

Hiking Trails

Buzzard Loop (purple) - 3/10 m

Easy to moderate trail to quarry overlook. Trail begins at the rock staircase on the west side of the quarry and climbs 100 feet to the overlook.

Grindstone Trail (green) - 1 m

Moderate to strenuous 1-mile trail connection to Hollow Rock Trail. Be aware this trail is often wet and slippery.

Prison Camp Trail (orange) - 1 m

Moderate 1-mile hike passing former site of inmate housing. Connects to Hollow Rock Trail.

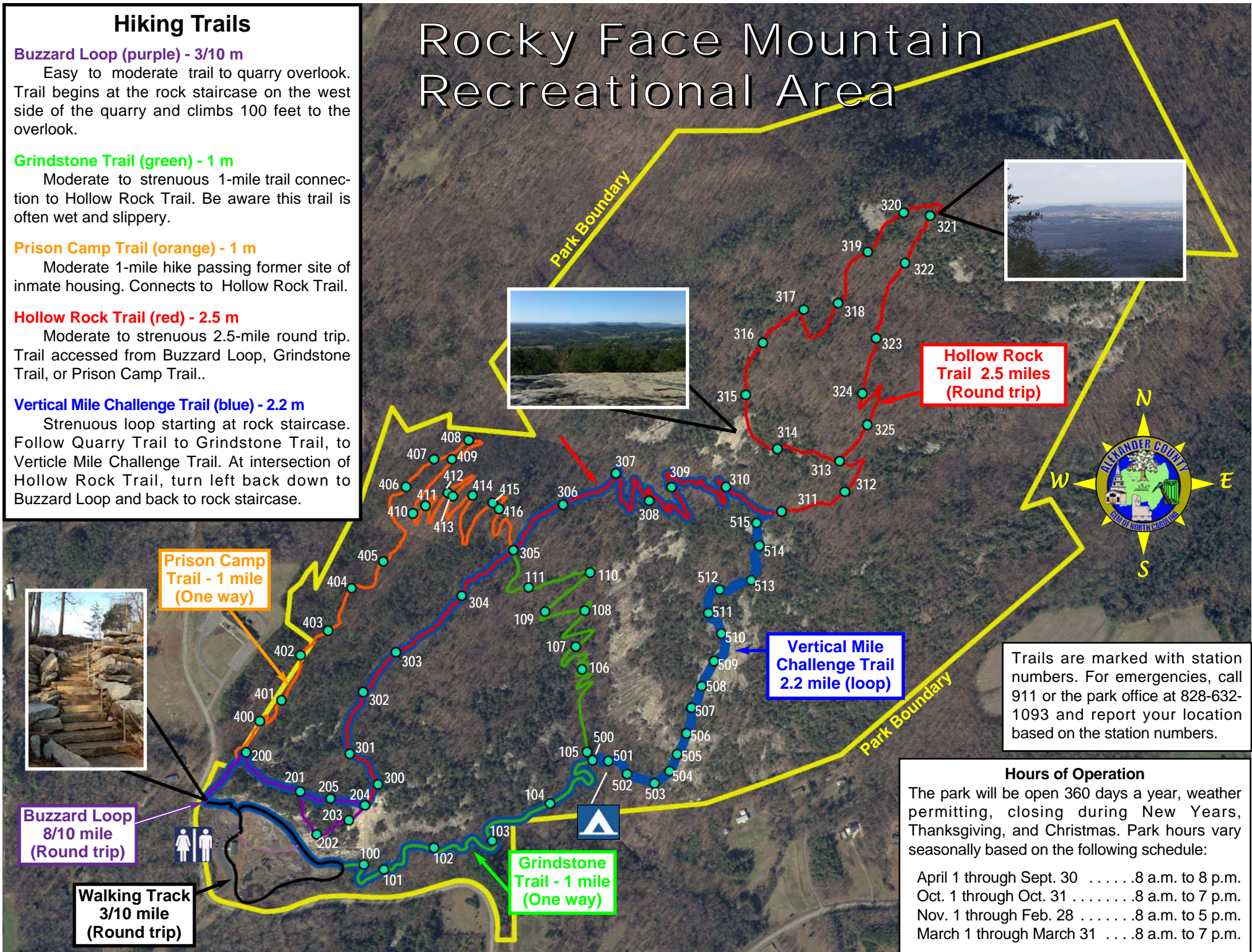
Hollow Rock Trail (red) - 2.5 m

Moderate to strenuous 2.5-mile round trip. Trail accessed from Buzzard Loop, Grindstone Trail, or Prison Camp Trail..

Vertical Mile Challenge Trail (blue) - 2.2 m

Strenuous loop starting at rock staircase. Follow Quarry Trail to Grindstone Trail, to Vertical Mile Challenge Trail. At intersection of Hollow Rock Trail, turn left back down to Buzzard Loop and back to rock staircase.

Rocky Face Mountain Recreational Area



Hollow Rock Trail 2.5 miles (Round trip)

Vertical Mile Challenge Trail 2.2 mile (loop)

Prison Camp Trail - 1 mile (One way)



Buzzard Loop 8/10 mile (Round trip)



Walking Track 3/10 mile (Round trip)

Trails are marked with station numbers. For emergencies, call 911 or the park office at 828-632-1093 and report your location based on the station numbers.

Hours of Operation
 The park will be open 360 days a year, weather permitting, closing during New Years, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Park hours vary seasonally based on the following schedule:

April 1 through Sept. 30 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Oct. 1 through Oct. 31 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Nov. 1 through Feb. 28 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
March 1 through March 31 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.