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Guides



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From the mine site, the steep and dramatic Kaymoor Miners Trail descends via 821 steps and switchbacks to additional remains of the mine, including the coke ovens, coal processing plant and Kaymoor town site. Thousands of miners have done a similar descent over the years. Take the short but challenging trail north instead to reach an active rail line and the New River.

The Kaymoor Trail runs parallel to the New River between Fayetteville and Cunard in the National Park Service's New River Gorge National River. Much of the stunning trail follows old roads and dormant rail beds, although the southern half is significantly more challenging to cyclists and hikers. The adjacent area is popular with rock climbers and whitewater rafters—don't be surprised if you hear gleeful screams as visitors enjoy the 70,000-acre park.

The highlight of the trail is undoubtedly the abandoned Kaymoor Mine. The site was in operation for almost 60 years, but has been abandoned since 1963. Several old coal mine structures and mine openings are found here, as well as informative exhibits on the history of the area.



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States: West Virginia

Counties: Fayette

Length: 8.6 miles

Trail end points: Fayette Station Rd
(Fayetteville) to Cunard Rd (Cunard)

Trail surfaces: Dirt, Gravel

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Mountain

Biking, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

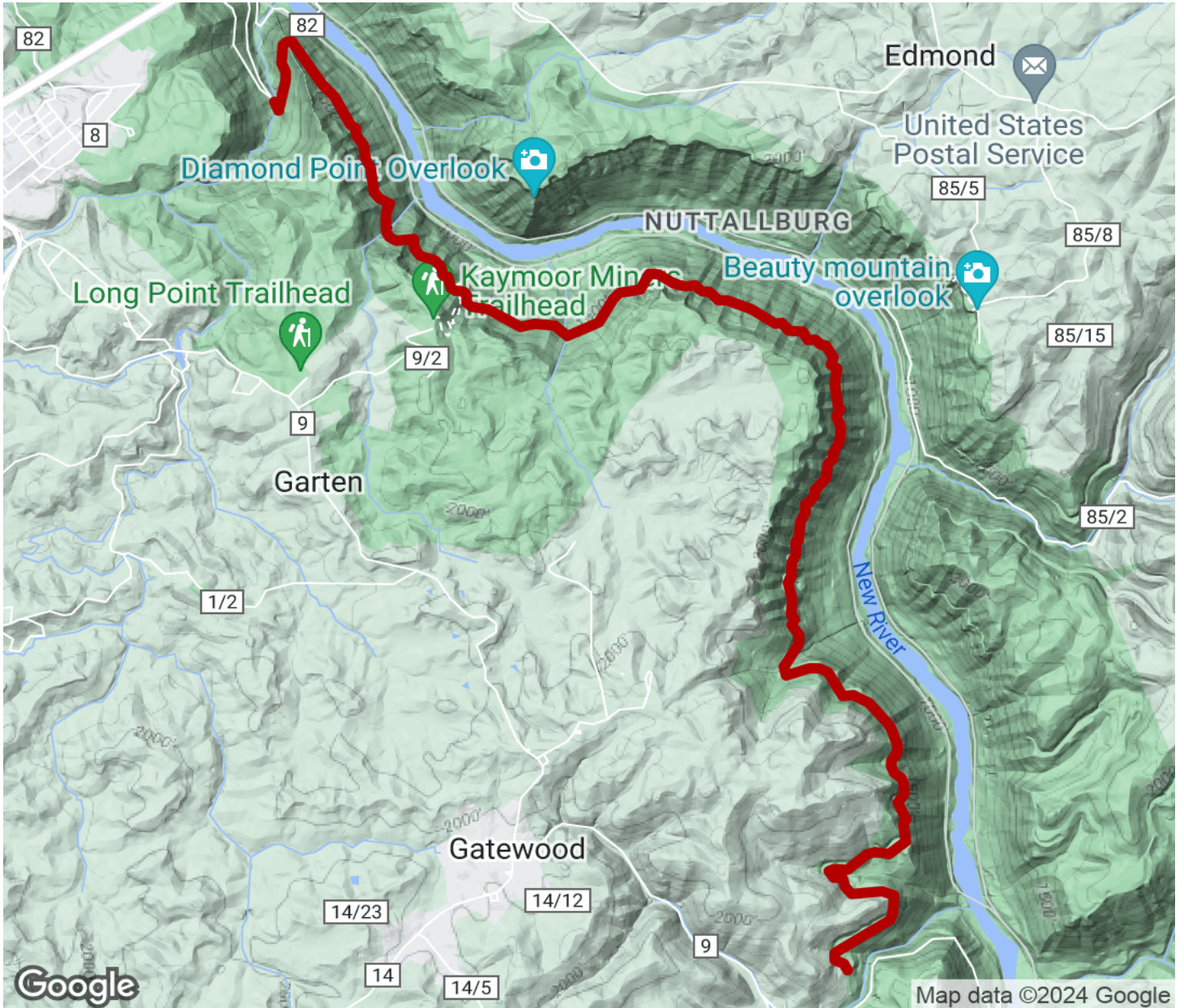
To reach the northern Wolf Creek Trailhead from US 19, head south on Lansing Edmond Road/County Route 5 (just north of the Canyon Rim Visitor Center). Then turn right onto Fayette Station Road/CR 82 and quickly fork to the left. Follow the road to the bottom of the gorge. You will have to make a hairpin turn to reverse direction at one point. Shortly after passing under US 19 for the second time, cross the New River on the Tunney Hunsaker Bridge and continue for 1.2 miles to the small parking area on the left. Parking is not permitted on the road.

To reach the southern Cunard Road Trailhead from US 19, take State Route 16 south through Fayetteville. Turn left onto Gatewood Road, and follow it for 4.6 miles. At Cunard Road, turn left. Travel 1.8 miles and again turn left at the signs for Cunard River Access Road. Parking for the Kaymoor Trail is available 0.5 mile further on the right. The trail begins on the other side of the road.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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