



# Camp Misty Mountain Directions

Alternate Routes, Insider Tips, and Special Notes

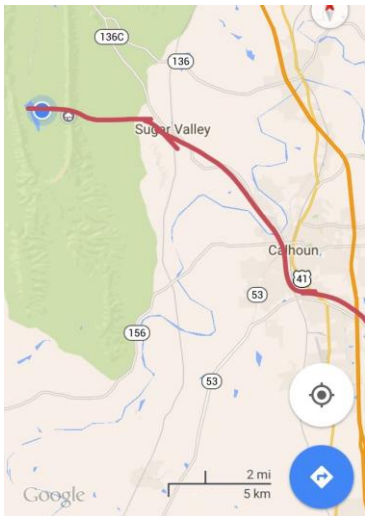
490 Lake Marvin Road, Armuchee, Georgia 30105



**Important Note 1:** Remember that Camp Misty Mountain is NOT in cell phone range. This means that your cellular based mapping features will stop working before you arrive. It's important to have screenshots, or printed directions, or a map with you.

**Important Note 2:** Because camp is large, GPS units will often enthusiastically announce "You are arriving at destination!" when you're still surrounded by the forest. If this happens you're most likely already across the edge of the property, just not at the gate yet. Trust your maps and carry on. Our main gate is very clearly marked with a large fieldstone sign and flagpole. (See image to left)

**Important Note 3:** If you run into any trouble, don't fear. We're good at helping to find you. If you travel back to the place where you last had cell service and phone our office 706.629.1030 with a cross street we can pull up a map and provide support. Very few people run into difficulty though, and then generally only on their first visit. We're happy to help!



**The fastest way!: Through Calhoun** *Pros: Fastest. Goes right through Calhoun, so you can catch a final meal, see where the walmart/starbucks/fast food is located. Travels through Sugar Valley (10 minutes from camp) where many purchase pizza for first night. Maintains cell phone service the longest... until just 3-4 minutes before camp. Only two turns, a right then a left between the interstate and camp.*

**Cons:** *There are two miles just before camp where the road travels over the ridge into our valley. This can be slippery in the ice or snow, and (while totally safe) can be a bit unsettling in the dark for some on their first visit.*

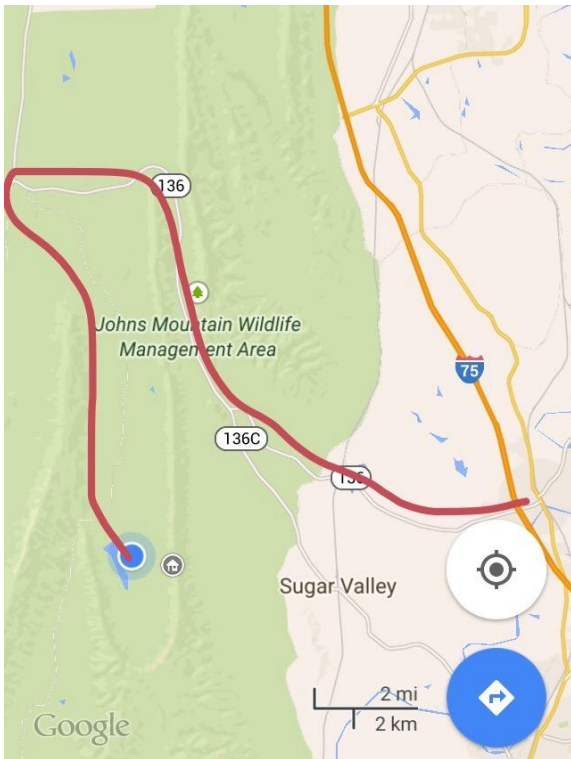
1. Take Exit 312 in Calhoun, GA (the Outlet Mall Exit)

2. Travel WEST on 53 (stay on 53 even when 41 bears to the rights near the Subway) You'll travel past all the fast food, past several grocery stores, and eventually the Walmart on your left. Keep going just a bit further past the walmart over a hill and

you'll see a stoplight at the intersection of 53 and South River Street.

3. Turn right (NORTH) onto South River Street / 136. You'll drive past the recreation center, the Middle School and High School, and head out of town, passing a National Guard armory on your left (this is the last proper gas station before camp)
4. Drive five miles north on this same road 136 until you arrive at the tiny town of Sugar Valley. You'll see a small white business "Melissa's Grocery, Grill, and Tanning." This is our closest store, and a popular destination to order pizza to go on Friday nights. You're only 10 minutes from camp.
5. Just past "Melissa's" across the railroad tracks, just by the big "Mohawk" sign, you'll turn left by the church onto "Lake Marvin Road" which becomes "Pocket Road NW" almost immediately. Keep driving, and after a couple miles you'll notice the road starts curving upward. Though it's really just a small ridge,, people affectionately refer to it as "The Mountain." You'll travel up through several switchbacks, past a couple gates to a gated vacation area, and eventually reach the TOP. At the top of the ridge is a small pull off that fits several cars. This is the end of cell phone service, so is a great time to pull off and send any last texts or make call. You're less than 5 minutes from camp.

- Keep driving, now you'll be heading through some curves coming down the other side of the ridge. Your GPS will probably tell you you're arriving at some point, as you'll be at the edge of the property. Once the ground levels out, you'll be only a minute away from the gate on your left! WELCOME TO CAMP!



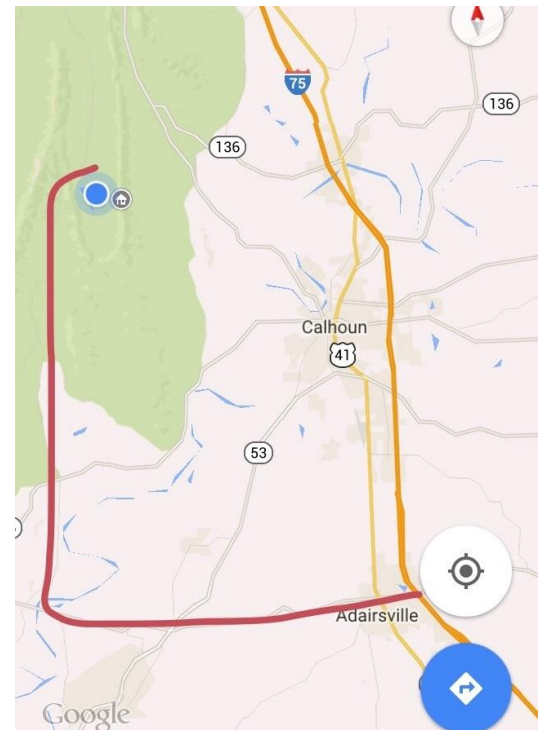
**The flattest way! (from the north)** **Pros:** Super flat, this route goes entirely around the ridge that creates our valley. Involves only two left turns to get to camp when you leave the interstate.

**Cons:** Takes a bit of extra time. Not much of anything between the road and camp.

- Take Exit 320 in Resaca. (There is a truck stop there for any last snacks, or fuel)
- Travel WEST on Resaca LaFayette Road NW / 136
- After several miles this road will intersect with 136C... you'll want to keep west on the original 136.
- Several miles after this intersection you'll turn LEFT / SOUTH onto Pocket road and travel roughly seven miles.
- When you see The Pocket Campground and Day Use site on your left, and the turn to camp is less than a half mile ahead on the left.
- Turn LEFT / EAST onto Lake Marvin road. As you drive you'll see pastures on your right, go past several buildings, and eventually see our main gate on your right! WELCOME TO CAMP!

**The flattest way! (from the south)** **Pros:** Quite flat... curvy and hilly, but no large ridge to cross. Only two right turns to get to camp when you leave the interstate. Goes through Adairsville, so you can catch a final meal. **Cons:** Takes a bit of extra time. The majority of the way to camp on this route will have spotty or no cell phone service.

- Take Exit 306 in Adairsville
- Travel WEST on 140 for several miles. Once you cross the "Oostanula River" your turn will shortly follow.
- Turn NORTH / RIGHT onto Old Dalton Road NE
- When this road crosses 156 it will become Everett Springs Road. (This intersection has a gas station and Dollar General Market for any last minute purchases.) Continue driving NORTH. You'll pass Camp Sidney Dew on your right. This is a Boy Scout Camp commonly confused with Misty Mountain. At this point you'll be less than 10 mins from camp!
- Turn EAST / RIGHT onto Lake Marvin road. As you drive you'll see pastures on your right, go past several buildings, and eventually see our main gate on your right! WELCOME TO CAMP!



**Once you've arrived:** Drive on in! Pass the stop sign at the gate, and if you are arriving for Mountain Magic Leader Weekend, proceed to the large parking lot on your right and park your car. Do not unload your gear yet. Walk up to the Dining Hall to check in and to get all the information you need to have a great weekend!