



Park Trails

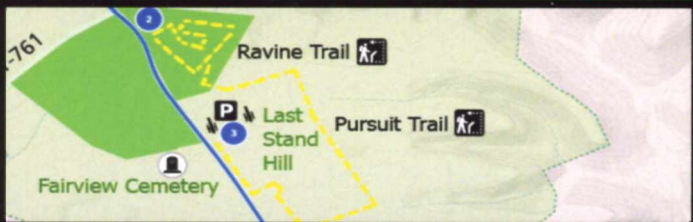
Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument has wonderful opportunities for walking, hiking, bird watching, and exploring the battlefield's unique terrain features and resources.



Special interpretive programs allow visitors to discover the stories of the battlefield and observe the beauty of the park today.

The only true way to understand a battlefield is to walk the ground the events transpired on. Books, letters, newspaper articles, and even maps cannot give an accurate perspective of the landscape and how it affected the momentous events.

Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument offers unique opportunities to walk trails, exercise and recreate, and learn about a variety of cultural and natural resources seen throughout the park's historic landscape. With your feet on the ground, you can experience the elevation changes, the line of sight, and the great distances these soldiers crossed during the chaotic morning of January 19, 1862.



The Ravine Trail at Zollicoffer Park (0.4 miles)

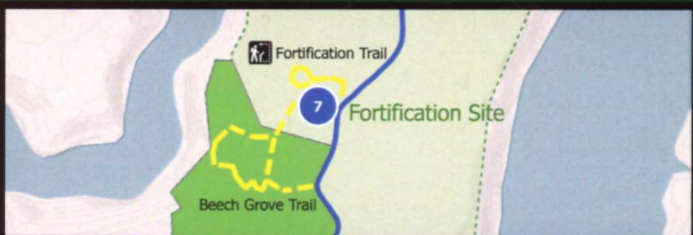
Difficulty Level: Moderate ●

The Ravine Trail brings visitors from Zollicoffer Park over the core battlefield where the US and Confederate forces fought during the Battle of Mill Springs. 8 outdoor wayside exhibits help explain the significant participants, personal stories, and heroic struggles the soldiers experienced.

The Pursuit Trail on Last Stand Hill (0.9 miles)

Difficulty Level: Easy ●

The Pursuit Trail brings visitors over Burton Hill where the main Confederate battle line marched over in pursuit of the outnumbered US troops and where the US forces pursued the routed Confederates away from the battlefield. The beautiful scenic viewsheds looking over gently elevating trail offer great photography opportunities and wildlife habitats.



Fortification Trail at Beech Grove (0.9 miles)

Difficulty Level: Difficult ●

The Fortification Trails allows visitors to explore preserved Civil War fortifications, see archeological sites where soldiers lived in primitive winter huts for shelter, and learn how Civil War armies survived harsh winter conditions. This trail provides scenic views of White Oak Creek, Lake Cumberland, and unique geographic features of south-central Kentucky.

For seasonal park hour changes and special event information contact:
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