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Guides



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From St. Elmo, at the foot of the mountain's eastern side, the rail-trail winds up the forested slope for a gentle climb of more than 1,000 feet. Along the way, you'll encounter Civil War relics, such as battleground markers and old cannons, and pass the historical Cravens House. Natural beauty includes the stunning Ruby Falls, a 145-foot-high underground waterfall, and views of the Chattanooga and Tennessee Rivers below. You might even spot bighorn sheep.



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**States:** Tennessee

**Counties:** Hamilton

Length: 5miles

**Trail end points:** Ochs Highway Trailhead to  
Lookout Mountain Scenic Highway

**Trail surfaces:** Gravel

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Mountain Biking, Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

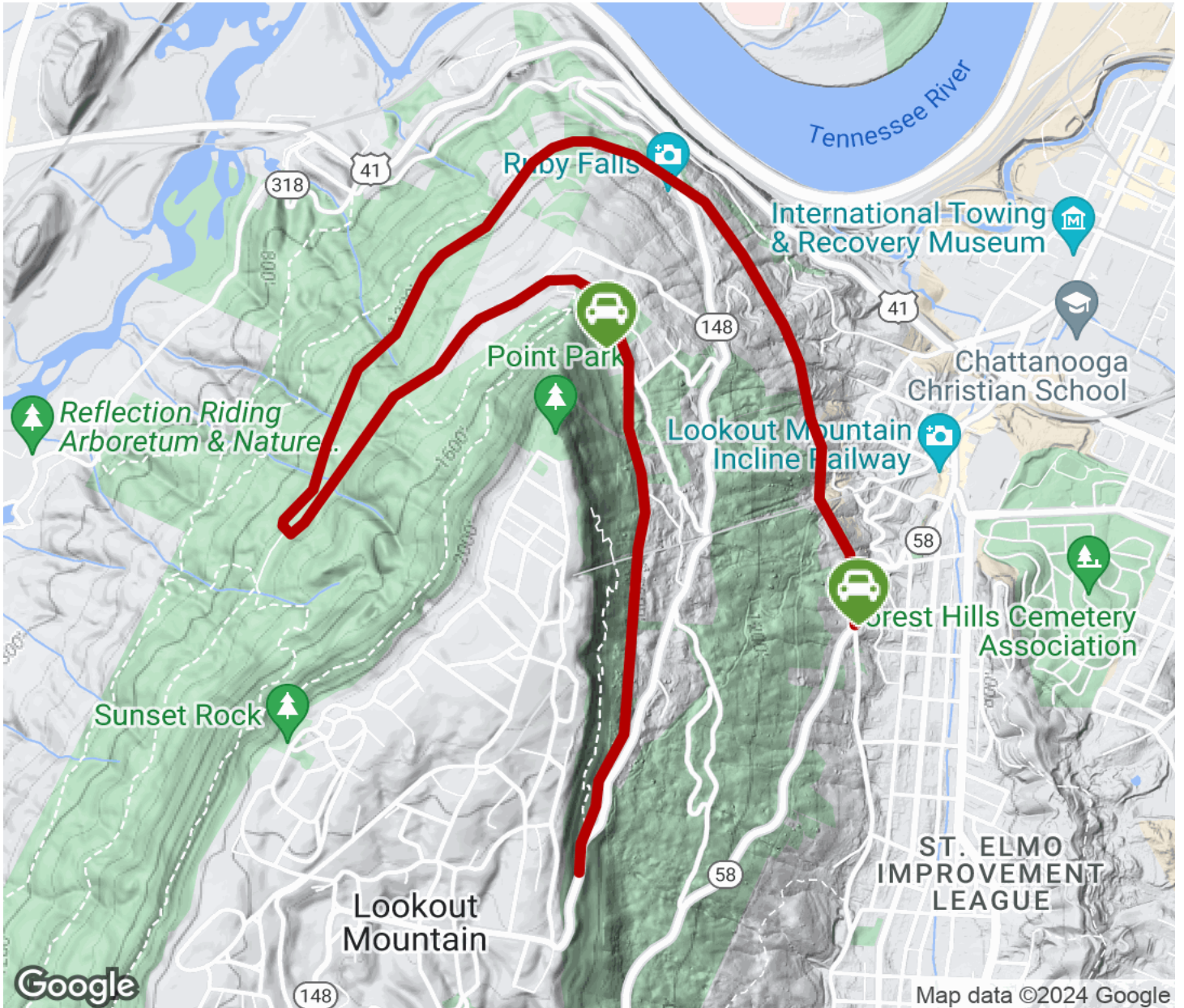
The Guild-Hardy Trail offers four trailheads:

- Ochs Highway parking lot
- Ruby Falls parking lot (1720 South Scenic Highway)
- Cravens House parking lot (Cravens Terrace at Shingle Road)
- Scenic Highway pull-off



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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