

4) Broken Tree Campsite

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This campsite is located 1.4 miles east from the FDR Park Office on the main PMT. On this route you cross paved roads twice before you reach the camp just east past Mile 5 marker. If you park at Fox Den Cove Parking Lot, cross GA 190 and follow the PMT back to the west. Broken Tree Campsite is 8/10 of a mile west of Mile 6. The camp is on south/right side of the trail (heading east) in a small bottom just before you start back uphill. There is wooden sign on east side of trail with some rock steps leading to campsite. This is a small camp for three tents/6 backpackers at the most. In winter this is a warm camp, as a hill north of it should block the wind. There is an ample supply of downed, dead wood for campfires in the metal fire ring. There is a year-round spring right on the edge of the camp. Caution: You may hear road traffic to the south of the camp as it is only few hundred yards from Group Camp Road.





Broken Tree Campsite got its name in 2002, from a large “broken” oak tree that was hanging over the trail for years. Two years after opening the camp in April 2004, some careless backpackers threw a propane canister on a smoldering fire and burned the area around the campsite including burning up the “broken tree.”



Broken Tree in 2002



After April 2004 fire.



Broken Tree Campsite fire 4-5-2004

