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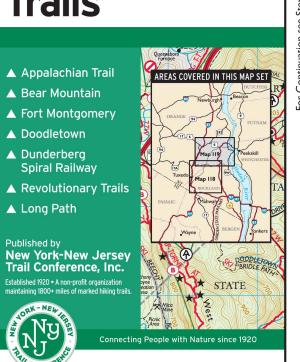
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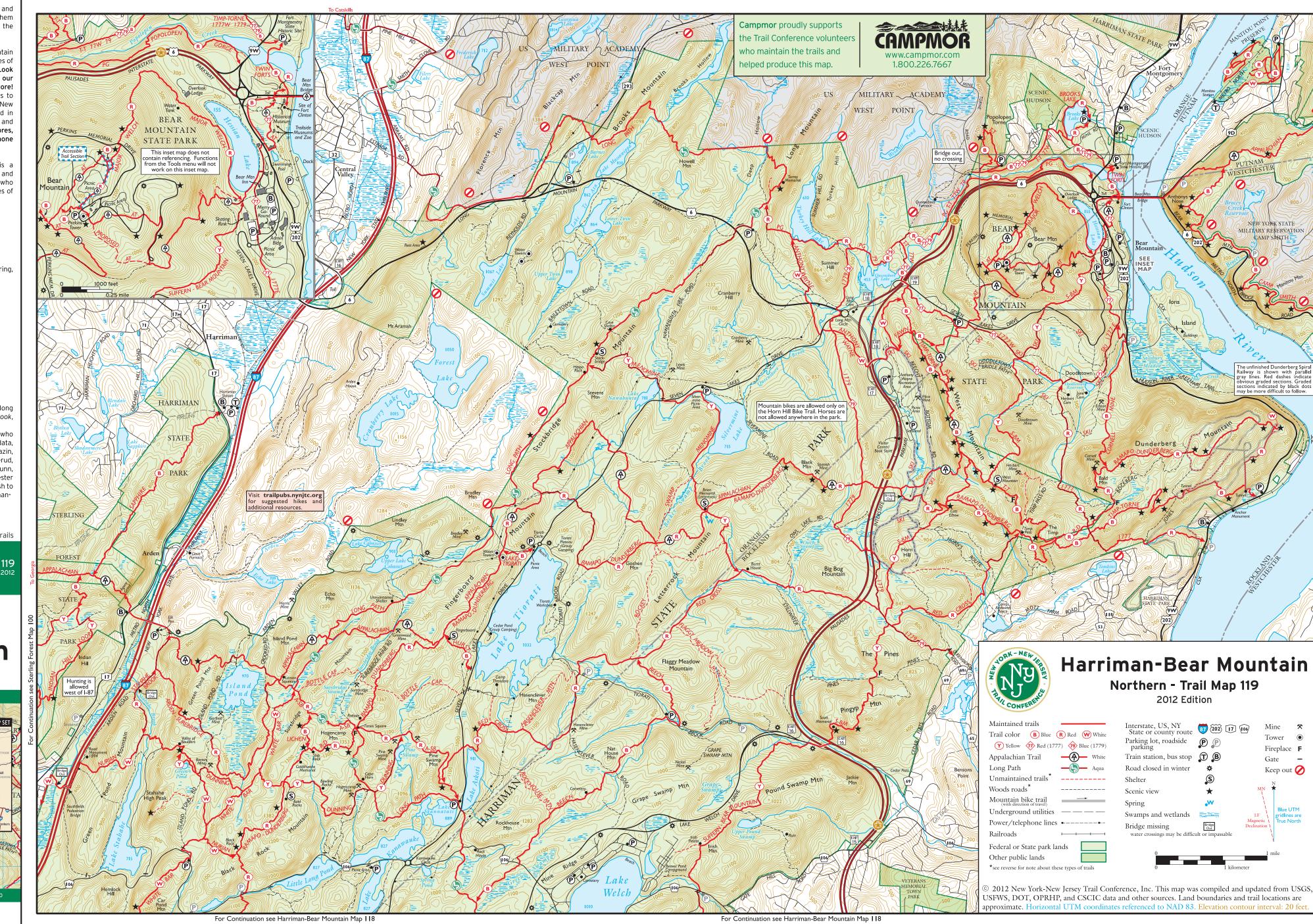
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Northern Harriman Bear Mountain Trails





Appalachian Trail

MacKaye as a footpath along the Appalachian ridge where urban people could retreat to nature. The first new section - from the Bear Mountain Bridge to Arder - was completed in 1923. The Appalachian Trail (A.T.) is one of the longest blazed foot trails in the world, stretching from Mt. Katahdin in Maine to Springer Mountain in Georgia. Every year, a number of hikers traverse the full length of the A.T. In New York and New Jersey, it is maintained by volunteers of the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference and its member

This footpath was conceived by regional planner Benton

The A.T. section shown on this map has two distinctions: it is the original section, and it has the lowest elevation on the entire 2,175-mile trail - approximately 120 feet above sea level, in the Trailside Museum and Zoo (just west of the Bear Mountain Bridge).

A detailed trail description, as well as information about the trail, can be found in the Guide to the Appalachian Trail in New York and New Jersey, published by the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

Bear Mountain Trails Project

High use and resulting erosion of the A.T. on Bear Mountain created the need for a major overhaul of the trail. The Bear Mountain Trails Project was initiated in the spring of 2006, with professional trail builders leading the construction effort and training hundreds of volunteers. Construction of the new route up the east face of Bear Mountain began in 2006, and the route was opened on National Trails Day in 2010. The new route of the A.T. on the west face of Bear Mountain, from the summit to Perkins Drive, was opened in August 2010, eliminating a half-mile roadwalk along Perkins Drive. A mile-long loop of the A.T. north of the summit, of which the eastern half is handicapped-accessible, was opened in June 2011. Work is in progress on a new A.T. route on the east face, from the Scenic Drive to the summit, and on a new interpretive trail just above Hessian Lake.

Harriman-Bear Mountain Parks

For more information on these parks, including rules and regulations, contact the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, Admin, Building P.O. Box 427, Bear Mountain, NY 10911; (845) 786-2701; www.nysparks.com; www.palisadesparksconservancy.org

Trail Use

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Marked Trails: Marked hiking trails are blazed with paint blazes or plastic or metal markers of various colors. The blaze color of each trail is shown on the map. White is often used as a background color to improve visibility. A double blaze indicates a turn, and the upper blaze is offset in the direction of the turn. The start and end of a trail are triple blazed. More detailed information on the marked hiking trails (and other features) of Harriman-Bear Mountain Parks may be found in Harriman Trails: A Guide and History, by William J. Myles and Daniel Chazin, published by the

Unmarked Trails and Woods Roads: With the exception of several woods roads maintained by the Park, these routes are not marked, cleared or otherwise maintained. Both unmarked trails (shown with dashed red lines) and woods roads (shown with dashed black lines) may be severely overgrown, difficult to locate and impossible to follow. Park regulations provide that "no person shall use other than trails, roads and other ways established and provided for public use [by the Park]." The majority of these unmarked routes are not considered established ways.

Parking Areas shown on this map are subject to change. Seasonal fees are charged at Bear Mountain, Silvermine Picnic Area, Tiorati Circle, Lake Welch Beach and Lake Kanawauke Picnic Area.

Private Property: Some blazed hiking trails shown on these maps may cross private property. In such cases, please take care to follow the marked trail. Please respect the rights of the landowners and do not

Health and Safety

Water: Hikers should bring with them an ample supply of water. The water sources shown on the map are unreliable in quantity and quality. All water taken from unprotected sources should be purified before use. Potable water is available at restrooms and drinking fountains.

Dress: Wear sturdy shoes or boots with non-slip soles. Dress in layers of clothing so you can adjust for changing conditions. As appropriate, wear gloves, hats and

Equipment: Carry a compass and paper map of the area, a whistle, a flashlight, a first-aid kit and bug repellant (spring and summer).

Risks: Be aware of risks. An injury on the trail, where there is no quick access to medical help, is always a serious matter. Leave your planned route and anticipated return time with a responsible party, particularly if you hike alone.

Emergency Phone Number

call New York State Park Police, (845) 786-2781.