

# TALLULAH GORGE TALLULAH GORGE LOOP in TALLULAH GORGE STATE PARK, GA



DESCRIPTION: The best of this awesome, multi-faceted Gorge...a fully developed tourist attraction... is experienced by combining trails that total only about 6 miles with net 600ft of elevation gain. From the Interpretive Center (IC), exit south on the short connector to the North Rim Trail. Turn left (east) and continue on to view the remains of the "Great Wallenda" wire walker tower, then take the adjoining trail to Inspiration Point. Reverse from there, back past the Interpretive Center and continue to overlook #3, then #2, and on down...hundreds of metal stairs...and cross the Gorge's suspension bridge. Hook left to view Hurricane Falls, then climb...more hundreds of stairs...to the South Rim Trail. Go left for view points 8, 9, and 10. Reverse from there. (Do not try the steep descent to the canyon floor...permit required!)

Lunch in the small grotto on the way back, then continue (west) along the South Rim for view points 7 then 6. Cross the Tallulah River beneath the highway to reconnect with the South Rim. Turn right and enjoy view points 5, 4, and 3 (again) in route back to the IC and parking. The Center has interesting displays and a movie that includes kayakers battling torrents on the river during special dam release days. For live viewing, check for dates on the Gorge web site. Terrora Trail, across US441, offers an added scenic mile and half around a small lake and by an old jail house.

DIRECTIONS: (GPS: 34.740061, -83.390467)  
 Tallulah Gorge State Park is a 44 mile, 60 minute drive via Toccoa. From Walhalla, go 8 mi W on SC183, then 16 SW on SC123. Go right onto N Big A Rd 0.4mi, continue onto E Tugalo St for 0.8mi, then right onto Broad St for 0.3mi. Take 2<sup>nd</sup> left onto GA17Alt. Follow for 9.5mi. Turn right onto GA15/US23/US441N. Continue for 8 mi to park entrance and Viola Scott Circle. Follow signs to the Interpretive Center. Parking is \$5 per vehicle. Ample, excellent facilities there.  
 Park phone: (706) 754-7970

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