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Alpine Trail: 0.5 mile, easiest hiking
This trail follows a small woodlot and climbs to the east side of the Appalachian Plateau. It is dirt and can be rocky and wet in other places. The trail begins near the interpretive center. Stay on the trail to avoid prickly ash. Butterflies may be abundant near openings in the forest.

Beaver Creek Trail: 1.5 miles, more difficult hiking
This trail runs between a small parking area off Squire Gratz Road and Montour Area 4 in the northwestern corner of the park. The trail meanders through open woods. It can be muddy in wet weather. Sections of the trail can also be rocky. Many habitats, including wetlands, can be seen in this undisturbed section of the park.

Conley Trail: 0.4 mile, easiest hiking
This short trail connects the campground to the eastern end of the Conewago Day Use Area. This wide-trail follows an old woods road and has a gravel surface. A loop can be made by using part of Lakeside Trail making a nice trail for hiking, jogging, cross-country skiing and bicycling. Calculated as exiting from an old road bridge near the entrance. Stay on the trail to avoid prickly ash. Butterflies may be abundant near openings in the forest.

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Pinchot Trail: 1 mile, more difficult hiking
This trail runs through Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The trail has blue blazes and follows portions of Lakeside, Alpine, Pinchot, Ridge and Beaver Creek trails as it traverses the length of Gifford Pinchot State Park. The trail enters the park along Conley Road in the east and Squire Gratz and Thundergust Mill roads in the Northwest. Through hikers may only camp at the park campground.

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