

**South Mountains State Park
Troop 9 Hike and Campout
April 30-May 1, 2011**

Description

The trip will be to the [South Mountains State Park](#) south of Morganton, N.C. off NC-18. Activities will include day hikes to High Shoals Falls and Chestnut Knob. On the way out, we will check on the status of trees that the troop planted as a service project in 1999. Weather is frequently available in abundance; pack for either wet or cold weather.

Schedule

Saturday	7:00 a.m.	Depart from Subway at Timberlyne
	11:00 a.m.	Meet at South Mountains SP, Ranger's Office
	11:00 a.m.	Hike to the group campground
	noon	Lunch at group campground
	afternoon	Day hike to High Shoals Falls
	evening	Dinner, New Scout Crossover Ceremony, overnight camping at the group campground
Sunday	morning	Day Hike on the Chestnut Knob Trail
	1:00 p.m.	Depart for Chapel Hill
	5:00 p.m.	Arrive in Chapel Hill, Timberlyne Subway

Personal Equipment

Pack for potentially cold, wet weather. See the troop equipment list for details.

Food and Group Equipment

Food (except Saturday lunch) and equipment will be coordinated at the troop meetings by patrol. Adults will form their own patrol and cook separately. Saturday and Sunday lunches will be group "cooler lunches". Make sure to eat a good breakfast before leaving home on Saturday morning.

Messages and Emergency Contact

Telephone contact may be tried; call 919-593-0037 (Mr. Gerdau). Cell phone coverage is spotty. Leave a message.

Driving Route

Estimated travel time is three and three quarter hours from Chapel Hill. [A map of the route](#) is linked.

Drivers will leave Chapel Hill Saturday morning at 7:00 a.m. We will meet at the park ranger's office around 11:00 a.m .

Water

Reliable water is available at camp. Be sure to have 2 liters of canteen space for the Saturday day hike.

Maps

The following sources were used in the preparation of this material and are relevant to the trip but are not required:

- South Mountains State Park, University of North Carolina School of Information and Library Science: <http://ils.unc.edu/parkproject/somo.html>, 1998.
- North Carolina County Maps, Ed. C.J. Puetz, c. 1987.
- North Carolina State Transportation Map & Guide to Points of Interest, 1998-99.