# **2022 Recreation Activity Overview**

### CHATTOOGA RIVER RANGER DISTRICT, Chattahoochee National Forest

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Campground Name	# of Sites	Open Season	Facilities and Activities	Reservations	Comments	2022 Fees
Andrews Cove Campground	10 sites (5 tent and 5 tent/RV)	<b>3/15/22 - 10/31/22</b> Length of stay is 14  days		None Required	<ul> <li>Stream runs through center of campground</li> <li>TRAILS:         <ul> <li>Trailhead parking for</li> </ul> </li> <li>Andrews Cove Foot Trail,         Access trail: 2 miles to         <ul> <li>Appalachian Trail</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Camping: \$12/site/night single \$17/site/night double
Lake Rabun Beach Recreation Area CAMPGROUND  Loop 1 (Host)  Loop 2 (Host)  Area operated by Go Find Outdoorrs	82 TOTAL  Loop 1: 45 sites  Loop 2: 37 sites	<b>4/13/22 - 10/28/22</b> Length of stay is 14 days		Reservations are recommended. To reserve a site call 1877-444-6777 or go to www.recreation.gov  There are a few first come, first serve sites	CAMPING- Loop 1 sites offer a camp spur, picnic table, lantern pole, tent pad & fire grill.  Loop 2 sites offer a camp spur, picnic table, lantern pole, tent pad, fire grill, water spigot & electric hookup      WATER ACTIVITIES-  -No lifeguard on duty at lake -Lake Rabun is an 835 acre mountain lake with bass, bream, perch and catfish; fishing pier available      TRAILS:     Angel Falls,     1.7 mi hiking trail	Camping:  Loop 1 Sites 1-53; Water & Nonelectric\$24/site/ night  Loop 2 Sites 54-85; Water & Electric \$24/site/night plus \$11/night/utilities
Pear Tree Hill Group Camp Area operated by Go Find Outdoors	1 (Group site made up of 4 sites)	4/13/22 - 10/28/22 Length of stay is 14 days		Reservations are recommended. To reserve a site call 1877-444-6777 or go to www.recreation.gov	•CAMPING- Each site has camp spur; table, pole, pad & grill •OTHER ACTIVITIESSee above	Group Camping: <b>\$75/</b> <b>night</b>

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Lake Russell Recreation Area CAMPGROUND Area operated by Go Find Outdoors	41 (10 tent sites and 31 tent/RV sites)	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay is 14 days		Reservations are recommended. To reserve a site call 1877-444-6777 or go to www.recreation.gov  There are a few first come, first serve sites	■ CAMPING-  -Loop A offers 16 sites with a camp spur, picnic table, lantern pole, tent pad & fire grill;  1 Flush toilet building  -Loop B offers 24 sites with a camp spur, picnic table, lantern pole, tent pad & fire grill;  3 flush toilet buildings, all with hot showers  -No electric or water at sites  -One dump station  ■WATER ACTIVITIES-  -100-acre lake; Electric motors only in lake  -Fish for bass, crappie and bream  -No lifeguard on duty at lake TRAILS-  Lake Russell Foot Trail, 4.6 mi. Rhododendron Trail, 1.5 mi. to Chenocetah Mtn.  Sourwood Trail, 2.7 miles Lady Slipper Trail 6 2 miles	Camping: Non-Peak \$18/site/night single \$36/site/night double  Peak \$24/site/night single \$48/site/night double
Low Gap Campground (Host)	13	3/15/22 - 10/31/22  Length of stay is 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGTent sites offer a table, grill, tent pad & short gravel spur -Sites 8 to 13 require fording a stream at a low water crossing  • FISHING- Creek has rainbow, brown, brook trout	Camping: <b>\$12/site/night</b>

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Nancytown Day Use Area Area operated by Go Find Outdoors		YEAR-ROUND		Required To reserve, call 1-877-444-6777 or go to www.Recreation.gov	-Parking is in large paved parking lot.  -Campfire ring with benches for group activities.  -Stream runs through site.  • TRAILS-Nancytown Trail, 0.5 mi. foot Ladyslipper Hiking and Horseback Riding Trail, 6.2 mi. Sourwood Foot Trail, 2.7 mi. to falls	Day Use Only \$5.00
Sandy Bottoms Campground	13	<b>3/15/22 - 10/31/22</b> Length of stay 14 days		None Required	• CAMPING-  -This rustic area provides picnic tables, grills, lantern poles, defined campsite area, graveled parking spur, wooded and open sites.  -Sites can accomodate tent and/or RV sitesLargest site 12' wide x 47' long -Adjacent to Tallulah River which is stocked with Rainbow Trout	Standard Amenities Fees Day Use \$4 per vehicle  Camping: \$15/site/night

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Sarah's Creek Campground	22	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14  days	<b>▲</b> (7) (1)	None Required	• CAMPINGAll but four sites require crossing a low water fordGravel spurs, tables, lantern poles, grill -Majority of sites are tent only -Primitive vault across ford	Camping: <b>\$10/site/night</b>
Tallulah River Campground (Host)	17	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGTent and /or RV sites available -Largest parking apron site is 10' x 98'Whole area is fairly level but woodedWheelchair friendly, 7 water spigots, picnic tables, grills, lantern poles, public phone, interpretive signage, security -Pit toilet  • WATER ACTIVITIESTallulah River is stocked with rainbow trout -Wading is possible in river; No lifegaurd  • TRAILS- Coleman River Trail, 1 mi hiking trail	Camping: <b>\$15/site/night</b>
Tate Branch Campground	19	3/15/22 - 10/31/22  Length of stay is 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGSite has 4 walk-in tent campsites -15 sites are smaller tent/RV sites -Sites have picnic tables, gravel spur, grills, lantern pole -Chemical toilet  • WATER ACTIVITIESTallulah River is stocked with rainbow trout -Wading is possible in river; No lifegaurd	Camping: <b>\$15.00/site/night</b>

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Tate Branch Campground	19	3/15/22 - 10/29/22  Length of stay is 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGSite has 4 walk-in tent campsites -15 sites are smaller tent/RV sites -Sites have picnic tables, gravel spur, grills, lantern pole -Chemical toilet  • WATER ACTIVITIESTallulah River is stocked with rainbow trout -Wading is possible in river; No lifegaurd  • TRAILS- Coleman River Trail, 1 mi hiking trail	Camping: <b>\$15.00/site/night</b>
Upper Chattahoochee River Campground	19 sites	3/15/22-12/13/22 Length of stay is 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGThis wheelchair friendly area is in tall, mature mixed woodsSites have tables, grills, lantern poles, tent pads and gravel parking aprons10 tent only sites; 24 tent/rv sites with largest apron 10' x 60'Chem Flush vault toilets  • WATER ACTIVITIESChattahoochee River is stocked with rainbow trout  • TRAILS- Horse Trough Falls Foot Trail, This 0.2 mile trail goes to Horse Trough Falls and a viewing deck where you see the beginning of the Chattahoochee River.	Camping: <b>\$12.00/site/night</b>

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Upper Chattahoochee River Day Use		Day Use Only		None Required	-See above for other activities	
West Fork Campground	5 (ALL Walk in only)	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14  days		None Required	CAMPINGRustic area has walk-in camp sites by the Chattooga River with picnic tables, grills, lantern poles, and tent pads.      WATER ACTIVITIESWade in the Chattooga River;     No life guard -Canoe in Chattooga River	Camping: <b>\$10/site/</b> <b>night</b>
Wildcat Creek Campground #1 (Lower) (Host)	14	YEAR-ROUND Length of stay 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGWildcat Road is steep, gravel one-lane road with turn-outs, not RV friendly.  -There are 3 walk-in only tent sites and 13 tent/RV sites -Walk in tent sites have no table, but have grills. All other sites have tables, grills, lantern poles.  -Most sites are small and close together -Chemical toilet  • FISHINGWildcat Creek is stocked with rainbow trout	Camping: <b>\$10/site/night</b>

# **CAMPGROUNDS- Continued**

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Wildcat Creek Campground #2 (Upper)	16	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14 days		None Required	• CAMPINGWildcat Road is steep, gravel one-lane road with turn-outs, not RV friendlyThere is 1 walk-in only tent site and 15 tent or RV sites -All sites have tables, grills, lantern polesLargest apron is 10' x 49'Most sites are small and close together  FISHINGWildcat Creek is stocked with rainbow trout	Camping: <b>\$10/site/night</b>

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Willis Knob Horse Campground DOUBLE SITE (Sites 1-2)	1 Double	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14 days		Required To reserve, call 1-877-444-6777 or go to www.Recreation.gov	P CAMPINGEach site has a picnic table, cooking grill, lantern pole, tent pad, gravel parking spurEach loop has 6" x 6" posts with eyebolt on which to secure high lines. You will need to bring 35' of rope to span the distance between postsHand pumpChemical flush toilet  P TRAILS- Willis Knob Trail, 15 mi hiking and horse trail  Rocky Gap Horse Trail in SC	Double Camping: \$30/night for 2 sites with electric and water hook-ups, plus reservation fee
Willis Knob Horse Campground SINGLE SITE (Sites 3, 6, 7, 8, 9)	5	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14  days		Required To reserve, call 1-877-444-6777 or go to www.Recreation.gov	SEE ABOVE	Camping: \$20/night w/ electric and water hook-ups, plus reservation fee
Willis Knob Horse Campground DOUBLE SITE (Sites 4-5)	1 (Double)	YEAR-ROUND  Length of stay 14  days		Required To reserve, call 1-877-444-6777 or go to www.Recreation.gov	SEE ABOVE	Camping: \$30/night for 2 sites w/ electric and water hook-ups, plus reservation fee

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Trail System Name	Length	Open Season	Open To	Trailheads/Facilities	Comments	2022 Fees
Angel Falls Trailhead  Associated with Rabun Beach Campground	1.7 miles	YEAR-ROUND	<i>ħ</i>	Angel Falls Trailhead	Area located within Loop 2 (area 2) Rabun Beach Campground	Inside Lake Raburn Rec Area: \$5/person/day
Dicks Creek Gap Trailhead  National Appalachian Scenic Trail Access	Appalachian National Scenic Trail, 76 miles of hiking trail in GA	YEAR-ROUND	<b>½</b>	Dicks Creek Gap Trailhead		FREE
Dukes Creek Falls Recreation Area Picnic Site and Trailhead	2.2 miles	YEAR-ROUND	*	Dukes Creek Falls Trailhead	● TRAILS  Dukes Creek Foot Trail,  1.1 mile trail (each way) to waterfalls with boardwalks, three viewing decks.  -Accessible trail 0.1mi. to viewing deck  ● PICNICKING  -4 sites with tables, grills, trash cans  -Designated paved parking for 30  -Vault toilet	Standard Amenity Fee: <b>\$4/vehicle/day</b>
Frady Branch Equestrian and Mountain Bike Trail System	14.5 miles (4 loops)	YEAR-ROUND	À À À	Frady Branch Trailhead  Horse wash on site	4 Loops/14.5 miles  Designated parking for hikers, mountain bike, users and a separate parking lot for horse trailers	Special Recreation Permit: \$5/person/day or Annual pass at district office \$25 yr
Hemlock Falls Hiking Trailhead	1 mile	YEAR-ROUND	₹.	Hemlock Falls Trailhead	1 mile hike to waterfalls	FREE
Chattooga River Trail	10 miles	YEAR-ROUND	₹.	Highway 76/Chattooga River Trailhead Designated Parking located in South Carolina on Chattooga River. Interpretive Kiosk, vault toilets, paved path to Chattooga River.	No parking allowed on Georgia side of river	FREE

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Locust Stake OHV Trail System	9.4 miles	Temporarily Closed 2022 Season		Locust Stake Trailhead	Maximum axle width of 48"  Vault toilet	1-Day Permit: \$5/operator/day OHV Annual Pass: \$50/operator/year Forest Annual Pass cannot be used at this trailhead.			
Oakey Mountain & Moates Knob OHV Trails	9.2 miles	3/15/22-12/31/22  Check for seasonal closures before you ride		Moates Knob Trailhead South Parking Lot	Maximum axle width of 48"  Vault toilet	1-Day Permit: \$5/person/day OHV Annual Pass:\$50/person/ year available at District Office or recreation.gov			
Panther Creek Recreation Area Picnic Site and Trailhead	5.8 miles (one way)	YEAR-ROUND	<i>ħ</i>	Panther Creek Trailhead	Panther Creek Foot Trail 6.0 mi. one way, 12.0 miles out and back.  • PICNICKINGHistoric area from CCC daysTwo picnic shelters, trail bridge over creek, toilet, paved delineated parking, signage -10 picnic sites	Expanded Amenity Fee: <b>\$4/vehicle/day</b> annual pass at district office <b>\$25</b> yr per person			
Raven Cliffs Wilderness Trailhead Hiking trailhead for Raven Cliffs Wilderness Area	3.3 mi (one way)	YEAR-ROUND 14 day length of stay at dispersed sites	<i>₹</i>	Raven Cliffs Trailhead	Raven Cliffs Falls Wilderness Foot Trail, 3.3 mi. one way, 6.6 miles out and back. Area consists of gravel delineated parking lot for 25 vehicles, Interpretive Kiosk, garbage cans, vault toilet, picnic tables, designated dispersed sites	Special Amenity Fee \$5/vehicle/day			
Stonewall & White Twister Mountain Bike Trail	Stonewall trail: 7 mile loop White Twister: 5 mile loop	YEAR-ROUND			12 miles of cross country mountain bike trails. Connector trail that links both Stonewall Trail and White Twister Trail	FREE			

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Trail System Name	Length	Open Season	Open To	Trailheads/Facilities	Comments	2022 Fees
Willis Knob Horse Trailhead	15 miles	YEAR-ROUND		Located about .25 miles up Willis Knob Road from Warwoman Road on left. 2nd parking .25 from campground turnin	Information kiosk, hitching post & gravel parking for trailers, only trail sign at second parking	FREE

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Recreation Site Name	Group Facilities	Open Season	Facilities and Activities	Reservations	Comments	2022 Fees
Anna Ruby Falls Recreation Area  Destination Interpretive Site and Visitor Information Center  Operated by the Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association  Phone: 706-878-3574	Yes	YEAR-ROUND  Memorial Day - Labor Day 9 am - 6 pm No Admission after 5 pm  Labor Day - Fall Daylight Savings 9 am - 6 pm No Admission after 5 pm  Fall Daylight Savings - Spring Daylight Savings 9 am - 6 pm No Admission after 5 pm  Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day		None Required	Interpretive Sales Outlet, Interpretive Signs at VIC and along trail  PICNICKING -14 picnic tables  TRAILS Anna Ruby Trail, Paved Foot Trail to Falls, 0.4 mile loop  Lion's Eye Foot Trail for the Blind, 0.1 mile loop  Smith Creek Foot Trail, 4.6 mi. to Unicoi Park	Standard Amenity Recreation Fee:\$5 per  Person Children 15 and under = Free  Anna Ruby Annual Pass: \$20/person/year*  Contact Cradle of Forestry at 706-878-1448 for information regarding Anna Ruby Annual Pass  Interagency Annual Pass, Senior Pass, & Access Pass accepted
Dukes Creek Falls Recreation Area Picnic Site and Trailhead	No	YEAR-ROUND	Dukes Creek Falls Trailhead	None Required	■ TRAILS  Dukes Creek Foot Trail,  -1 mile loop trail to waterfalls with boardwalks, three viewing decks.  -Accessible trail 0.1mi. to viewing deck  ■ PICNICKING  -4 sites with tables, grills, trash cans  -Designated paved parking for 30  -Vault toilet	Standard Amenity Fee: <b>\$4/vehicle/day</b>
Fern Springs Recreation Area		CLOSED				

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Lake Rabun Beach Recreation Area PICNIC & SWIM SITE  Across the road from Rabun Beach Campground  Area operated by Cradle of Forestry America Interpretive Association	No	YEAR_ROUND		None Required	PICNICKING/ SWIMMING -Swimming area has accessible route from paved designated parking lot to picnic area; sand beach and swim area designated by buoys, bathhouse  TRAILS Rabun Beach, 0.4 mi hiking trail	Swim Site: \$5/non-commercial vehicle/day  Over 6 people, \$1 each additional person
Lake Rabun Beach Recreation Area BOAT LAUNCH  Across the road from Rabun Beach Campground  Area operated by Cradle of Forestry American Interpretive Association	No	YEAR-ROUND		None Required	• BOATING  -Area is adjacent to swim beach with about .2 mile between them. There is a boat ramp, a courtesy dock, a marked paved parking lot for 20 vehicles with boat trailers, signage, a trail to a fishing deck  • TRAILS  Rabun Beach, 0.4 mi hiking trail	Boat Launch: <b>\$5/vehicle/day</b>
Lake Russell Recreation Area BOAT LAUNCH Area operated by Cradle of Forestry American Interpretive Association	No	YEAR-ROUND	k =	None Required	● BOATING -Electric motors only; Fishing/courtesy dock at boat launch area; Trash can, paved parking	Boat Launch: <b>\$5/vehicle/day</b>

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Lake Russell Recreation Area PICNIC & SWIM SITE  Area operated by Cradle of Forestry American Interpretive Association	Yes	YEAR-ROUND		None Required	● PICNICKING/SWIMMING-Large grassy area serves as a "beach". 27 picnic sites, with tables and grills, are located on each side of the "beach" area.  The bath house is located centrally. Paved trails wind through the area. Designated paved parking is available for about 60 vehicles. A group shelter is available.  ■ TRAILS-Lake Russell Foot Trail, 4.6 mi. Rhododendron Trail, 1.5 mi. to Chenocetah Mtn  Sourwood Trail, 2.7 miles,	Picnic & Swim Site: \$5/non-commercial vehicle up to 6 people \$1/person over 6 people in non-commercial vehicle
Nancytown Day Use Area  Area operated by Cradle of Forestry American Interpretive Association	No	YEAR-ROUND	Ŕ	None Required	Nancytown Trail .05 miles Hiking Trail begins at dam and circles Nancytown Lake. Small parking lot at dam provides parking for about five cars.	FREE
Panther Creek Recreation Area Picnic Site and Trailhead  Area operated by Cradle of Forestry American Interpretive Association	Yes	YEAR-ROUND		None Required	● TRAILS- Panther Creek Foot Trail 6.0 mi. one way, 12.0 miles out and back.  ● PICNICKINGHistoric area from CCC daysTwo picnic shelters, trail bridge over creek, toilet, paved delineated parking, security, signage -10 picnic sites	Expanded Amenity Fee: <b>\$4/vehicle/day</b>

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Warwoman Dell Recreation Area Group Picnic Shelter	Yes	YEAR-ROUND		None Required	• PICNICKINGArea has CCC Picnic Shelter, Picnic Tables, fireplace, grillsChemical Toilet  • TRAILS- Warwoman Dell Nature Trail, 0.4 mi hiking trail Bartram Trail, 37 mi hiking trail	FREE

#### For more information contact the Chattooga River Ranger District Office:

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Office hours: Mon. - Friday, 8:00 - 4:30 Best to call before arriving.

### To contact Cradle of Forestry (Anna Ruby Falls Operator):

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