Welcome to Tuttle Educational State Forest, a unique outdoors experience! Located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Tuttle offers a wide variety of pines and hardwoods plus rolling terrain and clear streams. These features are accessible by a series of well-marked trails accented by exhibits and displays which explain the ecology of the managed forest.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

North Carolina's Educational State Forests have been developed as living environmental education centers. These managed forests are designed to promote better understanding of the value of forests in our lives.

Ranger-conducted programs are available to groups visiting the Forest. Instructors' activity packets and special study sites are available to assist teachers or other group leaders in using the Forest as an outdoor classroom. Call the office to make arrangements.

PICNIC FACILITIES

Be sure to bring a picnic lunch with you. Picnic sites with tables and grills are available. Groups may enjoy the spacious picnic shelter with its massive brick fireplace. Reservations for the shelter are required.

We have an ongoing volunteer program. Contact the Forest Office for additional information.

Forest Season

Mid-March to The Friday before Thanksgiving (Closed Mondays)
Call the Office for hours of operation.

Phone: (704) 757-5608

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Trails

At Tuttle Educational State Forest, visitors can listen to the wind in the trees; or they can listen to the trees tell a story. The Talking Tree Trail features "talking trees," each with a recorded message about itself, its site and the forest history. Also, actual forestry practices are explained on the Forest Demonstration Trail.