

DAVID DILL-ARROWHEAD STATE TRAIL

Blue Ox to Pelican River

KOOCHICHING AND ST. LOUIS COUNTIES



MORE INFORMATION

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650 Highway 169, Tower, MN 55790
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SHARE THE TRAIL

- Stay on designated trail.
- Keep right so others can pass.
- Keep pets on leash and pick up waste.
- Obey traffic signs and rules.
- Pack out all garbage and litter.
- Respect adjoining landowner's rights and privacy.
- Verbally warn other trail users when passing from behind.
- Overnight camping and campfires are permitted only on designated campsites. Do not leave them unattended.
- Enjoy the beauty of wild plants and animals, but leave them undisturbed for all to enjoy.
- Trail users are legally responsible for obeying the rules and regulations provided in Minnesota Rules, 6100.3000.

ABOUT THE TRAIL

The **David Dill/Arrowhead State Trail** extends 126 miles. It stretches from 10 miles west of Tower (at the intersection with the Taconite State Trail) to the Blue Ox Multi-use Trail (10 miles south of International Falls). This long-distance, natural surface trail was primarily developed for snowmobiling.

About 69 miles of the trail are suitable for horseback riding, mountain biking and hiking in the summer, though standing water may make some portions impassable. Call the nearest state parks and trails area office for current trail conditions.

This southern portion of the trail features rolling hills with numerous lakes and streams. Many of the hills have large areas of exposed rock and enormous boulders. A dense mix of hardwoods and conifers borders the trail. You'll find spectacular colors in autumn.

Geologic events shaped the area's beautiful and rugged landscape. The local bedrock formation is known as the Canadian Shield. It was formed by volcanic action approximately 2.7 billion years ago, making it some of the oldest rock on Earth. Ancient seas later left valuable iron ore that is still mined in the area today.

Further volcanic activity swept away the sea and formed two mountain ranges. Advancing and receding glaciers and millions of years of erosion have worn the mountains down, leaving behind today's landscape.

PARKING AND SHELTERS AVAILABLE

DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE

Parking

Parking is available in trail communities (International Falls, Orr and Littlefork) and along the winter grant-in-aid snowmobile trail network.

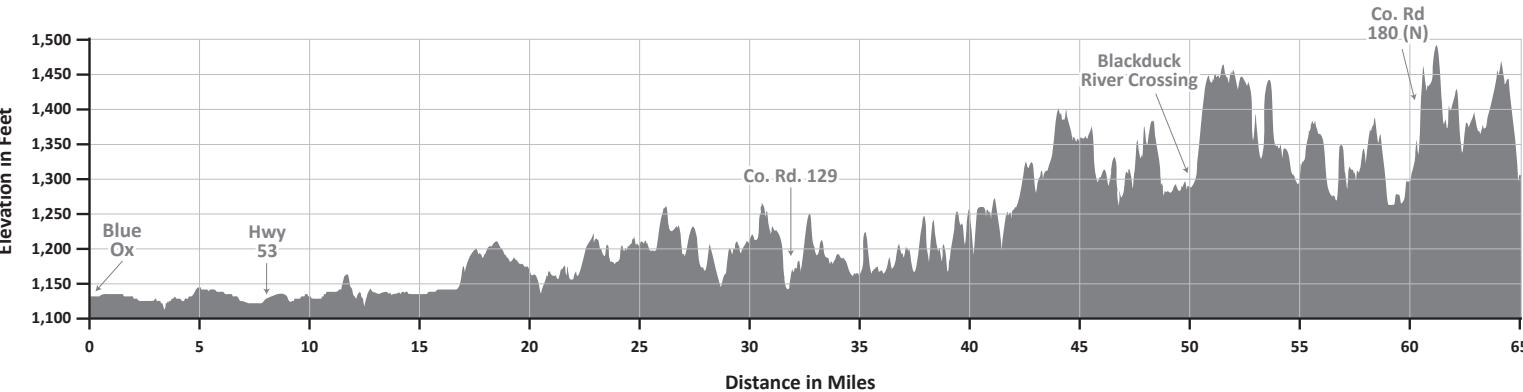
Trail Shelters

You'll find several rustic trail shelters spread throughout the trail. See the map for exact locations.



TRAIL PROFILE

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PLEASE NOTE

This trail requires a permit for anyone horseback riding. For more information about the Horse Pass, please call the DNR Information Center or visit mndnr.gov/trails.

Snowmobilers must be registered or have a valid state trail sticker. For more information, visit mndnr.gov/snowmobiling.

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