

**SECTION A: GREENWOOD SPUR
PA 305 TO DETWEILER RUN
ROTHROCK STATE FOREST
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Greenwood Furnace State Park is on PA 305 between Belleville and McAlevy's Fort. Detweiler Valley is reached from Bear Meadows Road at the junction with Detweiler Road. The orange blazed Standing Stone Trail connecting the Greenwood Spur with the Tuscarora Trail near Cowans Gap State Park begins on the south side of PA 305 across from the park office.

Water is available at several springs along this section as well as at the state park. Features of the spur are the historic sites at Greenwood Furnace, Alan Seeger Natural Area and Greenwood Fire Tower on top of Broad Mountain.

There is primitive camping at the Maggi Cutoff and along Detweiler Run but camping is prohibited in Alan Seeger NA. Intermediate access to the spur is available via the Seeger and Stone Creek roads. The Greenwood Spur, the first major side trail in the Mid State system, was opened in 1974.

The Greenwood Spur is part of the eastern route of Great Eastern Trail, through a connection at Greenwood Furnace State Park with Standing Stone Trail. See page 18 of this trail guide, www.hike-sst.org or www.greateastertrail.org for more information.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The yellow blazed Greenwood Spur starts at Broad Mountain Road in Greenwood Furnace State Park. It passes several historic sites and some large white pines on a pleasant woods trail. Turning north it switchbacks halfway up Broad Mountain on old charcoal roads, passing several charcoal flats, and then ascends directly on the Collier Trail to the summit and Greenwood Fire Tower where it picks up the Johnson Trail. After descending Broad Mountain on switchbacks it passes through a stand of ancient hemlocks and thickets of giant rhododendrons at Alan Seeger Natural Area. It then follows Detweiler Run partly on the old grade of Monroe Kulp and D. Beidelheimer's narrow gauge railroad and partly on new trail to a junction with the orange blazed Mid State Trail. When leaving a car at Greenwood please check in with the park office at the junction of PA 305 and Broad Mountain Road.

**Greenwood Spur of the MST (Greenwood Furnace State Park to Detweiler Run)
Detailed Description**

NorthBound km	Features/Directions	SouthBound km
0.00	NB: Starting from Broad Mountain Road just north of the East Branch of Standing Stone follow trail across the meadow. On the far side of the meadow the trail follows an old road between piles of slag and then turns left to avoid a stream crossing and a wet area near Snapping Turtle Pond.	
	Greenwood Furnace State Park. Trail passes a number of historic sites.	
	SB: Turn right avoiding wet area near Snapping Turtle Pond. Cross meadow and arrive at state park.	10.78
0.28	NB: Trail arches gradually to the right.	
	Pass through a grove of large white pines and hemlocks.	

	SB: Trail arches gradually to the left.	10.50
0.50	NB: Bear left on trail route following 2012 relocation	
	Trail Register - please sign in	
	SB: Bear right picking up original route of Greenwood Spur.	10.28
0.68	NB: Turn right at large Hemlock	
	SB: Turn left at large Hemlock	10.10
0.80	NB:	
	Cross a small stream on stepping stones. Out of season get drinking water here.	
		SB: 9.98
0.98	NB: Trail turns left following deer enclosure fence.	
	SB: Trail turns right leaving deer enclosure fence.	9.80
1.63	NB: Turn left at campsite on old charcoal flat picking up old Maggi Cutoff then cross Spencer trail and climb more steeply on a charcoal road which switchbacks up Broad Mountain.	
	Good primitive campsite. Water may be found at a spring located 100 m west on Spencer Trail.	
	SB: Cross Spencer trail then turn right at campsite on old charcoal flat leaving old Maggi Cutoff and follow trail along deer enclosure fence.	9.15
2.63	NB: Turn left on Collier Trail and climb very steeply at first. This is the end of the Maggi Cutoff.	
	SB: Begin Maggi Cutoff. Turn right off of Collier Trail and switchback down Broad Mountain.	8.15
3.80	NB: Turn right on Seeger Road.	
	SB: Turn left off Seeger Road onto Collier Trail.	6.98
4.00	NB: Turn left on Telephone Trail.	
	SB: Turn right on Seeger Road.	6.78
4.84	NB: The Greenwood Spur turns left on the Johnson Trail.	
	Greenwood Fire Tower and junction with Johnson, Ross, Big Kettle and Ruff Gap Trails. There were views of Stone and Jacks Mountain as well as the Thickhead Wild Area from the top of Greenwood Tower. The tower is now closed due to vandalism.	
	SB: Turn right onto Telephone Trail.	5.94
5.39	NB: At the edge of Broad Mountain the trail bears right and then switchbacks down the mountainside.	
	SB: End of climb to top of Broad Mountain. Continue straight on Johnson Trail.	5.39
6.23	NB: Continue steep descent without switchbacks.	
	Cross Seeger Road.	
	SB: Trail begins switchbacks as it continues up Broad Mountain.	4.55
6.49	NB:	
	Blazed side trail to a spring in ravine.	
		SB: 4.29

6.85	NB: Seeger Road is 1.2 km to right. Cross a woods road.	
		SB: Seeger Road is 1.2 km to left. 3.93
7.52	NB: Cross a small stream and 40 m farther turn right on trail through Alan Seeger NA at junction with Seeger Road. Alan Seeger Natural Area.	
		SB: Leave Alan Seeger NA. Cross Seeger Road, and turn left on trail. Cross a small stream. 3.26
7.83	NB: Cross parts of Stone Creek and pass ancient hemlocks estimated to be at least 600 years old.	
		SB: 2.95
8.26	NB: Continue straight ahead where Alan Seeger Trail turns left towards parking lot.	
		SB: Merge with Alan Seeger Trail coming in from the right. 2.52
8.36	NB: Cross Stone Creek Road and continue on trail.	
		SB: Enter Alan Seeger NA 2.42
8.50	NB: Turn left on Monroe Kulp's logging railroad grade. The paint blazes start again here. From this point on, the Greenwood Spur forms the boundary of the Thickhead Wild Area, which is to the right.	
		SB: Turn right off Monroe Kulp's logging railroad grade. This is the end of painted blazes until you reach the other side of Alan Seeger Natural Area. 2.28
8.83	NB: Cross Detweiler Run on John Packard bridge.	
		SB: 1.95
9.21	NB: Turn right on trail.	
		SB: Turn left onto old railroad grade. 1.57
9.40	NB: Turn left after bridge. Cross Detweiler Run on a bridge behind hunting camp.	
		SB: 1.38
9.98	NB: Turn right on the old Kulp tram road.	
		SB: Turn left onto trail. 0.80
10.21	NB: Cross Detweiler Run on a bridge.	
		SB: 0.57
10.41	NB: Pass two charcoal flats on the north side of the trail. Good primitive campsites.	
		SB: 0.37
10.78	NB: To left it is 280 m uphill to the junction of Bear and Detweiler Roads. Junction with main Mid State Trail.	
		SB: Follow Yellow blazed Greenwood Spur trail downstream along Detweiler Run. 0.00

