

Valley Falls State Park



ONCE THE SITE of a grist and lumber mill community, the scenic treasure that is **Valley Falls State Park** is located only a short drive from Fairmont and Grafton, West Virginia. This 1,145-acre day-use park hosts a variety of outdoor recreation including fishing, picnicking, and hiking and mountain biking trails. Kayaking only is permitted with registration prior water activity.

The beauty of the park is enhanced by the spectacular series of foaming falls that were created by the dark, rushing waters of the Tygart Valley River. The prevalent rock formation known as the Connoquenessing Sandstone forms the cap of the falls over which the river plunges and swirls. It appears both as ledges and huge room size boulders for more than a mile down the narrow canyon floor.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

- Audra State Park
- Cathedral State Park
- Coopers Rock State Forest
- International Mother's Day Shrine (Andrews United Methodist Church)
- Philippi Covered Bridge
- Pleasant Creek Wildlife Management Area
- Prickett's Fort State Park
- Teter Creek Wildlife Management Area
- Tygart Lake State Park
- Watters Smith Memorial State Park

THINGS TO DO

Hiking and Biking

- Approximately 18 miles of trails
- Suitable for all skill levels
- Marked trails for biking

Sightseeing

- Remnants of a combination grist mill and saw (whip) mill
- Great Falls

Fishing

- WV fishing license required
- Online license sales available — www.wvfish.com
- Tygart Valley River

Picnicking

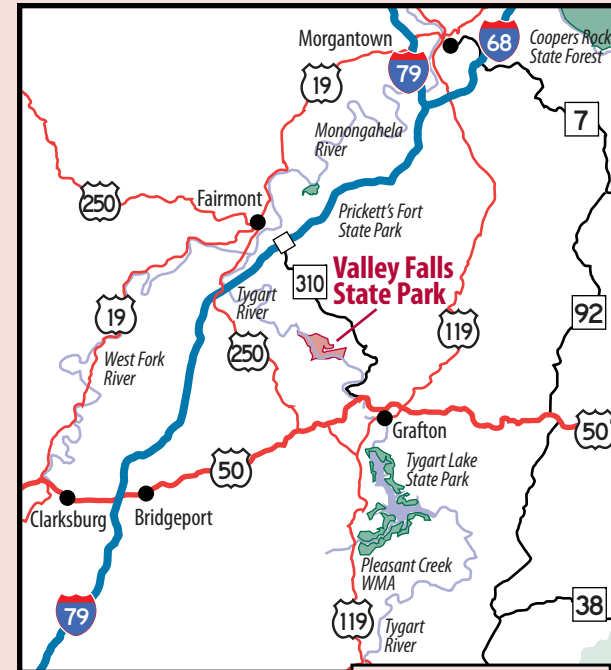
- Two reservable shelters
- Picnic sites with grills and tables
- Restrooms nearby
- Drinking water nearby
- Accessible sites
- Reservable group picnic area

Game Courts

- Playground
- Volleyball court
- Horseshoe pits

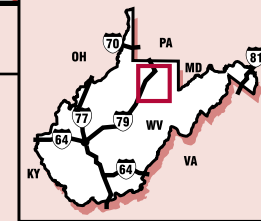
Gazebo

- Suitable for smaller outdoor weddings
- Reservable



LOCATION

From I-79, take Exit 137, then follow 310 south for eight miles. Turn right at the Valley Falls State Park sign. Follow the road two miles to the park entrance.



Valley Falls State Park

Route 6, Box 244
Fairmont, West Virginia 26554
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1-800-CALL WVA
www.valleyfallsstatepark.com

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STATEMENT OF POLICY REGARDING THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
TO USE FACILITIES AND PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS

Visitors are responsible for observing park rules and regulations.

"It is the policy of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources to provide its facilities, accommodations, services and programs to all persons without regard to gender, race, color, age, religion, national origin or disability. Proper licenses, registration and compliance with official rules and regulations are the only sources of restrictions for facility use or program participation."

"The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources is an equal opportunity employer."

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TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Deer Trail

2.1 miles

About 50% nearly level with modest uphill grade.

Dogwood Trail

.8 mile

Steep from Rhododendron Trail, then leveling off.

Red Cardinal Trail

1 mile

All downhill from park entrance.

Red Fox Trail

.35 miles (short)

Steep grade from intersection with Deer Trail.

Rocky Trail

1.8 miles

Very steep at both ends with a short level area on top of the ridge.

Rhododendron Trail

1.9 miles

Moderately steep near end, otherwise relatively easy.

Tygart River Trail

.2 mile

Mostly level with one steep incline.

Wild Turkey Trail

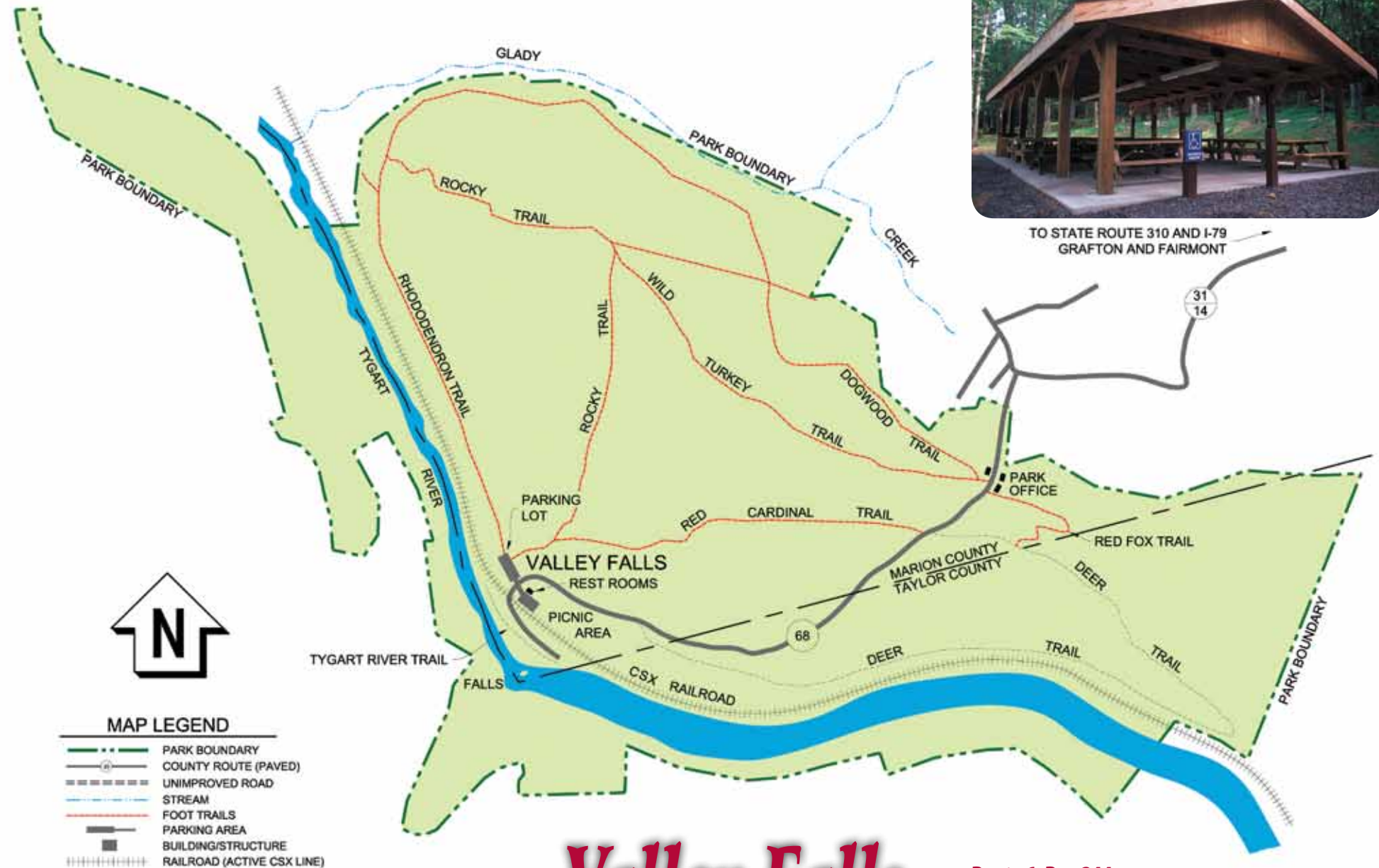
1.8 miles

Extremely steep on both ends, otherwise follows a near level ridge.

NOTE: Trails suitable for biking are signed.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Swimming and wading in the river is not permitted. Alcohol is also prohibited at Valley Falls (\$58-31-2.21). Kayaks only are permitted to run the falls on the Tygart Valley River at Valley Falls. Registration at the park prior to kayaking is required. (\$58-31-2.7).



TO STATE ROUTE 310 AND I-79
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