Sentiero Di Shay & Pine Bog Ski Trails

The Sentiero Di Shay and Pine Bog Ski Loops are located about 21.5 miles north of Waterville along PA-44. The Di Shay Trail is a 13.2-mile trail that intersects PA-44 as well as many forestry roads. It also connects to the Francis Kennedy, George Will, and Pine Bog trails. The trail gets its name from the Shay locomotives that were utilized to haul the timber that was felled from the Black Forest to local sawmills in the late 1800s.

The Pine Bog Loop (blazed blue) is a short 1.9-mile loop that traverses dense conifers along old railroad grades. Due to its short length, it's best to ski it in both directions, and it's a beautiful trail to ski immediately after a snowfall due to the dense conifers along the trail corridor.

Both trails share the same trailhead along PA-44, just south of the Village of Black Forest on the right side of PA-44, across from the Blackberry Trail. These trails are designated ski trails and generally too wet for equestrian use. Skiing on both trails is best when temperatures are well below freezing due to the amount of water

The Tiadaghton State Forest's cross-country ski trails were the first to be built anywhere on State Forest Land in Pennsylvania and were largely the efforts of past DCNR employees Bob Webber and John Eastlake, who can also be credited with laying out the scenic Black Forest Trail. Webber and Eastlake were "way ahead of their time" regarding the promotion of cross-country skiing in the Commonwealth.

Ski trails are marked with blue paint. The parking area/trailhead shown on the map is plowed for winter recreation enthusiasts. Ski trail conditions are available by calling the district office or by checking out Tiadaghton State Forest on Facebook.

The district offers many miles of trails cross country ski trails, not including the 60-plus miles

of the Pine Creek Rail Trail, which is also open to skiers.

Ski Trail Etiquette

- Do not walk or ride bicycles on ski trails when snow-covered.
- Stay on marked trails. Ski trails are marked with blue paint.
- Never ski alone. If you do, be sure to let someone know where you are going and the time you expect to return.
- Know your ability and endurance, and ski accordingly.
- Yield to faster skiers and snow-grooming equipment.
- Descending skiers have the right-of-way.
- Do not ski on snowmobile trails. Snowmobile trails are marked with orange diamonds.
- Be tolerant and respectful of other winter forest visitors.
- Do not damage or deface any sign or structure.
- Small fires for cooking or warming purposes are permitted only at places where adequate precautions are taken to prevent the spread of fire into the forest.
- Do not litter. If you pack it in, please pack it out.

Have fun - ski safely



Care for the Land

State forests belong to all Pennsylvanians. Take time to enjoy them, but know the rules and regulations designed to protect the forests and you. Please be careful with fire, keep our forests litter free and don't damage trees and other plants.

Dual Certified Forest

Pennsylvania's 2.2-million-acre state forest system is one of the largest dual certified forests in North America. The forest is certified under Forest Stewardship CouncilTM and Sustainable Forestry Initiative standards.





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For more information

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Tiadaghton State Forest



Pennsylvania's vast state forest system comprises 2.2 million acres for you to use, enjoy and explore. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Bureau of Forestry manages these forests to ensure their long-term health and to conserve native wild plants.

The Tiadaghton State Forest comprises 146,926 acres in Lycoming, Clinton, Potter, and Union counties.

The Sentiero Di Shay Ski Trail (13.2-mile loop) and the Pine Bog Ski Trail (1.9-mile loop) are located near of the Village of Black Forest.

Sentiero Di Shay & Pine Bog Trailhead: 41.49076119602022, -77.58150542936586



