

Rothrock State Forest at a Glance

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District Facts

- Named for Dr. Joseph Rothrock, Pennsylvania's first forestry commissioner
- Comprised of 96,956 acres
- Found in Huntingdon, Mifflin, and Centre counties
- Part of Pennsylvania's Ridge and Valley province

Hiking



- 300 total miles of trails
- 56 miles of the 326-mile Mid State Trail and 16 miles of the 72-mile Standing Stone Trail
- Large trail network in northeast tract of state forest
- Maps are available at district office.

Camping

- Motorized camping is available at eight locations throughout Rothrock State Forest.
- Backpack/primitive camping is permitted throughout Rothrock State Forest (please follow Bureau of Forestry guidelines)



Sightseeing

- 11 vistas within district
- Jo Hays vista off Route 26 overlooks State College.
- Spring mountain laurel and rhododendron blooms and fall foliage attract many visitors to Rothrock.



Colorful fall foliage peaks in October.

Hunting

- Big game opportunities include deer, bear, turkey.
- Small game opportunities include grouse, squirrels, rabbits.
- Hunting is permitted throughout district forest.
- Please obey all hunting regulations, avoid hunting in marked safety zones.



Fishing

- Excellent fishing opportunities throughout Rothrock
- Acclaimed streams are Little Juniata River, Spruce Creek, and Standing Stone Creek
- PA Fish and Boat Commission regulations apply



Wild and Natural Areas

- 9,290 combined acres of Wild and Natural Areas on 8 tracts
- Bear Meadows Natural Area contains a fen wetland, is National Natural Landmark
- Alan Seeger and Detweiler Run Natural Areas support old-growth hemlock and white pine forest.
- Little Juniata Natural Area and Trough Creek Wild Area protect 2,327 combined acres of sensitive watersheds.



Standing Stone Creek, Alan Seeger Natural Area

Winter Activities

- 200 miles of snowmobile roads and trails in Rothrock
- Snowshoeing and cross-country skiing are permitted on most trails.
- Colerain, Stone Creek, Alan Seeger, Pine Hill, Galbraith Gap, and Kepler Road trailheads are plowed to ensure winter access



Other Recreation

- Mountain biking is permitted on 290 miles of roads/trails.
- Cross-country skiing is permitted on all trails.
- Horseback riding is permitted on most trails.
- Two picnic areas available in Rothrock are Pine Hill and Alan Seeger Picnic Areas, offering pavilions, tables, grills, and toilet facilities.



Rothrock has become a premier cycling destination.



J.T. Rothrock, "Father" of Forestry in Pa.

More Information

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