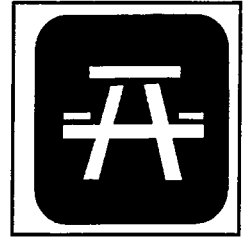


Cherokee National Forest

Tennessee

Round Knob Picnic Area



Southern Region, USDA Forest Service

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Overview

This picnic area is located at an elevation of 3,200 feet near the top of Round Knob in Greene County. A pavilion built in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) provides an excellent group gathering area.

The social history of Round Knob is tied to lingering animosities after the War Between the States (1861-64). Round Knob was taken from its original owner, a confederate sympathizer William Jennings, in a post-Civil War lawsuit. The place was known as Bucks Mountain for about 50 years, named for its new owner Buck Moncier.

The fire and wind scars you see in the surrounding woodlands are evidence of nature's strength.

Other Opportunities

Three trails, Jennings Creek Trail (#21), Cowbell Hollow Trail (#24) and Little Jennings Creek Trail (#195) create a loop system for horses and hikers between Round Knob Picnic Area and Old Forge Campground. Davis Creek Trail (#19) also radiates from this area.

For More Information

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Directions: From Greeneville, take TN 350 south to the Camp Creek community and continue on the county road about two miles. Turn right on Forest Road 88 and travel five miles. The road dead ends at Round Knob.

Site Information: The area includes a picnic shelter with two serving tables and a fireplace. Outside the shelter are two picnic tables and a grill.

Site Amenities: The site has vault toilets (male/female), trash receptacles and a spring for water.

Fee Information: No day use fee. The pavilion can be reserved for a \$30 fee.

Safety: Forest Road #88 is narrow, winding, and gravel.

Requirements: No horses are allowed in the picnic area. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited. The area closes at 10:00 p.m., and is for day use only.

Seasons: Open all year; inclement winter weather may prohibit use of the road. Check with the District Office for travel information.

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