

Tellico Village Hiking Club







Honey Creek Trail at Big South Fork

Friday, March 11, 2022

Depart at 8AM from Lakeside Realty Parking Lot

On paper it is only a 5.6 mile trail. On the hike, it is an adventure. Not the typical “path through the woods” or big elevation gain – yet everything about Honey Creek Loop hike reeks cool fun, including the names of the landmarks along the way. Around a corner there’s Echo Rock, or boulder House Falls, or Ice Castle Falls and an enormous rock house called the Great Room. Large boulders to go over, and some to go through. A “Lookout Tower” to climb, and creeks to cross. Located at the south end of Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area, Honey Creek Loop trail is one of the parks’ most rugged and challenging trails. This trail offers a little something for everyone. Although it is only 5.6 miles, hiking time will approach 5 hours due to the beautiful scenery, creek crossings and boulder climbs. At the end of the hike, it is hard to believe all that was only such a short trail. 5 miles of scrambling fun and beauty. Come along for some great memories.

Plus: We found an additional Falls, the largest one yet, tucked away along the trail, but there is another we have not yet found.

-  Hiking boots and hiking sticks are recommended.
-  Driving directions will be provided the morning of the hike.
-  Bring water and a trail lunch.
-  Passengers are asked to contribute \$6 to the driver to help cover gas, etc.

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Distance:
5.6 miles

Rating:
Difficult

Driving Time:
2 hours

Elevation Gain:
Approx. 900 ft

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