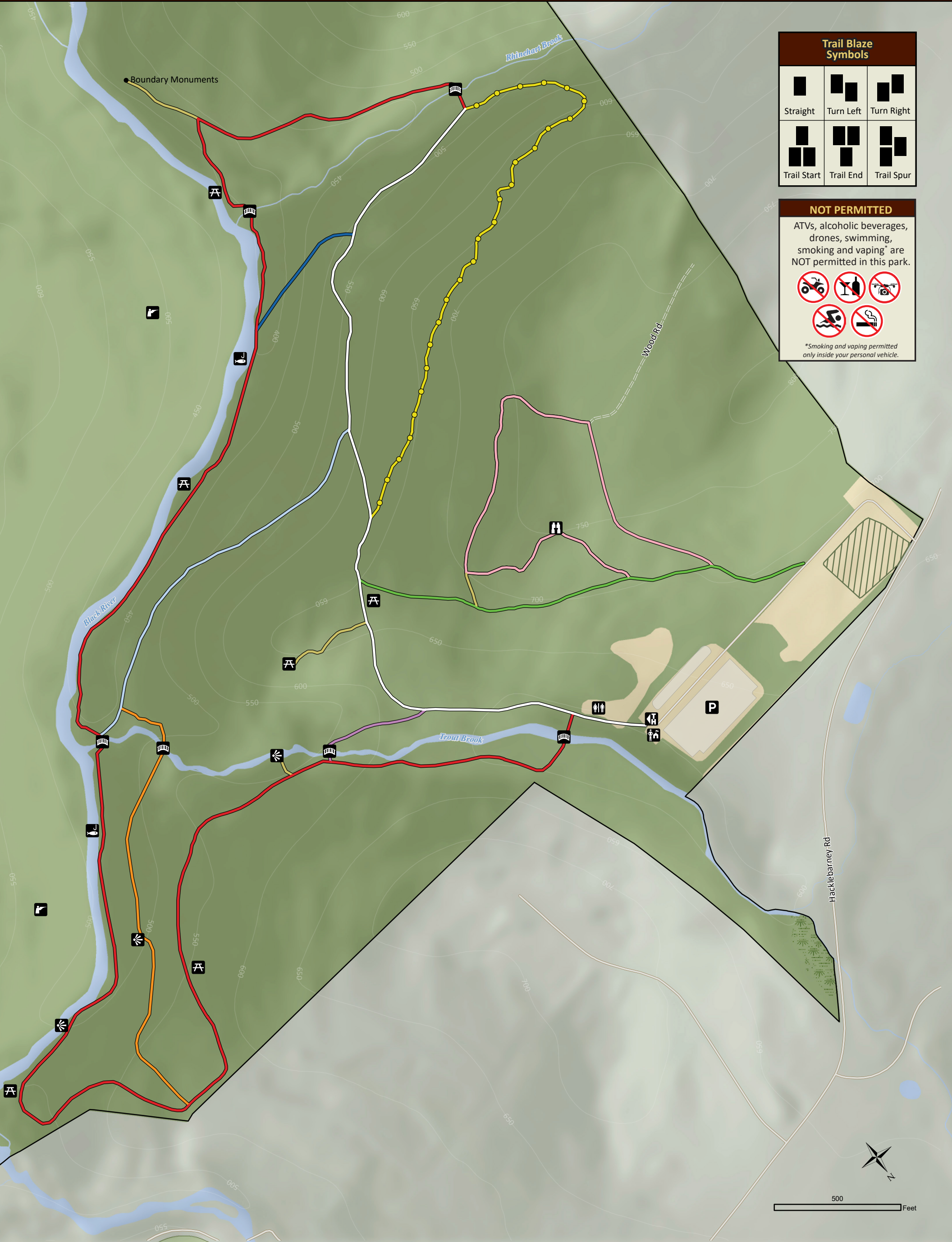


# HACKLEBARNEY State Park



**Trail Blaze Symbols**

|             |           |            |
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|             |           |            |
| Straight    | Turn Left | Turn Right |
|             |           |            |
| Trail Start | Trail End | Trail Spur |

**NOT PERMITTED**

ATVs, alcoholic beverages, drones, swimming, smoking and vaping\* are NOT permitted in this park.

\*Smoking and vaping permitted only inside your personal vehicle.

- Open Field or Grass

Forest

Water

Restricted Area
- Haki Trail (0.32 mi)

Main Trail (0.7 mi)

Playground Trail (0.35 mi)

Riverside Trail (1.8 mi)

Three Pools Trail (0.12 mi)
- Upland Trail (0.5 mi)

Waterfall Trail (0.1 mi)

Windy Ridge Trail (0.5 mi)

Wintershine Trail (0.35 mi)

Trail Connector
- Bridge

Fishing

Hunting

Parking Lot
- Park Office (Closed)

Picnic Area

Restrooms

Scenic View
- Trailhead

Wildlife Viewing

TRAILS OF HACKLEBARNEY  
STATE PARK

Tucked within Hacklebarney State Park are nine official trails, totaling almost five miles. For such a small area, the terrain is quite diverse and encompasses mixed hardwood upland forests, hillsides, a hemlock ravine, and freshwater stream environments. The Black River, fed by the Trout and Rhinehart Brooks, runs through the middle of the park. The Black River is flanked by massive boulders that create scenic pools and waterfalls. There are numerous picnic tables tucked in among the forest and along the stream. The trails of Hacklebarney allow for exploration and enjoyment of this glacial valley.

Haki Trail

*Lt. Blue • 0.32 miles • Hiking*  
*Moderate • Connector trail to river on gravel path*  
**Trailhead:** On Main Trail about 0.4 miles from the parking lot. **Haki Trail** gently descends along the forested hillside above the Black River. The trail joins with the river just at the confluence where Trout Brook and the Black River meet. The confluence of the brook and river is a very scenic location.



Windy Ridge Trail

*Yellow • 0.5 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • Mostly narrow single-track dirt path*  
**Trailhead:** On Main Trail just after passing playground area. **Windy Ridge Trail** follows along the hillside bounded between the Black River and Rhinehart Brook, and then begins to descend and turn south and east to follow Rhinehart Brook. It joins with Main Trail and Riverside Trail at a bridge over Rhinehart Brook.

Wintershine Trail

*Orange • 0.35 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • Crosses Hemlock hillside*  
**Trailhead:** On Riverside Trail 0.5 miles from its start. **Wintershine Trail** travels along the hillside above the Black River through hemlock and mixed hardwood trees. The trail starts on a four-foot-wide gravel and dirt path and narrows to singletrack over rocky terrain as it nears Trout Brook. As it crosses Trout Brook, large boulders create a few pools just near the bridge. The trail turns east, heads downstream and joins with Haki Trail.



Main Trail

*White • 0.7 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • connects to all trails*  
**Trailhead:** At the southeast corner of the main parking lot. **Main Trail** travels the forested ravine hillside beginning along Trout Brook, turns south above the Black River and ends alongside Rhinehart Brook. The five-foot-wide packed gravel trail runs through the middle of the park providing access to most of the other trails. The high point of the trail is on a shallow ridge with picnic tables among a grove of trees. A walk down Main Trail and returning on Riverside Trail is a great way to see much of the park and its unique areas.

Playground Trail

*Green • 0.35 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • Shortcut to Main Trail*  
**Trailhead:** Off park entrance road just past the maintenance building. Look for small road and gate on left. **Playground Trail** heads southeast on a five-foot-wide partially paved path through a hardwood forest. The trail runs along a hillside and then continues to join with Main Trail across from the picnic area.

Riverside Trail

*Red • 1.8 miles • Hiking*  
*Moderate • Follows along river edge*  
**Trailhead:** On left (east) side of Main Trail, approximately 75 yards from the parking lot. **Riverside Trail**, the longest trail, leads the visitor along the three major waterways in the park. Trout Brook and Rhinehart Brook are both tributaries which flow into the Black River. Riverside Trail follows a single-track, dirt path with natural obstacles as it travels alongside the creeks of this rocky ravine. Riverside Trail is very scenic with vistas, waterfalls and pools, fishing access, and many picnic tables along the way. Trail conditions vary depending on weather and water levels.

Three Pools Trail

*Blue • 0.12 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • Six-foot-wide-packed gravel*  
**Trailhead:** On Main Trail approximately 0.5 miles from the parking lot. **Three Pools Trail** descends a moderate grade hillside and leads down into the ravine along the Black River to a series of large scenic flat-water pools between small drops and cascades.

Upland Trail

*Pink • 0.5 miles • Hiking*  
*Easy • Loop trail along ridge*  
**Trailhead:** On Playground Trail. **Upland Trail** loops around the wooded uplands above the Black River. The trail leaves and rejoins Playground Trail and travels through hardwoods and cedar trees on a packed gravel and grass-covered path. There is a viewing platform and overlook on the north side.

Waterfall Trail

*Purple • 0.1 miles • Hiking*  
*Moderate • Short trail to waterfalls on Trout Brook*  
**Trailhead:** On Main Trail. **Waterfall Trail** is a short trail that descends from Main Trail and joins Trout Brook just above a series of waterfalls and pools. The trail is a six-foot-wide asphalt and gravel path that descends a moderate grade slope to meet with Trout Brook. There is a wide bridge to cross to connect to Riverside Trail. Just downstream of the bridge, the creek drops over a series of large boulders with small pools and cascades.



TRAIL SENSE AND SAFETY

**Trail Markings:** Official trails are marked by colored blazes on posts and trees. For your safety and habitat protection, please stay on the trails and do not alter trail markings or create new trails. Be aware of changing trail conditions.

**Be Prepared:** Consider bringing water, snacks, sunscreen, insect repellent and a hat. Dress for the weather. Tell someone where you plan to go and when you expect to return.

**Pets:** Pets must always be on a leash no longer than six feet in length and under the control of the owner at all times. Please clean up after your pets and take the waste with you.

**Keep It Clean and Green:** Bring a bag or two and carry your trash out with you. Trash cans are not provided. Don't forget to recycle!

**Tick Protection:** Use insect repellent, wear light-colored clothing, tuck pants into socks, stay on trails, check yourself thoroughly, shower and launder clothes immediately.

**Bear Aware:** Black bears are found throughout New Jersey. Do not approach or attract bears by making food available. Feeding bears is dangerous and illegal. Never run from a bear! To report an aggressive bear, call 1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337) immediately. Please report any damage or nuisance behavior to the park office. Visit the New Jersey DEP Fish & Wildlife at [dep.nj.gov/njfw/bears](http://dep.nj.gov/njfw/bears) for additional information on bear safety.

**Emergency Numbers**  
1-877-WARN-DEP (1-877-927-6337) or 911



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