

# Georgia Orienteering Club Event Directions

## Davidson-Arabia Mt. Nature Preserve

From Atlanta, go east on I-20 to exit 74, then go south on Evans Mill Road and Woodrow. At the dead end turn right on Klondike and go 1.5 miles to the park.

## Cactus Patch Military Reserve (Fort Benning)

South on I-85 to exit 21, then I-185 to Phoenix City, AL. Take US431 (MLK Pkwy) south to AL165. Go south on AL165 8 miles. Turn left into Fort Benning and follow signs to parking.

## Cochran Mill County Park (Fulton County)

South on I-85 to exit 69/Spur 14 (Near Atlanta Airport). South on South Fulton Parkway until it ends (~12 miles). Right on Rivertown Road, then left on Cochran Mill Road.

## Dausett Trails

South on I-75 to exit 212. East to Locust Grove. Turn right on State Hwy 42 (US 23) South through Jackson. Continue on GA 42 past Indian Springs State Park, then right on Mt Vernon Road. 2 miles to Nature Center entrance on right.

## Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park

I-85 South to exit 21. South on I-185 to exit 14. Left on US 27 to Pine Mt., the left on GA 354 to the park.

## Gold Branch CRNRA

From I-285 in Atlanta, take exit 24, north on Riverside Dr., left on Johnson Ferry, right on Lower Roswell Dr., 2 miles.

## Island Ford CRNRA

From I-285 in Atlanta, take GA-400 North. Take exit #3 and go West on Northridge Road, then follow the signs to the park.

## Joe Kurz

From Atlanta, South on GA 85 (not I-85) to Gay Georgia. Left at the only red light. 2.5 miles to check in station.

## Lake Russell State Park

From the Atlanta airport  
I-85 South, I-285 East for about 20 miles to exit 39B, US78 East (Stone Mt. Freeway). Follow US78 East approximately 50 miles to Athens, GA. In Athens, take US 29 North 8 miles, then follow GA 72 East 30 miles to Elberton. In Elberton, take GA 77 North 1.2 miles and turn right onto Ruckersville Road. Russell State Park is 8 miles down on the right. A daily parking pass of \$2.00 is required.

### **Lake Russell State Park**

From the North

Take I-85 South. After crossing the South Carolina / Georgia state line, take the first Georgia exit (#177) onto GA 77. Follow GA 77 south approximately 30 miles to Elberton, then turn left onto Ruckersville Road. Russell State Park is 8 miles down on the right.

Directions from the West

Take I-20 to I-285 South and loop around Atlanta on the South side, following the directions above from the airport. Looping around on the North side may look shorter, but the traffic up there is awful.

Directions from the South

Take I-85 or I-75 to I-285 East and follow the directions above for the airport. **\*\*NOTE\*\*** If you live South of Atlanta and think you will take I-20 and GA 138, don't. Every month on the 13th, a lady in Conyers sees religious visions in a field on GA 138. Hundreds of folks watch and they clog up GA 138 all day on the 12th and 13th. If you are coming North on I-75, you can take US 129 and US 441 North from Macon thru Milledgeville to Athens and go around the Athens perimeter on the South side to US 29 and Ga 72 to Elberton thus avoiding Atlanta traffic.

### **McIntosh Reserve County Park**

From Atlanta, go west on I-20 to exit 34, then south on GA 5 to Whitesburg. Go 2 miles past Whitesburg, then turn left on W. McIntosh Circle.

### **Mistletoe State Park**

From Atlanta, go east on I-20 to exit 175, then north on GA150 10 miles to the State Park.

### **Paces Mill CRNRA**

From I-285 in Atlanta, take exit 19 and go south on U.S. Highway 41 .5 miles, left on Akers Mill Road. 1.15 miles, right on Akers Dr. to park.

### **Palisades East CRNRA**

Take I-75 N, then go East on I-285 to exit 22. Turn right on Northside Dr., go 1.75 miles to Indian Trail, then right to park.

### **Pickett's Mill State Historical Park**

From Atlanta, go North on I-75. Take exit 278 left to GA 92, turn right. Right on Cobb Parkway 1 mile, left on GA 92 to stop sign, straight 6.5 miles to Mount Tabor Road, turn left and 1 mile to park.

### **Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge**

From Atlanta, go south on I-75 to Forsyth. Take exit 186 East through Juliette about 18 miles. After you cross the Ocmulgee river, go 3 miles to PNWR. Follow the signs to meet site.

### **Piedmont Park**

From Atlanta, go north on I-75/85 (the downtown connector) to 10th street exit, then east to Monroe Dr. Park at Grady High School.

### **Power's Island CRNRA**

This is the parking area at the River and I-285 near Power's Ferry Road, on the Fulton County side. Roads in the area are very confusing because of I-285 and I-75 and one-way streets and the river, etc. This is across the river from where all the joggers park, and is the parking area where rafts are rented in the summer. Does that help any?

Directions from I-285 going west from the vicinity of GA400 - Take exit 22, turn north and then west on Interstate Pkwy. Park is 1/2 mile on the right.

### **Red Top Mt. State Park**

From Atlanta, go north on I-75 and take exit 285. Turn right and follow signs to park.

### **Sandy Creek County Park**

From Atlanta, take 316 to Athens. Get on the 441N bypass. Go about 4 miles, then right on Sandy Creek Road. Follow the signs to the park.

### **Sope Creek CRNRA**

From Atlanta, go north on I-75 to exit 260, then east on Windy Hill Road. Cross Powers Ferry Road into a business park and follow signs to parking.

### **Sweetwater Creek State Park**

From Atlanta, west on I-20 to exit 44. South on Thornton Rd. Right on Blairs Bridge Rd. Left on Mt Vernon. Follow signs to Park.

### **Victoria Bryant State Park**

From Atlanta, go north on I-85 to exit 160. Take GA 51 and 145 toward Royston. On US 29 at Franklin Springs, turn left to park, 1.5 miles.

### **Watson's Mill Bridge State Park**

North on I-85, east on US29/GA316 around Athens and north on US29 to GA72. Go east, 16 miles, to park and Carlton.