Hiking Adventures in Maryland

Maryland offers miles of trails to explore, from flat, short footpaths to some of the most challenging routes on the East Coast. Lace up your boots and try one of these popular trails.

1 Cunningham Falls Nature Trail - Thurmont

The payoff for this 2.8-mile loop in Catoctin Mountain Park near Thurmont is a view of the 78-foot cascading high falls. Other park trails lead to the popular destinations of Wolf Rock and Chimney Rock.

More about Cunningham Falls State Park

Type:
Outdoor Recreation

Location:
14039 Catoctin Hollow Rd
Thurmont, MD 21788
301-271-7574
2 C&O Canal’s Billy Goat Trail (A) - Potomac

It may be short, but this steep trail requires a rugged ascent that is not for the faint of heart. The C&O Canal’s Billy Goat Trail (A) in Potomac is a popular 1.7-mile trail that offers beautiful views of the Potomac River and its falls.

More about C&O Canal Bicycling

Type:
Guides & Outfitters

Location:
604 Valley Rd
Knoxville, MD 21758
301-834-9950

3 Fort Foote Civil War Ruins Trail - Fort Washington

The easy 1.7-mile Fort Foote Civil War Ruins Trail in Fort Washington passes through a Civil War fort with real civil war bunkers.
More about Fort Foote Park

**Type:**
Attraction

**Location:**
8901 Fort Foote Rd
Fort Washington, MD 20744
301-763-4600

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4 Accokeek Farms at Piscataway Park

Hike a variety of nature trails in this park, home to bald eagles, beavers, deer, foxes, ospreys and other wildlife.

More about National Colonial Farm at Piscataway Park

**Type:**
Attraction

**Location:**
3400 Bryan Point Rd
Accokeek, MD 20607
301-283-2113

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5 Torrey C. Brown Trail - Baltimore County

Popular with walkers, joggers and cyclists, the wide, flat Torrey C. Brown Trail extends 20 miles from Hunt Valley to the state line.

More about Gunpowder Falls State Park: Torrey C. Brown Rail Trail

Type:
Outdoor Recreation

Location:
1820 Monkton Rd
Monkton, MD 21111
410-592-2897

6 Greenbury Point - Annapolis

Options here include a 3.3-mile hike on the Nature Center and Tower Trails or a shorter two-mile Tower Trail hike near the Naval Academy Golf Course in Annapolis.

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7 Appalachian Trail

The 40 miles of this legendary trail within Maryland provide a great three- or four-day hike.

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8 Swallow Falls State Park

Two water falls make this fairly short length trail (just a little over a mile) surely worth the time in Western Maryland

More about Swallow Falls State Park

Type:
Attraction

Location:
222 Herrington Ln
Oakland, MD 21550
301-334-9180

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**9 Calvert Cliffs State Park**

A nearly 2-mile hike leads you to breathtaking views of the Chesapeake Bay and a beach full of fossils.

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**More about Calvert Cliffs State Park**

**Type:**
Attraction

**Location:**
10540 H.G. Trueman Rd
Lusby, MD 20657
301-743-7613

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**10 Maryland Heights Trail (Knoxville)**

Fascinating history combined with sublime views make the Maryland Heights Trail one of the best in Maryland.

More information and trail map...