

GET OUTSIDE IN ELKINS

Elkins, West Virginia is a premier destination for outdoor recreation. As the headquarters of the Monongahela National Forest, it offers easy access to a wide array of outdoor experiences.



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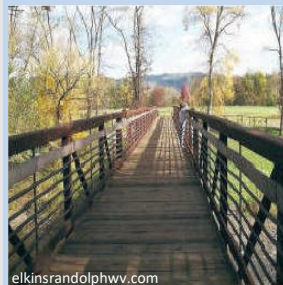
The AHT follows the original route of the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg Railway. For 25 miles this exceptionally scenic trail provides panoramic views of countryside, as it passes through small towns and rural farmland. Not only is this a bike trail, you can also walk, horseback ride, and cross-country ski during the winter season.



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ELKINS CITY PARK

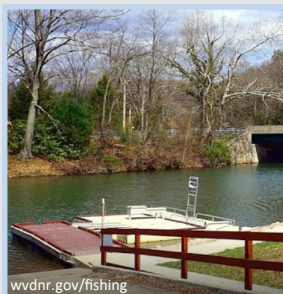
Residents and visitors can use the extensive park system for many different activities. The Elkins City Park was the first park established in Elkins. The park, situated in the middle of town, has nine picnic sites, three covered pavilions, an assortment of up to date playground equipment, two restroom facilities, eight horseshoe pits, and a basketball court.



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GLENDALE & RIVERBEND PARKS

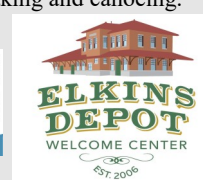
Glendale Park consists of 36 acres, with a nature walking trail around the perimeter of the park. In addition, the park has a skateboard area, football practice field, soccer fields, a playground, restroom facility, two pavilions and six picnic sites. Glendale Park is connected to Riverbend Park with a bridge that crosses over the river. Both parks are open 7 days a week, and they close at dusk.



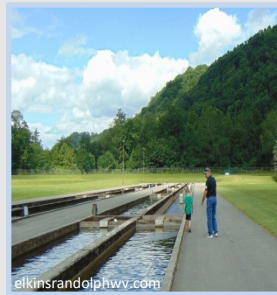
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SCOTT'S FORD FISHING PIER

The Scott's Ford Fishing Pier is an ADA accessible water source. Boating from the Scott's Ford launch gains you access to about 2 miles of the Tygart Valley River. This access point provides the perfect fishing experience for visitors to catch carp, muskie, large-mouth bass, pike, croppie, walleye, and catfish. The location is also ideal for kayaking and canoeing.



GET OUTSIDE NEAR ELKINS



BOWDEN FISH HATCHERY

The Bowden Fish Hatchery is open to the public 7 days a week from 7:00am to 3:30pm depending on the weather. The facility is located a little over 10 miles (14-minute drive) from Elkins. Visitors can enjoy a self-guided tour of the facility. Bowden spawns brook and brown trout and receives rainbow and golden trout eggs. You can call (304) 637-0238 to find out when feeding time is to get the full experience of this attraction.



STUART RECREATION AREA

Located about 7 miles (14-minute drive) from Elkins, Stuart Recreation Area has an array of outdoor recreation open to through traffic from April to October. Enjoy picnicking with friends and family, hiking on the 2-mile trail, fishing in the river and much more. There is a small \$5 fee per vehicle to get into the park.



BEAR HEAVEN

Pronounced "Bear Haven" by the locals, Bear Heaven Campground is a primitive tent campground located about 14 miles (25-minute drive) from Elkins. At Bear Heaven you can explore the rock outcroppings, catch some beautiful views of Randolph County, and discover large caverns created by the rocks.



BICKLE KNOB OBSERVATION TOWER

The Bickle Knob Observation Tower is in close proximity to Stuart Recreation Area and Bear Heaven. It is located approximately 10 miles (30-minute drive) from Elkins. The Observation Tower offers stunning panoramic views of Randolph County and the surrounding mountains.



OTTER CREEK WILDERNESS AREA

Otter Creek Wilderness is 20,698 acres in size. The closest entrance is located on the Stuart Memorial Drive loop approximately 20 miles (35-minute drive). Otter Creek Wilderness has over 45 miles of trails, and a map of the area can be provided to you at the Elkins Depot Welcome Center, online, or at the Forest Service Headquarters located in Elkins.