# World's End State Park

**Natural History**

World's End State Park is a picturesque corner of the Allegheny High Peaks known for its wildlife, recreation, and scenic beauty. This area is part of the Endless Mountains of Pennsylvania, which is characterized by a series of steep ridges and valleys.

The park is surrounded by a forest of hardwoods, including white oak, yellow-poplar, and beech. The most common wildlife species found in the park include white-tailed deer, small mammals, and a variety of birds.

**Geology**

World's End State Park is surrounded by hills and forested areas. The park is located in the Loyalsock Valley, which is part of the Endless Mountains of Pennsylvania. The valleys are surrounded by steep ridges and valleys, and the park sits along the Loyalsock River.

**Fossils**

The park is home to a variety of fossils, including trilobites, brachiopods, and other forms of marine life. These fossils were formed millions of years ago and give insight into the past of the area.

**Special Features**

- **Fishing:** Trout fishing is allowed in the park, and the Loyalsock River is a popular spot for fishing.
- **Hiking:** The park offers a variety of hiking trails, ranging from easy to difficult, and is a great place for nature lovers.
- **Outdoor Education:** The park offers outdoor education programs, including nature walks and guided tours.
- **Recreation:** The park offers a variety of recreational activities, including picnicking, bird watching, and wildlife viewing.

**Directions and Reservations**

For more information, contact the park office at 570-265-2020. The park is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

**For Your Information**

- **Access for People with Disabilities:** The park is accessible to people with disabilities. Please contact the park office for more information.
- **In an Emergency:** Call 911 or contact a park employee.
- **Nearby Hospital:** Muncy Valley Hospital, 215 East Water Street, Muncy, PA 17756.

**Nearby Attractions**

- **Pennsylvania State Parks Mission:** Pennsylvania State Parks Mission is responsible for protecting and preserving parks and trails. They provide opportunities for outdoor recreation and tourism.
- **Accessibility:** The park is fully accessible to people with disabilities.
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** The park offers volunteer opportunities for groups and individuals.

**ENVIROMENTAL EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION**

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HIKING: 20 MILES OF TRAILS

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CANYON VISTA TRAIL: 1.2-mile loop, most difficult hiking with steep sections, blue blazes. This trail explores the southern half of the park and rewards the hiker with a spectacular view of the Loyalsock Creek gorge from its rim, which is an elevation of 1300 feet. Many wildflowers bloom through the summer months, including wild ginger, jack-in-the-pulpit, and other spring ephemeral wildflowers. A3.5-mile loop is found in the campground section of the trail where an overlook can be seen.

DOUBLE RUN NATURE TRAIL: 1.2-mile loop, most difficult hiking with steep sections, green blazes. This trail begins at the park entrance and ends at the park chapel. It travels through shady forests and meadows along the route of Double Run. It is a 1.2-mile loop.

HILLTOP TRAIL: 1.4-mile loop, moderate difficulty, yellow blazes. This trail follows the mountain ridges and summits of the Loyalsock watershed. This rugged trail travels parallel to and above Loyalsock Creek and provides many wildflowers and scenic views. It is a 1.4-mile loop.

KETTLE CREEK TRAIL: 4.5-mile loop, moderate hiking with steep sections, red blazes. This trail follows the mountain ridges and summits of the Loyalsock watershed. This rugged trail travels parallel to and above Loyalsock Creek and provides many wildflowers and scenic views. It is a 4.5-mile loop.

Loyalsock Trail: 10 mi., moderate difficulty, red blazes. This trail follows the mountain ridges and summits of the Loyalsock watershed. It is a 10-mile loop.

BUTTERMILK TRAIL: 2.5-mile loop, moderate difficulty, orange blazes. This steep trail ends at the eastern edge of the state forest and makes a circuitous loop through a northern hardwood forest. Lower Road Loyalsock Trail follows the terrain through Loyalsock Creek and crosses Buttermilk Run, an intermittent stream. Upper Road travels along a cutting road into Buttermilk Run offers a view of the Loyalsock Valley above the dam and reservior of the park campgound.

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