

Sumter National Forest

South Carolina

Woods Ferry Horse Trail



Southern Region, USDA Forest Service

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Highlights

The rolling hills of Sumter National Forest near Chester are home to 9 miles of easy-to-moderate loops known collectively as Woods Ferry Horse Trail. The trails run over a terrain that's primarily red clay and is a wonderful interruption from the area's typical pine trails. This area has a hardwood canopy of poplars, maples, and sweet gums. Look for deer, turkeys, toredtail hawks, quail, blue heron, and even the rare osprey.

Surrounding Area

- Old English District Commission, Chester, SC (800) 968-5909
- Leeds Rifle Range, Sumter National Forest
- Worthy's Bottom Wildlife Area, Sumter National Forest
- Woods Ferry Recreation Area, Sumter National Forest

For More Information

Enoree Ranger District

Enoree Office

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Directions: From Chester, travel west on SC 9 through Wilksburg to a junction with Chester County S-49. Turn left (south) and follow to the first road on the right. Worthy's Ferry Road (Chester County S-535). Continue straight after the pavement ends to FS 301C and turn left. There is a parking area with gravel to the left. The trail begins in the parking area.

Difficulty level: easy to moderate

Drinking water: Stream water is safe for animals to drink.

Emergency phone numbers: Chester County – Sheriff, rescue squad – 911
Inform them of location, Woods Ferry Horse Trail

Fees: none

Length: 9 miles

Restrictions: Closed to all off-highway vehicles.

Safety: Care should be taken in the woods during big-game season: wear blaze orange.

Season: year-round

Surface type: unsurfaced, gravel, piedmont clay

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