

## Interpretive Information

Jamison Mill Park is named for the mill that was located nearby before the construction of Philpott Dam. Built by Thomas Fleming "Flem" Jamison in the late 1880's, Jamison Mill was a water-powered mill where grains, such as corn and wheat, were ground into meal or flour. The mill was a place of social gathering and remained in operation until about 1949 when the residents of the Jamison Mill community had to be vacated to make way for Philpott Lake.

Located near the mill were two general stores, a blacksmith shop, a stave mill, a cannery, and a sawmill. Homes located near the mill included those of Bob and Lucy Carter, Johnny and Mollie Carter, and Henry and Mollie Ruth Mullins.

Two interpretive stops along the trail bring to life the rich history of the community that lived in the vicinity of the mill during the early to mid 1900's. These stops, which include the original home site of the former miller, Robert "Bob" E. Carter, and a brief history of the "Jamison Mill Era", recall the memories of those who made a home in these rural Virginia mountains.

## Trail Etiquette & Safety

- Please be courteous of other visitors.
- Be prepared.
- Bicyclists yield to hikers and wear helmets.
- Please stay on marked trails.
- Avoid trails when wet to prevent erosion.
- Area open to hunting. Be aware of seasons. Wear blaze orange in rifle season, Nov-Dec.
- Keep dogs on 6' leash. Clean up after pets.
- Enjoy wildlife and plant life at a distance.
- Please dispose of waste properly.
- Motorized vehicles prohibited on trail.
- Philpott Lake Visitor Center: (276) 629-2703
- Emergencies: 9-1-1

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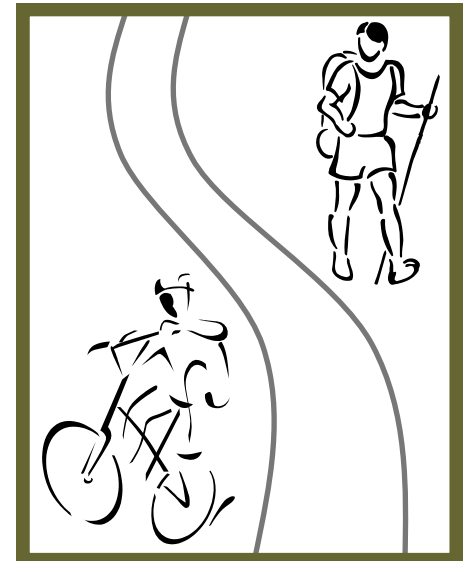
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# **Jamison Mill Trail System**

**Philpott Lake  
Jamison Mill Park  
2000 Jamison Mill Road  
Henry, VA  
Franklin County**



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers** ®  
Wilmington District

### Trail Information

**Length:** 6 miles of interconnecting trail  
**Difficulty:** Moderate to Strenuous -  
Allow at least 3 hours to complete  
**Users Permitted:** Hikers and Bicyclists

The backbone of this trail system consists of three main interconnected loops, to which are connected various trail segments. Trails vary from narrow footpaths to wide fire roads. The trails are marked by trees painted with differently colored diamonds that correspond with the map below. Two interpretive stops along the trail are identified with numbered signs and are indicated on the map below as well.

### Trail Map

