

Ouachita National Forest

Arkansas - Oklahoma

Earthquake Ridge Trail



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EARTHQUAKE RIDGE TRAIL

Trail Highlights: This trail parallels the Talimena Scenic Byway on the north and south sides of Rich Mountain.

The day hiker will view several interesting rock formations as well as a variety of plant and animal life. The trail system crosses the Talimena Scenic Byway twice.

Many mountain bikers find this trail system an exciting challenge. There are several loops that enhance this challenge.

Other Opportunities:

- Queen Wilhelmina State Park
- Blue Haze Vista
- Acorn Vista
- Ward Lake
- Talimena Scenic Drive

For More Information:

Mena Ranger District
1603 Hwy. 71 N.
Mena, AR 71953

(479) 394-2382

(North of Mena on State Hwy. 71 N.)

Length: 6.8 miles.

Travel time one way - varies depending upon loop taken.

Directions: From State Hwy. 71 at Mena, take State Hwy. 88 north for two miles to the East End Visitor Information Center.

Trail Information: Unsurfaced; white rectangle marking signs.

Water: Potable water at East End Visitor Information Center, except in winter when Visitor Information Center is closed.

Difficulty Level: Moderate.

History: Earthquake Ridge Trail was developed to provide hiking and biking opportunities for visitors to the Talimena Scenic Drive.

The trail was named for a rock formation found not far off the trail.

Trails are maintained by the Ouachita Mountain Bike Association in cooperation with the Mena Ranger District.



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