

■ TWELVE MILE CREEK GREENWAY

1304 H.C. Nesbit Park Road Waxhaw, NC 28173

Start at Harvey Clay Nesbitt Park in Waxhaw and follow the nearly 2-mile trail, which turns into the Twelve Mile Creek Trail on the opposite side of the creek in Lancaster, South Carolina.

☐ SALEM LAKE TRAIL

815 Salem Lake Road Winston-Salem, NC 27107

Start at the Point parking lot and follow the wide, flat, 7-mile loop around the 365-acre Salem Lake.

GUILFORD COURTHOUSE NATIONAL MILITARY PARK

2332 New Garden Road Greensboro. NC 27410

At the site of an important battle in the American Revolution, this 2.5 mile trail weaves through grassy fields and old-growth woods, past monuments and battlefield sites.

NEUSE RIVER GREENWAY TRAIL

20 Anderson Point Drive Raleigh, NC 27610

Take in gorgeous views of the Neuse River as you walk through wetlands, along boardwalks, across suspension bridges, and past historic sites on this 27.5-mile paved trail.

☐ ART TO HEART CORRIDOR

2110 Blue Ridge Road Raleigh, NC 27607

Start your hike along this 6-mile paved trail at the North Carolina Museum of Art and follow it all the way to downtown.

☐ GLEN BURNEY TRAIL

229 Laurel Lane Blowing Rock, NC 28605

From the trailhead in downtown Blowing Rock, follow the 1.2-mile strenuous route past ruins and across streams to reach Glen Burney Falls.

FALLS TRAIL

1330 Pine Ridge Road Beech Mountain, NC 28604

This moderate 1-mile loop follows Buckeye Creek along an old railroad path that dates back to the 1920s.

■ LATTA PLANTATION NATURE CENTER AND PRESERVE

6211 Sample Road Huntersville, NC 28078

There are 16 miles of hiking trails here, but for flowers and sunshine, try the Split Rock Trail, a 1-mile loop off of the Hill and Piedmont Prairie trails.

■ LAKE CRABTREE COUNTY PARK

1400 Aviation Parkway Morrisville, NC 27560

Look for sailboats and kayaks gliding across the water as you walk along the shore of Lake Crabtree on the 6-mile-long Lake Trail.