



## **DIRECTIONS TO ACTIVITIES AND PLACES TO EAT AROUND THE BLAIRSTOWN AREA**

### **[Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area \(DWGNRA\)](#)**

The Delaware Water Gap has been a vacation destination for more than a century and offers many recreational activities that include hiking, boating, fishing, and camping, and reliving the past through period celebrations. There are many experiences on both sides of the Delaware River in New Jersey and Pennsylvania that provide glimpses into the rich history of this region, including these [Historic Sites](#):

#### **Millbrook Village - [Directions to Millbrook Village](#)**

#### **Van Campen Inn & Rosenkrans House**

#### **[Directions to Van Campen Inn](#)**

#### **[Directions to Rosenkrans House](#)**

#### **Village of Bevans - [Directions to the Village of Bevans](#)**

Home of Peters Valley School of Craft (self-guided tour available on weekends).

#### **Old Mine Road – [Scenic Drive Directions](#)**

Constructed in the mid-1700s, Old Mine Road connected the Hudson River and Philadelphia to the Pahaquarry Mines and provided an important conduit for New Jersey farmers taking crops to area markets, making it one of the oldest commercial roads in the country. Today, Old Mine Road stitches together sections of several roads into the park's main passage in New Jersey and still retains much of the flavor of 100 years ago, making it a popular driving and biking route.

### **Hiking Trails:**

#### **Coppermines Trail Hike**

Take a right on Millbrook Road at the top of the driveway.  
Follow Millbrook Road 4.1 miles to Millbrook Village.  
Bear left at Millbrook Village. You are now on the Old Mine Road.  
After 4.3 miles, turn right into the Coppermine parking lot.

#### **Donkey Hollow Trail Hike**

Take a right on Millbrook Road at the top of the driveway.  
Follow Millbrook Road 4.1 miles to Millbrook Village and park on the right.  
Hike along the Donkey Hollow Trail for 30-45 minutes, stop for a snack/water, and return.  
Spend time exploring Millbrook Village before heading back to campus.

#### **Dunnfield Creek Trail Hike**

Turn left out of the campus driveway onto Millbrook Road toward Blairstown.  
After 1 mile, take 3<sup>rd</sup> right onto Maple Lane.  
After 1.7 miles, turn left onto Mohican Road.  
After 0.8 mile, turn right onto Route 94 South.  
After 7.5 miles, take slight right onto Simpson Road.  
After 0.5 miles, turn slight left and then right to stay on Simpson Road.  
After 0.1 miles, take slight left to merge onto I-80 West.

Immediately beyond milepost 1, take the exit for the “picnic area” and bear left at the fork. Continue past the underpass to the left and turn right into a parking area at a sign for “Dunnfield Creek Natural Area.”

### **Mt. Tammany Trail Hike**

Take a left on Millbrook Road and head toward Blairstown – 3.5 miles.  
At stop sign, go right down the hill.  
Take the first left – also downhill.  
At stoplight, go right onto Route 94 South, toward Pennsylvania.  
Take 94 for about 8 miles until Interstate 80. Take I-80 West.  
Stay on 80 for about a mile or two.  
Take the 2nd turnoff for the rest area near the Kittatinny Visitor’s Center.  
Go to the 2nd parking lot.  
Hike up the Appalachian Trail to the Blue Dot Trail and then down the Red Dot Trail.

### **Fire Tower Trail Hike**

#### ***Driving Directions***

Turn right out of the campus driveway onto Millbrook Road.  
Go up hill and down for about 2.5 miles.  
Look for a gravel pull-off on the left side of the road. A fire road leads off from here to the left and is gated off with a metal gate. An Appalachian Trail marker is posted by the gate.

#### ***Hiking Directions***

Follow the fire road in - keep an eye out for double blazes on trees, indicating that the trail turns. The fire road will veer right sharply. Keep an eye out for double blazes, indicating the Appalachian Trail going off to the left and steeply uphill. At this point you have a choice – either to take the trail (the preferred, but more difficult route) or to stay on the fire road. Both will take you to the fire tower at the top of the ridge.  
The hike takes 45 minutes (or so) up. At the top, eat a snack, hydrate, and enjoy the view. Do not climb the fire tower unless there is a New Jersey Forest Fire Service employee in the watchhouse who gives you permission to climb.

### **Buttermilk & Hidden Falls Trail Hike**

Take a right out of the campus driveway onto Millbrook Road.  
Go 4.1 miles to Millbrook Village and bear right toward Walpack.  
Go 1.9 miles to a stop sign. Turn right toward Walpack.  
Go 3.2 miles and turn right on a dirt road. (There will be a gravel area on the right.) Bear left.  
After 0.4 miles turn right over a bridge. Keep left on the main gravel road.  
After 1.4 miles turn left into a parking lot across from Buttermilk Falls.  
Get out of car and keep walking in the same direction along the gravel road for about 1/2 mile.  
Keep an eye out for a path on the right – the entrance to which might be barred by logs. (If you go too far you will cross a little bridge and see wooden fencing on the left.)  
Follow this path in toward Hidden Falls.

### **Van Campen’s Glen Trail Hike**

Take a right on Millbrook Road at the top of the driveway.  
Follow Millbrook Road 4.1 miles to Millbrook Village.  
Bear left at Millbrook Village. You are now on the Old Mine Road.  
Proceed just over 2 miles and turn into the Van Campen’s Recreation Area parking lot on the left.  
Park here and begin the hike.  
Hike into the waterfall area, eat snack, play, and then hike back to your vehicle.

### **Waterfalls:**

**Buttermilk Falls** has an elevation change of 1104 feet and is moderately difficult to get to but the trail length is not very long only 1.4 miles each way. Buttermilk Falls is one of the tallest waterfalls in New Jersey. The waterfall is near the north end of the Delaware Water Gap in New Jersey.

**Dingmans Falls** is the second highest waterfall in the state of Pennsylvania with a plunge of 130 feet. It is located at the northern end of the park. There is a beautiful boardwalk that leads you to the base of the Waterfall where you can see the 80-foot cascading drop. This boardwalk is roughly a half a mile long and only takes you to the base of the falls. The boardwalk includes the sites of Dingmans Falls and **Silverthread Falls**. You can continue up a series of stairs to the waterfall and see the entire 130-foot plunge from a birds' eye view. The best time to go see this waterfall is about 24 hours after a good rain - then it will be flowing fast and steady. This is the most known waterfall of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Park.

**Bushkill Falls** has eight waterfalls and more than two miles of trails for these 300 acres located in Pennsylvania, also near the top of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreational Park. The drop of the main falls is about 100 feet. While the drop from the first falls to the bottom of the lower gorge is about 300 feet. This set of falls is often referred to as the "Niagara of Pennsylvania". Tickets must be purchased to visit Bushkill Falls (<https://www.visitbushkillfalls.com/>).

**Raymondskill Falls** are a series of three cascading waterfalls located on Raymondskill Creek in Pike County, PA that is the tallest waterfall in Pennsylvania.

**Van Campen's Glen Falls** is the terminus of the Lower Van Campen's Glen trail hike near Walpack, NJ. The top of the falls features a deep, large pool that cascades down a slanted rock face. The areas surrounding the upper pool require extreme caution as this area has been responsible for numerous accidents and deaths in years past. The trail itself features a densely covered hemlock ravine that hosts various delicate plants and species of wildlife.

### **Horseback Riding:**

**Yellow Iris Farm** - 147 Wintermute Road, Newton, NJ, (973) 579-9537

**Legends Riding Stable** - 153 NJ-94, Vernon, NJ, (973) 827-8332

### **Museums & Preserves:**

**Lakota Wolf Preserve** - 89 Mt. Pleasant Road, Columbia, NJ 08732, (908) 496-9244

**Wild Baby Rescue Center** - 14 Grouse Mountain Road, Blirstown, NJ, (908) 362-9453

**Sterling Hill Mining Museum** - 30 Plant Street, Ogdensburg, NJ 07439, (973) 209-7212

**Space Farms Zoo & Museum** - 218 County Road 519, Sussex, NJ 07461, (973) 875-5800  
(Drive-Thru During COVID-19)

### **Canoe, Kayaks, & Paddle Board Rentals:**

**Worthington State Forest** - 908-841-9575

**Swartswood State Park** - 973-383-5230

**Kittatinny Canoes** - 800-356-2852

**Adventure Sports** - 800-487-2628

**Edge of The Woods** - 570-421-6681

**Chamberlain Canoes** - 1-800-422-6631

**Kittatinny Valley State Park** - 973-786-6445

### **Swimming:**

**Crater Lake** - Walpack Township, NJ

**Blue Mountain Lake** - Walpack Township, NJ

**Swartswood State Park** - 1091 E Shore Drive, Swartswood, NJ 07877, (973) 383-5230

**Stokes State Forest** - 1 Coursen Road, Branchville, NJ 07826, (973) 948-3820

**Wineries/Cidery:**

[Brook Hollow Winery](#) - 594 NJ-94, Columbia, NJ 07832, (908) 496-8200

[The Renegade Winery](#) - 542 River Road, Shawnee on Delaware, PA 18302, (570) 350-2638

[Hard Ball Cider](#) - 805 Orchard Road, Mount Bethel, PA 18343, (484) 341-3101

**Farmers Market & Local Fresh Produce Stands:**

[Blairstown Farmers Market](#) – Blairstown Elementary School, 1 Sunset Hill Road, Blairstown, NJ  
Saturdays only, 9:30am – 1:00pm

[Arena Farms](#) - 70 Walnut Valley Road, Columbia, NJ 07832, (908) 362-8520

[Race Farm](#) - 87 Belcher Road Blairstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-8520

[A&J Messina Greenhouses](#) - 54 Sandhill Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-6570

[Longmeadow Farm](#) - 561 Blairstown Road (County Rd. 521), Hope, NJ 07844, (908) 459-5351

[Little Big Farm](#) - 111 Heller Hill Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825, (908) 459-5484 (flowers)

[Silver Lake Farm & Greenhouse](#) - 161 Silver Lake Road, Blairstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-8107

**Additional Local Information:**

[NJ Skylands](#)

[Explore Warren](#)

[Pocono Mountains](#)

[New Jersey Mountains](#)

**Urgent Care/Medical Centers:**

Newton Urgent Care - 181 High Street, Newton, NJ (973) 383-9698

Newton Medical Center - 175 High Street, Newton, NJ, (973) 383-2121

Hackettstown Medical Center - 651 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, NJ (908) 852-5100

**Other Local Places:**

Supermarket - ACME - 152 State Highway 94, Blairstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-1790

Pharmacy - Rite Aid - 151 State Highway 94, Blairstown, NJ 07825 (908) 362-6963

Walmart - 26 Hampton House Road, Newton, NJ (973) 300-1859

Movie Theater - Cinopolis - 1965 NJ-57, Hackettstown, NJ (908) 852-8090

Rockaway Mall - 381 Mount Hope Road, Rockaway, NJ (also has a movie theater)

**PLACES TO EAT IN THE BLAIRSTOWN AREA**  
**(Please call in advance – may only be open for take out**  
**and be sure you have face coverings)**

**Our Favorites:**

**Gourmet Gallery** - 31 Main Street, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-0051

**Buck Hill Brewery & Restaurant** - corner of Route 94 and County Road 521, Blirstown, NJ 07825,  
(908) 854-5300

**The Walpack Inn** - 7 National Park Service Rd 615, Sandyston, NJ 07851, (973) 948-3890

**Frank's Pizza & Italian Restaurant** - 152 State Highway 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-1588

**Blirstown Dairy** - 223 NJ-94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-6303

**Other Local Dining Options:**

**Blirstown Diner** - 186 State Route 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-6070

**Pizza Express** - 187 State Route 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-6094

**Donna's Runway Café** - 36 Lambert Rd, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-1600

**Blirstown Inn** - 70 State Route 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825 (908) 362-8121

**Dog House Bagel & Deli** - 141 State Route 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-7777

**Post Time Pub** - 25 Main Street, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-0007

**New Ho Ho Kitchen** - 152 State Highway 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-5581

**Dominick's Pizza** - 128 State Route 94, Blirstown, NJ 07825, (908) 362-6460