

Minton Nature Preserve

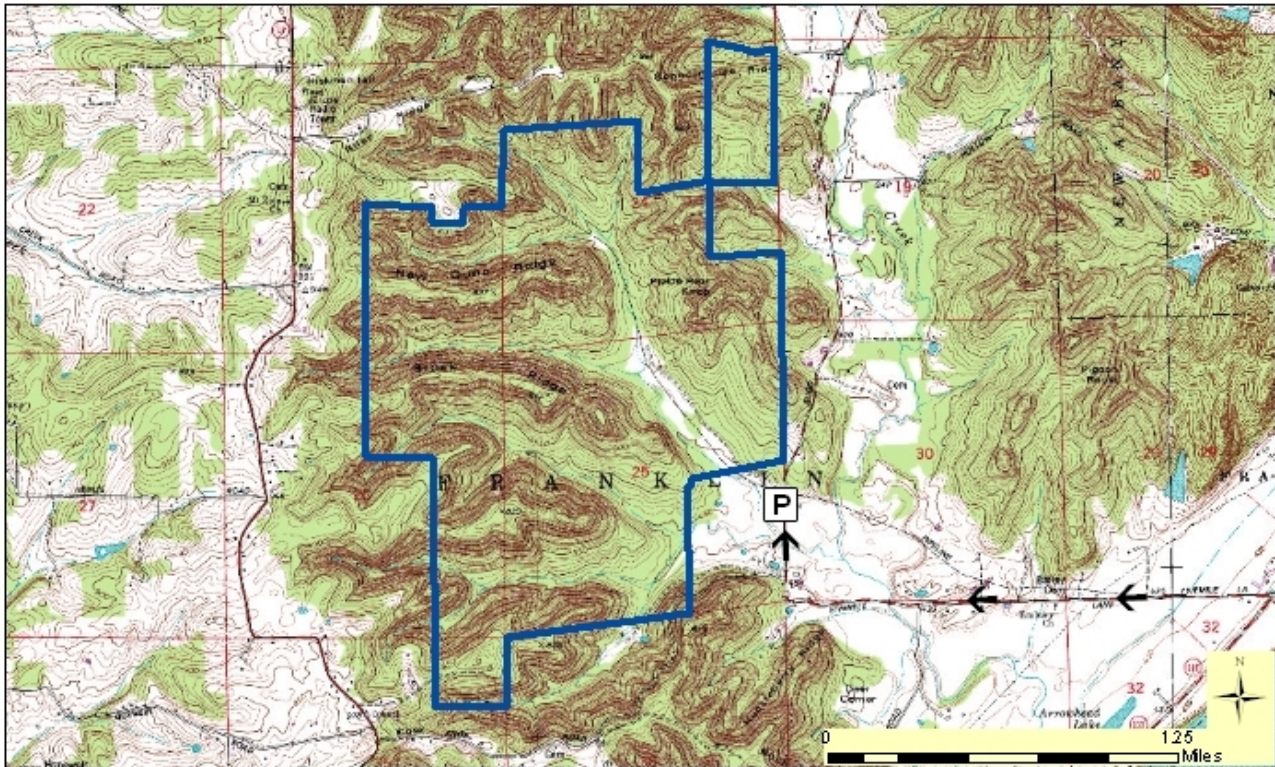
(Dr. Sherman A. Minton)

County: Floyd Size: 1301 acres
Ownership: DNR Fish and Wildlife, Nature Preserves - IDNR



Location and Access

Pull-off parking. No trails. Visitors should be aware that hunting is allowed in season. This nature preserve is located 4 miles southwest of downtown New Albany. From New Albany, take SR 111 south to Five Mile Road and turn right (west), there will be a 90 degree bend where Five Mile becomes Budd Rd. Continue north on Budd for 1/3 mile, past Blunk Knob Rd. Pull off on left side of road just before the fenced pumping station (on right). Please park on the left side of pull-off and allow access room for service vehicles to enter through the gate. Follow the gravel lane into the preserve on foot. There are no trails and the terrain is very rugged.



Description: This nature preserve protects a significant portion of Indiana’s Knobstone Hills landscape, a landscape which is a dramatically dissected complex of steep, forested hills and mesic ravines. Natural communities found here include dry, dry-mesic, and mesic upland forest as well as several siltstone glades, the latter is exceedingly rare worldwide. This preserve is named in honor of the late Dr. Sherman A. Minton, a noted herpetologist and author of “The Reptiles and Amphibians of Indiana”.

Further Information:

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