

# Susquehannock State Park Trail Information Only

## **Hiking: 5 miles of trails**

The scenic hiking trails offer a wide variety of interesting habitats and evidence of people's past use of the area. A *Field Guide to the Natural History of Susquehannock State Park* is available at the park office to assist you in discovering the natural resources of the park.

Native holly, rhododendron, spring and summer wildflowers and a variety of other plant life await your discovery. Walk or sit quietly along a trail to observe deer, songbirds, lizards or many other forms of wildlife. From the overlooks, watch for vultures, hawks, osprey and, if you are lucky, you may spot a bald eagle. Old homestead sites are also evident along a number of the trails.

The most popular trail is the **Overlook Trail** as this leads to the two scenic vistas that overlook the Susquehanna River. This 0.55-mile trail leads to both Hawk Point and Wissler's Run overlooks and offers the visitor panoramic views for the lower and upper reaches of the river.

At 1.2-mile, **Rhododendron Trail** is the longest and most difficult of the park's trails traversing some steep and rocky terrain but well worth the extra effort. The trail's namesake blooms in late June and early July. The remains of the homestead of Thomas Neel, a revolutionary war veteran, is along this trail.

The **Pine Tree Trail** is short but also steep and rocky as it winds its way down to Wissler's Run.

The 0.7-mile **Five Points Trail** is moderately difficult and features rhododendron and views of creek valleys.

The remainder of the trails are either moderate or easy walking.

**Holly Trail** is 0.5-mile of easy walking and features native holly trees and Christmas ferns.

Fire Trail is a short logging road with a nice stand of poplar trees.

Pawpaw trees can be found along the 0.4-mile, easy walking **Spring Trail**.

**Nature Trail** features a nice group of mature hardwood trees and is an easy 0.3-mile walk.

Walk along the short **Phites Eddy Trail** and imagine what this area was like over a hundred years ago when loggers, ate, drank, and slept at the Phites Eddy Inn along the river.

The 0.6-mile **Landis Trail** was named for Lester Landis, the one time owner of the historical Landis House across from the park office. This trail features a fine stand of Virginia bluebells that bloom in late April and early May.

**Pipeline Trail** is an easy 0.24-mile walk on the old, abandoned gas pipeline right-of-way that crosses the park.

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