Gobblers Arch Trail, located on Stearns District on the Daniel Boone National Forest, ascends from Rock Creek until reaching the cliffline and then following the ridgetop. Gobblers Arch is a sandstone arch with a height of nearly 12 feet and a base width of 50 feet. The trail continues on the ridgetop to the turnaround on Forest Service Road 6105.

Begins: Hemlock Grove
Ends: Forest Service Road 6105
Difficulty: Most difficult
Length: 3 miles
Surface: Dirt
County: McCreary
Quadrangle: Bell Farm, Barthell SW
Closest Town: Whitley City
Latitude: 36.64522
Longitude: -84.71473

To Forest Service Road 6105: From US 27 in Whitley City, take KY 92 west. After crossing the Yamacraw Bridge over the Big South Fork River, turn south (left) on 1363. Follow the signs for Great Meadow Campground. At the intersection of Forest Service Road 562 and 139, go left, following 139 to Forest Service Road 569. Turn right onto 569. Go about 1/2-mile to Forest Service Road 6105 on the right.

Loop trail opportunity: Mark Branch Trail, Gobblers Arch Trail and Section 37 of the Sheltowee Trace National Recreation Trail forms a 5-mile loop.

Parking is available at the Hemlock Grove Picnic Area with a turn-around on Forest Service Road 6105.

Guides like this are available at fs.usda.gov/dbnf.

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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. If camping in the backcountry, hang your food at least 10 feet off the ground and four feet away from a tree.