

DEER CREEK TRIBUTE TRAIL

DIRECTIONS:

Starting at the Outside Inn, exit the motel and turn right towards downtown on E. Broad St. and turn right at the Y intersection onto Bennett St. Bennett St. becomes Monroe St., which turns into Old Downieville Hwy (veer to the left when you see American Hill Rd). Head down the hill until you see the turn off for Champion Mine Rd. The Deer Creek Tribute Trail starts almost immediately on your lefthand side, with a trail marker heading into the trees. Follow the singletrack towards the creek.

If you are coming from downtown Nevada City you can walk on Bridge St. along the west side of the Miners Foundry and then turn right on Factory St. before you get to the end of the Miners Foundry building. Walk west on narrow, winding Factory St., which becomes Wyoming St., and then continue left onto Old Downieville Hwy and use directions above.

To access the suspension bridge at the bottom of the single-track trail, turn left on the path next to the large rock.

The trail weaves along for a few minutes until you access the bridge and Deer Creek. You can continue up the other side and connect with the Deer Creek Tribute Trail Environs Trail and either do a loop, or go back to town via Jordan St. & S. Pine St.

To continue the Tribute Trail to the Chinese Tribute pedestrian bridge follow the dirt road past the access to the suspension bridge until it connects back onto Champion Rd. Continue down on Champion Mine Rd. until you see the next single-track on your left. Follow the path, cross the small bridge, over the driveway and connect onto the dirt path following the NID water ditch. The next single track down to the creek is sign posted about 1/3 of a mile along the ditch. Follow the trail down to Deer Creek and cross the lovely pedestrian bridge across the creek. The trail makes a small loop on the other side of the creek, then return to the bridge where you backtrack your way back to the Outside Inn.

To access trail via the Environs Loop start at the Outside Inn and walk down Broad Street and turn right on South Pine Street and cross over the Pine Street bridge and turn right on the Tribulation Trail (a narrow path on the right, just where the bridge ends). At the end of the paved trail, go up and turn right onto the paved road which is Jordan St. and continue to nearly the end of Jordan Street and look for the well-marked trailhead on your left, just before the Wastewater Treatment plant.

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