Highlights of the Trails

GENTLE TRAILS: These trails (Border Buckeye Circle Etta Stem Wedge) circle the plateau, and have only modest grades. These trails are suitable for walkers of all ages, and in the spring are home to many ephemeral wildflowers. The Buckeye trail is fully accessible.



INTERMEDIATE TRAILS:

These trails leave the plateau and descend into the valleys through decidous woodlands, which are largely tulip poplar, oak, ash, beech and some maple. The <u>Woodland</u> trail follows the 19th century carriage road down to the

Tyson family railroad stop next to the Light Rail track. Vestiges of the stone wall which once bordered this road still exist. The **Ravine** and **Spicebush** trails cross old roads, portions of which are faintly visible. The **Vista** trail descends from the plateau to the old "ruins" along an ephemeral stream; this route is walkable, but requires some agility and care in where to step. The understory along these trails reflects the impact of deer browsing, that has damaged trees and limited replacement growth.

BIRD WATCHING is a popular pastime on the trails, and the areas along the Etta Stem Wedge trail and the Ridge



trail are especially good for seeing birds.

A DEER FENCE approximately 1.3 miles in length has been installed just outside the plateau trails. There are five gates for pedestrians (marked with stars on the map)



- one on the Woodland trail, one on the Azalea trail, one at Joyce Holmes Glen to access the Spicebush trail, one adjacent to the Vista Road vehicle gate, and one on the Ravine trail.

Please take care to keep the gates closed!



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