

HONE QUARRY CLIFF TRAIL

Located in the George Washington National Forest

The short-and-sweet Cliff Trail follows a path to two clifftop lookouts, with views of Shenandoah Mountain to the west. While the trail is relatively steep, the distance is short and can be accomplished by most reasonably fit people and motivated children. This hike can be combined with other nearby trails or hikes for longer day experiences if desired. Trail runners have great hill training opportunities climbing up from Hone Quarry to the surrounding ridges. The mix of water, forest, and field attracts a variety of local wildlife and is ideal for bird watching.

DIRECTIONS & PARKING

GOOGLE: Hone Quarry Campground



Driving: 30 minutes west of Harrisonburg

Signs and Marking: Look for the brown hiker sign across from the parking area. Double yellow trail blazes show the hike up to overlook.

P Parking: Approximately 1.6 miles from the base of Hone Quarry Road lies a large parking area on the left side of the road. Next to the parking area are a vault toilet and a campground. Space for 15+ vehicles.

PRACTICAL PLANNING INFORMATION





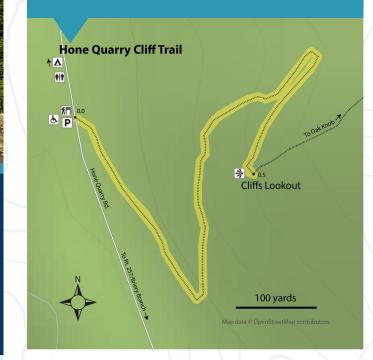
Phone Service: None or very limited. Possible signal at top of hike near the overlook.

MORE INFORMATION RECREATION AREA

Hone Quarry Recreation Area is located in the George Washington National Forest and centered around a 5.5-acre reservoir. The recreation area features a camping area, picnic area, hiking and biking trails. A paved road reaches the main parking and camping areas. Be mindful of potholes and other vehicles. Beyond the campground, the road turns to gravel and leads to a small reservoir that is popular among anglers. While rough, it should be passable for most vehicles.

TRAIL INFORMATION

Time: 1-2 hours Distance: 1 mile Elevation: +/- 350 ft. Terrain: Hiking trail uphill and downhill, well built but some small rocks on the path Preferred direction: Out and back



NAVIGATING THE TRAIL

Starting from the main parking area by the hiking symbol sign, follow the Cliff Trail 0.5 miles to a rocky lookout. The trail follows a path uphill to two clifftop lookouts. Take your time and be cautious of your footing on the rocky surfaces, especially if it has recently rained and the trail is wet.



