

Hike The Alleghenies Forbes State Forest Mt. Davis Area – Highest Point in PA

Challenging Loop (7.6 Miles)

The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) built the picnic area and many of the trails in the early 1930's. The picnic area contains water, restrooms, picnic tables, charcoal grills and a shelter.

The hike takes you along several trails that incorporate rocky sections, streamside walking, a stand of pitch pine, the remnants of an old stone quarry and much of the wildlife indigenous to the area. Large blocks of moss-covered sandstone can be seen along Tub Mill Trail.

Be sure to stop and see the observation tower and information plaques at High Point - the highest point in Pennsylvania at 3,213 feet. Unusual circular patterns of stone, formed by frost action over thousands of years, occur near the base of the observation tower.

Parking: Lat 39 47 35 Lon 79 09 57

From Somerset, take US Rt. 219 South to Meyersdale. Get on SR 2004 West 9 miles to Mt. Davis Picnic Area on your left.

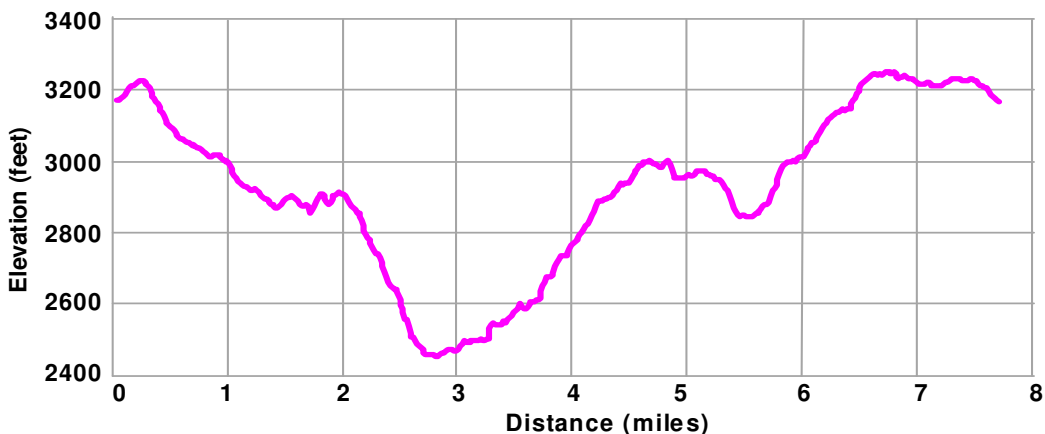
Trail Directions: From the parking area at Mt. Davis Picnic Area, go to your right (looking at the picnic area from the parking area) through the picnic area until you come to the High Point Trail trailhead. Follow High Point Trail .2 miles and Turn Left onto Tub Mill Trail. Go 2.8 miles and Turn Right South Wolf Rock Road. Go .3 miles and Turn Left onto Laurel Run Trail. Go 1.1 miles and Turn Right onto Wolf Rock Trail. Go .8 miles and continue Straight onto Shelter Rock Road. Go .6 miles and Turn Left onto Shelter Rock Trail. Go .9 miles and Turn Right onto Mt. Davis Trail. *Optional short out and back to High Point.* Go .1 miles and Turn Right onto High Point Trail .8 miles back to parking area.

Distance: 7.6 miles

Time: 4.5-6 hours

Elevation Change: 762 feet

Trail Loop Difficulty Rating:  Challenging terrain OR varying elevation



Many more miles of trail are available in Forbes State Forest. See this website for details.

www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/stateforests/forbes.aspx