Big Brushy Trail Complex

Quachita National Forest





Hiking

Biking

Trail Highlights: Brushy Mountain, Mountain Top, Rockhouse and Brushy Creek Trails, combined with the Ouachita National Recreation Trail, allow many opportunities for loop-trail hiking and biking, ranging from 3 to 12 miles in length.

Travelers may see flowing streams, waterfalls, geologic formations, and quiet woodlands along the trail. The trails may be reached from parking and camping areas at the Big Brushy Recreation Area.

All trails in the Big Brushy Complex are open to hiking and mountain bikes.

Other Opportunities:

Special areas near the Big Brushy Trail Complex include:

- the Big Brushy Day Use Area
- Blowout Mountain Scenic Area
- the Ouachita National Recreation Trail.

For More Information:

Mena Ranger District 1603 Hwy. 71 N. Mena, AR 71953

(479) 394-2382

(North of Mena on State Hwy. 71 N.)

Directions: The trail complex may be entered from Big Brushy Recreation Area on Forest Service Roads 6, 813, and E16B. The trail can also be entered at the Ouachita National Recreation Trail.

Trail Information: The trail is unsurfaced. Water is scarce on many portions of the trail.

The Big Brushy Complex trails are marked with white rectangles. The Ouachita National Recreation Trail is marked with blue rectangles.

Site Amenities: At Big Brushy Recreation Area, facilities include picnic tables, a playground, a picnic shelter, and a trailhead parking lot.

Drinking water is not available at Big Brushy Day Use Area.

Safety: Treat water from lakes and streams before drinking. Bears are present in some areas, use precautions.

Difficulty Level: More difficult.

Requirements: Pack it in, pack it out.

Horses, pack animals and vehicles are prohibited on all trails in the Complex.

To preserve the beauty of the trails, please camp at least 100 feet from the trail.



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