

**Big South Fork  
National River and Recreation Area**



# Tackett Brothers Gravesite

Hand-hewn tombstones mark the graves of the Tackett Brothers who hid from Confederate sympathizers in search of recruits in 1863. A female relative hid the teenagers under a feather mattress, and then pretended to be sick in bed. The boys smothered to death in their attempt to avoid being pressed into duty.

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