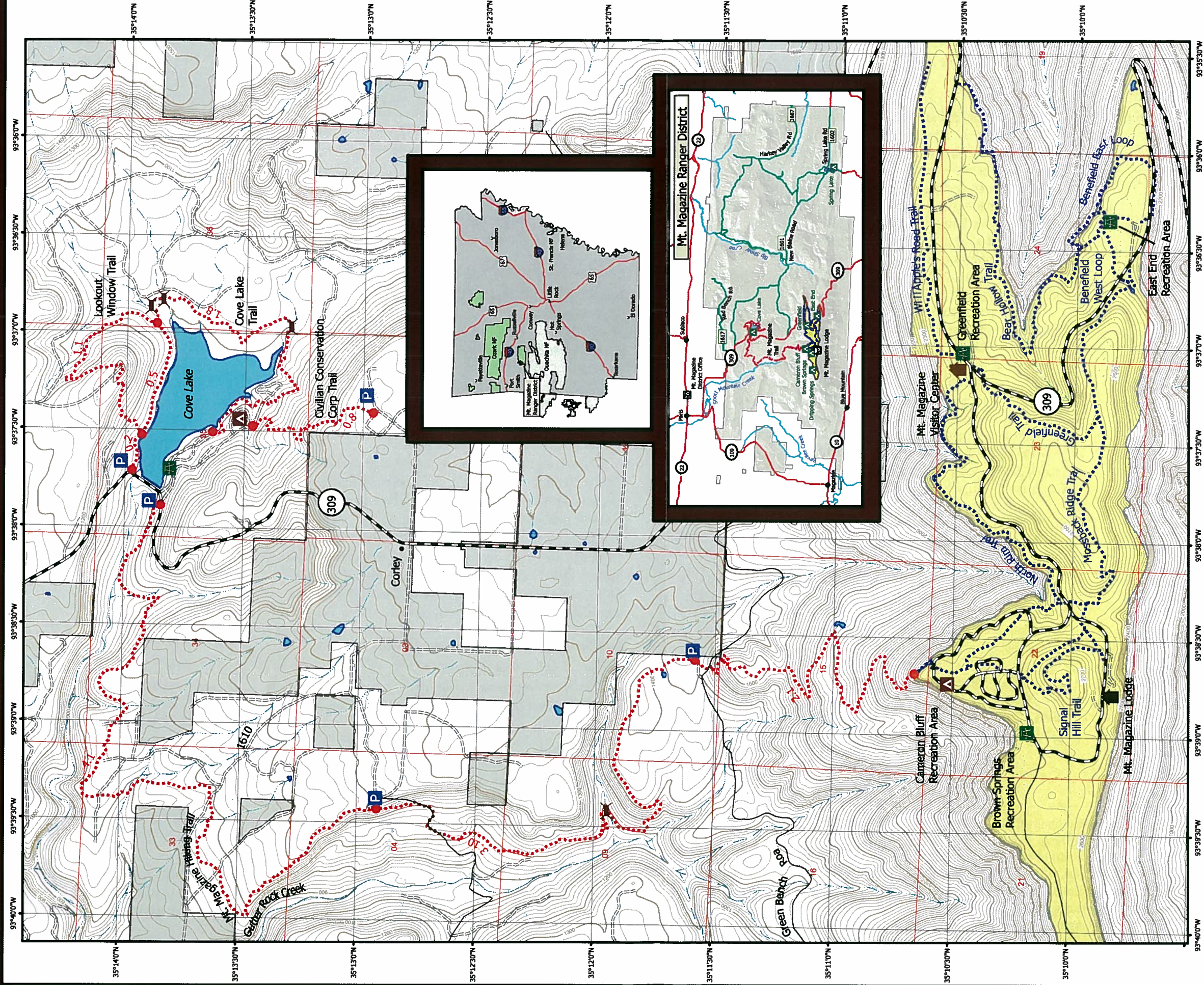
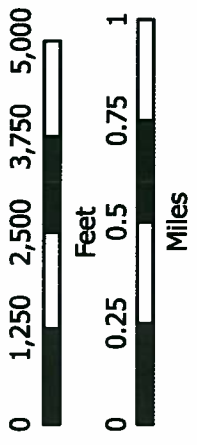


# Mt. Magazine Hiking Trail

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### Trail Regulations:

To protect the environment and for the safety of yourself and others, it is unlawful to: ride bikes, horses or Off Highway Vehicles on all trails within this system; harass or kill wildlife; pick flowers or remove plants; litter or deface natural or cultural features.

Within the State Park boundaries it is also unlawful to: possess alcoholic beverages on trails; carry glass containers on trails; allow pets off leash or camp overnight on trails.

### Hiker Hints:

**STAY** on marked trails - Leaving established trails often creates new and confusing trails, as well as destroys rare and delicate wildflower communities.

**WATCH** your step - Some trails may take you to the edge of bluffs. To avoid accidents, be cautious of loose or wet rock. Be aware of rough terrain. Wear hiking boots, carry walking sticks and drink plenty of water.

**DO** no harm - Swinging on trees, cutting switch backs, picking wildflowers, throwing rocks and littering are a few ways people destroy the pristine environment they came to visit. All plants and animals are protected within State Park boundaries.

**USE** caution - Poison ivy is a common plant along many trails. Snakes will be seen from time to time. To avoid encounters with either, remain on designated trails. Hikers may encounter copperheads, rattlesnakes, cottonmouth, water moccasins, stinging insects, chiggers and ticks, particularly between early April and mid-November. Remove ticks in less than 24 hours to minimize the risk of infection. Avoid poison ivy.

**BE AWARE** of bears - Yes, there are black bears on the Mt. Magazine Ranger District. They are very wild and will usually avoid humans. However, bears are highly attracted to food and many other fragrant items.

**DO NOT FEED BEARS!** If you encounter a bear on the trail, keep your distance. Yell and clap your hands to make noise. If you are camping along the 9 mile section of trail between Cove Lake and the State Park, suspend food and fragrant items from trees, cook away from camp and avoid contact.

**DON'T DRINK THE WATER** - Surface water (never safe to drink) is usually present in streams along the trail system. Bringing your own water is highly recommended, or use a water filtering system designed for backpackers.

### Leave No Trace Principles of outdoor ethics:

The concept of "taking only pictures and leaving only footprints" is the first and foremost ethic of the outdoor experience. Please remember:

- Plan ahead and carry these essentials: map, compass, whistle (three blasts signify help is needed), flashlight, sharp knife, fire starter, candles, waterproof matches, first-aid kit, warm clothing, extra food, drinking water and a filtration device.

- Camp at least 100 feet from previous campsites and 200 feet from lakes and streams.

- Select your campsite carefully to minimize impact. Dispersed primitive camping is allowed along the trail, but not at trailheads.

- It's best to go without a campfire and use a backpacking stove instead. Build fire rings at the site with little or no vegetation or burnable materials. Never leave a fire unattended. Extinguish campfires completely and scatter burned-out materials.

- Deposit solid human waste in catholes dug 6 to 8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water, camp and trails. Cover and disguise the cathole when finished.

- Leave nothing behind. Even organic scraps such as orange peels, and egg or peanut shells are unsightly and take a long time to decompose.

- To wash yourself or your dishes, carry water 200 feet away from water, camp, or trails and use small amounts of biodegradable soap. Wash and rinse with water from jugs or pots. Scatter strained dishwater.

- Help preserve America's cultural heritage by leaving archeological and historical remains undisturbed.

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**Welcome to the Mt. Magazine Hiking Trail System.** Trails on the Mt. Magazine Ranger District provide hours of recreation, solitude, adventure and endless beauty. Whether you're looking for a short woodland stroll or an overnight backpacking trip, these trails provide it. With over 21 miles of trail to choose from, you've picked a great place to hike! Please sign in at trail registration boxes located at key access points.

### Mt. Magazine Hiking Trail

*Length:* 9.3 miles one way (not a loop).

*Approximate time to hike:* 5 hours.

*Trailheads:* Cove Lake, Corley, Green Bench and Cameron Bluff Scenic Drive.

*Elevation:* 994 - 2500 feet.

*Level of difficulty:* Moderate to strenuous.

*Go prepared:* Hiking boots, walking stick, water, food, map and compass.

*Trail marked with white diamond blazes.*

This is a great trail for beginning backpackers that can be hiked in one day. For the best experience, you can set a slower pace. Break the trail up into several day hikes or plan an overnight backpacking trip. A variety of wildflowers, hardwood forest, wildlife and creek crossings provide a diverse woodland experience. The lower 9 miles of this trail are located within the Ozark National Forest. The upper third of this trail is located within Arkansas State Park boundaries.

### Civilian Conservation Corp Trail

*Length:* .8 miles (not a loop).

*Approximate time to hike:* 1 hour.

*Trailhead:* Just inside the Loop B Campground access road.

*Elevation:* 1,275 feet.

*Level of difficulty:* Steady climb.

*Trail marked with white diamond blazes.*

This hiking trail gets your heart rate up and leads to the Old Corley Civilian Conservation Corp camp located on Flat Top Mountain.

**Discover trails within Mt. Magazine State Park.** The state park is managed through a special partnership between the USDA Forest Service, Ozark-St. Francis National Forests and the Arkansas State Parks system. Please contact Mt. Magazine State Park Visitor Center at (479) 936-8502 for detailed information about trails on top of Mt. Magazine.

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