

Hike 'n Lunch



East Quarry Rd. Trail – near Oak Ridge, TN
Lunch following at Calhoun's on Melton Hill lake
Thursday, March 7, 2024

Depart Poplar Springs Boat Ramp promptly @ 8:45 AM,
--- please arrive 10 minutes before departure time

Rating: EASY WITH MODERATE ELEVATION CHANGES
Distance: 2.80 miles total with 180 ft. elevation gain

Brief Description of the Hike: We will walk the East Quarry Rd Trail from the North Boundary Trailhead parking lot, located along TN-95, to The Quarry, which is now a pleasant lake in the woods. After passing on the south side of the quarry lake we will continue past an abandoned cemetery and communications tower. We will then turn back, walking around the north side of the lake, passing yet another cemetery before returning to the parking area. Total hiking distance is approximately 2.8 miles with about 180 foot of elevation change. Most of the trail is wide and graveled; however, approximately 0.4 miles is a typical narrow woods trail with some rocks and roots. Parking is readily available. Restrooms are not available on-site so plan ahead. The best stop is likely the Love's truckstop at the I-40 interchange.

After the hike, we will proceed through Oak Ridge to the Calhoun's Oak Ridge location on Melton Lake. Calhoun's is a casual restaurant with excellent views of the water. (**Note: In the case of inclement weather, we will suggest that the group should plan to come to Calhoun's in Oak Ridge for a very enjoyable group lunch at 11:15 AM.**)

DRIVING DIRECTIONS FROM POPLAR SPRINGS BOAT RAMP TO North Boundary Trailhead parking area (30 minutes):

Proceed north on Tellico Pkwy to US321S (toward Lenoir City). Follow US321S into LC where it merges into TN95N. Continue on TN-95N through Lenoir City. Continue towards Oak Ridge (ramp to the right) at the fork 15 miles north of LC and continue for 3 miles to the North Boundary parking area on the left. (Note: if you pass the old Oak Ridge gatehouse on the left you have gone too far).

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO Calhoun's Restaurant, Oak Ridge, TN (18 minutes)

Turn left onto the Oak Ridge Turnpike. Continue 9 miles, through Oak Ridge, turn right onto Melton Lake Dr. Proceed 0.3 miles, Calhoun's is on the left.

Attendees are responsible for their own meals and drinks

Maximum number of attendees: 28

Last day to register or cancel is: Friday, March 1, 2024

Event coordinators are: Don and Lisa Worner (email: dlworner@msn.com, PH: 319-269-4839)

ONCE REGISTRATIONS ARE FILLED, TO BE ADDED TO THE WAITLIST CONTACT: Lisa Worner

Note: Out of respect for others and to avoid potential tripping hazards we ask you to please leave all pets at home.

Be Engaged. Be Informed. Be Heard.

