

TRAILS

Norvin Green State Forest



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State Park Service

TRAIL SENSE AND SAFETY

Trail Markings: Official trails are marked by colored blazes on posts and trees. For your safety and habitat protection, please stay on the trails and don't alter trail markings or create new trails.

Be Prepared: Consider bringing water, snacks, sunscreen, insect repellent and a hat. Dress for the weather. Tell someone where you plan to go and when you expect to return. Be aware of changing trail conditions.

Hunting: Sections are open to hunting. Bright orange clothing is recommended during hunting season.

Pets: Pets must always be on a leash no longer than six feet in length and under the control of the owner at all times. Please clean up after your pets and take the waste with you.

Bear Aware: Black bears are found throughout New Jersey. Do not approach or attract bears by making food available. Feeding bears is dangerous and illegal. Never run from a bear! To report an aggressive bear, call 1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337) immediately. Please report any damage or nuisance behavior to Park Office. Visit the New Jersey DEP Fish & Wildlife at njfishandwildlife.com/bears for additional information on bear safety.

Keep It Clean and Green: Bring a bag or two and carry your trash out with you. Trash cans are not provided. Don't forget to recycle!

Tick Protection: Bring insect repellent, wear light-colored clothing, tuck pants into socks, stay on trails, check yourself thoroughly, shower and launder clothes immediately.

Report Trail Issues: 973-962-2240

Emergency numbers: 1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337), or 911



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Torne Trail

Red • 0.72 mile • Hiking

Moderate • Short trail along rocky creek terrain

Trailhead: Parking area on Otter Hole Road. **Torne Trail** heads south from road, passes Hewitt-Butler Trail and ascends a moderate hill. The trail levels off at the base of a steeper hillside covered in rock slabs. The trail continues south and drops into a narrow rocky ravine with a small seasonal brook.

Will Monroe Trail

Pink • 1 mile • Hiking

Moderate • Short loop trail with scenic views

Trailhead: Wyanokie Circular Trail. **Will Monroe Trail** heads east along flat terrain to a ridgeline on Assiniwikam Mountain and then turns back to the west to rejoin Wyanokie Circular Trail.

Wyanokie Circular Trail

Red & white • 3.8 miles • Hiking

Difficult • Challenging trail across rocky ridges

Trailhead: Numerous access points along the trail.

Wyanokie Circular Trail begins on the rocky hillside below the Roomy Mine and heads west across varied terrain. The trail passes Blue Mine Brook, ascends to Wyanokie High Point and then continues west across a broad hilltop. After passing Outlaw Trail, it turns north and intersects with the Otter Hole, Wyanokie Crest and Will Monroe Trail. The trail ends at the park boundary.

Wyanokie Crest Trail

Yellow • 4.3 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Follows ridgelines in central area of park

Trailhead: Parking area on Glenwild Avenue.

Wyanokie Crest Trail travels through the varied landscape of southern Norvin Green State Forest. From Posts Brook, the trail ascends multiple hillsides and ridges before turning north-east and joining with the Wyanokie Circular Trail.

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The Interactive Trails
Map of NJ State Parks



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TRAILS OF NORVIN GREEN STATE FOREST

There are 21 official trails totaling nearly 50 miles in Norvin Green State Forest. Trails range from less than 1 mile to 10 miles in length. Trails are well-marked and hikers can vary their hiking distance and challenges by connecting sections of trails to suit their needs. A section of the regional Highlands Trail runs through Norvin Green where it shares its route with existing trails.

Carris Hill Trail

Yellow • 0.85 miles • Hiking

Difficult • Steep trail to summit of Carris Hill

Trailhead: Hewitt-Butler or Lower Trail. **Carris Hill Trail** heads north and climbs a steep rise on sweeping switchbacks and through large rock piles to Carris Hill. The trail reaches a shoulder of the ridge with scenic views of Wanaque Reservoir.

Hewitt-Butler Trail

Blue • 4.9 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Trail through southern end of park

Trailhead: Northern end from New Weis Center/Snake Den Road. Southern end from Otter Hole parking area. **Hewitt-Butler Trail** traverses the southern portion of Norvin Green via Carris Hill, passing near Chikahoki Falls (a short detour along the white-blazed Lower Trail) and Otter Hole before terminating near Osio Rock south of Otterhole Road.

Highlands Trail

Teal diamond • 7.7 miles (in Norvin Green) • Hiking

Moderate • Section of long distance trail

Trailhead: Otter Hole parking area for west side and West Brook Road for east side. **Highlands Trail** is a long-distance, regional trail that crosses Norvin Green State Forest on existing trails. Highlands Trail generally travels east-west, then heads north into Long Pond Ironworks State Park.

Lake Sonoma Trail

Orange • 5 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Loop trail

Trailhead: Manaticut Point Trail or Stonetown Circular Trail. **Lake Sonoma Trail** travels across woodlands in the northern portion of Norvin Green, passing Lake Sonoma and connecting the Manaticut Point Trail loop with Stonetown Circular Trail.

Lower Trail

White • 1.8 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Hillside trail to Posts Brook

Trailhead: Wyanokie Circular Trail. **Lower Trail** heads south from Wyanokie Circular Trail along a broad hillside before descending to Posts Brook. Turning west, the trail follows Posts Brook past Chikahoki Falls before intersecting with Hewitt-Butler Trail.

Macopin Trail

White • 0.6 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Short trail along north-facing hillside

Trailhead: Hewitt-Butler or Otter Hole Trail. **Macopin Trail** is a short trail connecting the lower section of Otter Hole Trail with Hewitt-Butler Trail.

Manaticut Trail

Yellow • 3.8 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Loop trail along forested ridge

Trailhead: From the Manaticut Spur Trail from Crescent Drive or from Westbrook Road. **Manaticut Trail** heads west across open hardwood forest with large boulders to make a loop on the slopes above West Brook. The 0.3-mile Manaticut-Sonoma Trail bisects the loop, providing the opportunity for a shorter loop and more direct access to the Lake Sonoma Trail from West Brook Road. The 0.3-mile Manaticut Spur Trail crosses forested hillsides to connect Manaticut Trail with roadside parking on Crescent Drive.

Mine Trail

Yellow & white • 2.1 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Rocky trail to Roomy Mine

Trailhead: Otter Hole Trail. **Mine Trail** travels through hilly, boulder-strewn ridges past Roomy Mine to Ball Mountain.

Otter Hole Trail

Green • 2.7 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Connects primary parking areas

Trailhead: Parking area on Snake Den Road. **Otter Hole Trail** bends around the Highlands Natural Pool and along Blue Mine Brook. The trail turns to single-track as it ascends from the creek and turns south to join with Hewitt-Butler Trail, north of Posts Brook.

Outlaw Trail

Orange • 0.24 miles • Hiking

Easy • Short connector trail

Trailhead: Wyanokie Crest or Wyanokie Circular Trail. **Outlaw Trail** connects Wyanokie Circular Trail with Wyanokie Crest Trail.

Overlook Rock Trail

White • 3.3 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Loop trail connects ridges with scenic views

Trailhead: Manaticut Point Trail or from Tapawingo Trail at north end. **Overlook Rock Trail** travels across rolling terrain and ridgelines through the northern portion of Norvin Green State Forest.

Posts Brook Trail

Black • 0.4 miles (in Norvin Green) • Hiking

Moderate • Trail south of reservoir to Doty Road

Trailhead: Lower Trail. **Posts Brook Trail** starts near the intersection of Lower and Carris Hill Trails, leaving the park and proceeding south through forested NJDWSC property before ending at Doty Road.

Roomy Mine Trail

Orange • 1.3 miles • Hiking

Moderate • Winding trail to Roomy Mine

Trailhead: Mine Trail. **Roomy Mine Trail** heads east from Mine Trail and crosses scenic Blue Mine Brook. After crossing the brook, the trail begins to wind around hillsides to the Roomy Mine, which extends about 60 feet into the slope. Roomy Mine Trail continues until it joins with Highlands Trail south of the parking area on West Brook Road.

Stonetown Circular Trail

White & red • 1 mile (in Norvin Green) • Hiking

Moderate • Loop trail

Trailhead: Numerous access points in Norvin Green and Long Pond. **Stonetown Circular Trail** is a 10.5-mile loop trail in northern Norvin Green and southern Long Pond Ironworks. It crosses through rolling, rocky terrain on the west side along Tory Rocks and Harrison Mountain. The trail descends to Monksville Reservoir and along the west side of Wanaque Reservoir as it crosses Board Mountain and Bear Mountain.

Tapawingo Trail

Light blue • 0.56 miles (in Norvin Green) • Hiking

Moderate • Short trail along rocky creek terrain

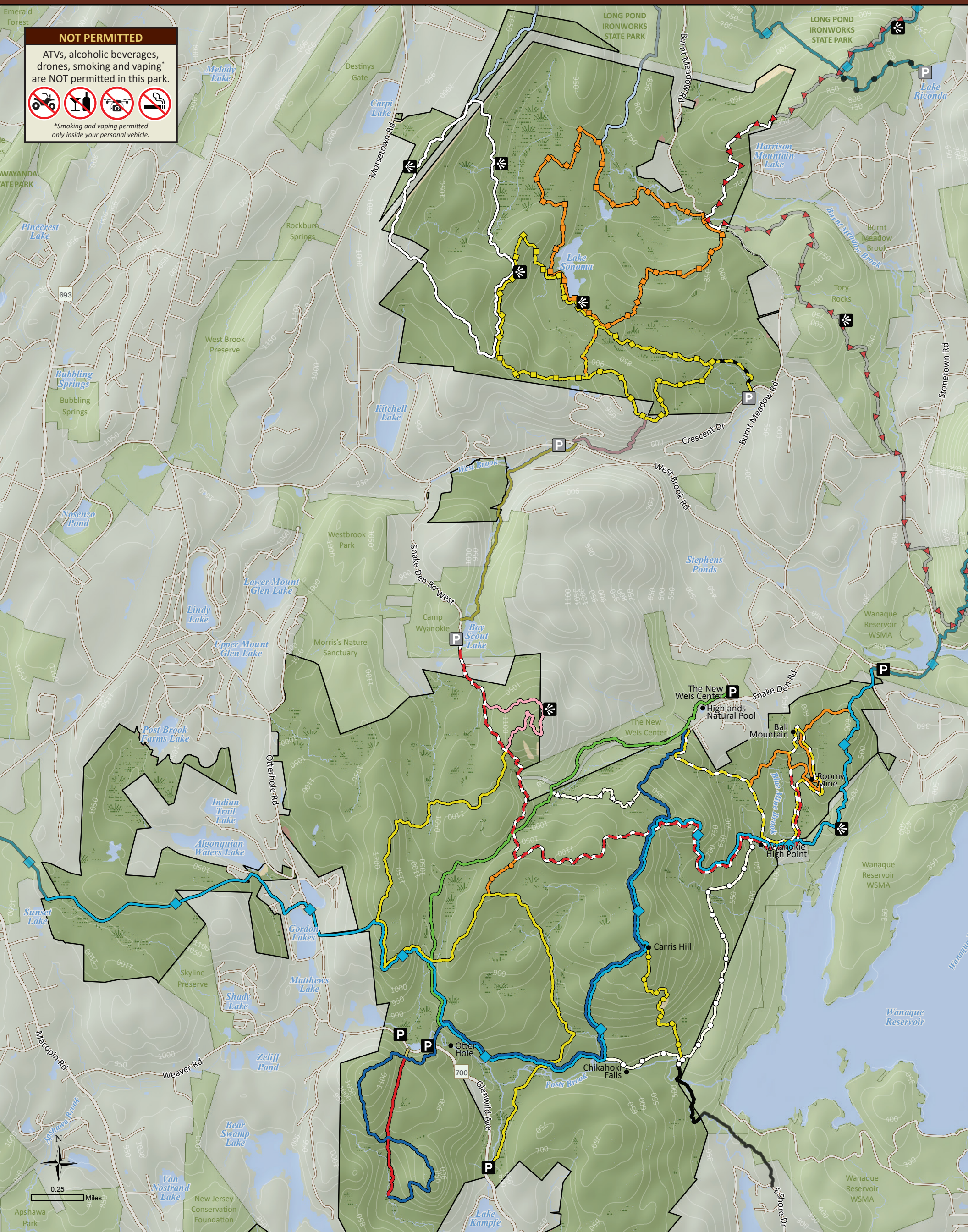
Trailhead: Overlook Rock Trail and Lake Sonoma Trail. **Tapawingo Trail** connects Norvin Green and Long Pond Ironworks, beginning at the northern end of Overlook Rock Trail or Lake Sonoma Trail. Each route heads north along a ridgeline. Within Long Pond Ironworks, the trail is shared with Burnt Meadow Trail for approximately .25 miles, providing additional route opportunities.

NORVIN GREEN State Forest

NOT PERMITTED
 ATVs, alcoholic beverages, drones, smoking and vaping* are NOT permitted in this park.



*Smoking and vaping permitted only inside your personal vehicle.



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| Open Field or Grass | Carris Hill Trail (0.85 mi) | Manaticut-Sonoma Trail (0.3 mi) | Roomy Mine Trail (1.3 mi) | Parking Lot |
| Forest | Hewitt-Butler Trail (4.9 mi) | Manaticut Spur Trail (0.3 mi) | Stonetown Circular Trail (1.0 mi) | Parking (Pull Off) |
| Water | Highlands Trail (7.7 mi) | Mine Trail (2.1 mi) | Tapawingo Trail (0.56 mi) | Scenic View |
| Wetlands | Lake Sonoma Trail (5 mi) | Otter Hole Trail (2.7 mi) | Torne Trail (0.72 mi) | |
| Improved Road | Lower Trail (1.8 mi) | Outlaw Trail (0.24 mi) | Will Monroe Trail (1.0 mi) | |
| | Macopin Trail (0.6 mi) | Overlook Rock Trail (3.3 mi) | Wyanokie Circular Trail (3.8 mi) | |
| | Manaticut Trail (3.8 mi) | Posts Brook Trail (0.4 mi) | Wyanokie Crest Trail (4.3 mi) | |