

TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Ferdinand has nearly 10 miles of challenging multiple use trails. It is advised that all trail users wear bright colored clothing during hunting season.

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY
1. Kyana	2.5 miles	Moderate

This trail starts at the fire tower and ends at the beginning of the Twin Lakes Trail on Co. Rd. 700 S. it follows portions of fire lanes 5 & 6 and passes a home site, wildlife pond and a valley with a footbridge crossing. Look for green rectangular blazes.

2. Twin Lakes	2.3 miles	Moderate
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This trail starts at the intersection of Kyana Trail and Co. Rd. 700 S. It follows portions of fire lanes 7 & 4 passing Coyote Hollow and Fossil Lakes before ending at the Sycamore Shelter. Scenic hardwood forests and pine areas can be viewed. Look for blue rectangular blazes.

3. South Ridge	2.1 miles	Moderate
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This trail starts at the Twin Oaks parking area and ends near the Sycamore Shelter, following portions of fire lanes 9 & 12. It follows the high ridge overlooking the main lake and crosses a footbridge. Look for yellow rectangular blazes.

4. Foxey Hollow	1.5 miles	Moderate
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This trail spurs off the Fire Tower Trail and heads to the Twin Oaks parking area following portions of fire lane 3. It passes through red and white pine stands along a 2016 pine opening and a yellow poplar plantation. Look for orange rectangular blazes.

5. Fire Tower	1.3 mile	Moderate
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This trail starts at the fire tower and ends at the Twin Lakes intersection. There is also a spur trail to the main campground, exiting near the pond. White and red pine stands can be viewed. Look for red rectangular blazes.

PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS.

TRAIL RULES

- Bikers should yield the right of way to hikers.
- Wearing helmets and safety equipment is highly recommended.
- Stay on designated trails only.
- Only non-motorized bicycles are permitted
- Off-road cycling permit required. Available at office.
- Please try to avoid skidding on downslopes and wheel spinning on upslopes.
- Overnight camping along the trails is prohibited.
- Maximum speed is 15 MPH.

OFF-ROAD VEHICLES, HORSES, MOTORCYCLES AND ATVS ARE PROHIBITED FROM ALL TRAILS AND FIRE LANES.

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FERDINAND STATE FOREST

HIKING & BIKING TRAILS

Ferdinand State Forest is located six miles northeast of the town of Ferdinand on State Road 264 and was originally established in 1934 with land donated by local citizens. The Civilian Conservation Corps worked to improve the land and facilities during those early years. The property has continued to grow since that time to the current 7,700 acres of forested land available for public use.

Visitors may encounter evidence of previous land use, such as old home-sites and pine trees that were planted for erosion control on old eroded fields. This managed forest property includes more than 10 miles of trails, fire lanes available for hiking, several lakes with fishing opportunities, hunting areas, boat rental, campsites, picnic shelters, playgrounds, and a beach.

FERDINAND STATE FOREST Hiking & Biking Trails

LEGEND

	Road		Fire Tower
	Property Boundary		Property Office
	FL - Fire Lane*		Campground
	Hiking Trail**		Boat Launch
	Safety Zone		Picnic Shelter
	Swimming		Gatehouse
	Residence		Water Areas

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MILES Scale 1:20,000

MULTI-USE TRAILS**

Trail Name	Miles
① Kyana	2.5
② Twin Lakes	2.3
③ South Ridge	1.5
④ Foxey Hollow	2.1
⑤ Fire Tower	1.3

* Fire lanes depicted as next to trails actually use the trail.

** Biking is allowed on multi-use trails, not on hiking trails.

