

CRADLE OF FORESTRY

PISGAH NATIONAL FOREST



Nestled in the Pink Beds Valley lies the Cradle of Forestry in America, the birthplace of modern science-based forestry.

This 6,500-acre site was designated by congress in 1968 to “*preserve, develop, and make available to this and future generations the birthplace of forestry and forestry education in America.*” Become a part of the story by exploring the past, present, and future of environmental sustainability and stewardship.

ACTIVITIES

- Watch the film “First in Forestry” in our theater
- Explore three interactive trails (*use the National Forest Explorer app for free trail audio tours*)
- Enjoy special events & educational programs
- Discover something new in the Community Science Lab

FACILITIES

- Eight historic buildings
- Paved trails & picnic areas
- Theater & exhibit hall
- Visitor center, gift shop, and cafe





Check out the Trail Map Online

TRAILS

- Biltmore Campus / **1 MILE**
- Forest Festival / **1.3 MILE**
- Forest Discovery / **1.3 MILE**

NEARBY

- Blue Ridge Parkway
- Brevard, NC
- Pink Beds Trail and picnic areas
- Looking Glass and Moore Cove Falls

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The Cradle of Forestry is located just outside Brevard, NC within Pisgah National Forest on Hwy. 276 North, 4 Miles from the Blue Ridge Parkway at Mile Marker 412, and 3.5 miles from Sliding Rock.

OTHER INFORMATION

Check our website for the current schedule and hours of operation. Senior, Access, and Federal Interagency Pass discounts accepted. Find more information online at goFINDOutdoors.org.

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