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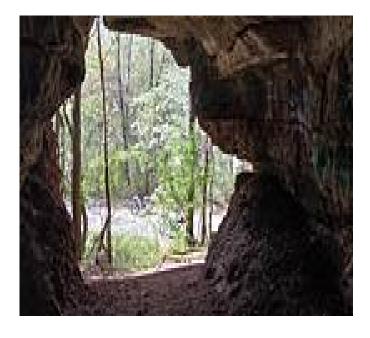




Big Spring Nature Trail Arkansas



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The wooded trail begins in Big Spring Park, an important recreational amenity for the community, offering athletic fields, picnic areas, a swimming hole and boat ramp. The park also has two special features: the Anglin-Tinnon Railroad Workers' Memorial, honoring the town's unique history, and the R.M. Ruthven Rainbow Arch Bridge, built in 1930 and included on the National Register of Historic Places. From under the bridge, the trail continues northeast along the east bank of the river on a former





States: Arkansas **Counties:** Baxter Length: 2.75miles

Trail end points: R.M. Ruthven Rainbow Arch

Bridge, Big Spring Park to Denton Ferry **Trail surfaces:** Ballast, Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail
Trail activities: Walking

Parking & Trail Access

Ample parking is available in Cotter's Big Spring Park, on the banks of the White River.





