

PARIS MOUNTAIN via BRISSY RIDGE and FIVE MORE TRAILS



DESCRIPTION: This state park near Greenville offers an attractive mix of terrain and views. Starting from the parking area deepest into the park (past five others), take the Brissy Ridge Trail TO THE LEFT. (The right side alternate is very rough and steep and, except for a nice creek encounter, offers little visual benefit.) At just over a mile, after pleasant vistas to the east and north, take Pipsissowa downhill continuing another mile to, and then clockwise around, the scenic reservoir via North Lake Loop. At the far side of the lake, take Kanuga uphill. Lunch on log seating along the way. Near the top, connect to Fire Tower. Follow it left a short way to Sulphur Springs Loop. Keeping left, follow it for the final mile winding generally downhill, back to the parking area. Total trek about 5.5 miles of easy and moderate terrain.

DIRECTIONS (GPS: 34.940756, -82.391692)

ALL meet, pool, and depart from KKEPA at 9AM. From there head south on SC130/SC183 for 2 miles. Continue left (east) on 183 for another 13 miles, on through Pickens. Approaching Greenville, bear right where SC183 is also Farris Bridge Rd, and go another 15 miles to where 183 is also Cedar Lane. Within 2 miles, turn left (north) onto SC253, which is also E Blue Ridge Rd and, later, State Park Rd. Keep left and arrive at the Park entrance after another 3 miles or so. Reassemble at the first parking area inside the gate, on the right. From there continue to the parking area at the Brissy Ridge trailhead ...facilities in route at several locatons.

Park fee is \$2 per adult; free with an SC Parks Pass. Expect to return about 3PM.

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