

Hickey Fork Falls

A 1.4 Mile, One Way, Hike to a very nice waterfall.

Several easy creek crossings. Good Footing. Elevation Gain 358 feet.

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Directions to Trailhead: Drive from Greenville toward Asheville, NC on SR70 locally called the Asheville Highway. At the state line the road becomes NC 208. After driving 20 miles you will reach a junction with NC 212 just before crossing a bridge. Do not cross the bridge, but take the left fork toward Shelton Laurel. Drive for seven miles to a sign marking the Hickey Fork Trailhead; one mile to the left. Take this road to a small trailhead that holds about four cars.

From the trailhead, go down a bank and immediately cross the creek on a long footlog. Follow the trail down a small, wet area then across the side of a ridge. You will cross the creek several times but only one crossing needs extra care with the rockhopping. You will descend into another swampy area, then climb steeply up the side of another ridge that goes by a very long and beautiful cascade before reaching Hickey Fork Falls at mile 1.4. Return to the trailhead by reversing your route

There is a partially hidden manway to the bottom of the falls but be very careful if you decide to take it. The trail continues past the top of the falls and intersects with the Pounding Mill Trail and eventually connects with the Appalachian Trail near the towers on Camp Creek Bald.

SYNOPSIS OF HIKE

Mile	Elevation	Description
0	2246	Trailhead Hickey Fork Falls Trail.
1.4	2604	Hickey Fork Falls

