henderson Cnty	access to trout fishing	fishing
Morganton	Shining creek Trail	hike	Shining Rock Wilderness	solitude, access to water, old growth forest	
Morganton	Staire Creek	hike	Big Ivy, Buncombe Cnty	solitude, scenic, creek, old forest, easy access year-round	
Morganton	Upper Creek Trail 268A	hike	Burke County along Upper Creek	Access to Upper Creek for kayaking (hike with my kayak)	kayak
Andrews	Rim and adjoining trail to the rim	horse	Fires Creek	Search & Rescue and pleasure and trail training. Camping	camp
Andrews	Rim Trail	horse	Fires Creek	scenery	
Andrews	Rim Trail	horse	Fires Creek	Riding the ridge, seasonal changes in forest, diversity of trails from gentle to challenging	
Brevard	Bradley Creek, Riverside	horse	Turkey Pen	Sound of the creek, mt. Views, quiet. Hate the road.	
Brevard	Flat Lural Creek	horse	Shining Rock Wilderness	scenic beauty, good footing	
Brevard	Funnel Top, Riverside Tr	horse	Above Pink Beds, Turkey Pen	Views. Remoteness, next to river.	
Brevard	Horse Cove	horse	Pink Beds area	beautiful, peaceful	
Brevard	Ivester Gap	horse	Black Balsam Rd/Shining Rock	open balds, Wilderness, views	
Brevard	Laurel Creek	horse	Turkey Pen	Lovely trail along the creek; climbing & long views.	
Brevard	N. Mills River	horse	N. Mills river	So many awesome trails. Wonderful footing, 11 water crossings, well maintained, people.	
Brevard	Pea Gap, Mullinax, etc	horse	Turkey Pen	Beautiful environment.	
Brevard	S. Mills -Mullinax, Squirrel, Pilot Rock, Laurel Mnt	horse	PISGAH- Turkey Pen area	Remote(ish). No or very little road/car conflict. Water crossings for my dogs. Built well. Thin. Narrow. Single track.	
Brevard	S. Mills River	horse	Davidson River & Pink Beds	The river.	
Brevard	S. Mills River area	horse	Turkey Pen and Wolf Ford	Access and appropriate parking for horse trailers- loop trails- horse camping along with fly fishing, hunting- quality trails and great views.	fishing hunting
Brevard	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Turkey Pen to Wolf Ford	I love being close to the river.	
Brevard	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Turkey Pen, Wolf Ford	Water, wildflowers, wildlife, scenery	
Brevard	S. Mills river-Mullinax-Bradley Creek-Riverside	horse	Turkey Pen	Location (close), rhododendrons & hemlocks, the river	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap	horse	PRD	view, trail design	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	off Hwy 280	flora, vistas, natural area- Major problem is access by horse trailer.	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	off 280	There are several good trails.	
Brevard	Turkey Pen	horse	PNF	beautiful	
Brevard	Twin Falls to Buckhorn Gap to Maxwell Gap	horse		scenic beauty, good footing	
Franklin	Any horse trail	horse	Nantahala- Standing Indian, Wine Spring		
Franklin	Big Indian Loop	horse	Standing Indian near Hurricane Ck	It's a loop ride approx. 5 hrs. Good views, change in scenery and some water on trail for horses to drink	
Franklin	Big Indian Trail	horse	Macon Cnty		
Franklin	Big Indian Trail	horse	Standing Indian	beautiful	
Franklin	Goat Bald Trail	horse	Wine Spring Area	Remote, has great views, a variety of different aspects- most beautiful in spring.	
Franklin	Goat Bald Trail	horse	Wine Spring, Nantahala RD	views, challenges of back country	
Franklin	Rocky Bald	horse	Wine Spring, Nantahala RD	views, challenges	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	in and around the horse camp	This is just a beautiful location where we can take our children camping and horseback riding. It serves as a wonderful opportunity to help our children grow up to love these mountains as much as we do.	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	Standing Indian	everything	
Franklin	Standing Indian area	horse	Nantahala, 64 W, Franklin	Close but limited parking	
Franklin	Tsali- many	horse	off Hwy 28	Diversity- beauty.	
Franklin	Wet Stone- SC & GA	horse	Chatooga River off Hwy 76	1. Excellent parking for horse trailers- gravel parking lot & adequate for multiple rigs- H2O for horses. 2. Trails well maintained, pretty with views, wildlife, H2O at crossings-loops-some shorter-some longer & different levels of experience.	
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Favorite Trails - by Use Type

Mars Hill	S. Mills River Trail	horse	Pisgah RD	Remote and can be combined with other horse trails to make a loop.	
Morganton	Benson Hollow, Buckeye and joining trails	horse	Boone Fork area	I take my dog on the trail with me and its just the best time and place to bond with animal and nature.	
Morganton	Big Creek	horse	GSM	scenery	
Morganton	Boone Fork Area	horse	Mulberry Area, Caldwell Cnty	views, creeks, different difficulty levels, beauty of trails, solitude and riding there with friends	
Morganton	Cataloochie Divide	horse	Cataloochee, Great Smoky Mountains	scenery	
Morganton	Hwy 105	horse	Off hwy 105 at forest road gate	Ride down to river.	
Morganton	Little Cataloochee	horse	GSM	history	
Morganton	Off fish hatchery rd	horse	Sometimes referred to as Blue Conavel Rd (?); Back Irish Creek?	Lots of varying degrees of trails. Lots of loops. Solitude.	
Morganton	S. Mills River	horse	Pisgah	The river crossings.	
Brevard	Mt. Hardy Trail		side of Mt. Hardy	High country trail with great mix of trees, shrubs and flowers. Never crowded. Relatively primitive.	
Brevard	Squirrel Gap		N. Mills	Quiet, serenity of back country	

Specific Favorite Trail Areas Identified by Users

Note: some trails identified were counted as part of a larger trail complex for the purpose of this analysis. Reference the first sheet of this workbook for a list of all comments submitted.

Nantahala National Forest:

Cheoah-Tusquitee RD			
	Hike	Bike	Horse
AT	7		
Bartram	7		
Beaver Creek		1	
Benton Creek	4		
Cherohala	4		
Chunky Gal	3		
Fires Creek	7		3
Hanging Dog	1	1	
Jackrabbit	1	3	
Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock	5		
Snowbird	1		
Tatham Gap	1		
Tsali	4	6	1
Twentymile Loop	1		
Webb Crk Rd	1		

Nantahala RD			
	Hike	Bike	Horse
Bonas Defeat	1		
Buckwheat Knob		1	
Chattooga River	1		1
Cliffside	1		
Cullasaja River	1		
Foothills Trl	3		
Hurricane Crk	1		7
Panthertown	4		
Scaly Mountain	1		
Standing Indian	3		
Wine Springs			3
Wesser	1		

Pisgah National Forest:

Pisgah RD			
	Hike	Bike	Horse
Art Loeb	5		
Bennett Gap		1	
Bent Creek	1	3	
Clawhammer		1	
Graveyard Fields	2		
Hatchery Area	4	3	
Laurel Mountain	1		
Laurel Mtn		2	

Appalachian RD			
	Hike	Bike	Horse
AT	11		
Big Ivy			1
Crest/Blk Mtn	6		
Green Ridge		1	
Hot Springs Area	1		
Old Fort/Blk Mtn		4	
Overmtn Victory Trail	1	1	
Pilot Rock		1	

Middle Prong	2		
Moore Cove	4		
Mtns-to-Sea Trail	4		
Mt Hardy			1
N Mills River			2
Pink Beds			3
S Mills/ Turkey Pen	6	5	14
Shining Rock	5		1
Thompson River	1		
Trace Ridge	2		
Twin Falls			1
Yellow Gap		1	

Grandfather RD			
	Hike	Bike	Horse
Babel Tower	1		
Boone Fork	2	1	2
Curtis Creek	2		
Dobson Knob	2		
Douglas Falls	1		
Globe		2	
Harper Crk		1	
Heartbreak Ridge	1		
Irish Creek			1
Lost Cove	1		
Mackey Mtn	2		
Mtns-to-Sea Trail	2		
Rd off Hwy 105			1
Ridgecrest-Old Fort		4	
Upper Crk	1		
Walnut Bottom		1	