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Green Mountain Trail *West Virginia*



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The scenic Green Mountain Trail provides foot access to some of the most remote areas of the Otter Creek Wilderness. Stretching 4 miles, this trail offers stunning views of the remote West Virginia backcountry and has less traffic than other trails in the region due to its difficult accessibility. The Green Mountain Trail is great for either an overnight backpacking trip or a long and challenging day hike.

Although the trail itself is 4 miles long, there is some



considerable hiking to get to the start of the trail. The trail can best be accessed by hiking in from the Big Springs Gap Trailhead or either of the trailheads for the <u>Otter Creek Trail</u>.

The Green Mountain Trail climbs steeply at first out of the Otter Creek valley and provides breathtaking views of the surrounding area. It levels out after about 2 miles and follows a high mountain plateau before reaching a junction with the <u>Possession Camp Trail</u> after 2.7 miles. The trail concludes with a 1.3-mile ascent through thickly wooded brush at the top of Green Mountain. The end of the trail is marked by a cairn indicating the start of the Shavers Mountain Trail.

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States: West Virginia Counties: Tucker Length: 4.1miles Trail end points: Otter Creek Trail to Shavers Mountain Trail Trail surfaces: Dirt Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Walking

Parking & Trail Access

To reach the Big Springs Gap Trailhead from Parsons, take 1st Street north to Billings Avenue and turn right. Billings Avenue turns into County Road 219. Turn right on Forest Road 701 and follow the signs to the trailhead, which will be on the left.



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