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Sumter National Forest South Carolina

Woodall Shoals Trail

Southern Region, USDA Forest Service

Highlights

The trailhead is on the left of the bulletin board near the entrance to the parking area. Follow this moderately steep .2-mile trail down a rocky slope through a lush green forest in intermingled with rhododendron. Descent steep steps to the river's edge where rushing water fills a cool mountain pool. You may see birds, deer, snakes, and other wildlife.

For More Information

Andrew Pickens Ranger District 112 Andrew Pickens Circle Mountain Rest, SC 29664 Phone: (864) 638-9568 Fax: (864) 638-2659 Hours: Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

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Directions: From Westminster, follow Route 76 northwest. Drive approximately 16 miles and turn left onto Orchard Road. Turn right onto Woodall Shoals Road (757) and drive 2 miles on the dirt road. (The narrow road may be especially slippery in wet weather.) The parking area is at the end of the road.

Camping: Primitive camping is allowed, but campsites must be greater than 50 feet from streams and trails, and greater than ¹/₄ mile from roads.

Difficulty level: easy

Length: .2 mile

Safety: Woodall Shoals is a dangerous hydraulic. Since 1970, seven people have drowned there. The trail may be slippery in wet weather.

Season: year-round

Surface type: gravel

Travel time: 20 minutes (one way)

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