

The Insider's View

Poe Paddy State Park

BEST VIEW

The best view of Penns Creek is from the John Snyder Trail. Park at the boat launch lot near c-loop and take the short path down to the creek. The bench to the right has the best view.

BEST FAMILY-FRIENDLY HIKE

John Snyder Trail (north direction) - It's about 1 mile and takes 1 hour

FAVORITE MEDIUM INTENSITY TRAIL

Penns Creek Trail - The trail that runs through the Poe Paddy Tunnel. It can go 3 miles to Cherry Run parking trail. It can take you 1-3 hours depending on how far you go.

MOST CHALLENGING HIKE

Poe Paddy Drive - An unmaintained, drivable trail that rarely is used by vehicles as it is too steep and rocky. From Poe Paddy State Park, it's 1.35 miles to the first vista, 2.1 miles to the middle vista, and 3.15 to the last vista, and then back again. It's fairly steep as you get out of the park and onto the top of the ridge. It takes 2-5 hours depending on how far you go.

Hidden Gem

The railroad bed that connected the sawmill near Poe Mills to the Lewisburg-Tyrone Railroad remains intact, but it is not accessible to the public at this time

MUST KNOW?

The park is home to many loyal regulars. One couple, the Snyders, started camping here in the early 1950's and continued every year for 70 years! Even today, their family continues the tradition and camp at least once a year.

BEST EATS

Poe Valley Concession stand at Poe Valley State Park - open Memorial Day to Labor Day