Welcome to Minnewaska State Park Preserve

Rules and Regulations
Patrons are responsible to understand and follow all park rules and regulations. Violations may result in revocation of park privileges and/or legal prosecution.

This Park Preserve is limited to day use only. Camping, barbecuing/ cooking and fires are not permitted.

All plants and animals within the Park Preserve are protected. Please do not feed or disturb the wildlife.

This is a carry-in/carry-out New York State Park. Trash receptacles are not provided; you must take your trash out with you.

Dogs are permitted on a maximum six-foot leash.

Alcoholic beverages and glass containers are not permitted.

For your safety and to protect the Park Preserve, please remain on designated carriage roads, footpaths, and woods roads.

Bicyclists must wear helmets, ride on maintained carriage roads, yield and give warning to pedestrians and horses, and ride in a safe manner.

Swim only at designated areas at Lake Minnewaska and Lake Awosting when lifeguards are on duty.

Hours and Fees
The Park Preserve opens daily at 9:00 am year-round. Closing hours are posted at the Park Preserve entrance and are adjusted seasonally. Information is available regarding the Empire Pass for frequent park users, senior citizens’ discount, and Access Passes.

- Vehicle use fee: $10 per car
- Empire Pass: $80 per season

Recreational Activities
Hiking, biking, horseback riding, scuba diving, swimming, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, picnicking, non-motorized boating, bouldering and rock climbing.

Public Programs
Guided hikes and nature programs are provided for the public every month. Education programs are available for school groups, clubs, and other interested parties upon request. Please pick up the current Public Programs brochure or contact the Park Preserve office at 845-255-0752 for additional information.

WARNING — DANGER
CARRIAGE ROADS, FOOTPATHS, AND OVERLOOKS THROUGHOUT THIS PARK ARE ADJACENT TO STEEP DESCENTS AND CLIFFS. EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION IN ALL AREAS. KEEP AWAY FROM CLIFF EDGES.

CAUTION: PRIVATE LANDOWNER HAS VEHICULAR ACCESS. PARK STAFF USE MOTORIZED VEHICLES.

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