

BOYCE PARK | Yellow Trail



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1.2 miles | Easy-to-moderate

This 1.2-mile, easy-to-moderate hike begins at the Carpenter Log House Parking Area on Pierson Run Road. The trailhead is across the road, marked by a yellow blaze. Ford the stream at a rock-hardened crossing then continue on to cross the utility corridor and follow the trail back into the woods up the small creek valley. The Yellow Trail, (formerly known as the Carpenter Log House Trail) will split shortly after entering the woods. Stay left at the “Y” and follow it to a clearing by the airfield. Take a sharp right at the opening and stay to the left where the Yellow and Blue Trails join for a short distance – continue to stay left at the next intersection. You will wind through the young forest and an interesting section that is mostly Spice Bush. As you come out of that patch, the forest opens up and large oaks are numerous. You will exit into a small field where the trail turns to the right and makes a hard turn joining back on to the Blue Trail again (almost 180 degrees back into the woods.) As you enter back into the woods, stay left on the Yellow Trail and follow a series of flowing downhill turns. The Yellow Trail crosses the Blue Trail again on an old access road and then drops down into a scenic valley filled with large oak trees and beautiful wildflowers in the spring. You will be paralleling Pierson Run Road to your left and eventually cross a small bridge at the bottom of a valley. Stay to the left at the “Y” and follow the trail you started on back to the parking lot.

