

Tiadaghton Trail

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.



Tiadaghton Trail (Hiking Only)

In 1920 Mr. James N. Kline purchased a parcel of land, now known as Bonnell Flats, for the Williamsport Council of the Boy Scouts of America. This land became the council's summer camp beginning in 1920 and operated into the 1980s for a variety of councils and summer camps. Camp Kline boasted one of the longest foot suspension bridges east of the Mississippi. A 409 foot suspension bridge reaching 25 feet above Pine Creek. The bridge was built in 1955 and was destroyed in a wind storm on Easter Sunday April 14, 1974. Eventually the camp was sold to the State of PA and is now considered part of the Tiadaghton State Forest. In 1958 the Tiadaghton Lodge of the Order of the Arrow helped build and complete the original Tiadaghton Trail. The Tiadaghton Trail was one of several trails constructed by Boy Scouts at Camp Kline. After the camp was no longer used by scouts, the trail was abandoned.

With considerable help from DCNR Conservation Volunteers, Boy Scouts, DCNR interns, and DCNR employees, the trail was re-established and is now well maintained.

The original Tiadaghton Trail was blazed with a red circle and a white T in the center. These blazes can still be found throughout the length of the trail. However, the current markers are 2-inch by 6-inch yellow blazes, indicating a hiking-only district trail. The Tiadaghton and Mid State trails can be combined to form a 21-mile backpacking loop, from Ramsey Village to Little Pine State Park and back to Ramsey Village.

Hikers may also choose adjacent trails to form shorter hiking loops for day hikes that connect to the Tiadaghton Trail. Some of the more popular side trails include the Stone Cutter, Turkey Vulture, and Paramount trails near Bonnell Flats. Popular side trails in the Waterville area include the Eiger, Log Slide, Middle Hill, Gleason, and the Old Wagon Rd. Backpackers may camp at established campsites near the former Camp Kline or Little Pine State Park. Permits are required at these sites. Contact the Tiadaghton Resource Management Center in Waterville to receive a free permit. Little Pine State Park offers tent sites, cabins, and yurts for a fee. Contact Little Pine State Park for more information.

Leave No Trace

Guidelines and Ethics
When using PA State Forests and when camping in general it is best practice to follow Leave No Trace Principles.

- 1) Plan Ahead and Prepare
- 2) Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- 3) Dispose of Waste Properly
- 4) Leave What You Find
- 5) Minimize Campfire Impacts
- 6) Respect Wildlife
- 7) Be Considerate of Other Visitors



Trail Description

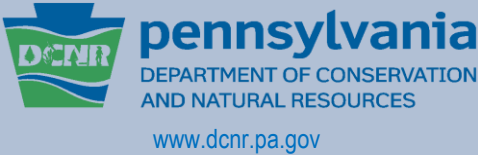
----	13.45	Access to the Tiadaghton Trail (TT) starts in Ramsey Village parking lot, head south on the Mid State Trail (MST), orange blazes, as it follows the Pine Creek Rail Trail (PCRT).
0.11	13.34	MST crosses an old railroad bridge.
0.49	12.96	MST passes by Bonnell Flats comfort station and campground. Plenty of water, restrooms, and campsites. Camping permits required.
0.86	12.59	MST passes old Camp Kline. Turn right and follow the yellow blazes as it heads up the mountain. This the trailhead for the Tiadaghton Trail.
1.32	12.13	Curve to the left.
1.39	12.06	Merge with the Stone Cutter Trail (blue blazes) and start to ascend. Over the bank to your right, there is an old stone quarry.
1.55	11.90	Reach top of 1st rocky outcrop-campsite and vista. Views of Pine Creek to the north/northwest.
1.61	11.84	Reach top of 2nd vista. Views of Pine Creek to the southeast.
1.99	11.46	Reach top of Kline Peak, relatively flat for a short distance before descending into a shallow saddle. Vistas on both sides elev.1475ft., total ascent 1253 ft.
2.16	11.29	Descend into saddle. Grassy flat with good camping, no water.
2.45	11.00	Vista. Views of Pine Creek to the South.
2.62	10.83	Find the Old Tiadaghton Trail marker. White T on a red circle. Several can be found along this part of the trail.
2.68	10.77	Stone Cutter Trail (blue blaze) splits off to the left, stay straight on TT as it ascends.
2.80	10.65	Vista. View of bridge at Ramsey village to the east.
2.96	10.49	Trail turns left on old logging road.
2.97	10.48	Follow old road. Trail blazes are located on wooden posts.
3.44	10.01	Parking area. Emerge into small clearing then turn right, uphill onto Bonnell Run Rd.
3.74	9.71	Merge with Bull Run Rd. Turn left onto the road for 80 ft. Turn right onto TT.
3.83	9.62	TT crosses unmarked trail.
4.14	9.31	Turn right uphill. Keep to the left.
4.52	8.93	Begin descent, use caution, it is rocky, steep, and narrow.
4.74	8.71	TT crosses Bull Run.
4.87	8.58	Continue to descend using switchbacks.
5.24	8.21	Cross Bull Run.
5.80	7.65	Veer to the left, as TT leaves the stream (no water).
6.24	7.21	Enter medium size clearing, camping spots available.
6.32	7.13	Start descent using switchbacks towards Pine Creek.
6.96	6.49	Emerge onto Roberts Ln. Turn left after the first cabin, uphill to avoid private property.
7.22	6.23	Ascend a small hill and then turn right to follow the trail as it descends.

7.30	6.15	Merge with Lower Pine Bottom Rd. and turn right.
7.44	6.01	Emerge at DCNR entrance and turn right onto State Route PA-44.
7.62	5.83	Follow PA-44 across the bridge and turn left into the DCNR Waterville parking lot.
7.90	5.55	Follow PCRT, heading north.
7.95	5.50	Walk 200ft and turn right off of PCRT. Continue to follow yellow blazes north for 300ft.
8.01	5.44	Sharp right- start of 1st ascent through switchbacks.
8.23	5.22	Campsite (no water).
8.32	5.13	Vista, views of Waterville Bridge (southeast) and DCNR building (west).
8.52	4.93	Vista
9.15	4.30	Reach top of ascent, trail intersects with Tower Trail. Stay to the left. Trail follows Edson Trail- plenty of places to camp.
9.24	4.21	Turn left off of Edson Trail onto narrow trail.
9.28	4.17	Vista, great view of Pine Creek to the west.
9.98	3.47	Cross a small stream, water is accessible.
10.07	3.38	TT intersects with Gleason Trail.
10.43	3.02	Turn right, cross a road, and turn right again.
10.55	2.90	TT Takes a left. Start to follow old stream bed. In 500ft start to descend.
10.80	2.65	Turn right down a steep and rocky descent.
10.92	2.53	Turn right, continue downhill.
11.07	2.38	Follow Bush Run to stream crossing.
11.49	1.96	Cut left across Bush Run before cabin, water is available.
11.51	1.94	Turn left uphill and enter switchbacks.
11.85	1.60	Level off then starts a descent.
12.49	0.96	Boone Road (northern terminus of TT) To connect to MST, cross bridge over Boone Run. Continue on Spike Buck Trail to the left.
12.65	0.80	Ascend, and turn right up Spike Buck Hollow.
13.45	----	Reach the Top and the MST. You have reached the end of the Tiadaghton Trail. Turn right after you exit Spike Buck Hollow and follow the MST (orange blazes).

For more information

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Forest District #12

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Tiadaghton Trail with Mid State Trail Loop



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- Tiadaghton State Forest
- State Park Land
- State or Federal Highway
- Hard Surface Road
- Improved Dirt Road
- Drivable Trail
- Administrative Road
- Designated State Forest
- Hiking Trail (Foot Traffic Only)
- Pine Creek Rail Trail
- Hiking Trail (Foot Traffic Only)
- Shared-Use Trail (Hike, Bike, Horseback)
- ATV Trail
- Pipeline R/W
- Town or Village
- Office or Headquarters
- State Park Office
- Vista
- Parking
- Gate
- Picnic Area
- Restrooms
- Camping
- Camping — Permit Required
- Trail Shelter — Permit Required
- Canoe Access Area

