

## Hollow Brook - Mt Weather, Virginia

Length	Difficulty	Streams	Views	Solitude	Camping
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Hiking Time:   2.0 hours plus a half hour for lunch  Elev. Gain:   860 ft					
Parking: Only park in the large parking area. DO NOT park on the road. 39.07299, -77.91292					

This short out/back hike has a beautiful waterfall at the top of Hollow Brook, with a nice walk up to the summit of Buzzard Hill as well. Close to the Washington D.C. metro area, this is another hike that is perfect when you can't make it out to the bigger mountains. At only 3.8 miles, this is fun for all skill levels.

This hike is at its best in the spring, or after it's been raining.

From the parking on Morgan Mill Rd., start uphill/north on the white blazed Appalachian Trail (AT) as it climbs the first ridge. Begin descending into Reservoir Hollow on the other side of the ridge and arrive at the main stream in 0.7 miles.

Cross the stream, then immediately on the other side look for a small unblazed trail that follows the stream uphill. In 40 yards pass a small campsite, then continue to follow the trail for another 50 yards to the base of the main waterfall.

From the waterfall head back down to the AT and turn right/north. In another 0.3 miles pass the ruins of one of the many old homesteads in this section of the AT.

Continue following the AT, then in another 0.4 miles pass through a small saddle between ridges and another nice campsite.

Continue uphill for 0.2 miles passing yet another campsite on the right near the top of Buzzard Hill, and in 25 yards there is an unmarked trail that leads to the summit. Turn left and follow the trail for 50 yards to the main summit.

To return, retrace your route south on the AT back to the parking area on Morgan Mill Rd.