

# Sumter National Forest

## South Carolina



## Buncombe Horse Trail

Southern Region, USDA Forest Service

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### Highlights

This trail winds through forested hill and valley terrain. Points of interest include old cemeteries, wagon roads, and plantation sites. Opportunities also exist to view various wildlife species and abundant plant life. With interconnecting loops, riders have an opportunity for various length rides. Hikers and mountain bikers are also welcome.

### Surrounding Area

Brick House Campground, Sumter National Forest.

### Remember

Large riding groups are requested to inform the District Ranger of the group's size and duration of stay to ensure facilities are adequate.

### For More Information

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**Directions:** From SC Route 66 (3.5 miles east of I-26), turn south on Forest Service Road 358. Left side of road is trail-head parking. Brickhouse Campground is 0.3 mile farther south.

**Difficulty level:** easy to moderate

**Drinking water:** Drinking water can sometimes be found at Brick House Campground. Stream water is unsafe to drink.

**Emergency phone numbers:** Whitmire Rescue Squad–(803) 694-2523 or the Newberry County Sheriff–(803) 321-2211

**Fees:** A parking fee of \$3/vehicle/day or \$25/vehicle/calendar year

**Length:** 31.5 miles

**Restrictions:** closed to all off-highway vehicles

**Safety:** Care should be taken in the woods during big-game season. Wear blaze orange.

**Season:** year-round

**Surface type:** unsurfaced, gravel, piedmont clay

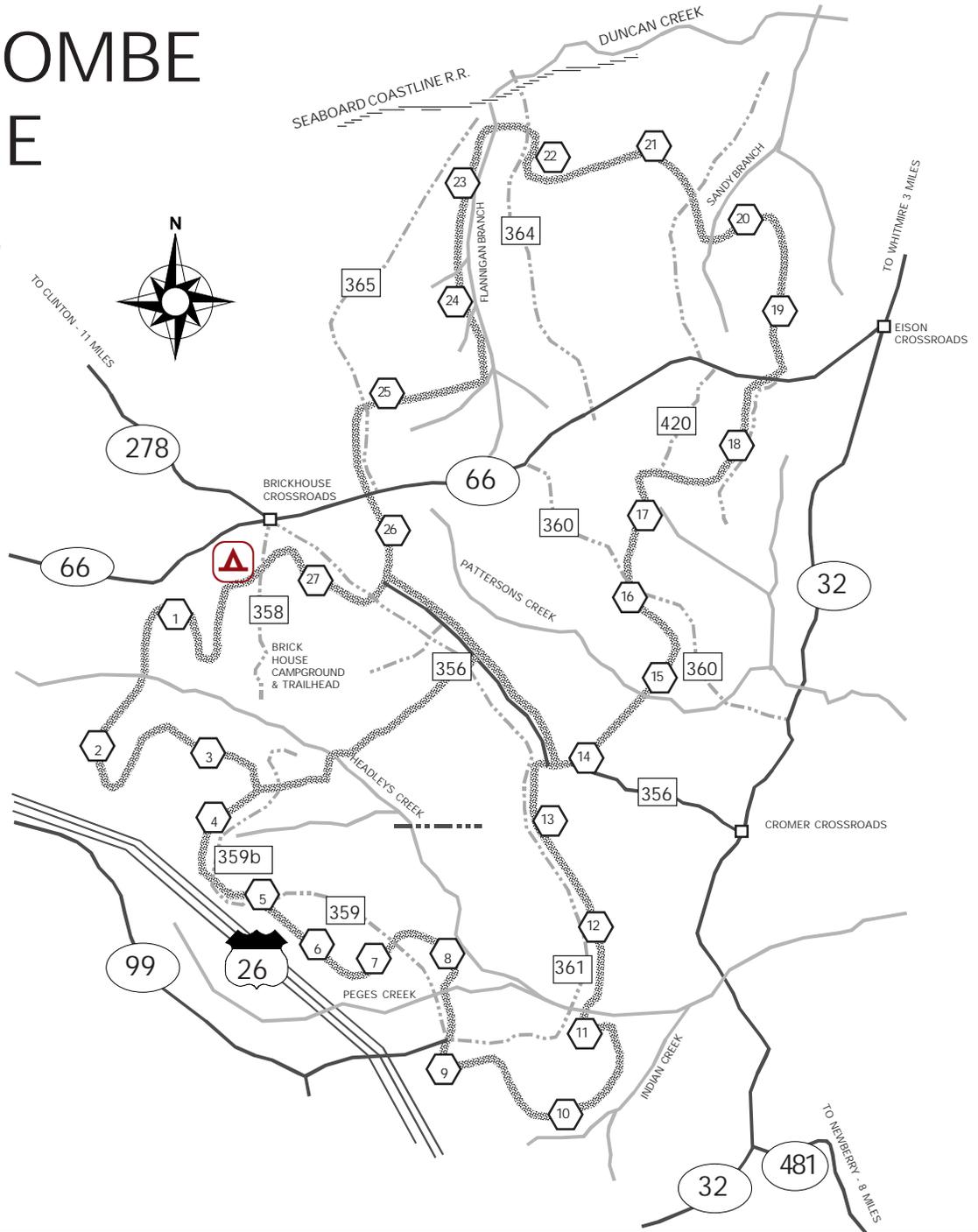
**Travel time:** varies with route selected, 2 to 5 hours.

**Volunteers for trail maintenance are always needed and welcome. Contact one of the District Offices.**

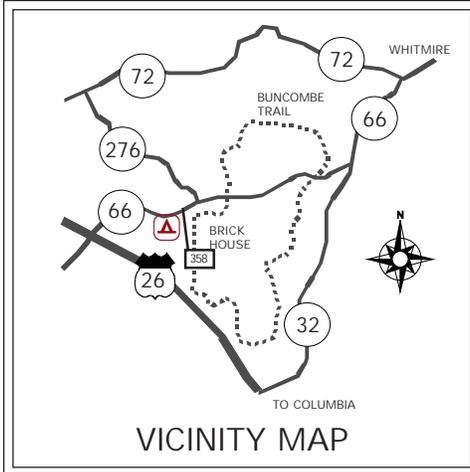
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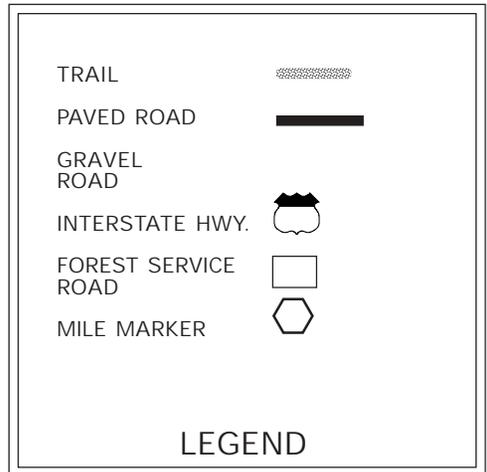
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LOCATION MAP



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# Horse Sense



## Safety

- File a trip plan with family or friends so someone will know where you are and whom to contact should you fail to return as planned.
- Take a first-aid kit, snake bite kit, compass and map. Know the location of the nearest hospital.
- Watch for hazards along the trail. Do not try to jump trees and other obstacles.
- Stay on trails to avoid stump holes in the woods.
- Take a break from time to time to rest.
- Wear blaze orange during the big-game hunting season (October through December).
- Have at least two adults in your party.
- Watch for vehicles when crossing roads.
- Locked vehicles are not completely safe. Leave valuable and unnecessary equipment at home.

## Leave no Trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Respect Wildlife
- Be considerate of Other Visitors

