

# Hike The Alleghenies Thousand Steps Area Link Trail

## Motel 22 to Top of Thousand Steps (4 Miles Round Trip)



This out-and-back section of the orange blazed 72-mile Link Trail boasts some of the most unique wildlife in Pennsylvania and is home to a wide variety of reptiles and lizards. Use extreme caution when crossing US Rt. 22 to start the hike. The trail meanders along the hillside to the bottom of Thousand Steps and takes you up the steps experiencing a piece of our heritage. Quarry workers once used the steps every day to get to mineral deposits. The beautiful scenic overlook just past the top of the steps will be worth the hike. The steps can be quite challenging for people out for an easy stroll in the woods even though many families and senior citizens make it to the top. The 72-mile Link Trail connects the Mid State Trail and the Tuscarora Trail running north from Cowans Gap State Park to Greenwood Furnace State Park.

**Parking:** *Lat 40 23 56 Lon 77 56 04*

From Huntingdon, take US Rt. 22 East 8 miles to Motel 22. Park directly across US Rt. 22 from Motel 22.

**Trail Directions:** From the parking area, follow the orange blazed Link Trail across US Rt. 22 toward Motel 22. Use extreme caution crossing US Rt. 22, which can have fast moving and heavy traffic volume. Continue 1.4 miles to the bottom of Thousand Steps. Follow the Link Trail past the top of Thousand Steps to the scenic overlook with the piece of rail in the ground and return on the same trail to the parking area.

**Distance:**

4 miles

**Time:**

2.5-3.5 hours

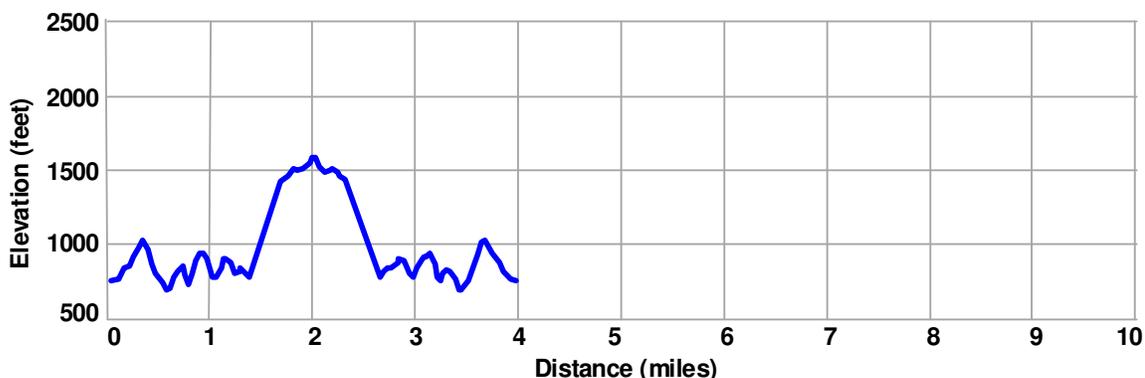
**Elevation Change:**

827feet

**Trail Loop Difficulty Rating:**



Moderate terrain and some elevation change



More information on the Link Trail, including history, updates, events and tours are available from:

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