

## ATCamp Step-by-Step Registration Instructions

### An important note before you start:

ATCamp was updated on February 6, 2024, to improve usability. If you registered a hike prior to February 6, 2024, you were not automatically given an ATCamp account. You'll need to create an account using the same name and email address used to create your original registration. Your registration(s) should then automatically appear under the My Registrations section of your ATCamp account.

If you registered a thru-hike for two people before February 6, 2024, each adult will need to make an account and the second person must register their hike separately. Thru-hikers and section hikers can no longer include more than one adult on the same registration to improve the quality of our data.

### To Register a Hike:

1. Go to [www.atcamp.org](http://www.atcamp.org) and login if you have an existing account or create an account. **Section hikers/backpackers and group hikers can skip to Step 3 unless you plan to start at Amicalola Falls State Park/Springer Mountain, Harpers Ferry, WV, or Katahdin Stream Campground in Baxter State Park.**
2. Thru-hikers should check the Hiker Crowding Charts before registering to help reduce overcrowding at popular start locations, especially Amicalola Falls and Springer Mountain. Flip-flop and southbound hikers can scroll down to see the charts for Harpers Ferry and Katahdin Stream Campground.

Verify that the date on which you plan to start your hike is under capacity (the red line). If it is over capacity, please choose another start date. This helps prevent damage to the Trail and overcrowding.

### Text Message Alerts Currently Not Available

ATCamp text message alerts are currently not available due to cell phone carrier limitations. Email alerts are still available. If you previously registered to receive text message alerts, you will now automatically receive email alerts instead. No action is needed. To manage your ATCamp alert settings, login and go to My Account -> Trail Alert Settings. For assistance, email [info@appalachiantrail.org](mailto:info@appalachiantrail.org).

**2** You have upcoming hiking trips. Go to My Account >> My Registrations to view, edit, cancel and print.



#### A.T. Group Campers

Register an organized group (up to 10 people) for camping on the A.T.



#### A.T. Section Hiker/Backpacker

Register to camp one or more nights along the A.T.



#### A.T. Thru-Hiker

Register to hike the entire A.T. in a twelve month span (Flip-Flop, Southbound or Northbound)



The mission of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy is to protect, manage, and advocate for the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. To become a member, volunteer and learn more, visit [www.appalachiantrail.org](http://www.appalachiantrail.org). ATCamp Registrations v3.1.0.00. Last Update: Friday August 14, 2026. Please send any comments or questions to [info@appalachiantrail.org](mailto:info@appalachiantrail.org). View our [Privacy Policy](#).

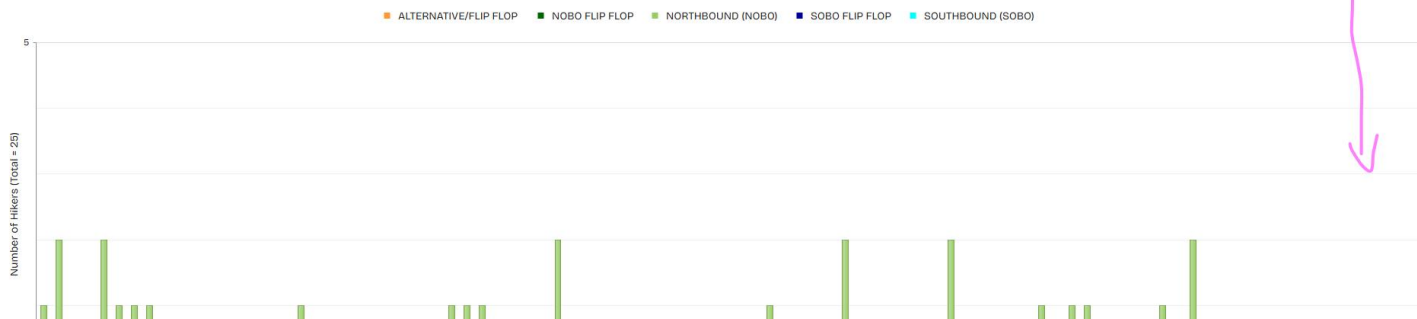
### Hiker Crowding Charts

These charts show real time registration numbers by day for the three most popular starting locations on the Trail and are informational only - you can't pick a start date on this page.

The Red Line on the chart shows when all overnight sites are full: once full, finding a place to sleep will be very difficult.

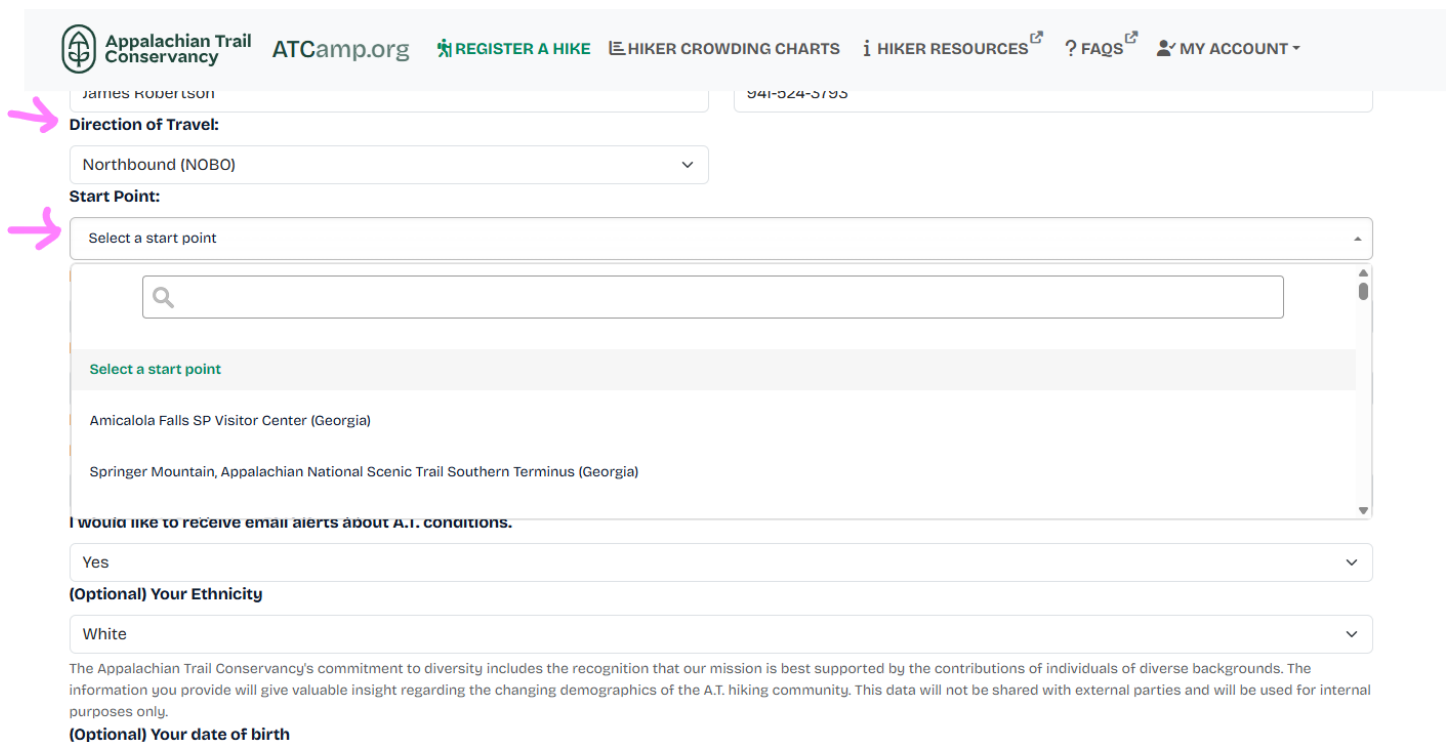
Start Date Month/Year: September 2026 **SHOW CHARTS**

AT Hikers: Georgia - Amicalola Falls/Springer Mountain  
August 1, 2026 - October 31, 2026 - Registered as of September 4, 2026



- Once you login or create your account, you'll be taken to the Register a Hike page, which allows you to choose what type of hike you'd like to register. Select your hike type by clicking on the icon. A pop up window will appear with important disclaimers about ATCamp and permits needed for the Trail. Read through, and click "I understand."
- You'll be taken to the registration form. Enter your information if it does not automatically appear. Then, enter your Direction of Travel. You must do this before selecting your Start Point.

Then, select your start point from the drop down and use the search bar if needed. Note that start point names match those from our Interactive Map.



The screenshot shows the ATCamp.org registration form. At the top is the Appalachian Trail Conservancy logo and navigation links: ATCamp.org, REGISTER A HIKE, HIKER CROWDING CHARTS, HIKER RESOURCES, FAQs, and MY ACCOUNT. Below the header, there are input fields for the user's name (James Robertson) and phone number (941-524-3193). The 'Direction of Travel' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Northbound (NOBO)'. The 'Start Point' section features a search bar and a list of options: 'Select a start point', 'Amicalola Falls SP Visitor Center (Georgia)', and 'Springer Mountain, Appalachian National Scenic Trail Southern Terminus (Georgia)'. Below this is a checkbox for email alerts, which is checked. The 'Optional) Your Ethnicity' section has a dropdown menu set to 'White'. A disclaimer at the bottom states that the information provided will be used for internal purposes only. The 'Optional) Your date of birth' section is partially visible at the bottom.

Appalachian Trail Conservancy ATCamp.org REGISTER A HIKE HIKER CROWDING CHARTS HIKER RESOURCES ? FAQs MY ACCOUNT

James Robertson 941-524-3193

**Direction of Travel:**

Northbound (NOBO)

**Start Point:**

Select a start point

Select a start point

Amicalola Falls SP Visitor Center (Georgia)

Springer Mountain, Appalachian National Scenic Trail Southern Terminus (Georgia)

I would like to receive email alerts about A.T. conditions.

Yes

**(Optional) Your Ethnicity**

White

The Appalachian Trail Conservancy's commitment to diversity includes the recognition that our mission is best supported by the contributions of individuals of diverse backgrounds. The information you provide will give valuable insight regarding the changing demographics of the A.T. hiking community. This data will not be shared with external parties and will be used for internal purposes only.

**(Optional) Your date of birth**

5. Once you select your start location, the Site Information window should pop up. This pop-up includes some information about your starting point and the Area Use Calendars. Scroll down to find and click your start date on the calendar. If you're desired start date is already over desired capacity, please choose another that is under capacity to help reduce overcrowding.

ATCAMP REGISTRATION - SITE INFORMATION



Elevation: 1,804 ft. (550 m)

Maximum Group Size: 10

Desired Capacity: 50

Water on Site

Privy on Site

Start point for Section 1

During the spring, ATC staff will be providing 15 minute thru-hike orientation sessions throughout the day at the Visitor Center. Please plan to attend one of these before you start your thru-hike.

**Help the A.T. last another 100 years by starting your NOBO thru-hike at Amicalola Falls SP.** During late winter USFS roads may be impassable due to mud, and parking is limited near Springer Mt.

- Orange** = desired capacity reached
- No quotas/limits are active for this area.
- Overall **number of spaces used** are shown at the bottom of each date block.

Area Use Calendars

SELECT A PAST DATE

September 2026

October 2026

November 2026

CLOSE

- Thru-hikers only need to enter their Start Point and Start Date; they do not need to enter any overnight sites or an end location. **Thru-hikers can skip to Step 10. Section hikers and backpackers who will be out for an extended trip (a week or more) can also opt to skip to Step 10 after entering your start date.** Entering each night's stay for a longer trip is cumbersome and likely would become inaccurate over time anyways as plans change on the Trail.

Section hikers/backpackers and group hikers will be prompted to add overnight sites where you plan to stay. Once you select your start location, a map for your starting area should appear with overnight site icons (little shelter or tent icons). Click the overnight site icon on the map where you plan to stay for your first night on the Trail. The Site Information pop-up will appear, just like with your start location. Click the “Add to Itinerary” button.

Start Point:

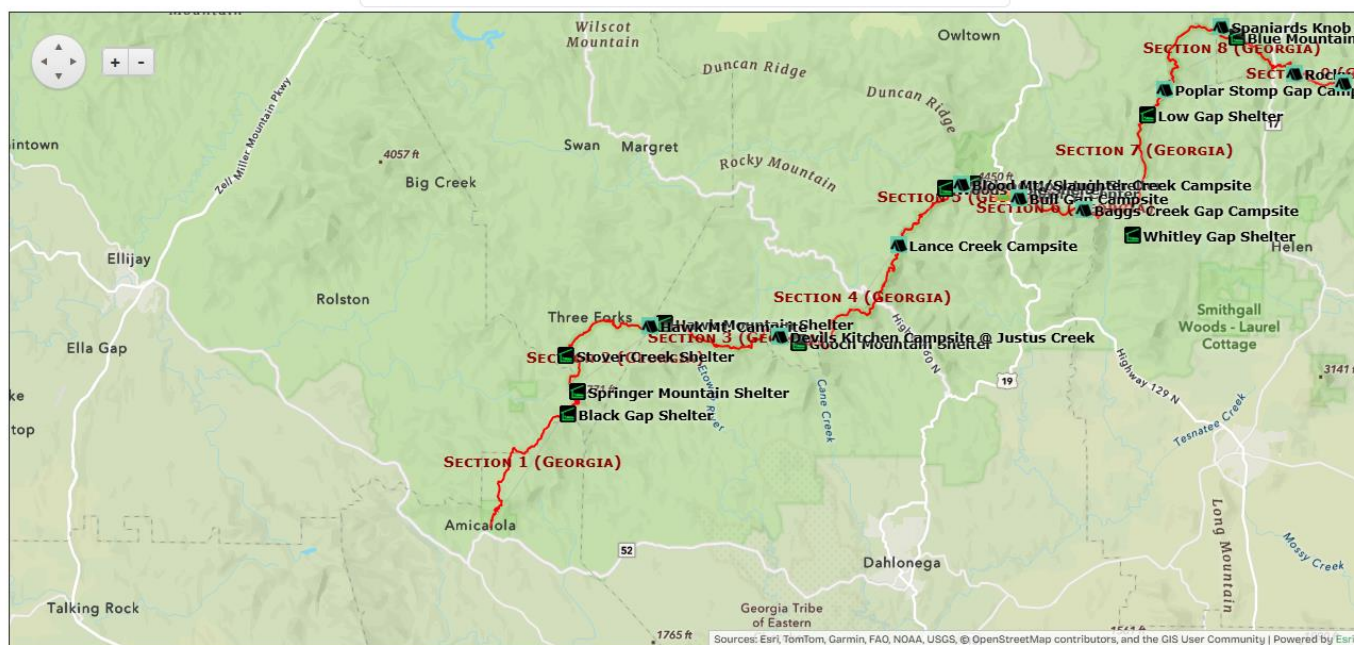
Amicalola Falls SP Visitor Center (Georgia)

MAP HELP

Jump to state:

All states

MAP KEY



Number in Party: 1

START OVER

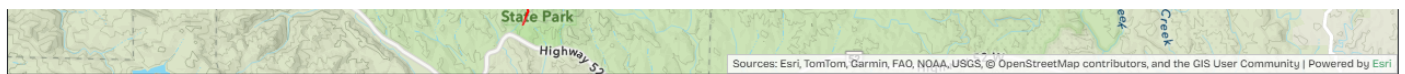


## A small, open-sided wooden pavilion with a metal roof, situated in a wooded area with bare trees. The pavilion has a dark interior and is surrounded by a dirt path and several trees. The scene is captured in a photograph with a white border.

**Distance from Amicalola Falls SP Visitor Center:** 9.00 miles (14.48 km).

**CLOSE**

- Note that only designed overnight sites (sites that were created and are maintained by the land manager and local Club) appear in ATCamp. User-created or dispersed sites will not appear.



Number in Party: 1

START OVER

| Date                                 | Resource                                                                    | Mileage   | Section   |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Start Hike</b> Fri. Oct. 16, 2026 | Amicalola Falls SP Visitor Center (GA)                                      | N/A (0.0) | Section 1 |
| Fri. Oct. 16, 2026                   | Springer Mountain Shelter (GA)                                              | 9 (9.0)   | Section 2 |
| Sat Oct 17 2026                      | <div>ADD ZERO DAY OFF TRAIL</div> <div>ADD  </div> <div>ADD END DATE </div> |           |           |

My # days per Registration: 150

I would like to receive general updates and news from the Appalachian Trail Conservancy

- When you’ve entered each overnight site where you plan to stay while on the Trail, you’ll then need to enter your end location. To do this, click “Add End Date.” The map should then switch from showing overnight site icons to trailhead icons (little hiker icons). Click the trailhead where you plan to end your hike.
- Once you’ve clicked the end location for your hike, your complete itinerary should show in the registration form, and you can continue with your registration by completing the remaining optional questions.
- Once everything is entered in your Registration Form, click the green “Review Registration” button at the bottom of the page.
- You’ll be routed to a page to review your registration. If everything looks good, click the green “Submit Registration” button. If anything is incorrect, click the green “Edit Registration” button at the top of the page and edit your registration as needed.
- Once you submit your registration, you’ll be routed back to the My Account page of the website, and your registration will show under Current and Upcoming Registrations. Your registration will be expanded since you just made it. You can click the “Hide” button to collapse this registration and see more of your Account page.

You’ll receive an email confirmation with links to trip planning resources. You’ll also receive a reminder email a week before your trip.

**Still have questions? Email [info@appalachiantrail.org](mailto:info@appalachiantrail.org) or call the ATC at 304-535-6331 for assistance. Thank you for registering your hike and helping to leave the A.T. better than you found it!**