

CENTRAL OHIO HIKING CLUB

BUCKEYE TRAIL – OLD MAN’S CAVE SECTION

18198 Co Rd 9 Rockbridge OH

Friday June 10, 2022 @ 11:00 AM

Miles: 5 Level 4, 3 hours

Directions to hike: I-270, take US 33 past Lancaster, 22 miles, take 33A/OH-180 Ramp to Laurelville, turn right onto 180, 3.8 miles, turn left onto OH-678 S, 1.3 miles turn left onto Kreashbaum Rd,

IT IS THREE MILES EXACTLY ON KREASHBAUM TO THE PARKING LOT ON LEFT SIDE OF THE ROAD, NO SIGNS, WATCH CAREFULLY FOR THE PARKING LOT!! YOUR GPS WILL TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE THERE, WHEN YOU ARE NOT, IT IS THREE MILES. There is another parking lot close by if we have overflow of cars, try to carpool

HIKE DESCRIPTION: Beautiful section of the Buckeye Trail, follows the Big Rocky Fork Creek through its deep water carved gorge with rock overhands, almost as spectacular as Old Man’s Cave, but no crowds, probably only COHC! It is an out & back hike, there are several fairly steep hills, but plenty of flat trails, too. We’ll have several water crossings, only one may be tricky to keep from getting your feet wet, not deep, just not many rocks to cross, definitely needs poles, and waterproof shoes! We’ll have to cross this water out and back. There are a few places with mud, but we can manage! This is a gorgeous hike, but it is the Buckeye Trail, some fairly steep hills. I would rate this as not quite as hard as Christmas Rock.

Suggested Items to bring: Water, Snacks, Hiking Poles, Bug Spray, possibly some bags or something for crossing the water in one spot.

A Dinner Location is not planned, but there are places groups can stop on way home.

For more info: Leader: Diana Poole

Sweep: MargaretSanger