

# NBATC BLUE BLAZER PROGRAM



The program's purpose is to encourage members to hike the NBATC's Blue Blazed Trails that we maintain. The NBATC feels that there will be an overall benefit to the club if many members become familiar with and have hiked all these trails that are associated with the 88 miles of the AT maintained by the NBATC.

To receive this award, which is a specially designed patch, the hiker must be a member on completion of their final segment. Qualifying non-member may receive the patch upon payment of \$5, payable to the NBATC. Hikes can be done on your own or with the club on a scheduled club hike. The honor system applies. There is no time limit for this program. When completed, email to: [lshedor@gmail.com](mailto:lshedor@gmail.com)

I certify that I have hiked the trails in the table below.

NBATC Member (yes/no) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address for Patch \_\_\_\_\_

No.	Name (miles north of Black Horse Gap)	Description	88 Milers #	Date Hiked	Miles Hiked *
1	Spec Mine Trail (🔪 1.8 mi.)	Connects Blue Ridge Parkway (just south of the Montvale Overlook) to FS 634	9		
2	Hammond Hollow (🔪 4.2 mi.)	Connects AT (0.8 miles south of Bobblets Gap Shelter) to FS634	6		
3	Cove Mountain (🔪 9.5mi.)	Connects the AT (2.2 miles north of Bear Wallow Gap) with VA 614 (Jennings Creek Rd)	4		
4	Buchanan (🔪 13mi.)	Connects AT (1.7 miles north of Cove Mt Shelter) with US 43 (just west of PICO Rd)	3		
5	Cornelius Creek (🔪 24.8 mi.)	Connects AT (1.5 miles north of Cornelius Creek Shelter with North Creek Rd	1		
6	Apple Orchard Falls (🔪 25.9 mi.)	Connects Sunset Field with North Creek Rd	1		
7	Hunting Creek (🔪 29.5mi.)	Connects AT with Hunting Creek Rd/Glenwood Horse Trail)	7		
8	Sulfur Springs (W) (🔪 36mi.)	Connects AT (at Five Points 0.5 miles north of Marble Springs) with Petite's Gap Rd	15		
9	Sulfur Springs (N) (🔪 36mi. and 38.4 mi.)	Connects AT (at Five Points 0.5 miles north of Marble Springs) with AT at the AT/Balcony Falls Trail intersection	15		
10	Piney Ridge (🔪 36mi.)	Connects AT (near Five Points) with Hunt Club Road (off US 501 just south of James River)	12		
11	Belfast (🔪 37.8mi. p)	Connects with Gunter Trail (0.5 miles west of AT) and Petite's Gap Rd. Provides access to Devil's Marbleyard	15		
12	Gunter Ridge (🔪 37.8mi.)	Connects AT with Big Hellgate Lane at Hellgate Parking Lot	2		
13	Balcony Falls (🔪 38.4mi.)	Connects AT to James River Road at Locher Tract	2		
14	Matts Creek (🔪 41.4mi.)	Connects AT with US 501 South of James River Bridge	8		
15	Sheppe Pond (🔪 44.8mi)	Connects AT with Sheppe Pond via Johns Hollow Shelter	14		

16	Saddle Gap (🔪 49.5mi.)	Connects AT (near Fullers Rocks) with Hercules Rd	13		
17	Salt Log Gap (🔪 50.7mi.)	Connects AT (at Salt Log Gap (S) with Quarry Rd that connects to Hercules Rd	13		
18	Old Hotel (🔪 68.2 mi. and 70.7 mi.)	Connects the AT (at Cow Camp Gap near Cow Camp Gap shelter) with the AT at Hog Camp Gap (Wiggins Spring Rd)	11		
19	Mount Pleasant/Henry Lanum Loop	Loop Trail with Spur to East/West Mount Pleasant Summits (does not connect with AT)	10		
20	Flat Top In/Out	Connects Blue Ridge Parkway with Flat Top Mountain Summit (does not connect with AT)	5		

**Total Miles** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Do not duplicate miles (e.g., if the hike included more than one blue blazed trail, include the mileage on the first entry and draw a line in the second entry)**

**\*\*The Little Rocky Row Trail hike (was considered initially, but later deleted because the NBATC believed hiking this trail, puts hikers at risk either in walking on US 501 to the trailhead or backing their vehicles onto US 501 from the trailhead.**