

CENTRAL OHIO HIKING CLUB

Barrett's Rim/Roundtop Loop Highlands Nature Sanctuary Arc of Appalachia

Saturday – May 9, 2026 @ 11:00 A. M.

Miles: 4.25 Level: 3 ([level guide](#))

Directions to Hike:

Barrett's Rim Trailhead ([map](#))

From Chillicothe take US-50 west. Continue 22 miles and turn LEFT onto Browning Rd. Continue 1.2 miles and turn RIGHT onto Cave Road. Turn into the very next parking lot on the RIGHT. It is a gravel parking lot with a wooden fence at its entrance. **No restrooms at the trailhead.**

Hike Description:

Barrett's Rim Trail: 2.5 mile moderate loop. A mostly level trail with one short descent and ascent. The trail follows the Rocky Fork Creek along the base of a vertical rock wall. The area is often referred to as the "Jewel of the Rocky Fork Gorge."

Roundtop Loop: 1.75 mile moderate loop. Roundtop winds through a rich sugar maple forest and through a chestnut oak shale barrens. The trail makes a gradual climb to the ridge top and back down.

Lunch Location:

Country Crust Bakery, 4918 SR-41 S Bainbridge OH 45621. ([map](#))

Real Amish Bakery with great sandwiches.

Note: The last time we were there they only took cash or check. No credit cards.

Leader: Diana Poole

Sweep: Barbara Neiswander