



Round Top

Distance: 7.5 miles

Rating: Moderate

Driving Time: 1.5 hours

Elevation Gain: 1,155 feet approx.

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Round Top (shuttle)

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Depart at 8AM from Lakeside Realty Parking Lot

The trail begins from Wear Gap Road near the park boundary just up from Metcalf Bottoms picnic area. We will hike one-way to the Townsend "Y" where vehicles will be parked as this is a shuttle hike. The first 2.4 miles of the hike is a gradual climb of 800 feet. Then there will be a long gradual descent to the Townsend "Y" with one small gradual climb at mile 3.7. There is one steep and eroded section on the descent that could be difficult for some. The trail ends at Little River which is a water crossing to the vehicles. You may bring water shoes if you prefer not to cross in your hiking boots. This time of year the water should be low and feel refreshing.

REMINDER that a parking pass for each driver will be required in the Smoky Mountain National Park. A daily pass of \$5.00 or annual pass of \$40 may be purchased on line.



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.