

Kanopolis State Park
Horsethief Canyon Trails



Follow purple



Sharp right



Parking lot



Go right



Head left



Mile	Name	Description
0.14	Trailhead	Take the trail between the toilet and the mapboard
0.22	Go left	Head left along the stream towards the cave
0.51	Head left	Head left at the arrow signpost with the blue ribbon "Horsethief Trail"
0.54	Stay left	Branch - stay left at trail closed signpost
0.65	Sign	Sign says "Two miles to cave"
0.72	Parking lot	Parking lot and picnic area
0.73	Follow purple	Following the purple trail which is a people only trail.
1.03	Crumbly cliff	Crumbly cliff area
1.07	Mucky	Very mucky here. There is no great way to cross.
1.36	Side trail	Go right to the cave at 12, then return
1.38	Cave	Return to the junction and head up the bluff to 11
1.44	Stream	Ford stream
1.49	Climbing	Climbing up the bluff
1.53	Sharp right	At top of the bluff take a sharp right and follow the lip of the canyon
1.88	On the edge	Following the edge of the canyon
2.26	Go right	Leaving orange trail right onto green connector trail
2.26	Retrace	At the blue trail, return to the parking lot via the same path
2.66	End of trail	End of trail


Directions

From the junction of KS Hwy 156 and KS Hwy 140 east of Ellsworth Kansas, head east along KS 140 13.3 miles to the KS 141.

Take a right onto KS 141 and head south 8.2 miles to the entrance to Kanopolis State Park via Venango Rd.

Follow Venango Rd. and then Horsethief Rd 3.3 miles to the dirt Horsethief Canyon Trail parking lot on your right.

Shortly after you enter the park you will pass near an entrance station where you will need to pay a fee.



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